

D40S CABINET MEETING 2 February 2008

1. DG Jim Brannon opened the meeting by welcoming the attendees. Lion Bryson McCool led the Lions Prayer and Lion Phil Marvel led the Pledge of Allegiance. Lion Sam Lopez was appointed the Tail Twister for the meeting.
2. DG Jim Brannon gave an update status report on VDG Kitty and MDCC Bob Callender.
3. The minutes from the 3 November 2007 D40S Cabinet Meeting in Alamogordo were approved as sent out to Cabinet members and posted on the MD40 Lions Website.
4. Lion Phil Marvel commended the Deming Lions for getting an article in the Deming newspaper concerning his recent visit to the Club as Region Chairman. Also the Deming Wildcats Lions had an article in the paper about their beef raffle as a Club fundraiser. He also commended the Deming Lions for their Lions Big Coloring Book sale as a fundraiser. It was mentioned that the Coloring Book sale project is always at the International Conventions.
5. DG Jim Brannon asked for a show of hands for each of the D40S clubs represented at the meeting. The clubs with the most members were the Deming Wildcats and the Las Cruces Sunrise Lions. DG Jim also apologized for the late change of the location of the meeting from Las Cruces to Deming.
6. REGION/ZONE CHAIR REPORTS.
 - a. Region 1 Chair Phil Marvel reported that he has been visiting all the Clubs in his Region. The Region 1 Clubs have been trying to file their Membership and Activity Reports on time.
 - b. Region I Zone 2 Chair Joe Jaramillo said that he has gotten the Anthony Lions back on track with filing their reports and paying their dues. All Clubs have been visited and are doing well. Lion Jack Thomas (Las Cruces Sunrise Club) reported that the NM Lions Survivor Camp will not be held this year because Jennifer (Director of the Camp), who had done the job previously for no pay, had taken a job elsewhere and moved. To hire a Director would mean that \$20,000 would have to be made available which could not be done in this short a time. It is hoped money can be raised to do it next year. He asked for Clubs to keep their donations coming.
 - c. Region I Zone 3 Chair Jeremiah Garcia announced the Clubs in his Zone were very busy. The only exception was the Lordsburg Lions Club which is relatively inactive. He is going to try and bring them back. He said he was very concerned about all of the Lions who are being dropped for "Resigned in Good Standing," or for "Non-Payment of Dues" or "Non-Attendance." These Lions should be given an exit interview to determine why they quit and if there is anything that could be done to reinstate them. Finally he also suggested that maybe D40S Zones think about having Zone Socials in the future as a way to bring Lions together from different Clubs.

- d. Region 2 Zone 2 Chair Jeanette gave a report for both the Region (Chuck Galusha Chair) and her Zone. Almost all of the Clubs in the Region are doing well. Some Clubs are having problems with getting their Membership and Activity reports in on time. Most of the member drops in the Region have been due to death, health, or moving. The Earth Day Fair is coming up in Alamogordo and all Clubs are invited to attend and participate.
- e. Region 2 Zone 3 Chair Claudia Jensen reported that the two Clubs in her Zone have both contributed to CSFII. The two Clubs are looking into doing a joint project in the future. The two Clubs have not lost any members since the last Cabinet Meeting.
- f. Region 3 Zone 1 Chair Melissa Washburn provided a report which stated she did make an official Club visit to Hagerman and Artesia Clubs. All is going well with much activity. Hagerman is a small Club, and with the passing of their Officers they are a little lost but have put them on the right track to the LCI web site for much needed training for the new officers. They have signed a new member, at Christmas they got involved sponsoring childrens' gifts for children in their area that their parents are incarcerated, and are very active with their community. Artesia is interested in the new camera as well as Lions Crane Reading program. They had their big tail gate party fund raiser with much success, and did several Christmas baskets and gifts for needy families. She has set up an official visit with Heights Lions for Feb. 8, and the Roswell Clubs next week. She will have her 2nd Zone meeting the end of the month in Artesia at Chaps Restaurant, date still pending. Further activity will be reported at a later date.
- g. Region 3 Zone 2 Chair provided report that a Zone Meeting was held recently in Hobbs. The Clubs are busy and doing well with new members joining.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. State Convention - PID Don Reese handed Convention information/registration packets to each of the Clubs present. Registration is \$60 before 31 March; \$70 after 31 March; and \$80 if you register at the Convention. Lion Don went over the events that will occur during the Convention. First timers at an MD40 Convention will be recognized. There will not be a parade and absolutely no raffles.
- b. Campaign SightFirst II - PID Don Reese reported that the initial phase of CSF II which hoped to raise \$150M has fallen short of that goal. Only 12 Clubs (out of 35) in the District have contributed to CSF II for a total of \$8810. He reminded everyone that the donation for the Melvin Jones Fellow Award can go towards CS FII.
- c. Diabetes Awareness - Lion Jeanette Lang reported that the Double Jump Diabetes Awareness project for kids is currently active in several schools in Alamogordo. More information on this project will be forthcoming to the Clubs.
- d. Info Tech - Lion Bryson McCool asked if anyone was having problems with accessing the MD40 Website or Lions Roar. He also suggested that if a Club wished, he could develop a

special page for their Club on the Website that could contain any information they wished.

- e. Hearing and Speech - Lion Anna Marvel reported that a little girl in Las Cruces had a condition where she was born without one of her ears. The Las Cruces de Noche Lions led the project to help raise money for the child to get the operation to replace the ear. The operation was successful and she attended their Christmas Party where DG Jim Brannon played Santa. The little girl, who was very shy, warmed up to Santa and they had quite a conversation. Lion Clarence Gaussoin reported that he has sent letters to all the NM Club about providing a donation to the Hearing Aid Program. So far, seven (7) folks have been outfitted with a hearing aid with no cost to them.
- f. Women's Development - Lion Melissa Washburn had provided a report which stated that we are right on track with our planned Symposium. We will be hosting it at the Ruidoso Downs with the Best Western Pine Springs Inn as our Host Hotel, with 30 rooms being blocked at the price of \$91.00 a night for 1-4 people. We have secured our guest speaker, PID Beverly Roberts from Augusta, Georgia. We have plenty of fun hands-on events going to be presented as well as the evening cook out for all Lions, friends, and family. I did sent a letter and registration form to every registrant that came to the last Symposium as well as to every Club. We encourage Lions to register early.
- g. Environmental/Public Relations/Peace Poster - Lion Jeanette Lang reported for Chair Chuck Galusha that he is working on getting the Display for the 2008 Peace Poster Contest. The Environmental Photo Contest has ended for this year with several more photos than last year. The judging is being set up and should occur shortly.
- h. Youth Exchange - Chair Bettie Brannon reported that if D40S is going to do anything for Youth Exchange, she would need some help. She noted that Lions Tom and Rose Himrod have led the project for an exchange student from Japan in the past and maybe they could help.
- i. Leadership - PDG Rick Jensen announced that the International Project for collecting used clothes for needy folks in Mexico had hit a bump in the road. Evidently the Mexican government will not permit the clothes to come into the country as it will adversely impact their textile industry (only in Mexico!). PDG Rick said they are working to see if there is a work-around on this so the folks can receive the clothes. In the meantime, all of the clothes that had been brought to Deming would be left with the Deming Wildcats Lions and stored until such a time they can be distributed.
- j. NM Lions Band Foundation - PDG Lee Boyd provided a report that stated that since our New Mexico Lions Honor Band will not be able to attend our state convention, Dr. Greg Fant and his associate directors are planning a concert tour in New Mexico around the first of July. If Clubs are interested in hosting the band or helping the band plan its tour schedule, please contact associate Honor Band director Bernie Chavez, 1602 Emerson,

Deming, NM [88030 505-544-3244](http://88030.505-544-3244) chavez3@zianet.com. By the way, Bernie is President of the Deming Wildcats Lions Club. The band's tour is limited by length of tour, itinerary, and finances. Each request will be given full consideration. Additionally, if your Club has not yet made its annual contribution, please send it to Lion PDG Vic Lyon, Treasurer, New Mexico Lions Band Foundation, as soon as possible. We need the funds to help preplan the 2008 New Mexico Tour.

- k. Regional Training - A report was provided outlining the upcoming regional training. The schedule is:

MD 40 REGIONALIZED TRAINING SCHEDULE

LOCATION DATE	INFORMATION/ORIENTATION 10:00am—12:00noon	CLUB OFFICER ORIENTATION 1:00pm—2:00pm	TTI 2:15pm—3:00pm	LOCATION ARRANGEMENT
LAS CRUCES Saturday March 1, 2008	Record attendees desires on a flip chart 20 min Bob Callender # 1 25 min Jim Brannon # 2 15 min Rick Jensen # 3 20 min Open discussion & summary	Kitty Callender # 4 15 min Bryson McCool # 4 15 min Joe Jacamillo # 5 10 min Open discussion & summary	Jeff Kriz # 6 Open discussion & summary	Phil Marvel 505-640-3273 C
ALAMOGORDO Sunday March 2, 2008	Record attendees desires on a flip chart 20 min Bob Callender # 1 25 min Jim Brannon # 2 15 min Rick Jensen # 3 20 min Open discussion & summary	Kitty Callender # 4 15 min Bryson McCool # 5 15 min Jeanette Lang # 5 10 min Open discussion & summary	Jeff Kriz # 6 Open discussion & summary	Chuck Galusha 505-434-6296
ALBUQUERQUE Saturday March 8, 2008	Record attendees desires on a flip chart 20 min Tom Himrod # 1 25 min Chuck Easton # 2 15 min Bill Davis # 3 20 min Open discussion & summary	Adolph Gallegos # 4 15 min Shelly Smith # 5 10 min Roger Sheak # 7 10 min Open discussion & summary	Jeff Kriz # 6 Open discussion & summary	Chuck Easton 505-299-2163
LAS VEGAS Sunday March 9, 2008	Record attendees desires on a flip chart 20 min Tom Himrod # 1 25 min Chuck Easton # 2 15 min Bob Jones # 3 20 min Open discussion & summary	Tom Himrod # 4 15 min Ruben Vigil # 5 10 min Open discussion & summary	Ray Marley # 6 Open discussion & summary	Ruben Vigil 505-424-3570
ARTESIA Saturday March 15, 2008	Record attendees desires on a flip chart 20 min Jim Brannon # 1 25 min Gemma Ferguson # 2 15 min Melissa Washburn # 3 20 min Open discussion & summary	Kitty Callender # 4 15 min Bryson McCool # 4 15 min Melissa Washburn # 5 10 min Open discussion & summary	Ray Marley # 6 Open discussion & summary	Melissa Washburn 505-2234-2724
CLOVIS Sunday March 16, 2008	Record attendees desires on a flip chart 20 min Tom Himrod # 1 25 min Chuck Easton # 2 15 min Juan Lucero # 3 20 min Open discussion & summary	Chuck Easton # 4 15 min Hal Helton # 5 10 min Open discussion & summary	Ray Marley # 6 Open discussion & summary	Hal Helton 505-762-7138

#1 New Mexico Lions Information, Projects and general information: #2 District Information: #3 Orientation: #4 Club Officer Orientation:

#5 What it means to be a Club President: #6 Transition-Transition- Transformation (TTI) introduction: #7 Emerging Lions summary.

- A panel for discussion at lunch will be chosen from those in attendance.
- Times are approximate to allow adequate time for participant involvement. Address of training will be determined at a later date.
- Presenters are requested to send an outline of your presentation to Ray Marley ten (10) days in advance of your scheduled presentation.

REQUEST EACH CLUB PRESIDENT/SECRETARY RECEIVE A VISIT OR PHONE CALL BY A DISTRICT OFFICER & ENCOURAGE ATTENDANCE BY NEW LIONS & THOSE THAT HAVE NOT ATTENDED A PREVIOUS LIONS TRAINING SESSION IN NEW MEXICO. A listing of the names and which location they expect to attend would be very helpful so adequate space and materials can be prepared.

- Lunch entertainment was provided by renown wild west show trick roper Darrell Hawkins , a former Lions member , and his wife Deloris. DG Jim Brannon presented PDG Jeff Kriz with an Immediate Past District Governor's Appreciation Certificate signed by PIP Jimmy Ross.
- PDG Jeff Kriz gave a rundown on the UNM Eye Institute proposal in which NM Lions would be asked to raise \$2M to help finance the construction of the building. He also informed the attendees that the NM Lions Eye Foundation will be having a fundraiser, "Eye on the Future," on 23 February at the Nativo Lodge in Albuquerque. Contact him if you wish to buy tickets.
- DG Jim Brannon announced that the MD40 Lions Museum and Hall of Fame, which resides in the Geronimo Springs Museum in T or C, will be having a grand opening in the near future. Lions artifacts and other Lions items of interest are needed for display. Items can be on a loan basis or given to the Museum.

11. DG Jim Brannon thanked the two Deming Lions Clubs for hosting the Cabinet Meeting. The drawing was held and Lion Claudia Jensen won the prize with the raffle proceeds going to the Deming Wildcats Lions. The money from the fines was split between the two Deming Lions Clubs. DG Jim Brannon adjourned the meeting.

ATTENDEES:

Ron Belanger	Silver City	President	
Bettie Brannon	T or C	President	
DG Jim Brannon	T or C	D40S DG	
John Chess	Silver City	Secretary	130 mi.
Paul Feil	Deming	Secretary	
Dotty Flint	Deming Wildcats	Secretary/Treas.	
Jeff Flint	Deming Wildcats	Mem. Chair	
Ruth Gange	Elephant Butte Host	PP	
Jeremiah Garcia	Silver City	Zone Chair	100 mi.
Clarence Gaussoin	Las Cruces de Noche		130 mi.
Nancy Hollenbeck	Deming Wildcats	Tail Twister	
Joe Jaramillo	Las Cruces Sunrise	Zone Chair	130 mi.
Claudia Jensen	High Rolls	Zone Chair	260 mi.
PDG Rick Jensen	High Rolls		260 mi.
Wayne Krack	Deming Wildcats		
PDG Jeff Kriz	Alb. Rio Grande	Pres., NMLEF	
Jeanette Lang	Alamogordo Breakfast	Zone Chair	240 mi.
Bill Lawrence	Las Cruces Sunrise		
Sam Lopez	Las Cruces Sunrise		
Chuck Maly	Ruidoso Noon	President	
Anna Marvel	Las Cruces de Noche	Comm. Chair	
Phil Marvel	Las Cruces de Noche	Region Chair	130 mi.
Bryson McCool	Ruidoso Noon	Secretary	350 mi.
PDG Doc O'connell	Deming		
Georgia Qualls	Alamogordo Breakfast	Membership	
Bette Reed	Alamogordo Downtown	Acting Pres.	
PDG Terry Reed	Alamogordo Downtown	Secretary	
PDG LeRoy Rapp	Deming	President	
Don Reese	Eunice	CSFII	660 mi.
Mary Jean Reese	Eunice	Treas.	
Charles Rothman	Hobbs Downtown	Secretary	
Billye Steelman	Las Cruces	President	
Eldon Steelman	Las Cruces	LCRP	
Jack Thomas	Las Cruces Sunrise	Secretary	