



# District 17N News

68 Lions clubs serving in southcentral and southeast Kansas | December 2024

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## District Governor Notes

### District 17-N Lions are 'Making Their Mark' in '24-'25

I am so proud to have been given the opportunity to be your District Governor. From observations and Portal reports, what the Lions have accomplished over the last few months is truly remarkable. Regardless of the challenges, you always rise above them and look for the opportunities to make a positive impact.



International President Oliveria started his year with four main focus areas. I too started my year with four "Key Goals." My goals for the district included Leadership Training, Club Reporting, Membership Growth, and LCIF Donations.

**Training:** Training opportunities on the Portal and through local Zoom sessions, we were able to achieve 100% Zone Chair training, however our Club Officer Training (especially via the Portal)

could be improved.

**Reporting:** Percentage reflected on the Portal shows approximately 26% of the clubs recording their services. Not only does this information help the Team during visits, but Lions International also uses the information in their marketing strategy.

**Growth:** New members are being added and we have recorded positive numbers, but there are some known potential losses that would impact the end of year totals. Congratulations to Newton Lions Club for gaining a new member in November.

**LCIF:** Our "success story" is directly related to your generous donations. My goal for the district was \$30,000 and as of the end of November, the total donations reflected on the Portal is \$15,676—52% of our set goal. There are plenty of clubs remaining that have not made a donation to LCIF and I hope that you will consider doing so. Donated funds allow LCIF to provide grants and assistance to the eight Focus Areas.

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## Coming Up!

### Mid-Winter Rally

**January 17-18**

Courtyard by Marriott  
Junction City

with special guest

ID Anthony Paradiso

Details on pages 16-17

### Third District Cabinet Meeting

**January 25**

Zoom

### District 17N Convention

**February 28-March 1**

Bel Aire

Details on pages 8-9

## Save the Date!

### Kansas Lions State Convention

**May 29-31**

DoubleTree @  
Wichita Airport

## Kansas Lions District 17N Leaders

**District Governor**

**Shari Neidhardt**

Towanda Lions Club

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**1st Vice District Governor**

**Clark Lindstrom**

Wichita Downtown Lions Club

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**2nd Vice District Governor**

**Melanie Snider**

Baxter Springs Lions Club

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# Governor's Comments

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There is a "donation" link on the Portal and Lions Clubs International website. If you have questions, you can email [donorassistance@lionsclubs.org](mailto:donorassistance@lionsclubs.org) or call 1-630-203-3836.



I also selected two key area "service projects" for the year, Juvenile Diabetes Awareness (PDG Don Cunningham, Chair) and Childhood Cancer. The goal for the Juvenile Diabetes Awareness is to collect club donations to help sponsor children to attend a diabetes camp. If you would like more information about the

diabetes camp, contact PDG Cunningham, he is our champion in the know. Childhood Cancer is one of the main LCIF focus areas. Given these two outstanding projects, the proceeds from the silent auction at the district convention will be divided equally between the two programs.

I want to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas. Time with family and friends is a very important part of a balance lifestyle. Take a little time to re-energize during this "half time" break, for we still have another half year to provide more service.

Thus, I leave you with a quote by Elijah Cummings, "*Typically diagnosed during childhood and adolescent years, juvenile diabetes, also referred to as Type I diabetes, currently affects more than 3 million Americans and more than 13,000 children are diagnosed each year.*"

*Lion Shari Neidhardt  
District Governor, 2024-2025*



**PDG Barbara Gavin  
– District 20-O Childhood Cancer Chair –  
Making Her Mark**

## 2nd Vice District Governor

# Making an impact — big and small

During this holiday season, we often reflect – take stock – on the year. During this reflection, I see my losses, failures, unattained goals and disappointments. I also see the opportunities taken, risks taken, accomplishments and many joys.



I have been rewarded with circles of support (family, work, community associations and Lions), some goal accomplishments, travel experiences, moments of laughter and fun and many gatherings with friends. Many of the memorable moments are a result of you, my Lions family.

I am in awe of the things that Lions are doing, both big and small—food bank contributions, Peace Poster sponsorships, vision screening, service to senior citi-

zens, dictionaries to elementary children, blood drives, Halloween events for children and seniors, car shows, diabetes education, white cane events, Thanksgiving dinners, Veterans recognition, community parades, first aid kits to homeless, and support to shelters for homeless, domestic abuse victims and pets.

I am sure I have missed acts of service because you are so busy and plugged into your neighbors' and community's needs. Thank you for your Lions heart, for your commitment to neighbors and community and for your friendship.

Looking forward to the new year, to adding to my Lions family, to learning more about your club, and embracing new opportunities to Make our Mark. Wishing you a happy holiday season!!

*Melanie Snider  
Second Vice District Governor, 2024-2025*

## 1st Vice District Governor

# Following the mission of Lionism everyday

I recently read a meme on seven easy steps to improve your attitude, feel great, and fully relax: 1) stand up, 2) stretch, 3) take a walk, 4) keep walking, 5) board a plane, 6) fly to Hawaii and 7) never return.



All kidding aside, in the wake of all that is going on in the world today; regardless of political or social positions, it is still important to reflect upon the words of Patrick Henry: “United we stand, divided we fall. Let us not split into factions which must destroy that union upon which our existence hangs.” What I’m wanting to convey is what it truly means to be a Lion for you, for your clubs, and for the people we serve in our respective communities and the world.

As a member of the largest service organization in the world, you can find solace and unity with people in your community and all over the globe. Being around other Lions allows you to feel good about helping people from every walk of life. Being a Lion is non-sectarian and nonpartisan where almost 1.4 million fellow Lions are empowered to volunteer, to strengthen communities, promote health and longevity, and strive to meet humanitarian needs through services and grants that impact lives.

To me, we are an international group of men, women, and children from all races, genders and sexual orientations who have agreed to uphold a code of ethics. We Lions have sworn oaths to be careful with criticism and to always be liberal with praise to build up and not tear down. We can all acknowledge that we are not perfect, but we each can decide to form a more perfect union by serving others in many small ways each and every day.

As I travel the clubs in District 17 N, I often ask club members about their favorite service project or Lion “wow!” transformative moment when they truly connected to the mission of Lionism. The answers by club members are surprisingly similar. Goddard’s club had a majority of responses that the Mitten Tree Project gave them the most pride helping families and children in need (they still need donations as I write this). The Augusta Club members really love the annual Christmas tree sales, even though it is a lot of work. The Burlington Club likes to serve school age children with Halloween candy give-aways and refreshments at the

Fall Homecoming dance. The Wichita Northwest Club has been the power point for sorting used eyeglasses. The Bel Aire Club members used all their resources for the recent fall festival. The Valley Center Club did a tremendous job at the Car Show. The Maize Club shines with their re-purposing of used U.S. flags and also performing flag burning ceremonies with Boy Scouts for those flags that can no longer be flown. The Wichita Downtown Club has excelled with the refurbished parade float for other clubs to use and recent re-purposing of used eyeglass cases into first aid kits for those who can’t afford basic hygiene products. The Newton Club has fun with the Holiday Lights Parade and their Pancake Day on Election Day included a medical clinic RV to further serve customers’ health.

You have to decide to be a Lion each and every single day. When you rise in the morning, you need to have an attitude of gratitude even if you aren’t flying to Hawaii as suggested above. As a Lion, you need to decide to follow the challenging missions of Lionism, uphold the Lion International Code of Ethics, and dedicate yourself to the purposes of Lions.

I truly love this association. Lions are people who share my commitment to the values of Lions Club International. I have seen the impact our clubs have upon my communities and the world. I want to witness the transformative power of service to hopefully improve their lives and therefore improving mine too.

Did you wake up today and decide to be a Lion? Are there friends, family, co-workers who might desire to do more for others like you do and should be asked to join a Lions Club today? Your actions each day help support the mission of Lionism through the words that you speak, write, and post online.

Become a representative and ambassador of our Global Association and help us reach the Mission 1.5 goal within the next two years so we can serve more than a billion people who need you, me, and Lions everywhere to help make their lives better in some way. If you and I do this, we will Make Our Mark on the world. United we will stand. Divided we will fall. Always remember, WE SERVE!

*Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and Have a Safe and Joyous New Year!*

*Clark Lindstrom  
First Vice District Governor 2024-2025*



# A wish for a single red apple

*(From a story told to Kansas Lions during the October 2022 State Council meeting by Lion Juanita Tijerina)*

One day, Lion Juanita assigned her students to write a story about something the children had done. As she looked over the classroom, the students went to work writing their stories; all but one young girl. As all the other children were busy writing, this young girl just sat there staring at her paper.

Lion Juanita went over to the young girl and asked her why she was not writing. The young girl replied that she had nothing to write about. Surely the young girl had something that she could write about, but again the answer was no.

So, Lion Juanita told her to write about what she wanted for Christmas, that was soon approaching. To which the young girl replied that she just wanted a "red apple."

As the discussion continued, the young girl stated that there was a store nearby and she always stopped to look at the delicious red apples for sale. However, her family was poor and could not afford such things. The young girl told Lion Juanita that all she wanted

for Christmas was one "red apple" and that she was going to share it with her two siblings, so they too could enjoy the marvelous treat.

Lion Juanita went home and told her husband about the assignment and what the young girl had confided in her—for the wish of one "red apple" to share with her siblings for Christmas.

In hearing this story, her husband asked her what she was going to do. Without hesitation, Lion Juanita stated that she was going to purchase some red apples for her student. So that others would not know about this poor young girl's situation, Lion Juanita took the apples to the school counselor and asked that the apples be given to the young girl.

When asked later if she had gotten a "red apple" for Christmas, the young girl beaming, replied yes, that each child had their own and that they were delicious.

A very Merry Christmas for the likes of just a "red apple."



# Kansas' oldest club celebrates 105 years

**Wichita Downtown Lions Club celebrated 105 years of service with a dinner and program at Rolling Hills Country Club on December 4.**



**International Director Hans Neidhardt from Potwin, Kansas, was guest speaker.**



**Dr. Steve Cauble, center, was recognized with a Presidential Certificate of Appreciation from Lions International President Fabricio Olivira, presented by Downtown president Joe Keathley, left, and ID Hans Neidhardt.**



**First Vice District Governor Clark Lindstrom, center, receives a Presidential Certificate of Appreciation from Lions International President Fabricio Olivira, presented by Downtown president Joe Keathley, left, and ID Hans Neidhardt.**



**PCC Harry Stockwell, center, was recognized with a Presidential Certificate of Appreciation from Lions International President Fabricio Olivira, presented by Downtown president Joe Keathley, left, and ID Hans Neidhardt.**



## District N Diabetes Awareness

# Creeping toward our scholarship goal

In this time of giving please consider a donation to our District N Diabetes Camp Scholarship Fund. Has your club met our \$100 challenge?

Camp registration opens February 12. The two camps fill up fast. We would like to be able to help with expenses for families who have a child that may benefit from going to diabetes camp.

I have applications with instructions and scholarship information. Zone Chairs please inform your clubs to let your school nurses know of the camp opportunities and scholarships available. The scholarship application is on the following page.

This being our first year in our district for offering

this program, scholarships will be limited to how much we receive from donations. So far, we have \$1901 which will cover three camp scholarships. This is a good start. My goal for the year is \$5000.

I have good news. I have sponsored a new Lion. Lion Elaine Hudson has joined the Parsons Lions Club. Lion Elaine will be helping to promote diabetes camps and diabetes awareness.

She retired from Labette Health as dietitian and diabetes educator and serves on Camp Discovery Board and volunteers in the camp kitchen. She will be a great asset to our club and district.

*PDG Don Cunningham  
District N Diabetes Awareness Chair*



Did you know that ADA  
has summer camps for  
kids with diabetes aged 7-15.

**Lions District 17-N  
has scholarships available.**

If you are interested in sending  
your child to Camp, please contact

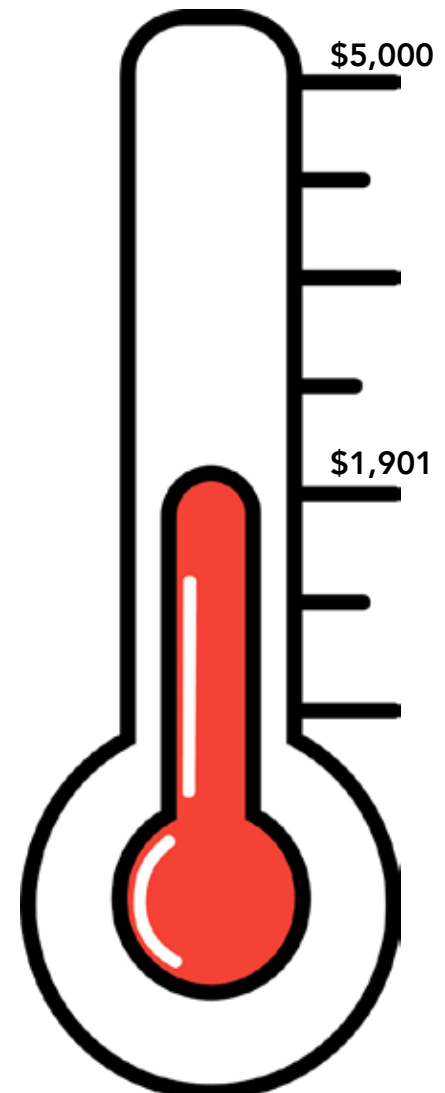
Lion Don Cunningham

District 17-N Diabetes Awareness Chair.

call: (620) 238-3616 [cunning98@yahoo.com](mailto:cunning98@yahoo.com)

or

Lion Elaine Hudson [louehudson@gmail.com](mailto:louehudson@gmail.com)





# District 17-N Lions Health Program Diabetes Camp Scholarship Application

Date of this Application \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
First Last

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Postal Code

Have you attended an ADA camp before? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No How many times? \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Last

E mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone H \_\_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the camp you want your youth to attend \_\_\_\_ Camp Planet D **K.C. Area** \_\_\_\_ Camp Discovery **Wichita Area**  
**See the information below for details**

Why do you need assistance? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

There are 2 camps operated by the American Diabetes Assoc. in Kansas.

1. To see if there is a Dist. N Scholarship available contact Lion Vern. After his approval, complete the Lions Dist. N application and submit it to Lion Vern.
2. To Register go to the ADA website [WWW. diabetes.org](http://WWW.diabetes.org)
3. Look up one of the camps below and click on the registration icon then follow the prompts.

**Camp Discovery** near Augusta, Kansas

Date June 8 -- 13, 2025

Age 8 - - 17

Registration begins Feb. 12, 2025

Cost \$1600 - 50% Family \$800

Family Register \$150

Dist. 17-N Lions Scholarship \$650

**Camp Planet D** near Lawson, Mo

Date July 13 – 18, 2025

Age 7 - - 17

Registration begins Feb. 12, 2025

Cost \$1400 - 50% Family \$700

Family Register \$150

Dist. 17-N Lions Scholarship \$550

**The family needs to email a copy of the ADA Invoice to the Lion listed below.** Then the Lions Health Program will instruct the District 17-N treasurer to cut a check to the family to pay the rest of their camp fee.

Lions Contact information: Lion Don Cunningham

E mail: [cunning98@yahoo.com](mailto:cunning98@yahoo.com)

District 17N Lions Health Program  
 315 S. 32<sup>nd</sup> St Parsons, KS 67357

Phone: 620-238-3616

Amount of scholarship \_\_\_\_\_ Date approved \_\_\_\_\_ Initial of LHP Chair \_\_\_\_\_



## DISTRICT 17-N CONVENTION – “MAKE YOUR MARK”

February 28 – March 1, 2025

Gospel Assembly Church, 4230 N. Oliver Rd.

Bel Aire, Kansas



*“Each Day Brings New Opportunities For Service”*

*Come meet International Director Steve & Lion LeeAnn Middlemiss*

### FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL (February 28<sup>th</sup>)

7:00 – 8:00 PM Social Hour

8:00 – 9:00 PM Singo Bingo

\*Snacks\*Fun\*Fellowship\*

### CONVENTION DAY (March 1<sup>st</sup>)

8:00 AM Vendor and Convention Setup

9:00 AM Registration & Delegation Certification

9:30 AM Silent Auction Opens

10:00 AM Convention Formal Opening

10:15 AM Service Project

11:00 AM Elections

11:30 AM Remembrance Service

12:00 PM Lunch – Heart of Country Catering

1:00 PM Key Note Speaker – ID Steve Middlemiss

1:30 PM Q&A with ID Steve Middlemiss

2:00 PM District Awards, Recognition, and Gifts

2:45 PM Closing Comments

3:00 PM Convention Closing – Safe Journey Home

**\*\*ZOOM Link to be provided.**

### Silent Auction

Please bring gift baskets and other items for the “Silent Auction”. Proceeds from the auction will be split between District 17-N Diabetes Awareness Program and LCIF Childhood Cancer.

Silent Auction opens at 10:15 AM and bidding ends at 12:45 PM.

### Service Project

Our Service Project for the convention will be making fleece tie blankets. The blankets will be donated to the Wichita Children’s Home, 7271 East 37<sup>th</sup> St North, Wichita, Kansas 67226.

The Wichita Children’s Home is a non-profit organization that offers the only emergency, temporary, and residential care for children.







## DISTRICT 17 N CONVENTION

### Meal Registration and Hotel Information



February 28 – March 1, 2025

“We are Lions of the World – Serving the World”

### Convention Location

Gospel Assembly Church

4230 North Oliver Road, Bel Aire, Kansas 67220

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### MEAL RESERVATION

Convention Registration \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5.00/Person \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Night Social \_\_\_\_\_ No Charge

Saturday Luncheon \_\_\_\_\_ \$18.00/Per Person \_\_\_\_\_

**Meal:** Roast Beef/Pork Loin, Potatoes, Vegetables, Salad, Bread, Variety of Desserts. Tea, Water, Coffee.

**Total Due: (make checks payable to Lions Dist 17-N)** \_\_\_\_\_

Meal Reservations due by February 14<sup>th</sup> - No Exceptions

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Send registration/payment to Dist Treasurer Lion Barb Schattak, 330 Washington, Lyndon, KS 66451

### Convention Hotel Information

Aloft Wichita, 3642 North Oliver St, Wichita, Kansas 67220

(316) 744-1100

Convention King Room Rate \$119.00 + Taxes

Convention Double Room Rate \$129.00 + Taxes

Make room reservations by February 1 – Block: **District 17-N Lions**

**DISTRICT 17 N CONVENTION – EXHIBITOR FORM**

February 28 – March 1, 2025

*“We are Lions of the World - We Serve”***JOIN US AND BE PART OF OUR CONVENTION**

Come meet International Director Steve &amp; Lion LeeAnn Middlemiss

**FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL (February 28<sup>th</sup>)****GOSPEL ASSEMBLY CHURCH**

4230 North Oliver Road, Bel Aire, Kansas 67220

Social Hour 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Singo Bingo 8:00 – 9:00PM

*\*Snacks\*Fun\*Fellowship\****CONVENTION DAY (March 1<sup>st</sup>)****GOSPEL ASSEMBLY CHURCH**

4230 North Oliver Road, Bel Aire, Kansas 67220

(SET UP BEGINS AT 8:00 AM)

Convention 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Lions Program/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Special Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Email completed form to Lion Jackie O’Neal, Convention Co-Chair

[glammother@yahoo.com](mailto:glammother@yahoo.com)

## Special edition Kansas Lions Pin announced

In late October, Lions International announced that the 107th international convention would be held in Orlando, Florida -- a change from the planned convention in Mexico City.

In recognition of the new location of the international convention a new Kansas Lions pin has been designed.

There will only be a state prestige pin and no district pin. This limited-edition pin will be available for only \$4.00 at the Mid-Winter Rally in Junction City January 17-19, 2025.

After the rally, pins will be available from your District Governor's team.



## Photo contest deadline January 1

There's still time to enter the Lions year 2024-2025 Environmental Photo Contest, open to all Kansas Lions and Leos. New this year—only digital photos will be accepted.

This year's contest will feature the five categories as follows:

- **Animal life**
- **Plant life**
- **Urban or Natural Landscape**
- **Weather Phenomenon**

No people are to be pictured in the four photo categories above.

- **Environmental Service Projects**
- This category can include persons/

Lions in the photo. It may be a project in progress or a newly completed one.

All submissions must be taken in Kansas and must be your original work, i.e. taken by you. Do not submit previous entries. Submissions become the property of MD17.

Kansas Lions reserve the right to disqualify entries that do not meet the contest criteria or that may be considered inappropriate.

Pictures must each be submitted with the entry form below, specifying the category in which their photo is to be entered.

Submit/email the digital photos to Kathy Pratt, District N Environmental Chair, by January 1, 2025.

Each District will select their contest winners in each category prior to the 2025 Mid-Winter Rally and submit them to the MD17 Environmental Chair at the Mid Winter Rally. Online voting will begin at MWR and conclude on or about May 1, 2025; details to follow. Winners will be recognized at the MD17 State Convention in Wichita.

Send photo contest entries to Kathy Pratt, [kpratt558@gmail.com](mailto:kpratt558@gmail.com)

### **ENTRY FORM LIONS YEAR 2024-25** **MD-17 ENVIRONMENTAL PHOTO CONTEST**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

#### **PLEASE SPECIFY PHOTO CATEGORY:**

\_\_\_\_ **ANIMAL LIFE**                      \_\_\_\_ **PLANT LIFE**  
 \_\_\_\_ **WEATHER PHENOMENON**      \_\_\_\_ **URBAN OR NATURAL LANDSCAPE**  
 \_\_\_\_ **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE PROJECT (CAN INCLUDE LIONS IN THE PHOTO)**

**ALL PHOTOS MUST BE TAKEN IN KANSAS**

**PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM WITH EACH ENTRY**

**ALL CONTEST PHOTOS BECOME THE PROPERTY OF KANSAS LIONS**





## Around the District

Submit your club activities to [newsletter17n@cox.net](mailto:newsletter17n@cox.net)  
Deadline is always the 25th of the month



**Marquette Lions Dean Elvin—35 years, Scott Johnson—25 years and Dennis Swisher—50 years, received Membership Chevrons during DG Shari Neidhardt's recent club visit.**

**Goddard Lions Naomi Leonard, Tony Abin and helper Nolan Nelson sacking mints for 150 fruit baskets for seniors in the community**



**Westphalia Lions lit a Memory Tree in the community park**



**Augusta Lions served up hot cocoa and cookies at the Augusta Historical Museum following the Augusta Christmas parade.**



**LEFT: Wichita Downtown Lions Arlin Hill, Paul Pitman, and Lion Bill Wynne ringing bells for the Salvation Army.**





**Valley Center Lions purchased 26 space heaters to be distributed by the Senior Center and Ministerial Alliance. The club also donated smoke detectors to the Valley Center Fire Department.**



**Emporia Lions participated in the city's holiday parade with "A Lions Tale of Christmas."**



**Bel Aire Lions, along with the Bel Aire Chamber of Commerce, hosted the City of Bel Aire Annual Christmas Open House. Santa paused for a picture with the club before returning to the North Pole.**





At left and below: Moundridge Lions raised \$7,500 with a soup supper and gun raffle for a child in their community facing a challenging medical crisis. On the club Facebook page: Community by definition is "a feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals." Goes to show that when there is a need the Moundridge community is there for one another!



Leo in the Newton Parade of Lights



Newton Lions Club sponsors the Parade of Lights to bring Christmas cheer to downtown Newton in early December.





The five clubs in Zone 1 (Baxter Springs, Columbus, Galena Route 66, Girard and Pittsburg) pooled resources to create a professional and consistent Lions display for use at events, service projects, fundraisers and more! Each club is a 20% owner of the full set of banners and will share use of it to give great branding to the whole area! The banners debuted at the zone Christmas party hosted by the Columbus Lions Club.

**AUGUSTA LIONS CLUB**  
**Christmas Trees**

Support the Augusta Lion's Club- they support our youth

Scott Pine   Black Hill Spruce   Balsam Fir  
 Blue Spruce   Douglas Fir   White Pine

Prices range from \$30- \$115

**2 Locations:**

Augusta Ace Hardware   316 w 7th Av  
 Mega Pines   1802 HWY 54, Andover,

Visit Our Website  
[www.megapinesgolf.com](http://www.megapinesgolf.com)

**LIONS INTERNATIONAL**

**Annual Spaghetti Dinner**

Presented by the Marquette Lions Club

**Tuesday, December 31, 2024**  
 Riverview Estates Multipurpose Room  
 5-7 p.m.

*Happy New Year*

**Menu:**

- Spaghetti with meat sauce
- Salad
- Garlic Bread
- Dessert
- Tea, Water or Coffee

**Free Will Donation:**  
 All proceeds to  
 Riverview Estates

<https://www.facebook.com/marquetteklions>

**Marquette Lions Club**  
 "WE SERVE"

# MID-WINTER RALLY AGENDA

**January 17-19 | Sonesta Essential in Junction City**

*Make plans today to "rally" for the next half of this Lions year!*

*Registration on next page*

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2025

4-6 pm	1st and 2nd Vice District Governors Training .....	PRAIRIE ROOM
3-6 pm	Attendees Motel Check-in, Exhibitors & Vendors Set up .....	Convention Hall
6:30-8:30 pm	Dinner & Entertainment .....	COTTONWOOD A/B
8:45 pm	GAT TEAM Meeting – Governors, 1st and 2nd Vice Governors, ALL GAT Team Members, STATE and DISTRICT .....	COTTONWOOD C

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2025

6:30-9 am	Breakfast for those staying at the SONESTA .....	MOTEL LOBBY
7:30 am	Kansas Lions Band Foundation .....	COTTONWOOD C
8am-4 pm	Booths and displays .....	HALLWAY in front of COTTONWOOD A/D
8:30 am	Kansas Lions Foundation .....	COTTONWOOD C
8:30 am	Constitution & By-Laws .....	PRAIRIE ROOM
9 am	Leos .....	COTTONWOOD F
9:30 am	Budget & Finance .....	COTTONWOOD B
9:30 am	Kansas Lions Sight Foundation .....	COTTONWOOD D/E
9:30 am	K-I Committee .....	PRAIRIE ROOM
10 am	Seminars .....	COTTONWOOD C

- Social Media for Social Good: Presented by Eric Tweedy

- Club Marketing – Increase Your Club's Visibility In Your Community: Presented by 1st VDG Irene Haws

**SERVICE PROJECT** - Bring socks for veterans and packaged snacks to assemble boxes to send to troops serving overseas. Lions will make up boxes using donated food items.

12 pm	LUNCHEON Hosted by Kansas Lions Foundation .....	COTTONWOOD A/B
	Recognizing Leos and Kansas State Peace Poster Winners	

1:45-4 pm	Lions Tech Support .....	In the hall or registration area
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- Help with Facebook and other social media platforms

- Lions on the LCI Portal – Why it is Important to me as a Lion.

Support on how to get on the portal and use the features the portal provides.

1:45 pm	Session: WHAT'S GAT? – .....	COTTONWOOD C
	IPCC Lori Horton Langley, Constitutional Area 1-G GAT Team Leader	

2:30 pm	Session: The POWER of A-I .....	COTTONWOOD C
	How it can help your communication within your club and community	

3:30 pm	Kansas Lions Band Foundation Auction .....	COTTONWOOD D/E
5:45 pm	DG's, Council Chair, & International Family assemble .....	PRAIRIE ROOM

6:00 pm	Banquet Room Open .....	COTTONWOOD A/B
6:15 pm	BANQUET .....	COTTONWOOD A/B

**SPECIAL GUEST ID JUDGE ANTHONY PARADISO**

8:30 pm	Governor and Vice Governor's Review Meeting .....	PRAIRIE ROOM
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## SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2025

6:30-9:00 am	Breakfast for those staying at the SONESTA .....	MOTEL LOBBY
8:00 am	DEVOTIONAL by State PDG Club .....	COTTONWOOD C

\*Meeting of the State PDG Club directly following devotional time

9:00 am	STATE COUNCIL MEETING .....	COTTONWOOD C
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**HOSPITALITY ROOM:** Hosted by DISTRICT A in the SUNFLOWER ROOM

The hospitality room is closed during meals and during Friday night entertainment.

**ENJOY the FUN!**

# REGISTRATION AND MEAL RESERVATION FORM

## 2025 MD-17 MID-WINTER RALLY

### JANUARY 17-19, 2025



Lions Name \_\_\_\_\_ District (Circle) **K A N**

Club \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Names of additional Lions attending \_\_\_\_\_

Registration (Everyone pays except LEOs) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$12.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Leo Registration \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 0.00 \$ 0.00

Friday Night Dinner \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$23.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Flint Hills Buffet** - – Shredded Chicken and Pork with Mild BBQ Sauce on the side. Potato Salad and Cole Slaw, Ranch Style Beans, Sautéed Green Beans, Dinner Roll, Chef made Banana pudding.

Saturday Luncheon – Leo's pay half. KLF pays rest \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Little Italy Buffet** – Penne Pasta with Creamy Alfredo or Zesty Marinara, Choice of Grilled Chicken or Beef Meatballs, Chef's Choice Vegetable, Garlic Breadsticks, and Choc. Cake.

Saturday Night Banquet \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Smoked Brisket**, Herb – Sausage Stuffing, Loaded Mashed Potatoes, Green Bean Casserole, Roasted Beet and Orange Salad, Honey Butter Biscuits (Homemade) Cake.

**Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please note any Special Dietary needs:

### Make Reservations:

Online at: <https://forms.gle/bEZLgjDm1ZR3tGnb9>

**No online payment is available. Pay when you arrive either by cash, check or credit card.**

Mail to: Kansas Lions State Office

231 S. Tyler Rd

Wichita, KS 67209

E-mail: [kansaslionsoffice@gmail.com](mailto:kansaslionsoffice@gmail.com)

PH: 316-773-2100

**Make checks payable to:  
Kansas Lions (All meals must be reserved)**

**Unpaid Reserved Meals  
WILL BE billed to whoever made the reservation.**

**The FINAL DATE for Room  
Reservations is:**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025**

**Reserve a room by calling:  
785-210-1500**

**Make sure to ask for the:**

**LIONS BLOCK RATE is \$99.00 for  
King and \$109.00 for Double Queen**

**The FINAL DATE for Meal  
Reservations is:**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025**

**Register either online or send your  
reservation and check to the Kansas  
Lions State Office. If you prefer to pay  
at the event we accept credit cards,  
cash and checks.**