



THE SECOND TIME AROUND

August 2024

Kansas Lions District 17A Newsletter

District Governor Margy Sundstrom

How did your club do in 2023-24? Did you meet the qualifications for the Club Excellence Award? I have received the completed forms from only 4 clubs in District 17A. I KNOW there are more great clubs in our district than that.

Use the qualifications outlined in the Club Excellence Award Application as your road map to excellence.

Download and complete the application and send to me by email by August 29th. I will sign and forward it on to LCI. Let me know if you have any questions.

[Download application \(2023-24\)](#)



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Club Excellence Award Requirements

Membership Requirements

- Achieved a new growth of two members or 10% or more members (whichever is greater)
- Chartered a new Lions club in the current Lion year

Service Requirements

- Started a new service project —consider one of our Global Causes!
- List three service activities your club participated in that were reported to Lions International

LCIF Requirements

- Contributed to LCIF an amount equal to or greater than the club's membership total multiplied by US\$10

Leadership and Organizational Excellence Requirements

- Club is in good standing (not in status quo or financial suspension: district dues paid and no unpaid balance with Lions International greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more.)
- Reported club officers to Lions International
- Key officers participate in club officer training
 - District
 - Multiple district
 - International
 - Webinars
 - Lions Learning Center

Marketing Requirements

- The club has published its service activities through local media and social media channels

This is my Tentative Club Visitation Schedule – If your club changed your meeting date/time or location in the past year please let me know asap! irene@idesignGS.com or tell your Zone Chair.

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ONAGA 9/9/2024	DELPHOS 10/28/2024
CLAY CENTER 9/10/2024	RANDOLPH 11/4/2024
MINNEAPOLIS NOON 9/12/2024	BARNES 11/7/2024
CONCORDIA 9/19/2024	GYPSUM 11/9/2024
MANHATTAN SUNFLOWER 9/23/2024	MORGANVILLE 11/18/2024
SALINA DOWNTOWN 9/25/2024	MANHATTAN 11/20/2024
LONGFORD 9/25/2024	MILTONVALE 11/25/2024
BELLEVILLE 10/5/2024	KEATS 12/2/2024
ASSARIA 10/5/2024	WASHINGTON 12/16/2024
TESCOTT 10/7/2024	MINNEAPOLIS EVENING 12/16/2024
BENNINGTON 10/14/2024	WATERVILLE 1/6/2025
MARYSVILLE 10/17/2024	SCANDIA 1/20/2025
LEONARDVILLE 10/20/2024	
CLYDE 10/20/2024	

Make Your Mark, Mission 1.5, We Serve...Just a few of the phrases that will be top of mind as we set sail for another year in Lions. One of my favorite quotes is this: "We cannot direct the wind, but we can adjust the sails" by Betha Calloway. With an eye on our GOALS we can surely achieve all we set out to do and maybe even then some.

It is mid-July as I write this article for the District Newsletter. I have my assignment for clubs to visit this year as your First Vice-District Governor (See list next to this column). In late July I will have attended the Faculty Development Institute (FDI) at Northwest Missouri State University, held during the same time as the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute (GPLLI). I am excited to learn how to be a better trainer and presenter. When you get a chance to take training please consider it seriously as it will help you develop into a better leader for your club as you serve your community. You may even gain some new members! More hands to help with your Lions Projects and of course new Lions to train up to be the leaders of the future in your Lions Club.

Club Excellence: If you have not yet done so, you can apply for the Club Excellence Award and use the qualifications to plan your year ahead. The deadline to submit your completed application is August 31. Please see District Governor Margy's article for details. Don't Wait. Complete the application today!

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/club-excellence-awards>

SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR ROGER YOST

Summer is almost over for many as school is starting and the stress for many families on “how am I going to pay for this” begins. Club project maybe? Providing necessary items to families in need? Not all can afford the small things, remember We SERVE!

I just returned from an absolutely fabulous weekend at Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute (GPLLI) in Maryville, Missouri. One of the best decisions I have made – great education. The interaction of participants was awesome! The exchanging of ideas is what makes long days worthwhile. If you have the chance, I would highly recommend anyone attending the event next year.

Club visits are on my agenda so be expecting a call soon. If you have a date that you need filled, please contact me. Its going to be a great year as a Lion!

The only true wisdom is in knowing you know nothing. ~Socrates

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Kansas Lions at Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute

State Council Meeting

Your Council of Governors extend a special invitation for every Lion in Kansas to join Council meetings. The first State Council Meeting is Saturday August 10th, 9A-3P at the Wingate by Wydham, 5500 West Kellogg in Wichita.

Lunch is at 11:30, cost is \$18. Contact the state office to reserve a meal. Contact the hotel for room reservations.

PCC Diane Hentges - Global Service Team

SERVICE ACTIVITY REPORTING

Service activity reporting to LCI remains less than 30% in District A. That means we are keeping secret all the good works that district clubs do. It is known that some of us shy away from technology. That's understandable. So, there is help for clubs to report the wonderful services the clubs of District 17A do for their communities. There is the SARs Card, a small business card size form:

Information needed is the name of the club, person reporting with contact information; this goes on one side. On the other side the information is simple...what, where, when. hours of service, number of volunteers, and number of people served. Simple!

Ok, what do you do with the card? Again simple, mail it to the District Secretary or District Administrator to enter into the LCI system. Now the world of Lions will know all the great services provided by Lions in 17A.

A copy of the card is in this pictured below. Feel free to contact me for cards.

My email is dkhentges0503@gmail.com
and my phone number is 913-708-5323.

LION PORTAL Service Activity Reporting

Just collect the necessary information and give it to the District Administrator who can submit it officially online via the Lion Portal. SARS Reporting keeps our District, MD and LI in the loop on how we serve!

REPORT ON BEHALF OF: _____
REPORTER: _____
CONTACT INFO: _____

Report on Behalf of = Club Name
Reporter = Who is filling the card out
Contact Info = Reporters Contact Info.

REPORTING SERVICE IS AS EASY AS REMEMBERING... WWW123

WHAT? _____
WHERE? _____
WHEN? _____ HOURS SERVED? _____
VOLUNTEERS _____ # PEOPLE SERVED _____

What? = What was the project
Where? = Where did the project take place
When? = What date did the project take place
Hours Served? = Total hours served
Volunteers = How many helpers
People Served = How many benefitted

SERVICE ACTIVITY REPORT

Once the card is filled out, clubs can mail it to the district secretary or district administrator to be entered into the system.

The card aims to remove the electronic barrier we see with some clubs. Also, these are great for the ZC/DG Team to have with them on visits. If a project is mentioned but not entered, the ZC/DG Team can fill one out with the club and get it to the district secretary as well.

LIONS Health Program

LCI President Fabricio Oliveira's slogan "Make your Mark" rings a bell with me and as you read his bio that slogan makes a lot of sense. Think about your Lions Club, has it made its mark in your community? If not, why? What have you done to help your Lions Club "Make its Mark" in your community? Listed below are the causes that LCI believes will help your club "Make its Mark". Work on scheduling a program or project for each of them this year and see how your *mark* in the community improves.

For more information on all of these causes go to the Lions Portal and look up each cause then use the suggestions and provide a program or project on each of them. The program or project does not need to be extensive. Just use the suggestions from LCI to start your planning then look in your local community for the program, you will be surprised as to the material that your community has to offer.

Here is the LCI Event Calendar for Lions year 2024/25:

- September **Childhood Cancer Awareness Month**
- October **Vision Awareness Month**
- November **Diabetes Awareness Month**
 - Nov. 13th Diabetes Awareness Day
- December No Cause Listed
- January **Hunger Awareness Month**
- February **Childhood Cancer Awareness Month**
 - 15th International Childhood Cancer Day
- March 23 **Diabetes Alert Day**
- April **Environmental Awareness Month**
- May **Strengthen Membership Month**



If you need help finding this information email or call Lion Vern Failor:

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AROUND THE DISTRICT

Leavenworth Lions



Represent Lions
in Jackson
County Fair
parade



DG MARGY AND
PDG TERRY WEDLIN

Basehor Lions



TREX BENCH

Navarre Lions





Lansing Lions New Melvin Jones Fellows



Olathe Noon Lions Highway Clean-up



Feeding Eudora

Overland Park Host Lions



Concordia Lions





WEAR IT WEDNESDAY



MISSION 1.5

MISSION 1.5 is the drive to reach 1.5 million members worldwide on July 1, 2027, so we can better meet the growing needs of our communities and serve more people than ever before.

Global Membership Approach

The Global Membership Approach equips districts to develop membership through a strategic process focused on rejuvenating districts with new clubs, revitalizing clubs with new members and re-motivating existing members with fellowship and exciting service.

District Goals

District goals provide districts with the opportunity to create goals and action plans that are directly tailored to each district's annual priorities. Action plans to support MISSION 1.5 targets will be submitted through the district goals process.

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the gift of sight
through sound!



BECAUSE OF LIONS' SUPPORT

- 100 New Alexa Users per Month
- 80 New Radio Listeners in 2023
- 30+ Daily Program Listeners via Lions Telephone Reader
- 50+ Daily Listeners via Accessibility Apps on Phones/Tablets
- 4,500+ Listeners Tuning in to the Website



YOU'RE MAKING A HUGE DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF LISTENERS

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NAVARRE

COMMUNITY FEST



AUGUST 10

5-8 PM



CLASSIC CAR SHOW

REGISTRATION BY DONATION
3 PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS PRESENTED AT 7:30



PIE AUCTION

BY THE
NAVARRE BOOSTERS & HOLLAND
SUNFLOWER 4-H CLUBS

7:00

LIVE MUSIC BY

DAVE SCHIMMING



MEAL
BY
AGRI TRAILS COOP



JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN AT THE NAVARRE COMMUNITY CENTER

Sponsored by Navarre Lions Club, Agri Trails Coop
Navarre Boosters & Holland Sunflower 4-H Clubs

Cloud County Community Suppers



FREE HOT MEAL, ALL ARE WELCOME!

Concordia National Guard Armory
2115 Blosser Drive

For information, call (785) 614-0148



The first two Wednesdays of the month
5:00-6:00 pm

Curbside pick-up ONLY