



## **'Serving Those Who Can Not Serve Themselves'**

### **District 7-L Cabinet Meeting**

April 30, 2016 3:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

University of the Ozarks, Clarksville, AR

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

(CABINET MEMBERS): DG Maxine Crittenden (Texarkana Evening), DGE John Collier (Hope), 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Larry Ketcham, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG/Z3Chr./Webmaster Don Draper (HSV Breakfast), Sec. Nell Rockett (HSV Evening), PDG Bob DeVinney (HSV Evening), Z1Chr. Rene Roberts (Mena Lioness), Z2Chr. Toni Shockey (HS Oaklawn), GLT/Z4 Chr. Claudia Griffin (Hope), Z6Chr. Jimmie Crittenden (Texarkana Evening), Eye Bank Chr. Dennis Williams (Arkadelphia), WSB/Sight Preserv. Chr. Dave DeGraff (HSV Evening), Mid-South Coord. Art Ritter (Bryant), Member Co-Chr. Richard Welch (Benton), Honorary Bill Mertins (Arkadelphia).

(CLUBS/GUESTS): Lions Anita Williams and Ruby Mertins (Arkadelphia); Lion Austin Blake Styles (Bryant); Lions Jessica Trauger, Ally Wade, Richard Wade, Sheila Key (Hope Evening); Lion David Shockey (HS Oaklawn); Lion Carla Mosley (Mena Lioness).

Meeting called to order at 3:45 p.m. by DG Maxine Crittenden.

**APPROVAL OF MARCH 19, 2015 MINUTES:** Minutes were emailed to cabinet members and club officers prior to the meeting. Motion was made by PDG Bob DeVinney and seconded by Lion Dennis Williams to accept the minutes. Motion passed.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** In lieu of Treasurer Claude Jamerson, Secretary Nell Rockett presented and passed out the treasurer's report. Ending balance at the end of March was \$5,228.42. After adding the outstanding April deposits of \$1,476.00, there is presently a balance of \$6,704.42. Motion was made by Lioness Rene Roberts and seconded by Lion Richard Wade to accept the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- DGE Collier waived the update on the Centennial Celebration since he had given a complete report during the convention just prior to the cabinet meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- District Centennial Coordinator: DGE Collier reported that PDG James Griffin will step down as the District Centennial Coordinator in order to replace PDG John Lewis as GMT due to Lion Lewis' health issues. Lion Richard Wade (Hope Evening Lions) will replace Lion Griffin as the District Centennial Coordinator.
- Lion Dick Welch recommended that six (6) safety vests be purchased at the price of \$18 each to be placed in the District Disaster Alert Trailer. Lion Don Draper made a motion and Lion Dennis Williams seconded that six safety vests be purchased for \$108 using funds from the Disaster Relief Fund. Motion passed.
- DGE Collier announced that it is imperative for Membership Directors from each club in the district attend the Membership Training scheduled for May 21, 2016, 10:00 a.m. at Western Sizzlin in Arkadelphia.
- DG Crittenden encouraged all clubs to submit the Officer Training Report (PU101) to LCI before or by mid May and to have all officers trained.
- DGE Collier announced changes for delegates to the state convention next year as: Clubs must have dues paid thirty (30) days prior to convention (state, district, national); otherwise, club cannot have delegates at the convention. Paying dues at the convention will not be acceptable to have delegates.

## **REPORTS:**

- **Zone Team Chairs/VDG:**
  1. Zone 1 Chair Rene Roberts reported that Mena Lions is kicking off their Disc Off. The Mena Lionesses just received the Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year. Hatfield is having a Jubilee in June and Lockesburg is celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in March.
  2. Zone 2 Chair Toni Shockey announced the upcoming Hot Springs South Lions gun show and H.S. Oaklawn is having a barbecue on September 30<sup>th</sup>. The Hot Springs Noon Lions are partnering with Hot Springs Village Evening Lions and the Hot Springs Village Breakfast Lions for the Diabetes Awareness & Health Fair on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Lion Shockey explained that she will be moving from H.S. Oaklawn to H.S. Noon Club in order to help them retain their club. They will be meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at the Colorado Grill. Lion Shockey will be president, secretary and treasurer until the club is thriving and new officers can be selected.
  3. Zone 3 Chair Don Draper reported that he will be getting with most of his clubs next week to work on officer training.
  4. GLT/Zone 4 Chair Claudia Griffin is working on officer training. She encouraged present zone chairs and the 2016-17 zone chairs to work together on officer training.
  5. Zone 6 Chair Jimmie Crittenden reported that he just visited the Mineral Springs Lions. Also reported that Texarkana Evening Lions is partnering with the city of Texarkana to help clean up Broad Street.

➤ **Cabinet Reports:**

1. 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Larry Ketcham reported he met April 29<sup>th</sup> with other cabinet members to discuss situations involving two clubs in his zones. One situation involved recruitment for the Hot Springs Noon Lions. He has called all individuals who signed in as charter members of the club but did not come or were officially inducted into the club. The other situation involved stimulating the Glenwood club. This club desperately need to recruit new members and are in need of new leadership. Lion Ketcham will be working closely with this club and has plans to canvas the Glenwood community for possible members. Lion Ketcham announced that all other clubs in his zones are in good shape.
2. DGE John Collier stated that he has been looking closely at the active clubs in the district and has found a direct relationship with service and the retention and increase of membership. The more active clubs are recruiting and retaining more members. me another Lion will be asked to step in to assist GMT Lewis until the end of his term.
3. Mid-South Coordinator Art Ritter announced that Mid-South Leader Weekend was a success. Wal-Mart gave \$100,000 (\$25,000 from each of the 4 states) to Mid-South; however, Mid-South still need funds and the support of all clubs in the district.
4. Lions Quest Chair Toni Shockey announced she has the necessary signatures and approval from the Governor's Council to release Lions Quest grant money back to LCIF. Releasing these grant funds does not mean the district can't reapply for another grant in the future if we get letters of intent for workshops.

1<sup>st</sup> VDG Ketcham relayed a thank you message from PDG/GMT John Lewis for the cards and well wishes during his time of illness.

**NEXT MEETING:** The last meeting of this fiscal year will be June 18, 2016 at Western Sizzlin in Arkadelphia beginning at 10:00 a.m.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** (Lion Dennis Williams moved and Lion Art Ritter seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nell Rockett, Secretary