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Goodyear Lions Club Members Screen 500 elementary students at Avondale Middle School in Avondale



Left to right; Lions Bob Wright of Goodyear Lions Club, 1st VDG 21A Richard Hopkins of Buckeye Lions Club and Bill Rajeski of Goodyear Lions Club



Left back to front; Lions Bill Rajeski Goodyear Lions Club and wife Elaine, Ines Yencich of Goodyear Lions club and behind Bob Wright of Goodyear Lions Club



Avondale Middle School Auditorium where fair took place.

Lion Members from Goodyear, Buckeye and Peoria Pioneer Lions Club collaborated to provide eye screening for 300 students ages ranging five and up

Lion Bill Rajeski, Treasurer Goodyear Lions Club



Left to right; Lion Ines Yencich, Vice President Goodyear Lions Club, PDG Ann Roberts of Wickenburg Lions Club

Not pictured; PID Dave Roberts, Wickenburg Lions Club, PDG Paul and Lion Ellen Yopps, Peoria Sunset Lions Club and Lion Ellen Roberts, Buckeye Lions Club

Calling All Lions by Past International President Joe Preston

Please join us for a historic event on November 1-3, 2019 at the Embassy Suites at 4400 S. Rural Road in Tempe. It is our first ever Midyear Leadership Forum and Conference, "where we will elect our District Officers for next year for District 21N and 21S."

The forum is going to be

special as PDG Barbara Daily and her team have lined up a vast array of seminars to select from including three special speakers that will kick off the training on Saturday. The Council Meeting will be on Friday afternoon and the discussion will center around our redistricting down to two districts. On Sunday morning right after breakfast the District

Cabinet Meetings will be held.

District Governor David Pryce is hosting the event and PDG Fred Garmeson is our conference chairperson. They have promised us a great time of learning, sharing and having fun.

We need you to attend and to encourage your club officers to attend as well. Please join us.



LEO GRADUATION CORD

Last year the President of the Basha High School LEO Club asked if the Lions had a LEO graduation cord. The Lions do not.

After speaking with the Vice Principal, the LEO Advisor and some of the LEOs established the criteria and designed the cord (maroon and gold). The minimum requirements to earn the right to wear the LEO Graduation cord are:

3.6 Grade point average

Two year of active LEO membership

Take part in at least 6 service activities.

The school denied the LEOS the right to wear the LEO cords

at graduation because the school did not recognize the LEO program as a national organization.

On July 9th, we met with the Vice Principal and explained that the LEOs are an International organization. Our intent was to start the graduation cord program at Basha High School and expand it until it ultimately became nationally accepted. After understanding that this is a pilot program, the Vice Principal said that the graduating LEOs will be allowed to wear the LEO Honors Cord.

At the USA/Canada LEO Forum last month we presented the idea of having an official LEO Graduation Honors cord. The Maroon and Gold Graduation

cord was adopted as the official LEO graduation cord for Constitutional Areas 1 & 2.

A link has been setup with the Honors cord company so clubs can order the cords directly. The cords only cost \$6.00 + shipping each.

Link: www.honorsgraduation.com/leo-club-graduation-cords

Clubs can either establish their criteria to earn the cord or use the one set by the Basha High School LEOs. Then, work directly with the schools to allow the LEOs to wear the cords at graduation.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to contact PDG Fred Garmeson at garmesonfz@aol.com or at (480) 895-9363.





**2019 FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE and
SPECIAL MEETING OF REDISTRICTING DELEGATES**

NOVEMBER 1 – 3, 2019

EMBASSY SUITES by HILTON PHOENIX TEMPE

4400 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ 85282
480-897-7444

REGISTRATION FORM

(Please use separate form for each Lion)

Lion Lioness LEO CC DG VDG ID PIP PID PCC PDG _____
(CIRCLE ONE) (NAME)

_____ (ADDRESS) _____ (CITY) _____ (STATE) _____ (ZIP CODE)

_____ (E-MAIL) _____ (PHONE)

LIONS CLUB: _____ CLUB OFFICE: _____

DISTRICT: 21-A 21-B 21-C DISTRICT OFFICE: _____
(CIRCLE ONE)

(BEFORE OCTOBER 15, 2019)

Registration Fee (Lions)	_____	@	\$30.00	\$ _____
Friday Dinner	_____	@	\$25.00	\$ _____
Saturday Breakfast on your own	_____			
Saturday Luncheon (Speaker)	_____	@	\$22.00	\$ _____
Saturday evening Dinner & Entertainment	_____	@	\$30.00	\$ _____
Sunday Breakfast on your own before District Meetings	_____			
DIETARY NEEDS: _____				TOTAL \$ _____

(AFTER OCTOBER 15, 2019)

Registration Fee (Lions)	_____	@	\$35.00	\$ _____
Friday Dinner	_____	@	\$30.00	\$ _____
Saturday Breakfast on your own	_____			
Saturday Luncheon (Speaker)	_____	@	\$25.00	\$ _____
Saturday evening Dinner & Entertainment	_____	@	\$35.00	\$ _____
Sunday Breakfast on your own before District Meetings	_____			
DIETARY NEEDS: _____				TOTAL \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to: "21-B CONVENTION"

REMIT TO: Lion Debbie Vine PH: 602-390-0656
15638 N. 109th Ave.
Sun City, AZ 85351

ROOM RESERVATION: EMBASSY SUITES - PH: 480-897-7444 Indicate you are with the "Lions Leadership Conference"

Room rate \$114 + tax. Prices guaranteed until **October 4, 2019.**

The direct booking link is: https://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/P/PHXTPES-LLC-20191101/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG Group name: Lions Leadership Conference; **Group Code: LLC**



**2019 FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE and
SPECIAL MEETING OF REDISTRICTING DELGATES**

PROGRAM BOOK

November 1-3, 2019

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Make Check Payable 21B Convention

Submit Copy & Payment Lions Foundation of Arizona

3124 East Roosevelt Street, Suite 3

Phoenix, AZ 85008

Questions? Contact Eddie Richardson at 602 244-9758

or email to eddie@lionsfoundationarizona.org

2019 Fall Leadership Conference & Special Meeting of Redistricting Delegates

What's this all about and why the name change? It's the Mid-Year, right? It's the Leadership Forum, right? So why is this year so dang important? Let's talk about that. We are walking into Historic times in our state. We will soon go from three districts into two districts.

We will be voting for a new multiple district constitution and by-laws, new multiple district procedures manual, new state project's constitution and by-law changes, and very important here - our incoming district officers. That is what makes this a Historic event. YOU need to be at this event for a Special Meeting of the Redistricting Delegates.

Keep in mind, it is still a Leadership Conference, and that means we have a great line-up of sessions you need to hear. Because of time constraints all leadership sessions will be on Saturday afternoon. EXCEPT for a special morning session from PDG Ken Moore from New Mexico. He will lead us in an uplifting session of What Fun We Have as Lions.

Make sure you come to the opening session to learn everything you always wanted to know about Special Election Information and Voting and Elections Instructions. Also, since we are going from 21A, B, and C to 21N and 21S – you'll have to be at the opening session to listen to the candidate's nominations and seconds.

Right after lunch, and YES lunch will end at 12:45 p.m. sharply, you'll want to make sure you bring other club members so you don't miss out on any of the sessions. Here is a preview of the sessions – the agenda will be in the October issue of the Canyon State Lion:

Macular Degeneration	Dr. Brian McKay / Dr. Anna Figueroa
Marketing YOUR Club and More!	District Marketing Chairpersons
Easy Peasy Health Fair – Your Club CAN Do It!	PCC Rand Terwilliger / District Health Coordinators
Put "FUN" in Fund Raising	PDGs Bill & Marcia Newyear
MD21 AZ Lions Service Rally Day–Commitment Time	PDG Bobbie Ravenkamp
Census 2020	Tammy Parise / Astria Wong
LCI Legal – Need Answers???	IPDG Tom Price
Strategic Recruiting and Keeping Lions	Lion Daniel Marney Elkins
We are Who? Simple Elevator Speech	PID Carolyn Messier
Strengthening Leadership Skills	PDG Rosemarie Gabriel
MyLion and YOU!	District GLT Laurie Genz
You're a Club President – So How's it Going?	Lion John Marselis

You'll see we have a few names that are not familiar to our Arizona Lions. Speaking about Macular Degeneration are our noted Doctors from the University of Arizona – Dr. Brian McKay and Dr. Anna Figueroa. If you could not attend the 21-B District Convention this past April, they will bring you up to date on macular degeneration. PDG Bill and PDG Marcia Newyear from Las Vegas will bring their talents and tell you how to Put "FUN" in Fund Raising. Also, come learn about being a part of Census 2020 with Tammy Parise and Astria Wong.

Always amazing to hear is Lion Daniel Marney Elkins from Delaware – he was at 21-B's convention in April and had everyone engaged about Strategic Recruiting and Keeping Lions – he's seriously a pro in this arena – don't miss it.

Then don't miss the voting results at 4:00 p.m. Historic indeed!!! More about this event in the October issue – please plan to attend and bring your new and not so new members. We all need to support each other and grow service in Arizona – we are so needed by so many.

Don't forget Friday is the 2nd Council meeting where more information on the upcoming redistricting will be shared. Please plan to register and attend the dinner and entertainment on Friday night! Free breakfast for those staying at the hotel (if not staying, there is a Denny's across the street) and free happy hour for hotel guests or come and purchase your own.

Your Council Chairperson Larry Palmer and MD-GLT Barbara Daily really look forward to seeing you at this event, November 1 – 3, 2019.

CALL FOR LETTERS OF ENDORSEMENT for NEW 21N AND 21S DISTRICT OFFICERS***2020-2021 DISTRICT GOVERNOR - DISTRICT 21N (NORTH)******2020-2021 FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR - DISTRICT 21N (NORTH)******2020-2021 DISTRICT GOVERNOR - DISTRICT 21S (SOUTH)******2020-2021 FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR - DISTRICT 21S (SOUTH)***

This is written notification to any current District 21A, 21B or 21C, 2019-2020, District 1st Vice District Governor or District 2nd Vice District Governor, who would like to continue as a District Officer in your proposed new district of 21N or 21S for the 2020-2021 Lions year -

To have your name placed on the upcoming ballot as an approved and qualified candidate for the 2020-2021 District Officer position of Governor and District 1st Vice District Governor in your proposed District 21N (NORTH) or District 21S (SOUTH) of Multiple District 21, your Club is required to submit their next Letter of Endorsement, nominating you for your higher office.

As the Multiple District 21 Nominations and Elections Chair, please have your Club Secretary send via email and hard copy mail your Club's Letter of Endorsement by September 1st (no later than 60 days prior to voting on November 2, 2019) for the upcoming 2019 Fall Leadership Conference & Special Meeting for Redistricting Delegates to: Lion Linda Finley, amigorose@aol.com and 10724 West Peoria Avenue, Sun City, AZ 85351.

CALL FOR LETTERS OF ENDORSEMENT for a NEW 21N AND 21S DISTRICT OFFICER***2020-2021 SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR - DISTRICT 21N (NORTH)******2020-2021 SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR - DISTRICT 21S (SOUTH)***

This is written notification to any Lion who is interested in placing their name on the ballot for the position of 2nd Vice District Governor for 2020-2021 in District 21N (NORTH) or for the position of 2nd Vice District Governor for 2020-2021 in District 21S (SOUTH).

To be a candidate, you are required by Constitution to have your Club submit a Letter of Endorsement nominating you for the position of 2nd Vice District Governor as a Club in and from your new proposed District 21N or District 21S.

Your Club's Letter of Endorsement nominating you for the office of 2nd Vice District Governor is to include all information of the candidate's qualifications and no offices were done concurrently.

- a) When the candidate joined Lions
- b) The two years the candidate served on the club's Board of Directors
- c) When the candidate served as Club President
- d) When the candidate served as a Zone Chair
- e) No offices (b, c, & d above) was served concurrently or less than 6 months and a day each
- f) The candidate is/was unanimously endorsed by the club to be on the ballot for 2nd Vice District Governor
- g) Have your Club President sign your Club's Letter of Endorsement

As the Multiple District 21 Nominations and Elections Chair, please have your Club Secretary send via email and hard copy mail your Club's Letter of Endorsement by September 1st (no later than 60 days prior to voting on November 2, 2019) for the upcoming 2019 Fall Leadership Conference & Special Meeting for Redistricting Delegates to: Lion Linda Finley, amigorose@aol.com and 10724 West Peoria Avenue, Sun City, AZ 85351.

Please RSVP to Lion Barbara Daily, bebopp2002@yahoo.com or call 520 954-0411. I will need to know your attendance to provide a lunch and also to submit for reimbursement of mileage to and from the event. Carpooling, only driver is reimbursed please.

CLUB ACTION TEAM SESSION

Saturday, September 28, 2019 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Chandler Sun Bird Resort

You have seen the “**Save The Date**” for the All Club GAT members” and you all thought what the heck is GAT? How about Action team, does that sound better? It does to us. So welcome to the very first upcoming session of YOUR action team! This is your meeting to encourage club growth in membership, leadership, and service. It is our honor to help you on your way and know that we will be with you every step of the way as needed.

Who is your club Action team?

1. The **club president** is your **Action** (GAT) team leader
2. The **first vice president** is the **leadership** (GLT) person – or you have appointed someone else as your leadership person
3. **Service** chairperson (GST)
4. **Membership** chairperson (GMT)
5. **The immediate past president is the LCIF** (LCI Foundation) chairperson or you have appointed someone else as this chairperson

Please note that we like to use just the name of the team not the acronyms – let’s make it easy for everyone and get away from using the acronym and just use the easy terms of Action, Leadership, Membership, Service, and LCIF.

You don’t have these **five members in your club**? But you have some members who wear several hats in your club – that is OK, it is how you run your club. We just want to bring some knowledge to your club to help in retaining members, recruiting members, strengthen your leadership, and general Lions knowledge to help you grow service in your community. How will this be done? We have a team of knowledgeable Lions who can bring focused training in the following areas:

- How to do Goal Setting (SMART goals) and Action Plans
- How to do Succession Planning
- How to do Service Projects
- !!! A well-earned FREE LUNCH for all attendees !!!
- How to create a Membership Plan
- How to do Elevator Speeches
- How to help support YOUR Lions Foundation – LCIF
- EXTRA – Time to talk with your counterparts in other clubs!

Sound like something you would like your club to do this year....grow in these areas? Please let us help you do just that. Oh, and your district governors will pay you for the mileage you travel to and from this Club Action Team session – THAT is just how important it is for all of us Lions in Arizona. Please make this THE event for your team to attend. Plan to carpool if you can. The driver will be paid mileage for the travel.

Please RSVP for you and your team members to: Lion Barbara Daily, bebopp2002@yahoo.com or 520 954-0411.
Italian sub for everyone but if you are vegan – we have a cheese sub with the veggie trimmings.

It is never too early to start planning for success! Please join all the Lions of Arizona in this effort – IMAGINE – if all Arizona clubs sent their team of FIVE to learn these skills – we have 111 clubs, times five equals **555** knowledge experts to grow our very own clubs! WOW!!!

Oh, by the way..... The best part..... PRIZES!!!! Yes, we will have amazing prizes that you can win just for attending!!! For you and for your club!

ARIZONA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE DEC 17-19, 2019 LIONS OF ARIZONA PARTICIPATION

The Lions of Arizona will have a booth at the 2019 ASBA conference, located at JW Marriott Desert Ridge, 5350 E Marriott Drive in Phoenix (Tatum & the 101). There will be between 500 & 600 attendees. The purpose is two-fold. One, is to promote Lions as the state's preeminent provider of vision screening services; to make the districts aware of the VSP program through Lions; and to get commitments to sign up. Two, is to promote Lionism and get contact information for as many attendees as possible; promote LEO Clubs in their schools; and other opportunities in the schools. Those in attendance are school board members and school administrators, who would be welcome in any club. The information will be divided by district and sent to the DG for processing. Every person is expected to be invited to a meeting as a prospective member.

Every club is expected to participate in providing prizes, as each attendee will fill out an entry or provide a business card as a drawing entry. **Each club is asked to bring 1 door prize (gift card, useful item, or cash donation) to the Mid-Year Conference on November 2, 2019.** Items will be collected and distributed at the ASBA conference. Everyone is also requested to bring any extra copies of the Lion Magazine for display. State projects are welcome to provide flyers/handouts for the display table.

A few knowledgeable Lions are needed to help staff the booth and provide information to attendees. One LEO is welcome to attend each shift in lieu of one Lion. Please email 1st VDG Richard Hopkins at **buckeyelions@yahoo.com** to request a volunteer time.

Tuesday, Dec 17

Booth set up is 1pm. That is pretty much covered. One volunteer to do all the hard work would be appreciated.

400pm – 630pm Three Lions for the exhibition kickoff reception.

Wednesday, Dec 18

1000am – 1pm Three Lions needed. Exhibition opens.

1pm – 4pm Three Lions needed.

4pm – 730pm Four Lions needed. Exhibition closes 700pm, clean up & tear down until 730pm.

1st VDG Richard will be at the conference and usually in the booth. He will bring all items for set up and take all items after tear down.



MELVIN JONES

LIONS INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL



BE PART OF YOUR RE-DEDICATION TO LIONISM
ALONG WITH CELEBRATING OUR 52nd ANNIVERSARY

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2020 AT 10:30 AM
MELVIN JONES LIONS INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL,
15756 West Hwy #70, FORT THOMAS, AZ

SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL GUEST SPEAKER

2nd VICE PRESIDENT, BRIAN SHEEHAN

WILL ENGAGE US WITH THE FUTURE
OF LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL



Plan to attend the after ceremony luncheon at Eastern Arizona College
immediately following the re-dedication ceremony.

Please bring non-perishable food for the local food bank.

For overnight stays, contact Springhill Suite Marriott at 928.428.6900
Reservation code: "lions2020"

Name: _____ Club: _____ District: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

LUNCH COST (postmarked by Dec 30, 2019) Number attending: _____ x \$30.00 = \$ _____

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHOICE: MEAL BUFFET: _____ OR VEGETARIAN: _____ **NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR**

Make checks payable to **MJLIM**

Mail to: PDG Les Daviet, P.O. Box 519, Laveen, AZ 85339-0519
602.525.2377 - lesdavietii@gmail.com



ALL MD-21 Clubs:

Please save this date:

Saturday, January 25, 2020

for our MD-21

Arizona Lions Service Rally Day

ALL clubs schedule, plan to participate in and document their service with photos on this one day to show our visibility and let our state know just what Arizona Lions do in and for our communities.

Not a meeting nor a fundraiser - Service!

More detailed info will follow and ideas reviewed at our Mid-Year Conference November 1-3, 2019

LIONS of ARIZONA

Please help turn this:>



Into This:>



For every dollar donated, the Forest Service will plant one tree in a burned-out area. Donate \$100, plant 100 trees. Donate \$250, plant 250 trees. The more we donate, the more trees will be planted for reforestation. This is a highly effective project for our Environment initiative. For those areas not covered by trees, your donations will be used to buy perennial wildflower seeds - \$1000 buys a 50# bag, enough to cover 2+ acres. Best of all, all donations will be used here in Arizona. This is a great opportunity for every club in MD21 to participate in our Environment initiative, as well as individual Lions to help. **Checks for the trees can be made out to USDA-Forest Service and mailed to Buckeye Lions, PO Box 26, Buckeye, AZ 85326 no later than October 23, 2019.** We will bundle them all together and present them to the Apache-Sitgreaves Ranger at the Mid-Year luncheon with a big check and a tree. **Your wildflower checks can be made out to Buckeye Lions Foundation and mailed to Buckeye Lions, PO Box 26, Buckeye, AZ 85326 no later than October 23, 2019.** Be sure to attach a note it is for the wildflower project. We will total the donations and determine how many pounds of seed we can buy and present a flower and report to the Tonto Ranger at the Mid-Year. We will let the rangers plant the trees in the burned-out area near Camp Tatiyee. We will schedule a multi-district project date after the first of the year and all meet up on a Saturday in the Woodbury Fire area and spread the seeds. We hope to have TV presence at the Mid-Year and the Saturday project day, so please, let's donate lots and make a big difference.

Questions Contact 1st VDG District 21A Richard Hopkins 623-298-3150

Campaign 100 Club Programs

Campaign 100 has a number of programs that allow clubs at all levels to support the Campaign. Some programs are well suited for one club but not others. However, one of the programs will work for every club. In all programs, individual Lion's donations earn Melvin Jones Fellow credit.

100/100 Club: 100% of the member of a club must donate \$100 to Campaign 100 in one year. This is only a one year obligation and is a members only program. Outside donations do not apply to this program.

Model Club: Clubs are asked to pledge a minimum per member average (PMA) of \$750 between FY 2017/2018 and 2021/2022. This is less than \$250 PMA per year.

Members do not have to donate \$750 each. The club just needs to raise an average of \$750 per member. Donations can come from any source: members, non-member individuals and businesses and the club's treasury.

100 Club: This program is for clubs that don't have the ability to raise the money to be a Model Club. The 100 Club only has to pledge a minimum of \$300 PMA between FY 2017/2018 and 2020/2021. This is less than \$100 PMA per year.

Again, members do not have to donate \$300 each. The club just needs to raise an average of \$300 per member. Donations can come from any source: members, non-member individuals and businesses and the club's treasury.

Classic Club: This program is for clubs that don't have the resources to raise \$300 PMA but still wants to be recognized for their support of Campaign 100. These clubs pledge a minimum of \$150 PMA between FY 2017/2018 and 2020/2021. This is less than \$50 per member average per year.

Once again, members do not have to donate \$150 each. The club just needs to raise an average of \$150 per member. Donations can come from any source: members, non-member individuals and businesses and the club's treasury.

These are minimum donations. Clubs are allowed to donate more than the minimum. Any and all donations by the members and clubs count toward the pledge.

To take advantage of one of these programs, simply decide which program will work best for your club and contact your District Coordinator, or MD Coordinator, for information and the appropriate commitment form.

All clubs taking part in one of these programs will be recognized in social media and at conventions. Some clubs will also receive banner patches from Lions International. The Classic Club is an Arizona only program. All clubs will be recognized in the Canyon State and Arizona Conventions.

ARIZONA LIONS CLUBS WHO ARE COMMITTED TO



Visionary Model Club

Chandler Sunbird Lions Club 21-B
Globe Lions Club 21-B
Phoenix Barangay Lions Club 21-C
Mesa Thunderbird Lions Club 21-C

Model Club

Prescott Sunrise Lions Club 21-C
Prescott Noon Lions Club 21-C

"100" Club

Peoria Sunset Lions Club 21-A
Sun Lakes Lions Club 21-B
Sun Lakes Breakfast Lions 21-B

Classic Club

Tucson Downtown Lions Club 21-B
Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions 21-C

DISTRICT 21 A

DG David Pryce

“Just Being Lions”



By the time this gets published and you are reading it, the Kickoff meeting will have come and gone. As I write this, we have more than 100 pre-registrations with over a week left. What a fantastic response to our request for a large turnout at this last Kickoff for District 21-A.

This response is somewhat bittersweet for our committee as many of them asked why can't we get this every year? I will turn around and ask each of you the same question. My motto for this year is “Be A Lion”, and attending these meetings is part of being a Lion. We all enjoy the camaraderie and fun that comes with our fund raising and service projects and that fellowship can be and is had by those that do attend these meetings. Please consider,

in the future, attendance at district functions in whatever district your club is assigned. In other words, Be A Lion.

President Choi has challenged all of us to serve and recruit with diversity. Search for new members among those that you may not have approached in the past. Look for opportunities to expand into previously poorly covered areas, including those where we may have lost a club. If each one of us brings in only 1 new member, our district would be able to remain as it has been. Re-districting will become a faded memory. If you do not like the idea of only 2 sub-districts versus 3, you can make your opinion known. Recruit, involve and retain.

As a way to expand knowledge of our great

organization, a universal (our own universe) day of service is being planned for Melvin Jones birth month of January. All clubs will be doing a service project and our aim is to obtain publicity and recognition for the various ways we can serve our communities. Start now to plan how to show off your pet project, or, start a new one that has potential to draw people in and prove to be a benefit for your community.

Lastly, as a service project by District 21-A, we are asking for donations to My Sisters Place, a battered women's and children's shelter. Please see the flyer included in the Canyon State Lion for their wish list of items needed.



21A Kickoff

On August 24th DG David Pryce held his Kickoff meeting for the year. He outlined his goals for the year including adding at least 2 new clubs, 2 campus clubs, a Hispanic Business club and a LGBT club. These would follow the International President's theme of

Diversify. He also emphasized the fact that we need to Just Be A Lion and remember to have FUN while we serve. His service project for the Kickoff with the help of his GSTs PDG Jack Buckles and Lion Karen Buckles was an “Unbirthday” Party to benefit My Sisters Place, a domestic abuse shelter. As you can

see the members of MD21A went above and beyond to provide many needed items for the shelter. The attendees also assembled 50 personal bags for the residents. DG David would like to send a huge thank you to all the members of MD 21A. Remember BE A LION! And have FUN!!

HALLOWEENIE LUNCHEON

October 31 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Location: Del Webb Room at 14465 R.H. Johnson Blvd. Sun City West

Tickets sold at the door - \$6.00

You can also purchase tickets from any Sunrise Lions Club member

Ticket gets you a ¼ lb. all-beef Hot Dog, a bag of chips & a beverage of your choice

Carry-Outs & Deliveries Available

There will be a 50/50 Drawing & Door Prize

ALL PROFITS GO TO LIONS CHARITIES

Questions? Call Paul Phillips 623-975-6757

LIONS add their support to HART PANTRY

Ruth Langford, a member of the Sun City Mid-Week Bell Lions Club of Sun City, Arizona founded the HART PANTRY in 2013; Incorporated the charity into a 501(c)(3) in 2014. The Mission of HART is to reach local high school teens who do not have enough food at home. These young people may truly be homeless, living in shelters, with a friend or in a crisis situation at home with no parent or guardian able to provide care or protection. Working with local Title 1 high schools, and community counselors, their staff strives to provide food and needed services to eligible teens in the NW valley of Maricopa County, AZ.

HART PANTRY, an all volunteer non-profit provides weekend food packs of 18 shelf stable, high protein, single serve food items to get the teen through the weekend when there is no food at the school he or she attends. (these packs are also made available during vacations through local community centers). Snack/supper bags of 5 items are also provided for

week nights. In addition, refurbished bicycles, monthly toiletries, basic clothing, Christmas and graduation gifts and school supplies are provided upon request. HART PANTRY will consider any request presented by the school counselor that will help this teen stay in school to graduate.

To accomplish this program, HART PANTRY is supported by Sun City Mid-Week Bell Lions Club, Sun City, AZ; Host Lions Club, Sun City, AZ; Early Bird Lions Club, Sun City, AZ; Surprise Sun Village Lions Club, Surprise, AZ; and the Lions Foundation at 5491 N. 99th Ave, Sun City, AZ where the HART PANTRY is located. In addition to the support received by fellow Lions, Ms Langford receives grants from the Cities of Peoria and Surprise AZ; many corporate partners such as APS and Discount Tire Corp; Funding is also provided by 8 local churches, civic groups like FROM THE HEART in Glendale, AZ and the community at large.

Food insecurity is a major problem among our youth and especially our teens who because of peer pressure or other factors do not readily seek help. HART PANTRY seeks to find these young folks and let them know that someone cares; that they "are enough" and seeking help is ok. To this end HART PANTRY with its 40 volunteers, Executive Board of 12 members and Executive Director Langford is constantly seeking to provide support and encourage teens to finish high school and increase self-esteem. There seems to be no end in sight to the fact that so many children go to bed hungry, get up hungry and are expected to perform the tasks of school and life when all they really want to do is eat a meal, have a warm bed and a safe environment in which to survive. A hungry kiddo cannot concentrate on much of anything except being hungry.

More information about HART PANTRY can be found on the web site: www.hartpantry.org Facebook: TheHartPantry.

Directory Corrections and or Additions

Green Section Page 7-Misspelled Name should be ZC Ethel Luzario-Smith

Green Section Page 60-Address Change-Teresita Reyes address the same only apartment number changed to #2003

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Camp Tatiyee's mission is to enrich the lives of individuals with special needs by providing a life improving experience promoting their emotional health, independence, self-esteem, and confidence, all free-of-charge. To provide a community that empowers individuals to grow socially, physically and emotionally. We believe that everyone deserves to be accepted, loved and respected. Camp upholds the dignity of all individuals, at all times by embracing their abilities by asking "how" rather than "if".

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Spot Training and Certifications

August 3, 2019

A training and certification session was held at the Buckeye Elementary School District Building to enable the Lions and nurses to receive training and understanding of the use of the spot machine as well as certification before the end of August when the new law comes into effect.



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THE NEW LAW PASSED FOR VISION SCREENING REQUIRES ALL TO BE CERTIFIED



**Arizona Lions Sight and
Hearing Foundation of MD21
Eyeglass Sorting Help Needed
September 21, 2019
9:00am to 2:00pm
3124 E. Roosevelt Street,
Building D, Suite 1
Phoenix, AZ 85008
Lions Foundation of Arizona
Complex**

**Low Vision? No Vision? Vision and hearing loss?
Arizona's **V**ision **R**ehabilitation and
Assistive **T**echnology **E**xpo is for You!**



Mark Your Calendar!
VRATE 2019

VRATE is FREE to the Public

23rd Year: OPEN TWO DAYS

Friday, November 15th and Saturday, November 16th

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Glendale Civic Center - 5750 W. Glenn Dr. - **Glendale, AZ 85301**

Presentations and Exhibitors Focused on:

- Vision loss and rehabilitation
- Life-changing Assistive Technology
- Resources combined vision & hearing loss
- Government and community services
- Saturday's focus is youth, family, & education



TELL YOUR FRIENDS!

BRING YOUR GROUP!

Register for VRATE at: www.vrateaz.com

Common Questions about VRATE:

1. Is there an admission fee? No, VRATE is FREE to the public. Please register each participant and attending member.
2. Is Wi-Fi available? Yes.
3. Is there food service? Yes.
4. Is there access to public transportation? Yes, a link to Valley Metro and phone information is available on the vrateaz.com Location page.
5. Will there be ASL Interpreters? Sighted Guides? Yes, when requested **one month** in advance of the event through online registration.
6. More questions? Please contact us at: vrateinfo@gmail.com

DISTRICT 21 B

DG Chris Gibbs

THE MORE WE KNOW THE MORE WE GROW



THE MORE THEY KNOW THE MORE WE GROW.

How do we "grow" more Lions? Where can we find them? These questions should be on our collective mind. Not just today, but always! Not just for our own club, but for the entire organization! I talk about these questions whenever I find the opportunity. Everyone of us is an ambassador for Lions Clubs International. Each community club is a cornerstone of our association and all of us should stand prepared to share our message of Service with anyone. Where do we find more Lions - EVERYWHERE!

Maybe people don't just walk up to you and ask about your Club. They do to me. I wear Lions shirts quite often. When you're at projects you should always be in "uniform", but do you wear it for the rest of that day? My club wears t-shirts with our logo on the chest and "LIONS CLUB"

COULD ADDING A BRANCH TO YOUR CLUB HELP YOU RECRUIT YOUNGER LIONS?

Are you finding that your club is serving less due to an aging membership, and you are not having success at recruiting younger Lions? As you attempt to recruit, are you hearing "I want to serve, but I don't want to join a traditional club" or "I don't have time for meetings or to serve as an officer". Perhaps it might be time to consider forming a branch.

A branch is a group of Lions within your club, that operate as a "mini-club". They rely upon your club's infrastructure to manage the administrative functions, so they are free to serve with few club duties. They choose their own meeting times, traditions and projects and set their own dues. They may decide to be a cyber branch, thereby eliminating the need for physical meetings. Therefore, your club can continue meeting and operating as it has, but you can also recruit Lions that can meet and serve as they desire. Your club benefits because it continues to serve and grow. The branch Lions are full members of your club, and can step up to

in bold letters on the back as our work uniform. Since I'll probably plan to wash it after use anyway, I choose to keep it on all day. This keeps our club identification active in most people's minds. This is a very important concept of VISIBILITY. Even if the service we performed was for a short period, our marketing opportunity has increased because friends, neighbors, and sometimes strangers want to know what their community's Lions Club did today.

THE MORE THEY KNOW THE MORE WE GROW.

San Pedro Valley Lions Club saw a need for more help in their projects. President Susan challenged everyone to find members. A few weeks ago, PCC John Hart, ZC Jim Perkins, and I were part of an induction ceremony welcoming 16 new Lions into their Club. DOUBLING THE SIZE OF THEIR CLUB!

leadership roles in the club and beyond.

This is an excellent way for a legacy club that may be finding it difficult to continue to do service projects to expand its membership and serve in new areas. A branch could be started with a group of Lions that cannot regularly attend your meetings due to work. Other opportunities could be groups of people who want to work on one specific project, and would benefit from the Lions name, insurance, image/brand and non-profit status. Partnerships with churches, civic groups, neighborhood organizations, schools, parents, etc., are perfect places to seek out small groups to recruit as separate branches. This could also be a company that wants to support their employees serving and sponsors them to join your club as a group. How about a young mother's branch that meets at playtime and one person watches the kids while the others do a service project. A group of parents that support their kid's sports team or band and need to raise funds and cover insurance. The branch can also

Our 2019-2020 Kick-Off was GREAT! If you missed it, you missed out. Our District Action Team consists of GLT (Leadership – Lion Laurie Genz), GMT (Membership – PCC John Hart), GST (Service – Lion Su-Lin Trepanitis), and PR/Communications (Lion Richard Stevenson). Their combined messages were presented to all attendees in concise and systematic fashion. This is teamwork! I was very proud of their efforts and their message. Lots of information was put forward and if you were unable to attend, your Zone Chairs can pass along what was given.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!

Find the needs. Develop as many visible projects and activities as you are able. Always invite others to help. Teach our credo of service. Let others see what you do. Show others how to Catch your Dream of Service.

recruit new Lions on their own, thereby expanding your service footprint further. The opportunities are only limited by your imagination. Remember, these are not strangers that you are supporting, these are your Lions doing your Lions service under your club's name.

Organization is simple, your club board approves the concept, you find a person/s to form the group, you join the Lions to your club in MyLCI and then establish the branch in MyLCI and identify a minimum of 5 Lions as members of the branch in MyLCI. A branch liaison is appointed, a president of the branch is elected and you are rolling.

Want to learn more, we have a cyber branch in MD21 with 30 Lions who served over 25,000 people last year who would be happy to share their story. Contact Lion Richard Stevenson at ki6baq@me.com.

We Serve Your Club Your Way



GILBERT LIONS CLUB



of Service to the Community

The Gilbert Lions Club, proudly announces its 50th Anniversary Celebration and continuous service to the community.

The Town of Gilbert has grown from a population of just under 2,000 residents back in 1969 to well over 284,000 today.

Over the past 50 years, the Gilbert Lions Club has evolved from a small town Lions Club, into a thriving community service provider, and each year the need for service continues to grow.

The Lions, who were chosen to be known as Knights of the Blind by Helen Keller back in 1929, continue to this day helping so many individuals with eye issues, and the Gilbert Club is no exception.

Each year the Gilbert Lions Club, does Vision Testing at all of the Gilbert Elementary Schools and in just the past few years alone, have tested over 9,000 students each year and the number continues to grow. This type of giving back to the community is only possible by the generous donations made yearly to our Charity Account, through our Fund Raisers such as White Cane Days, and our Annual Rummage Sale, as well as other fund raisers done yearly.

This year as we celebrate this remarkable anniversary, we will have the privilege of having a Charter Member of that original 1969 Club in our presence. Lion PDG Earl Becker.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 19, 2019.

The venue will be The Southeast Regional Library, 715 North Greenfield Road, Gilbert, AZ 85234(southeast corner Greenfield/Guadalupe). Social hour: 5:30 p.m., Dinner/Program: 6:00 p.m., \$25.00 per person no tickets will be sold at the door.

FOR TICKETS: Contact Lion PDG Ron Rosinke, 3925 E. Forge Ave., Mesa, AZ 85206, (480) 751-8320, oscar2717@hotmail.com



GILBERT LIONS CLUB



of Service to the Community

***The Gilbert Lions club cordially invites you to join us as we celebrate our
50th anniversary.***

Saturday, October 19, 2019

5:30pm – Social/6:00 pm – Dinner & Program

Chicken Marsala, Baked Ziti

Toss Salad, Rolls & Butter

Southeast Regional Library

775 North Greenfield Road

Gilbert, AZ 85234

South East corner of Greenfield and Guadalupe Roads

Tickets are \$25.00 per person and will not be sold at the door.

Please RSVP no later than October 1, 2019.

Please make your check payable to Gilbert Lions Club and mail to:

Ron Rosinke, 3925 East Forge Ave., Mesa, AZ 85206

If you have special dietary needs, please contact Ron Rosinke

***Thank you for your continued support of the Gilbert Lions Club. We are excited to take
this time to reflect on our Club's history, extend our gratitude to those who have helped
us reach this milestone and look ahead to the future.***

Your name(s) _____

Your phone# _____ Number in your party _____

Check amount enclosed _____

DISTRICT 21C

DG Marie Cunning

“Emerging Voices In Servant Leadership”



HELLO LIONS!!!

August turned out to be a whirlwind, super hectic month with Kickoffs galore from District 21-B on Aug. 3, District 21-C on August 10th and District 21-A just last Saturday, Aug. 24th.

Our MD 21- Council Headed by Council Chair Larry Palmer and the 3 District Governors, DG Chris Gibbs of 21-B and DG David Pryce of 21-A and of course yours truly have delivered practically the same message for Lions Year 2019-2020. First area of improvement of course being Membership Growth so the DG's have placed the onus on the Zones and Region Chairs and of course the GMT's to rally all the clubs in their respective jurisdictions to increase membership as well as creating more vibrant and inclusive service projects to promote visibility for the Lions and also to resuscitate and breathe new life into our members thru service and interactive community service activities. Hopefully thru service, we can also improve our membership retention which has also been on the decline.

We think that if all the districts and the clubs under them institute the “Ask 1” Campaign we can double our membership (this is ideal of course, but not impossible). However,

such an undertaking would involve training our club leadership as well also the general membership and giving them their 2 minute “recruitment/inviting” elevator speech. We believe that each member has at least 1 friend/neighbor/relative/business acquaintance/co-worker that they can invite to a service/activity or club meeting or a Lions event and entice them into becoming a Lion. Not at all difficult or daunting as I know each and everyone of us has at least 1 or 2 friends that know about all our service activities and just have never been asked to join us.

The 3 DG's have also decided to support and endorse Lions International President Jung-Yul-Choi's focus for this year. The first one being supporting diversity through specialty clubs. We have set some lofty goals to charter several clubs in all 3 districts so hold onto your seats as we are getting ready to lift-off. September 2-6 will be our first opportunity to take advantage of this as we have Lions International Club Membership Expert PDG Paul Baker of Canada flying to Arizona to help us with this. Beginning with efforts to re-start the Embry Riddle Campus Lions Club. PDG Baker was able to secure a table for us during the University Fair the first week of September.

I have also enlisted his aid in training the first officers and organizing team of the 4 groups so far that I have talked to about Chartering a Specialty Club. These 4 groups will be African American, Chinese, Indian and a Rainbow club for the (LGBT Community).

President Choi's 2nd focus is LCIF Campaign 100. All 3 DG's of MD21 have pledged their support to make this happen with 100% Club Participation and also have gone the extra mile to explain the “Model Club” Concept at all 3 kickoff events to all our clubs and hopefully, we can get the support of our clubs to help us make this a reality.

I would like to end with a quote I read this morning from Martin Luther King... “God is able to make a way out of no way and transform dark yesterdays into bright tomorrows. This is our hope for becoming better people. This is our mandate for seeking to make a better world”.

This is what we Lions do best. We strive to make better tomorrows and we do what we can to make our parts of the globe brighter because we are in it.

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Location
Let it Roll Bowl Lanes
8925 North 12th Street
Phoenix, AZ 85020

When
Saturday, September 28, 2019
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

**SCOTTSDALE KACHINA LIONS CLUB
PRESENTS**

8th Annual Vision Action Service

STRIKE FOR SIGHT

**The Scottsdale Kachina Lions Club
invites the visually challenged children to
a day of fun bowling
with their peers**

**If you would like to sponsor a bowler, the cost is \$17.
Please call LionTeri at 480 351-9389**



4th Annual
A Dog's Day Out!



Leash up the pup and join us for
FUN & GAMES FOR FIDO & THE WHOLE FAMILY!!

Saturday, October 19th, 9 am to 2 pm

Payson Courthouse parking lot
(across from the Post Office)

"A Dog's Day Out"

sponsored by **Payson Lioness Club**

Fun! Fun! Fun! with K-9 Demonstration, Pet Training,
Dog Groomers, Nail Clipping, Nutritional Information,
Pet Adoption, Food, Games

For more information, call Barb at 928-951-1251

GAME CATEGORIES:

- ✓ Dog Tricks
- ✓ High Jump
- ✓ Waggi-est Tail
- ✓ Pet & Owner look a like
- ✓ Best Costume

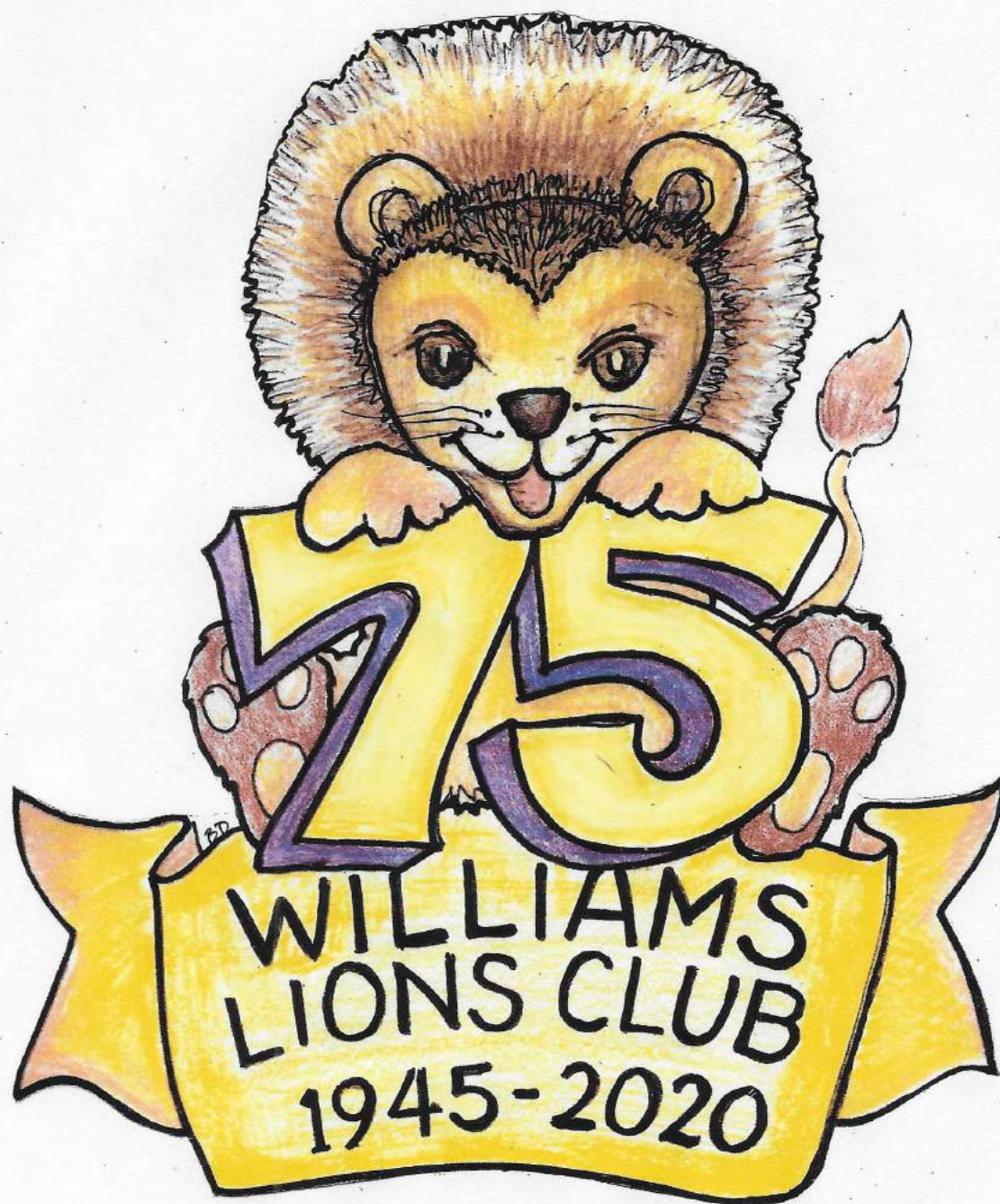
Games begin at 11:00
Ribbons for all

See you at A Dog's
Day Out!



Proceeds to benefit Leader Dogs for
the Blind and Payson Humane Society





Lions, Tigers and Bearizona

Help us celebrate our **75** years of service.

Friday	3/20/2020	Bearizona Charter Party
Saturday	3/21/2020	D21-C Convention
Sunday	3/22/2020	Ride "The Train"



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Calendar of Events

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Sept	14	All Three Districts Zone Chair and Region Chairs Training	Casino AZ	Scottsdale	PDG Barbara Daily (520) 954-0411
Sept	19-21	USA/Canada Forum		Spokane, Washington	DGE Marie Cuning
Sept	28	Strike for Sight		Phoenix	Teri 480 351-9389
Sept	28	All Club GAT Members GAT, GLT, GMT, GST, LCIF)-Sun Bird Resort		Chandler	CCE Larry Palmer & PDG Barbara Daily
Oct	19	Gilbert LC 50th Anniversary Celebration	The Southeast Regional Library	Gilbert	PDG Ron Rosinke 480 751-8320
Oct	19	4th Annual A Dog's Day Out!	Payson Lioness	Payson	Barb 928 951-1251
Oct	31	Halloweenie Luncheon		Sun City West	Paul Phillips 623 975-6757
Nov	1-3	MD21 Leadership Conference		Tempe	CCE Larry Palmer & DGE Dave Pryce
		2nd District Cabinet Meetings		Tempe	PDG Fred Garmeson
Nov	1	2nd Council Meeting-Embassy Suites		Tempe	CCE Larry Palmer
Nov	15-16	VRATE - Glendale Civic Center		Glendale	www.vrateaz.com
Dec	17-19	AZ School Board Association Annual Conference	Invites All Lions	Phoenix	1st VDG Dist. 21A Richard Hopkins buckeyelions@yahoo.com

2020

Jan	18	Melvin Jones Lions International Re-Dedication		Ft. Thomas	PDG Les Daviet 602 525-2377
Jan	25	Arizona Lions Service One Day Rally		Statewide	Info at Nov 1-3 Mid Year Conference
Feb	29	3rd Council Meeting-Best Western Hotel		Phoenix	PCC Larry Palmer
Feb	29	21A Convention-LFA Complex	Arizona Center for the Blind Building	Phoenix	PCC Ralph Williamson 602 622-2401
Mar	20-22	District 21C Convention-3rd Cabinet Meeting		Williams	DGE Marie Cuning
Apr	3-4	District 21B Convention-3rd Cabinet Meeting		Safford	DGE Chris Gibb
May	15	4th MD21 Council Meeting-Mesa Hilton		Mesa	CCE Larry Palmer
May	15-17	MD21 Convention-4th District Cabinet Meetings		Mesa	CCE Larry Palmer & DGE Chris Gibbs
July	26-30	103rd Annual International Convention		Singapore	
Sept	17-19	USA/Canada Forum		Louisville, Kentucky	

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June	25-29	104th Annual International Convention		Montreal, Quebec	
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