



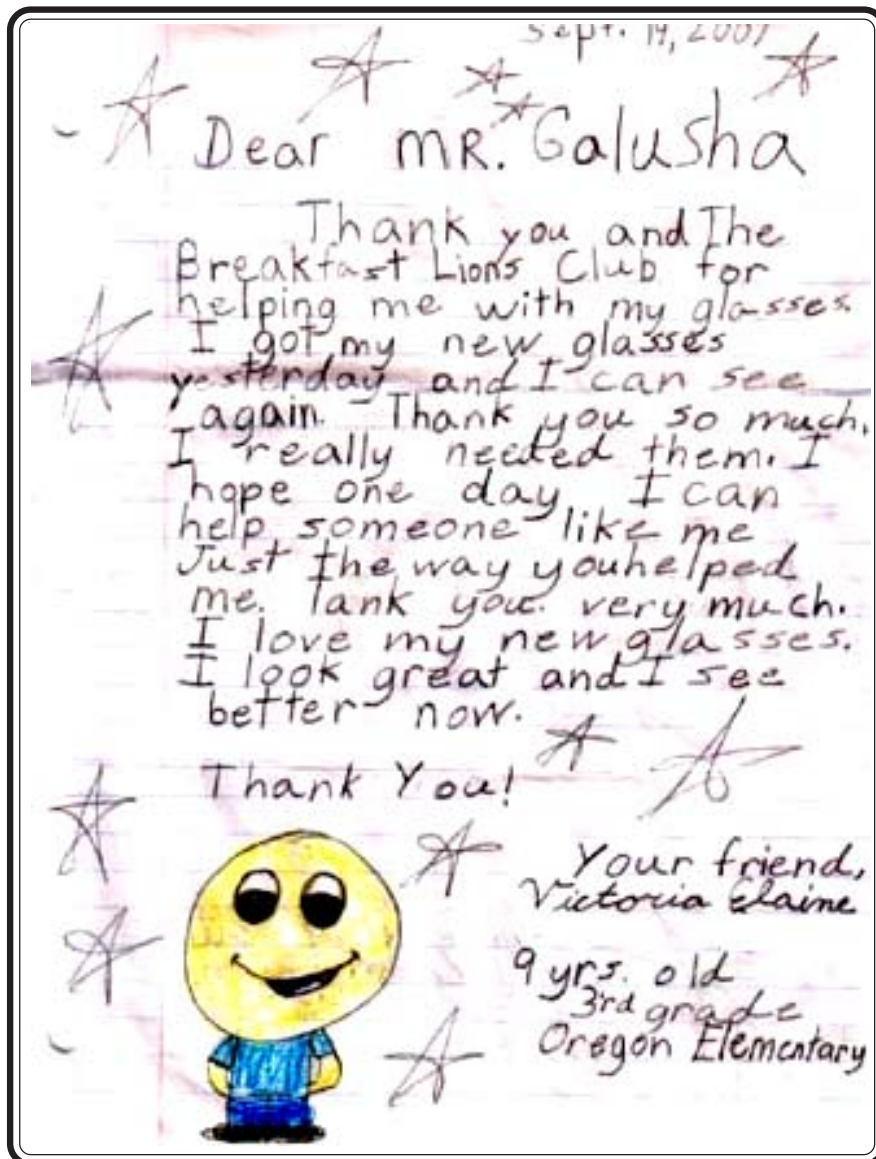
A Lion's Paycheck by Lion Chuck Galusha

As every Vision Assistance Chairman and board member knows all too well, there are many families that we assist as Lions that seem to take the help for granted. Every Lion works hard within their club to be sure that there are funds available to be able to help those in need. We as Lions are willing to give up time with our families to work at fundraising events to

make this happen. Every one of us has at one time or another questioned, "Just why do I do this?" Please print this out and share it with everyone, Lions and non-Lions alike, for this is the paycheck that we receive for doing what we freely choose to. This letter came along with a very nice thank-you letter from the girl's mom as well. Also enclosed was a self portrait with her new glasses.

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A Big Lions Roar

The Lions Clubs of MD40 salute Lions Juan and Rita Lucero for their tireless efforts supporting the NM Lions Eye Foundation Screening Van screening dates. As a team, they set-up, interact with clients, register, process, close-out paper work, assist host clubs, and do an endless list of other tasks to make the screening days successful. Their efforts do not go unnoticed! by PDG Bill Davis

IN MEMORIAM: LION MARY DUNCAN



Lion Mary Duncan

8 February 2007



Lion Mary Duncan, 90, passed away on Sunday, 4 November 2007. Mary and her husband, Emmitt, who preceded her in death, were both longtime residents of Albuquerque and members of the Rio Grande Lions Club. Lion Mary was the Club Historian. They owned the Mr. Swiss Restaurant near downtown Albuquerque for eighteen years in the 1970s and 1980s. A private interment took place at Santa Fe National Cemetery, where Mary was laid to rest alongside her husband. She is survived by nephews, nieces, and foster children.

(Picture & article by Lion Penelope Lespinasse)

Halloween and Youth Exchange in Santa Fe by Lion Miriam Stucker

On Halloween, the Santa Fe Capital City Lions Club held a costume party at Lions Mary and John Hackler's home. Lion D40N "Guv" was disguised as the Knight of the Blind and Lion Rose was Queen Marion or maybe Gweniviere. Costumes of many descriptions added to the night of great fun as everyone ducked spiders, skulls, and squeaking ghosts. Lion Miriam Stucker was dressed in a caftan from Morocco which had been given to the Himrods as a gift from a youth exchange student.

Special guests were Veronica Wesner and her parents. Veronica was sponsored by the Santa Fe Capital City Lions as an exchange student to Japan. She has studied Japanese for ten years. Her journey included three weeks with three different Japanese families, one of which were Lions. Two weeks were spent at a Lions Camp. Veronica was one of five Americans in a group of 50 students. Mr. and Mrs. Wesner expressed their appreciation to the Santa Fe Capital City Lions for their daughter's opportunity to visit Japan. Veronica is one of the founders of a Leo Club in Santa Fe and is currently serving as Vice-President.



Lion Miriam Stucker with Sir "Guv" (DG Tom Himrod), Knight of the Blind.



Party hosts, Lions Mary and John Hackler.



Lion Rose and DG Tom Himrod.



Lion Rose Himrod and Veronica showing off some banners she brought back from Japan.

Sadie Orchard Day in T or C by DG Jim Brannon

The recently held Sadie Orchard Day, which was co-sponsored by the T or C Lions and the Geronimo Springs Museum, was deemed a fun day by all who attended. Food, music, games, sarsaparilla, and melodrama rounded out a full day of activities. The historical melodrama was highlighted by the appearance of Sadie's ghost at her gravesite to straighten out a lot of rumors and mis-truths. Kids of all ages enjoyed participating in the ever-popular watermelon seed spittin' contest, chamber pot relay, and bed races.



DG and part-time barkeep Jim Brannon inspects the gold dollar that PDG Bill King used to pay for his ice cold sarsaparilla as Lion Danny Mena looks on.



Some of the Lions who provided food, music, and melodrama: (L-R) Lion Tombo Bunch (Tail Twister); Pres. Bettie Brannon, aka "Lucy Lou;" Lion Danny Mena (Lion Tamer); DG Jim Brannon, aka "Brushy Joe;" Patricia Kiddney, aka "Sadie Orchard;" and Lion Dorothy Marietta.



T or C President and DG Jim Brannon joined with the "Six Guns and Shady Ladies of El Paso" to perform a genuine old west shoot-out as part of the festivities.

Deming Wildcats Lions News by Lion Phil Marvel & DG Jim Brannon

The Deming Wildcats Lions Club, MD40's newest Club which was chartered September 2007, is growing in all aspects including member attendance, developing fundraisers and service projects, and community awareness.

One community service project they are investigating is the kids bicycle helmet program that has been undertaken by the Albuquerque Rio Grand Lions Club. They have also signed on for the NM Lions signature project to collect used clothes which are being disbursed by the Casas Grande Lions Club to needy folks in Mexico.

District 40S plans to schedule a retreat after the first of the year for the Deming Wildcats to develop a strategic plan of action for the future.



Charter Night Banquet. (L to R): President Bernie Chavez, Lions Anna and Phil Marvel, DG 40S Jim Brannon, Lion Bettie Brannon, VDG Kitty Callender, and MDCC Bob Callender.

Alamogordo's Second Zoo by Lion Chuck Galusha

What happens when a Lion attends a Lions Clubs International Convention? For sure they will meet a lot of people from the world over who all have a concern for bettering their communities and they will learn something new.

Such was the case when Alamogordo Breakfast Lion Andy Smith attended the Lions Clubs International Convention in San Diego, California. Safari Club International had a display set up at the convention and Lion Andy Smith had a vision. He spoke to the Safari Club International members there and asked if they would assist in providing the animals they had on display and others to set up a "Sensory Zoo" on a campus in Alamogordo. The NMSBVI Campus was of course the place he was thinking about. Lion Andy credits Lion John Douglass with the logistics of getting the large animals from Tucson, AZ, to Alamogordo. In fact, Lion John covered all of the expenses involved in the moving. Now think for just a moment of what it must have taken to move a large number of full sized mounted animals among which were, an Alaskan Brown Bear, a Moose, an Arctic Musk Ox, an African Lion, and hosts of other smaller animals and birds.

In the years since it arrived, what is now known as the "Sensory Safari" has made many moves around campus from dedicated rooms to an area set up by a local Boy Scout as his Eagle Scout project which showed the continents where the animals originated and just as in real life the animals have also overcome natural disasters such as a flood.

The most recent stop on the Safari for the animals is as a part of the library at NMSBVI. It was in this setting that the staff and students set up a ceremony to honor the Alamogordo Breakfast Lions for all their generosity to the school. The standing room only program was led off by a choir of 16 students who sang native African songs and another group of students provided a puppet show to a story read by one of the students. Other classes from the school worked to provide light snacks made from recipes from some of the native areas of the animals.

The library at NMSBVI is now being opened to other school's classes as well as to home schooled children and others. The library certainly seems to be an excellent location for all of the wildlife, a place to experience a truly "Sensory Safari".

As one spoke with any of the many "tour guides," each was quick to point out their favorite among the many animals. Some liked the small ones and others liked the really big ones and each of the students pointed out which features of the animals they liked best. After all where can you go to actually

touch a full grown Alaskan brown bear to see what it feels like? High on the list of favorites are the many species of birds, with many of the smaller mammals close behind.

No display is ever complete and several of the animals have been changed out or replaced since they first came to Alamogordo. The students and staff alike have a wish list of new animals they would like to have on display. Not all of the animals on the wish list are rare and exotic, as a matter of fact many are quite common to those of who have the gift of sight.

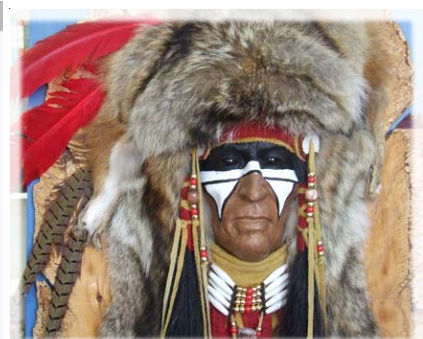
Do you know of someone who has a preserved animal such as a jack rabbit, road runner, quail, desert fox, coyote, etc., that could be added to the "Sensory Safari"? Almost any bird or small animal that we see on a regular basis would add a new dimension to the sensory experience for the NMSBVI students. Remember that animals on display, unlike a museum exhibit, are set up to be touched. Anyone having a taxidermied animal or bird they would like to place in the display, please contact the Alamogordo Breakfast Lions Club PR Director, Chuck Galusha, at 575-434-6296.



Exotic Birds



Lynx



Native American Head dress



Lion



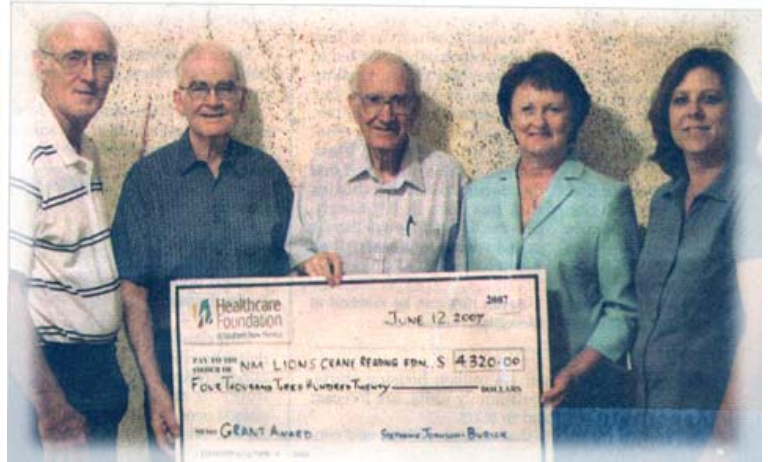
Fennec Fox

The Lions Crane Reading Lab, located at the Dream Center in Las Cruces, is making great strides improving children's literacy. Lions Virginia and Allen Crane, local volunteers, other Las Cruces Lions, and local ophthalmologists have collaboratively diagnosed children experiencing visual tracking problems making it difficult to view print properly which in turns causes reading problems. The NM Lions Reading Program has been recognized and awarded as an exemplary program locally, at the state level, and internationally.

The Healthcare Foundation of Southern New Mexico (HFSNM) recently announced the recipients of their Spring Cycle Grant Awards. The New Mexico Lions Crane Reading Foundation (NMLCRF), whose mission is to provide every child in NM an adequate vision examination and eye glasses to give them the opportunity to read and write proficiently, was awarded \$4,320 to purchase a phoropter and a tonometer for use in their vision examination program.



L-R: Gloria Holzhausen, Lion Allen Crane, Libby Hamilton, Lion Virginia Crane, and Edie Henry.



L-R: Lion George Mulholland (President, NMLCRF); Lion Eldon Steelman (Secretary, NMLCRF); Lion Allen Crane (2nd VP, NMLCRF); Karen Bailey (President, HFSNM); and Diane Seward (VP, HFSNM).

Innovative Corrales Sandoval Milestone Lions Fundraiser

We at the Corrales Sandoval Milestone Lions Club recognize that the holidays will soon be with us. We are also trying to achieve our fundraising goal before the end of the year so we can provide eye screening to every pre-school child in Sandoval County next year at no charge to parents.

By identifying eye disease early, we hope to reduce vision problems significantly later in life.

We are not asking you to reach into your pocket although that assistance would be appreciated, but please visit our website, www.corrales-lionsclub.org.

We have worked out special arrangements with several merchants, many of which you may

already use currently. By shopping through our website, these merchants provide direct commissions to our program. This costs you nothing. Many even provide additional discounts by shopping through our website.

Its very easy to do. Find the merchant, click on their icon, and shop using the internet as usual. It is completely safe and secure. The merchant provides the commission directly to us, usually 30-60 days after the purchase. Whether shopping for a new car, using Ebay, buying clothes, something for the home, your auto, toys, tools, gourmet items, a new computer, planning a trip, or almost anything else, your purchase will help fund vision programs here. This will only work through our website,

www.corrales-lionsclub.org, and visit the merchants' page. Again, this costs you nothing to shop through our web page, and you can often save money through specials and sales we have negotiated for our Corrales Lions' web site.

Please sign up for the mailing list. The site will notify you of special discounts and sales as well as new merchants. The mailing list feature may not be up yet, but it will be in a few days.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Thanks So Much For Your Support
Glenn Young, President, Corrales Sandoval Milestone Lions

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1. Priscilla Francisco
Crystal, NM. - Car Hauler Flatbed Trailer
2. Howard Joe
Gallup, NM - Fat Sheep
3. Jennie Nez
Window Rock, AZ - \$100 cash
4. Larry Towne
Window Rock, AZ - 40 qt. Ice Chest
5. Eugene Esplain
Window Rock, AZ - Wood Stove
6. Lucy Salazar
Teec Nos Pos, AZ - DVD Player
7. Tom Chee
Gallup, NM - \$20 cash
8. Bobby Joe
Vanderwagon, NM - Pendleton Blanket
9. Ronald Tom
Window Rock, AZ - \$50 Wal-Mart Gift Card
10. Beverly Ashike
Navajo, NM - Crocheted Afghan Blanket
11. Alva Symons
Gallup, NM - Silver Jewelry

Ordering From Lions International Club Supplies Website

To: District Governors, Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Club Treasurers

Did you know that you or your family member could order online from the Lions International Club Supplies website: www2.lionsclubs.org?

Did you know that you or your family member could use his or her credit card when ordering online?

To charge an order to a credit card:

1. Click "Login" at the top, right side of the screen
2. Scroll down and click on "create a new account"
3. Fill in all the boxes with the asterisk (*)
4. Create a password using seven (7) letters
5. When completed click on "save"
6. Now you are ready to shop

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Note to Lions: Your Club Secretary can order catalog items for you.

NM Lions Band Foundation Fund Raiser Results by PDG Bill Davis

The NM Lions Band Foundation vehicle raffle at the NM State Fair during 7-23 September 2007 was a great team effort! Lions from ten Clubs provided over 1700 hours of support which produced \$25,238 in ticket sales. The NM Lions Band Foundation Board thanks ALL for your tireless efforts. This fundraiser was the first such fundraiser project at

the NM State Fair and and one of the largest ever undertaken jointly by NM Lions. Many new friendships were initiated during the Fair and proved that NM Lions can be a very effective force when working together.



DG Jim Brannon posing with a little tyke who was obviously a very big winner at the NM State Fair.



Part of the week-end crew that worked the State Fair booth selling tickets. (L-R) Lions VDG Chuck Easton, Janet Valdes, DG Jim Brannon, PDG Mary Jane Shannon, PDG Lee Boyd Montgomery, and Bettie Brannon (Seated).

Rio Rancho Host Lions Help Albuquerque Balloon Festival by Lion Ruth Ellis

The Rio Rancho Host Lions helped the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta by working a booth to sell bricks for the walkway leading into the Balloon Fiesta grounds. Members of the club were present for both the morning and evening events each day to take orders for engraving the bricks already placed in the walkway.

The bricks were priced at \$50, \$100, and \$250 and will be engraved with words the buyers

chose. All funds raised from the sale of the bricks go to help maintain and improve the Balloon Fiesta Park grounds, with the exception of a donation to the Rio Rancho Host Lions Club based on hours worked. The Rio Rancho Host Lions also intend to purchase a \$50 brick for the club since participation at the fiesta is an annual event.

In past years, event chairman Lion Liz Thomas has arranged for Rio Rancho Host Lions to hand out

samples of Udderly Smooth lotion at the Balloon Fiesta. This year, the Udderly Smooth balloon was unable to participate, so the company did not attend. Lion Liz quickly found the brick project for the club to help bolster dwindling funds.

Plans for next year are already in progress. The club has voted to work both the brick booth as well as hand out Udderly Smooth, so come to the fiesta next year, buy a brick and get a free sample of Udderly Smooth!



Lions Evelyn (?) and Liz Thomas



Lion George Oppenheimer, IPP



Lions Evelyn (?) and Liz Thomas

Lions Teach The Constitution by Lion Mary Jean Reese

On Friday, 14 September 2007, fifth graders in Eunice's Mettie Jordan Elementary School received a visit from Eunice Lion Mary Jean Reese. The occasion was Constitution Day preparation, and Lion Reese presented each of the students with a copy of the Constitution and Declaration of Independence.

The class spent the hour finding information in their own copies, asking Lion Reese questions about the amendments, and locating requirements for legislators and presidents.

"Can kids petition the government to change something?" asked one. "My dad is a citizen but my mom isn't, so am I a citizen?" asked another. "How do you get to vote?"

Students went home with answers to questions as well as question/answer cards, also provided, to quiz

parents and friends. Rebecca Tubbs assigned each part of the Constitution to learn and when they arrived in class on Monday morning, they used September 17, Constitution Day, to teach the 4th graders what they had learned. Constitution Day was recognized by Congress as a day when students in every level of education should learn about the Constitution and its

history. Constitution books were provided by the Eunice Lions Club in conjunction with Liberty Day organization, a non-profit, non-partisan volunteer effort dedicated to educating Americans about the US Constitution. Information can be found on line at www.Libertyday.org. So, do you know the first three words of the Constitution?



Elementary School students excited over learning about the US Constitution.

D40S Cabinet Meeting - Are We having Fun Yet? by DG Jim Brannon

On 3 November 2007, the Alamogordo Breakfast Lions hosted the second 2007-08 D40S Cabinet Meeting in Alamogordo. A most enjoyable and informative meeting occurred with a great program during lunch. Lion Porter Phelps, T or C Lions Club newest member, has been blind since birth. He was accompanied by Marigold, his guide dog, and provided a very interesting talk about incidents in his life after playing the piano and singing several of his country and western favorites. Next, the local Folklorico dancers performed several colorful dances.



Lion Porter Phelps and Marigold.



Recipients of 2006-07 President Excellence Awards: (L-R) Lion Melissa Washburn (Carlsbad Downtown), DG Jim Brannon (T or C), and Lion Ruth Gange (Elephant Butte Host)



The Folklorico dancers performing.

DG 40S Contest Results by VDG/CS-T Kitty Callender

Listed below are the results dating from May 2007 - September 2007. The contest will end in April 2008 as the State Convention is scheduled for early May.

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| 1. T or C | 69,545 | 19. Bayard | 14,730 |
| 2. Alamogordo Breakfast | 69,191 | 20. Roswell Downtown | 14,281 |
| 3. Silver City | 56,919 | 21. Cloudcroft | 13,128 |
| 4. Alamogordo Evening | 53,791 | 22. La Mesa | 9,481 |
| 5. Capitan | 45,927 | 23. Los Leones de Masila | 9,149 |
| 6. Carlsbad Heights | 43,232 | 24. Hatch | 7,166 |
| 7. Ruidoso Noon | 42,249 | 25. Tatum | 3,417 |
| 8. Ruidoso Evening | 34,270 | 26. Hobbs Downtown | 3,068 |
| 9. High Rolls Mtn. Park | 31,250 | 27. Las Cruces de Noche | 2,833 |
| 10. Eunice | 30,581 | 28. Alamogordo Noon | 1,000 |
| 11. Lovington | 30,074 | 29. Anthony Lions | 0 |
| 12. Carlsbad Downtown | 28,153 | 30. Artesia Downtown | 0 |
| 13. Hobbs Evening | 26,887 | 31. Deming | 0 |
| 14. Las Cruces | 25,261 | 32. Deming WildCats | 0 |
| 15. Las Cruces Sunrise | 23,571 | 33. Hagerman | 0 |
| 16. Elephant Butte | 18,106 | 34. Lordsburgh | 0 |
| 17. Alamogordo Downtown | 18,032 | 35. Roswell Midday | 0 |
| 18. Tularosa | 15,294 | | |

Albuquerque Northeast Lions Fundraisers Report by Lion Miriam Stucker

A very busy two weeks for the Albuquerque Northeast Lions Club recently occurred. First, a garage sale was conducted at the home of PDG LeeRoy and Lion Shirley Milton. Other attending Lions were PID Gordon Post, PDG Bill Whatley, Grace Rose, Miriam Stucker, and President Terri Treadwell.

Without the dedication of Lion Duane Broshious, the Milton's garage would still be stacked to the ceiling with items as he took five loads to the Joy Junction. Other donations went to the Cuidando. Los Ninos

(stuffed toys), Veteran's Hospital (paper back books), ARC (clothing), New Futures School (clothes and toys), Thrift Shop for Viet Nam Veterans, Casa de Cristo (toys and house goods), Samaritan Council Center (toys), and McArthur Elementary School (children's books).

The second week was spent at WalMart selling coloring books and Disney Christmas ornaments. Proceeds from this fundraiser went to the White Cane Project.



Ruidoso Noon Lions Getting Ready for Christmas by Lion Curt Dimberg

In past years, the Ruidoso Noon Lions would construct 300-400 wood toys that would be donated to the local Santa's Helpers Project. It was decided that this year we would do something a little different by providing a \$250 donation and labor. Part of the items that will go to 800 needy kids in Lincoln County is a back pack filled with goodies such as school supplies and candy. Club members gathered on 6 and 13 November in the Project Director's office to fill the 800 back packs. An assembly line was set up and the back packs were filled in an astonishing orderly fashion (for Lions!). The children will also receive a special present and a set of clothes in addition to the back pack.



President Chuck Maly (L) and the Club's newest member, Lion Jerry Grace (R), filling bags of candy.



L-R: Lions Larry Woods, Bryson McCool, Bill Allen, and Bill Wooley filling more bags of candy. (Lion Curt Dimberg is taking picture)



Lions Jack Scott (L) and Rod Smith (R) on the back pack "assembly line."

Living History Lesson

Recently, Kearny Elementary School fifth graders participated in the living history museum at the Raton Convention Center. The students were each assigned a historical figure for whom they dressed in costume and would give a short speech about the person when a museum visitor pressed a button. *Submitted by Lion Franky Mahannah*



Jerry Jiron and Amanda Seguro, portraying an explorer and Queen Elizabeth I, being viewed by attendees.

Women's Initiative Symposium

As part of Womens Initiative, a date for the symposium has been set for 5 April 2008. It will be hosted at the Billy the Kid Casino with the host hotel being the Best Western Pine Springs Inn. They have blocked 30 rooms for Lions who wish to stay there. There will also be a BBQ (sponsored by the Capitan Lions) after the Symposium for all attending as well as members of their families. We plan to keep the cost of this event at \$30 per participant which will include the Symposium, lunch, and the BBQ that evening.

As we all know, when we go to a convention or meeting, that is when we see our friends and fellow Lions from other parts of New Mexico and we want to visit and catch up on things, so we thought this BBQ would be a good fellowship for catch up time. The meeting facility is directly across the street. Rooms are kings or two queens for the price of \$91, which includes a hot breakfast in the morning. We are currently waiting for funds to be released from the Districts and Multiple District to secure these facilities. The first mailing for this Symposium is due to go out in November. We are currently looking for a guest speaker. *Melissa Washburn, Women's Init. Chair*

Message for MERL Teams and Lions Clubs

Since the wording for the requirements to become a Lion was changed in 1987, the number of women joining Lionism has increased almost every each year. In fact, within 12 years of that historical date, Lionism had its first female International Director. To date, there have been six female international directors of which two are currently serving on the International Board.

As of May 2007, there were 86,536 women in 13,120 clubs in the United States. That is 22% of the total Lions membership in the United States. The world-wide percentage of women in Lions clubs is 18.2%. Interestingly enough the world-wide population is 52% women. There's a lot of potential out there!

Our International President Mahendra Amarasuriya has asked us to help increase the number of women in Lions clubs in the United States. Our goal is a net increase in membership.

You know, most clubs with women members have continued to grow in size; and they seem to have more and creative diversified service activities; plus they implement new fund raising efforts.

As a member of your MERL team you are in an excellent position to contribute to our efforts as you visit and meet with clubs. You can:

- * Work closely with clubs to develop strategic plans and improve current activities
- * Present programs and conduct seminars

- * Raise the awareness of women members through publicity

- * Set up booths at health fairs and other public events

- * Conduct social/informal meetings, inviting community women leaders to participate

We all want to attract quality men and women to our clubs, and we definitely want to retain them all as members. In your role as a Lion leader perhaps you will emphasize during your presentations some of the following characteristics which women want in an organization:

- * Strong leadership at club and district levels

- * Effective orientation sessions; relaxing and interesting meetings

- * Efficient meetings with no time wasted; new/innovative ideas

- * Community-oriented fund raisers

- * Activities the entire family can participate in.

Please join us in working with the clubs in your district and with the other leaders in your multiple district to increase the number of women in Lionism in the United States this year.

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Is Your Club A Model Club?

What is a Model Club? The Farmington Evening Lions Club has taken up the challenge to be a "SightFirst II Model Club." We began with an initial challenge to raise \$10,000, but then were challenged from members of the club to do even more. Presently our club has sent \$7,000 to SightFirst II, with the pledge of meeting a goal of \$12,000 by June 2008.



A Model Club has demonstrated what can be accomplished through a comprehensive and committed effort to fund-raising. A Model Club is one who agrees to raise a challenging yet achievable average of \$400 per member and follow the CSFII "Comprehensive Method." This is receiving gifts & pledges from members and non-members or matching outright gifts and/or pledges from the club treasury. Lions' personal gifts & pledges are welcome, or club fund-raising activities with proceeds being designated to SightFirst II. The Farmington Evening Club, for example, has designated proceeds from rodeo seat rentals between now and the deadline to help the club reach its goal for SightFirst II as one area of fund-raising.

Today millions of individuals around the world have had their lives changed because of the Lions SightFirst program. It is a stark fact that by the time you finish reading this article one child somewhere in the world will have gone blind. One goes blind every minute.

But Lions, true to their commitment to be "knights of the blind," launched Campaign SightFirst II to prevent this tragedy. The world is counting on Lions to succeed in this bold plan to combat blindness - the sight of as many as 37 million people may depend on it.

The Farmington Evening Lions took up the challenge of making a difference in the lives of millions of people around the world to combat blindness through SightFirst II.

We challenge the Lions' Clubs all across New Mexico to take up the gauntlet and become a Model Club. You too can make a difference in the lives of those people. *Article by Lion Donna Talley*

Lovington Lions Club Raises Money For CSFII by Lion Roy Robinson

The Lovington Lions Club held its second annual Enchilada Dinner fundraiser on Sunday, 28 October 2007. The dinner was a huge success with profits to be used for Sight First II and projects in the community of Lovington. Ten Lions and seven volunteers worked 162 hours to make this fundraiser a success.



Lion Al Savisky (R) and volunteer Praxi Brown (L) guarding the dessert table.



(L-R): Volunteer Pat Yabanez, Lion Maria Rios, Volunteer Mariana Garza, Lion President Rosa Doporto, Lion Mike Donoho and Lion Nate Schema at work.



(L-R): Lion Boss Rosa Doporto, Lion Mike Donoho, and Lion Nate Schema wait for the crowd.

Las Cruces Lions Club Support Local Outstanding Students by Lion Billye Steelman

Each month the Las Cruces Host Lions Club acknowledges three outstanding high school students. All are very active in extracurricular activities while maintaining high scholastic standards. Students recognized for their achievements in September were:

Jessica Martinez, a senior at Mayfield High School, is the daughter of Paul and Carmen Martinez of Las Cruces. She is Student Body President at Mayfield as well as National LULAC Youth President. She is a VFW Voice of Democracy speech winner and a Mayfield Broadcasting reporter. She enjoys singing, writing, reading, public speaking, and politics. She plans to attend college and law school.

Stephanie Markham, a senior at Oate High School, is the daughter of Stephen Markham and Julie Grenko of Las Cruces. She is involved in MESA, FCCLA, National Honor Society, Student Council, cheer, and track. She enjoys drawing, dancing, and church activities. She plans to attend college and major in engineering.

Dawnette Goehler, a junior at Las Cruces High School, is the daughter of Lynette and David Goehler of Las Cruces. She is a member of the pom squad and enjoys dance, art, and music. She plans to attend college and major in architecture or pharmacy.



Outstanding Las Cruces students for September, (L-R): Jessica Martinez, Stephanie Markham, and Dawnette Goehler.

Students recognized for their achievements in October by the Las Cruces Lions Club were:

Kyle Vincent, a senior at Oate High School, is the son of John and Paula Vincent of Las Cruces. He plays varsity football and runs varsity track, and is a National Honor Society member, George Ladd Scholar, and UNM Star Scholar. He enjoys hiking, fishing, and hunting. He plans to attend NMSU to study finance, and would also like to enroll in Air Force ROTC.

Sophia Cheng, a senior at Las Cruces High School, is the daughter of George and Maria Cheng of Las

Cruces. She is active in the German-American Partnership program, National Honor Society, and Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps. She enjoys cooking, reading, and fishing. She has been a soup kitchen volunteer and elementary tutor. She plans to attend college and become a research biologist.

Courtney Schantz, a senior at Mayfield High School, is the daughter of Jay and Mary Anne Schantz of Las Cruces. She is a section leader in the MHS Marching Band and plays oboe in the top concert band. She is also President of the National Honor Society at Mayfield., with a 4.06 GPA. She enjoys baking and reading and is active in her church. She plans to attend college and major in aerospace engineering and astronomy, with the goal of becoming an astronaut.



Outstanding Las Cruces students for October, (L-R): Kyle Vincent, Sophia Cheng, and Courtney Schantz.

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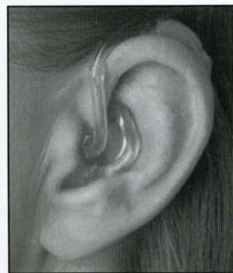


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THE PROCESSING OF DONATED HEARING AIDS

When we receive a custom hearing aid (one that fits in the ear) the hearing aid components (microphones, receivers, telecoil, and circuits) are used as salvage for repairing and refurbishing incoming Behind-The-Ear (BTE) hearing aids for future placement with someone in need.

When we receive a Behind-The-Ear (BTE) hearing aid the aid will be refurbished, cleaned and cataloged, if possible, for specific loss and fitting ranges.



Behind-The-Ear (BTE) hearing aid

PROCESSING REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE WITH GETTING HEARING AID HELP

When we receive a request for assistance for getting hearing aids an application and income qualification form will be sent to the individual to complete. Once the forms are returned to us the board will review, investigate and either approve or deny the applicant based on our findings.

If an applicant is approved we will refer the individual to a hearing care provider that will work within our pricing structure which will be

pre-arranged by us prior to the referral being made. The hearing care provider will perform a hearing test and make a recommendation for a hearing aid. We will check stock of the BTE hearing aids that have been collected, refurbished and cataloged for a hearing aid(s) that will fit the specific loss of the individual. Each refurbished hearing aid will cost \$120.00 and the initial services through the hearing care provider during 45-day trial period will be \$75.00 total. If we do not have the hearing aid(s) in stock we will utilize the Lions International Program, the Affordable Hearing Aid Program where they offer new hearing aids made by Rexton for a wider variety of losses. Each Rexton hearing aid will cost \$220.00 and the initial services through the hearing care provider during 45-day trial period will be \$75.00 total.

APPROVED APPLICANTS RESPONSIBILITY

Behind-The-Ear (BTE) hearing aids require ear mold to function properly. We are asking that all approved applicants have the financial responsibility of paying for their own hearing molds. The ear molds generally run from \$35 to \$70 a piece. In cases, where the individual does not have the means to pay any or even part of the cost of the ear molds, assistance can be provided based on approval status.



2007-08 Multiple District 40

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MD40 Events Schedule

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| November 17, 2007 | 2 nd MD40 Council Meeting | Rancher's Steakhouse, Socorro |
| February 2, 2008 | 3 rd D40S Cabinet Meeting | Deming |
| February 9, 2008 | 3 rd D40N Cabinet Meeting | Alb. 4 Hills Piru Club House |
| February 16, 2008 | 3 rd MD40 Council Meeting | Rancher's Steakhouse, Socorro |
| April 5, 2008 | Women's Initiative Symposium | Billy the Kid Casino, Ruidoso Downs |
| May 1-4, 2008 | NM Lions State Convention | Hobbs |
| June 23-27, 2008 | International Convention | Thailand |