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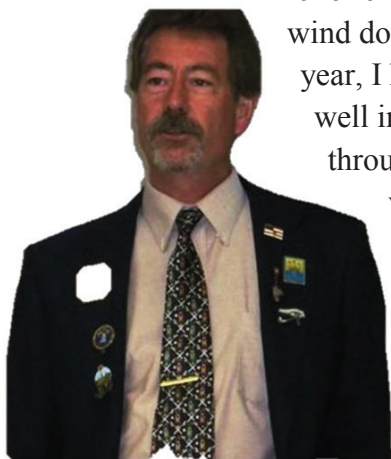


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MD 28 - WE SERVE

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Council Chair Bruce Hyde

Hello fellow Lions! As we wind down another Lion year, I hope all is going well in our clubs throughout the state. I want to thank the St. George club for hosting the Mid-Winter Conference.

They put on a great weekend. Thanks to Tim Tate also for his work. His relationship with the club helped in them accepting being the host club. He was also instrumental in putting together the agenda. We had special guest Joe Preston, 2nd Vice President of Lions International. Lion Joe was great, and enjoyed his time in St. George. Those of you who didn't make the trek missed a good convention. Pres. Jeff Twitchell confirmed with me that they would be glad to host again in 5 Years! We'll hold you to it.

In May, (2-4) the Bingham Canyon and Union clubs will host the MD convention. The committee has

worked hard to put together an informative and fun convention. As part of that committee I invite Lions from around the state to gather for a great weekend. We have invited ID Mark Hintzmann and his wife, Jayne, from Wisconsin to attend. He looks forward to meeting the great Lions of MD 28. At the convention we have an assortment of speakers that will appeal to all. Another item that should be of interest to all: the Council of Governor's has voted to present a resolution to consolidate the two districts into one. A copy of that resolution is included at the end of this Lion Tale edition. This is to be voted on at the convention. You should talk about this at your club meetings. There will be time to speak on this during the convention. For clubs interested in the DA Skeen Project of the Year Award send any info to Larry Arritola at 8891 W. State Highway Copperton, Ut 84006. Email is: larry_1010@comcast.net. He can also be reached at 801-569-8050. We will announce a winner at the convention.

I would like to encourage clubs to bid for next years State convention, as well as the mid-winter social. The Pleasant Grove club has stepped up to be host of 28-T's district convention in November. Thank you.

I've enjoyed being your Council Chair for the past year. Being involved at the District and Multi District level can take much of your time, but has been a great

experience for me. I challenge Lions in our state to become a part of your districts cabinets if asked. I look forward to serving in the future.

28-U District Governors Message

As I have traveled throughout the district and state, from Richmond to St George, I have witnessed true Lionism in action...truly remarkable service projects such as: The gun target shooting with the sight-impaired to witness the joy on their face is a gift they give to us; the construction of a new Barrier-Free Park in Syracuse; Offering wheelchair ramps for those in need in their community; hosting Christmas parties for schools in low income communities; offering needed supplies as back packs, pencils, paper etc; supporting Boys State, Girls State and Boy Scouts; and planting much needed trees to improve our environment.

I've been impressed by the creative fundraisers like the Trout & Berry Days that serves over 800 dinners in an evening; the Turkey Shoot that gives 1800 turkeys in a weekend; the many clubs that do rodeo events; the hard work and long hours of working the various concession stands. We all make a difference, collectively and individually. We are just ordinary men and women trying to make a difference in our communities. I know some clubs are struggling with membership. Perhaps we are doing the wrong service projects. If you are not enjoying your service in Lions, get more involved. If you are passionate about a project, bring it to your Lions Club. Make a Difference.

Re-Districting

The Council of Governors (both District Governors and the Council Chairman) has discussed many ways to improve Lionism throughout the state.

One of the options discussed was re-districting our state from two districts to one. At this time, our state



is a provisional state, which means we are less than 1250 members in each district and have been for over ten years. International could force the state into one district. The Council of Governors thought it would be best to do this before coming to that.

One way that this could work is having one District Governor and several region chairmen, creating more leadership opportunities for Lions. Another advantage to one district is we would then have the opportunity to have an International Director from our state.

It is obvious that the way things are going is not working. Our membership is continuing to drop. We need to try something different.

There will be a resolution presented at the Multi-District convention in May and voted on at that time. The Council of Governors strongly supports Re-Districting.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as District Governor for District 28U for this past year. If I can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me

Yours in Service, Wayne King, District Governor, 28U

Message of 28U 1st V DG, Adam Pfaff

As Lions our purpose is to *Serve*, and it is through this service that we are able to feel of the richness that is life! We have each been granted talents and abilities that we are able to share with others in the form of service. This is the reason I joined the Lions organization, and this is the reason that I maintain my membership. Traveling around to the different clubs, and even national meetings, I have been excited to hear of all the wonderful ways we as Lions have found to serve others. Most of the projects are on the larger scale, but so often we overlook the small acts of service that we can give to our fellow man each and every day. I would like to place a challenge out to all of the Lions in District 23U to be mindful of those smaller acts of kindness. Do you hold the door open for someone who is entering a building behind you? Do you rake the leaves that have fallen on your neighbor's lawn? Could you take the garbage can to the curb for two of your less healthy neighbors? Will you offer to carry a heavy load of groceries for a mother who is trying to wrangle a group of kids to the car? How often do you write letters to the widows and widowers in your neighborhood, letting them know that you care about them? Could you do chores around the house?

UTAH LIONS FOUNDATION REPORT March 20, 2013

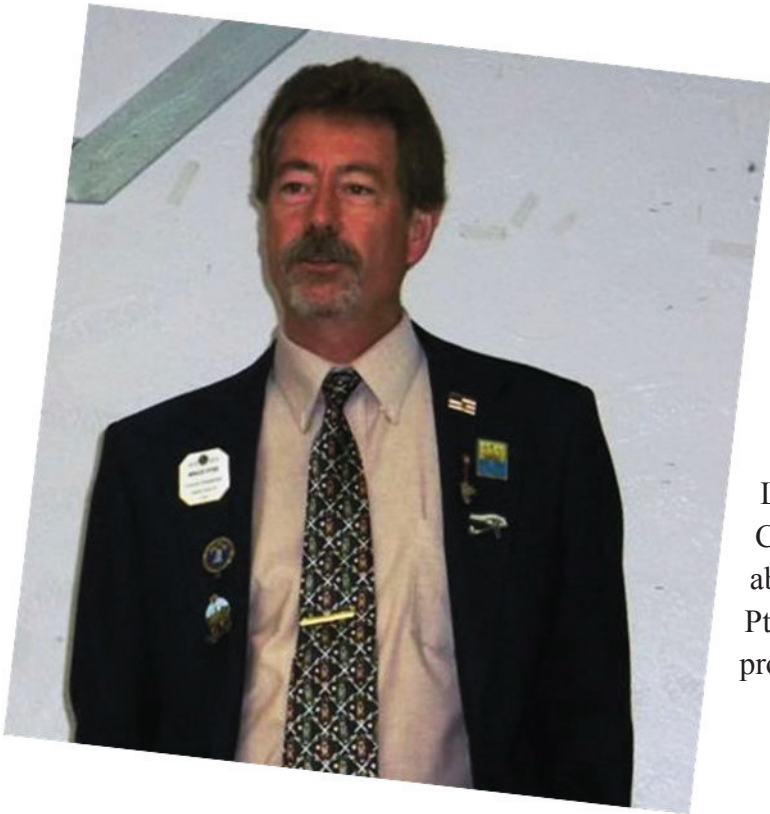
The Foundation has had a quiet year up until the last couple of months. Then all of a sudden we have received several requests for assistance. 1. The Utah Eye Care Initiative program requested \$800 for a Cataract operation and it was approved. 2. A request from the Moab Lions for \$5,500, we understood was completed, was re-activated for operations to both eyes and it was approved. 3. A request from the Salt Lake City Lions for \$900 to replace an artificial eye and it was approved. 4. The Hope Alliance, a Logan Lions supported organization, requested \$2,000 to assist in a trip to Peru to provide eye care and dispense glasses and it was approved. 5. A request from the Syracuse Lions for a matching grant for the Chloe's Sunshine Playground for \$5,000 and it was approved. This is a barrier-free playground for disabled children that will serve Davis County and beyond. For completed information: go to, www.thenochildleftoutproject.blogspot.com. 6. Supported the Utah Lions Eye Bank with a \$20,000 donation. Two requests are still being investigated and are pending. Last year the By-Laws for the Utah Lions Foundation were amended. The two major changes were; 1. The Chairperson can now be a two year term. 2. Provides an easier procedure for the District Governor's to obtain nominees for Trustees. Total assets of the Foundation, as of February 1st, are \$487,895. If you have any comments and/or suggestions for the Foundation, send them to ulf1973utah@comcast.net or kevendchristensen@msn.com.

These may seem like simple, even meaningless, acts of service, but they exemplify who we are...Lions!! We are not just Lions when we get together as a club, a zone, or a district, we are Lions every day of the week. To borrow a line from the Boy Scouts of America, we should be *Do(ing) A Good Turn Daily*, even if no one is watching. As we serve others, we will grow our membership because everyone wants to serve. I plan on visiting as many clubs as possible this year, but instead of feeding me and my wife, I would love to get my hands dirty and help out with a service project if possible. Be sure to invite some friends out to that service project as well, so that we can show them what Lions are *really* all about. You are beautiful people and I am excited to be serving you this upcoming year.

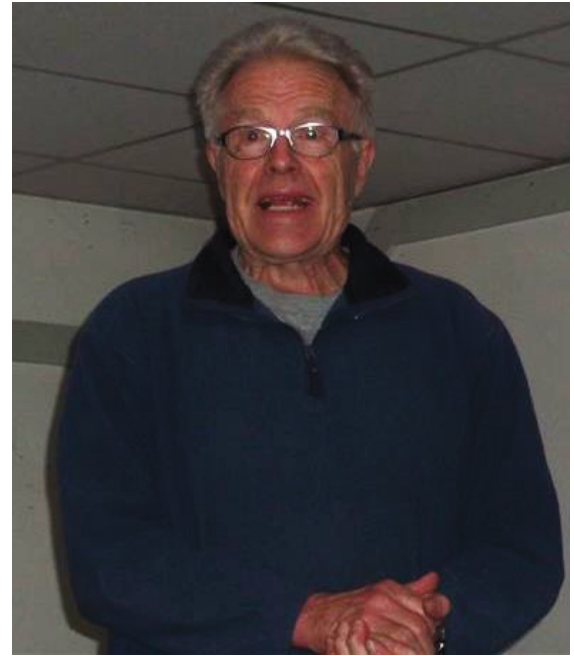
I am building my cabinet presently, but have space for individuals who would like to volunteer a little bit of their time to help out. I am seeking new Lions who have not served in a cabinet before. Please feel free to contact me at adampfaff@yahoo.com, or 801-621-5675 (Do not call after 830pm, we have kids that are trying to sleep at that time :)

Please stop reading this now and get out and serve someone!!

St George Lions Host Midwinter Conference



Council Chair: PDG Bruce Hyde



Lion Richard Criddle talks about the Pterygium project in Peru



Jim Knight presents Utah Lions web site



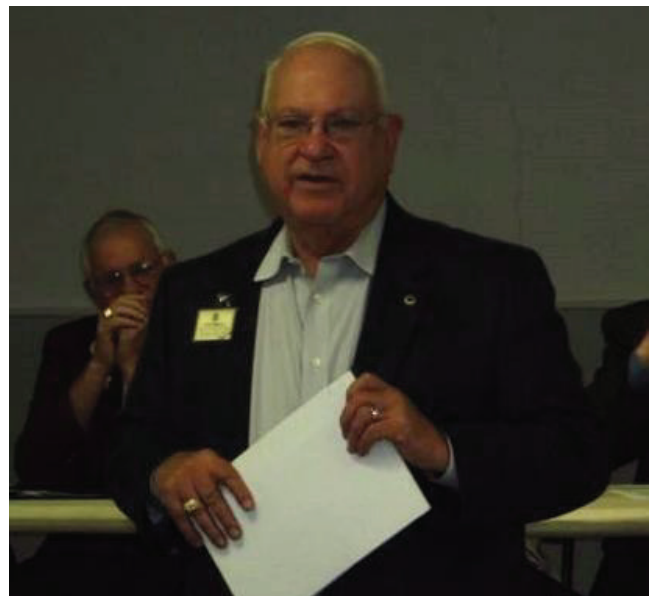
Lion Timothy Tate receives an International President's Certificate of Appreciation.

Dr. Michael Yei of the Moran Eye Center made a presentation on the South Sudan Project.



Lion Lorrie Boudreau,,
P)resident of the Pleasant
Grove Lions Club, receives an
International President's
Certificate of Appreciation

PID John Walker talks about membership





Michael Wright of PlusOptic gave a presentation on the photo screener



International 2nd Vice President, Joe Preston, was our International Guest at the Mid-Winter Conference (right)





MULTIPLE DISTRICT 28 CONVENTION

THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL CALL FOR THE MULTIPLE DISTRICT 28 ANNUAL CONVENTION. MAY 3 AND 4, 2013. YOUR ATTENDANCE IS SERIOUSLY REQUESTED. THIS EXPECIALLY PERTAINS TO ALL CLUB OFFICERS.

MULTIPLE DISTRICT CONVENTION

May 3 and 4, 2013

Headquarters Hotel will be the Residence Inn, 270 West 10000 South, Sandy, UT 84070. Phone: 801-561-5005, FAX 801-561-9672. Other hotels will be the Hilton Garden Inn and the Courtyard Sandy. Nightly rates are:

Residence Inn Marriott Sandy \$89.00 plus taxes

Courtyard Marriott Sandy \$99.00 plus taxes

Hilton Garden Inn Sandy \$89.00 plus taxes

In order to receive these rates, reservations must be received by April 12, 2013. After this date room rates are at the discretion of the properties.

UTAH STATE LIONS
2013 MULTI-DISTRICT 28 CONVENTION
Registration 4pm-6pm Thursday May 2, 2013 at
Bingham Canyon Lion's Club/8725 W Hillcrest/Copperton
Viridian Event Center/8030 S 1825 W/West Jordan, Utah 84088