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Notes from Council Chair—Lead by Example

Fellow Lions,

Totally awesome!! Thank you for allowing me to serve as the 2011-12 Council Chair of MD7. I am honored to have been elected to be a leader of such a great organization.

The love, support and friendship that you have shown humbles me more than I can express.

I would ask that you “Lead by Example” and to Replace Your-

self”. I believe this two point program can truly bring back membership numbers we have experienced in the past and set us on a course for creating a larger Lions presence in Arkansas than we have ever had.

It all starts with these two steps, but it is *you and I* that must take these steps. Waiting on someone else to do it will not get the job done.

By working with members (old and new) that share like-minded missions, we are able to in-

crease our ability to serve those in need.

With your assistance I will continue to try to earn and keep the trust you have placed in me to lead our organization.

Darleen

Council Chair
MD7 Arkansas



Arkansas Pride News

The Arkansas Pride encourages submission of articles and photographs of general interest to Lions in Arkansas.

News and articles from around the state will continue to be published in a web based format on the Arkansas Lions web site.

The website is accessible

at <http://www.arlions.com>. Visit our website to learn more.

We are proud to have PCC Linda Nickell serving as the Multiple District Internet Technology Chair.

Please contact:
lnickell@suddenlink.net or
arlions@sbcglobal.net.

Linda Nickell, PCC



We're glad that you are
on our TEAM!

DG Art 7-L



District Conventions

District 7-L's Convention will be held November 18 -19 in Bryant. The host hotel is LaQuinta, 408 W. Commerce Dr. Bryant, AR. The convention meeting will be held at the Community Center of Bishop Park, 6401 Boone Road, located on the second floor meeting room.

Keynote speaker will be International Director James Cavallaro, from Pennsylvania. Cost and other details will be announced later.

Contact: Lion Morris Cash @ 501-623-7723.

DG Art
District 7-L

DG Jennifer 7-I



Save the date for District 7-I's Convention to be held August 26-27 in Mountain Home.

Don't miss the Friday meet and greet at Ramada Inn.

Time to expand your knowledge, network with friends and have fun.

Cost is \$30.00 inclusive for Friday & Saturday. See website for more details. Registration forms are available online - arlions.com

DG Jennifer
District 7-I

DG Rich 7-O



Put on your calendar October 7-8 for our 7-0 District Convention to be held in Jonesboro at St. Bernard's Auditorium.

I want to encourage each of you to attend the District 7-O Convention and welcome Past International Director Dana Biggs from Nebraska.

There will be plenty of fun, and fellowship.

Registration information will be available soon.

DG Rich,
District 7-O

DG Eric 7-N



Make plans to attend the District 7-N Convention to be held October 28-29 in Pine Bluff. It gives me great pleasure to invite you to the District 7-N convention.

We will offer a little different format packed with fun, good food, and fellowship. Registration is on Saturday, 7:30 a.m.- 8:30 a.m., With the program kicking off at 9:00 a.m. and ending 3:30 p.m.

Don't miss out! The price will be right @ \$30.00.

And it's sure to be time well spent! ALL Lions are encouraged to attend.

Our special guest is ID Dave Jajny of Montana.

DG Eric,
District 7-N

Did you know that there are Lions who are eager to share knowledge they have about Lionism. They are available to present programs on Lionistic service to your club or zone. All you need to do is invite them to your meetings.



Diabetes Awareness	Joanna Stricker
Family & Women’s Involvement	Becky Callaway, 2 nd VDG
Financial/Audit Chair	Libby Davenport
Member	Tom Lonon, PDG
Member	Emile Lauber
Global Leadership Team	Mike Benefield, PDG
Global Membership Team	John Barnett, PCC
International Relations/Lions Alert	Don Drake, PDG
Internet Technology	Linda Nickell, PCC
LCIF MD-7 Coordinator	Dave DeGraff, PCC (2012)
Lions State Pins	Wanda Barnett, PDG
Mid-Winter Forum General Chairperson	Philip Taylor
Host Club.....	Clarksville
Parliamentarian and Credentials	Carl Foreman
Public Relations	Marty Houston
Sight Conservation	William Mertins, PCC
State Convention	Curt Crook
Host Club.....	Conway Noon
USA/CANADA Leadership Forum	Bill Johnston, PDG

Opportunities for Youth

Leos	Jeff Boone, PCC (2013)
Camps for the Blind	Norine Westerbeck, PDG
Lions Quest	Toni Shockey
Peace Poster	Cody Snider
Youth Exchange.....	Earl, PCC & Mary Sears

Contact information is available online—arlions.com or call State Administrative Secretary, PDG Wanda Barnett @ (B) 501-834-5111 or (H) 501-961-1148.

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WWW.ARLIONS.COM

SAVE THE DATES!

Mid Winter Forum

January 28th, 2012

University of the Ozarks

Clarksville, Arkansas



State Convention

Central Baptist College

May 18 - 19, 2012

Conway, Arkansas

Club Events/Dates/Convention Update

If your club is sponsoring a special event, or if you want to add your club newsletters online.

Please submit information to:

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arlions@sbcglobal.net

Dates to Remember

Please find attached the 2011-12 Arkansas State Calendar.

At the 2010-11 State Convention in Jonesboro, it was stated that if we do not redistrict then Lions Clubs International will force us to do so as they did a nearby state.

This is not, nor has it even been, true. Following is an Email from Mindy Marks, Manager of the District and Club Administration Department.

Also please refer to the policy on Redistricting in the International Constitution and Bylaws and Board Policy manual. Both can be found on the

International Lions website at
www.lionsclubs.org.

The Quote from Mindy Marks

At this point in time, to redistrict, a participating districts must submit a proposal that has received approval of the participating full districts and approval of the multiple district to our division for review by the District and Club Service Committee and the International Board of Directors

LCI can not initiate or require a small district to redistrict, it must come from the members of the district. Also, there is no minimum number of clubs or members required for a district to maintain.

