



# Kansas Lions News

Statewide newsletter for MD 17 Kansas Lions | Winter 2024

## Mid-Winter Rally returns to Junction City in January

Join Lions from across the state at Mid-Winter Rally, January 17-19, in Junction City – a chance to reflect, renew and have a little fun!

Mid-Winter Rally will be held at the Sonesta Essential hotel and Geary County Convention Center at 310 Hammons Drive, Junction City.

“The Mid-Winter Rally committee has put together a day full of learning opportunities for the Lions of Kansas,” said PID Bill Phillip, Mid-Winter committee chair. “We’ve mixed in some fun too. We hope you’ll join us in Junction City.”

The event kicks off Friday night with dinner and entertainment. Our International Guest, Judge Anthony Paradiso from New York, will join us for a fun, informal evening of fellowship.

Saturday offers a full day of learning opportunities, a lunch-time salute to youth projects, the popular Band Foundation auction, and a message from Judge Paradiso during the evening banquet.

Learn how your club can effectively use social media to expand your reach in your community with Lion Eric Tweedy; pick up

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## ID Paradiso is Mid-Winter guest

Judge Anthony W. Paradiso from Rockville Centre, New York, was elected to serve a two-year term as an international director of Lions Clubs International at the association’s 105th International Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, July 7 through July 11, 2023.

Director Paradiso has more than 30 years of law experience and is currently a district court judge responsible for the adjudication of criminal cases in Nassau County, New York.

Looking for an opportunity to give back to his community for the scholarships that allowed him to attend college and later, law school, he was drawn to the service that Lions were providing. He joined

the Rockville Centre Lions Club in 1996 where he has continuously served ever since. In addition to his leadership at the district level, he has held a number of offices within the association including multiple district council parliamentarian.

He also served as the Lions Clubs International’s representative to the UN Office on Drugs and

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## Save the Date

### Mid-Winter Rally January 17-18, 2025

Junction City  
Sonesta Essential  
(formerly Courtyard by Marriott)

#### Special Guest

ID Anthony Paradiso,  
New York

### District N Convention

February 28-March 1

Bel Aire  
Gospel Assembly Church

### District A Convention

March 7-8

Topeka  
Hilton Garden Inn

### District K Convention

April 11-12

Liberal

### State Convention May 29-31, 2025

Doubletree by Hilton  
Wichita Airport

### Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute

June 27-29, 2025

Baker University  
Baldwin City, KS

# Council Chair Comments: Making your mark

Thank you Lions for all of your positive comments about restarting the Kansas Lions Newsletter with the Fall edition. We are glad you enjoyed it!! It is hard to believe that we are already half way through this Lion year and...preparing for the holidays.

Welcome to all our new Lion members to our Kansas Lions family. I know you have all been doing amazing work in your communities and are having a lot of fun serving as well. From vision screenings, to serving meals, picking up trash along highways and streams you are "Making Your Marks" in your communities with the spirit of Lionism.

I wanted to share a reminder of a couple of things to do before the end of the year. Clubs please review your member rosters and make sure you make any adjustments as needed. This will insure you have

the correct member number for the second half member billing.

Tuesday, December 3 is National Giving Day. It is the day set aside to ask those who can to give to the charities and foundations of their choice. I ask you to please consider the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), and also consider our three Lions State Foundations: the Kansas Lions Band Foundation (KLBF), the Kansas Lions Foundation (KLF), and the Kansas Lions Sight Foundation (KLSF) when it comes to spreading the joy of giving.

Upcoming we have some exciting opportunities for Lions to join together in a number of different ways. The next Kansas Lions gathering is at the Mid-Winter Rally in Junction City. This is a great opportunity to meet Lions and Leos from all over our state.

The Kansas Lions Peace Poster winners will be announced and judging starts in the statewide Environmental Photo Contest.

There will be service projects for our veterans and active duty troops ... plus a lot more.

The Mission 1.5 Webinars will begin in January offering us insights and ways to encourage folks to join us in our humanitarian service and chartering new clubs too. District Conventions will be coming soon too. Look for more details on some of these events in this newsletter. I look forward to seeing many of you at these events.

I wish all of you and your loved ones a Holiday Season full of Peace, Love and Joy and a safe and Happy New Year too. Our Lions Prides will Strive in 2025.

*In Lionism,  
Council Chair Pam Bilyeu*

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## Global Action Team

# Virtual workshops to fuel Mission 1.5

Kansas Lions—what an amazing year we are having! I don't know about everyone else, but mine has flown by, I cannot believe it is nearly Christmas, it will be 2025 in the blink of an eye!!

Because the days are passing so quickly, we have to work even harder to stay focused on the immense task we have ahead of us. Many of you have participated in the Mission 1.5 growth program from the Chicago summit to Zoom meetings, webinars and more. These are just the beginning of an amazing workshop that Lions International is facilitating all over the United States.

The Lions Of The US (LO-TUS) is a huge focus from leadership including Past International President Brian Sheehan. He has put together a series of seminars that will be presented on Zoom in three parts at various times by Constitutional Area. Our Area is 1G and covers the states of Idaho, Utah, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, Colorado, Wyoming, New Mexico,

Arizona and of course, Kansas!

Seminars for 1G will be January 8, 22 and February 5, 2025 all from 8-10pm central time, 7-9pm mountain time. The QR listed will take you to a simple sign up page and ask for your name, email address and have you choose your district from the drop down menu under Kansas.

Please register ASAP so you can begin receiving information about these workshops that will help us get over the hurdle of new club formation with tools, ideas and

formulas from those that have had success and are out there doing it now!

Please share your positivity with your districts and clubs and let's get as many Kansas Lions registered as possible, no title required, only a love of Lions and a desire to help us grow and thrive! Thank you all, let's MAKE OUR MARK and MAKE THIS HAPPEN!

*Respectfully submitted,  
Lori Horton Langley  
Constitutional Area 1G Global  
Action Team Leader 2024-2025*



LIONS OF THE UNITED STATES & Its Affiliates

### GAT Area 1G

MD 6, 17, 21, 28, 38, 39, 40 & D 15, 37, 46

- January 8
- January 22
- February 5



- 7-9 pm MST
- Register now: <https://bit.ly/AreaGGrow>



## Kansas Lions Sight Foundation

# Two 'asks' for help with eyeglasses

Hello Lions! It's been a busy month but we are all busy, right? My "ask" of you in this article is regarding the collection of eyeglasses.

In recent months I have worked alongside Lion Michael Sundstrom at the storage unit located in Topeka. The unit was overloaded with boxes of glasses, boxes to store sorted/read glasses, and boxes for collecting glasses at various locations designated by clubs.

We managed to remove 26 boxes of parts (junk) pieces and took them to a dump in Lansing. We also collected all the sunglasses in the unit and have given them to the Red Bridge Lions Club in Missouri.

Here's my "ask," we would appreciate it if all clubs could sort the glasses before you turn them in, usually at a District Cabinet meeting, District Convention, State Convention, State Council Meetings, and MidWinter Rally. This "ask" will help immensely as we store the boxes once turned in and will help Lion Mike, our Eyeglass Chairperson.

Here's another "ask." If you know of organizations who travel on mission trips, please let us know. We are trying to provide what we can to others who go on mission trips. These trips are important as it

serves those who need glasses and also helps us to manage the storage unit efficiently. You can contact Lion Mike.

Recently we had Lions attend the annual Kansas Vision Symposium in Wichita. Thank you, Lions Randy St. Aubyn and Jim Huenergarde, for your service and valuable time spent representing our foundation. KLSF received a plaque from KanLovKids for our continued partnership and service provided at their clinics over the many years. What a great way to appreciate what we do. I'm thankful

and grateful that our foundation can help others in their quest to provide vision tests and screenings.

In closing, let's review my "asks": please sort your glasses before turning them in and if you know of any organizations in your community who go on mission trips, let Lion Mike know. Provide him with the person to contact either by email or phone call.

Thank you, Lions, for all that you do for the benefit of others. We Serve!

*PID Deb Weaverling  
KLSF President*



**PID Deb Weaverling, DG Margy Sundstrom and Mike Sundstrom were joined by several of PID Deb's grandchildren to sort eyeglasses at the KLSF storage unit in Topeka.**

## Sight Foundation screening returning to state fair

The Kansas Lions Sight Foundation will be returning to the Kansas State Fair in September of 2025.

The dates are September 5 – 14.

We will have two shifts per day and will

need six to seven Lions to fill each shift.

We will have a table at the Mid-Winter Rally with the schedule so Lions in attendance can get their favorite day and shift.

Also we will have a list of items that Lions Clubs can donate so we

can make offering this service at the fair cost more efficient.

Please visit us at the Mid-Winter Rally or contact Lion Vern Failor at [vfailor@gmail.com](mailto:vfailor@gmail.com) for more information.

*The KLSF Kansas State Fair Team*





**PDG Vania Castro is presented a Presidential Medal from Lions International President Fabricio Oliveira by PID Ed McCormick at the October State Council meeting in McPherson.**



### *Special edition Kansas Lions Pin announced*

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen challenges the 107th international convention that was planned in Mexico City for 2025 had to be relocated to a new site in Orlando, Florida.

In recognition of the new location 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.

### **LCIF pin available**

PID Deb Weaverling has an LCIF pin for your pin collection.

They make great gifts for the holidays and to say thank you to your fellow Lions as well.

They are \$10 each and are selling fast!

Please contact liondebweaverling@gmail.com if you're interested.



**We Serve — Lions Clark Lindstorm, Harry Stockwell and Dan Funke provided transportation to a group of visually-impaired people from Wichita to Lawrence for the Kansas Federation of the Blind state convention on November 1 and 3. Pictured in Lawrence before the return trip home are Lauren Bush, Erica Johnson-Wootson, Bruce Roberds, Roshunda Holt, Alison Roets, Christy Roberts, Laridda Williams-Murphy and Brandon Murphy with Lion Clark.**



## District K

# Recognizing a legacy of service and charting a path to the future

As I sit here contemplating what to write, all I can think about is the loss of another great PDG in District 17-K. Bill Fairchild from Fort Larned Lions always greeted me with a smile and always made sure to stop and chat a bit. In addition to all his work and dedication to Lions, Bill was a charter member of the Kansas State Pupil Transportation Association. He worked for over 51 years in the school district and spent many of those years keeping our children safe on the road. He spent most of his life helping others and will be greatly missed.

I recently attended PDG Duane Harris's funeral and not long before that I said goodbye to PDG Craig Donecker. I was not available to say goodbye to PDG Marvin Funk but think of him often. All these wonderful men were dedicated Lions, serving others throughout their lives. Not simply through Lions but through work with their church and community.

I must also mention PDG Bill Beamgard and PDG Denny and PCC Fran Smith. You know, Fran was my favorite teacher in High School and taught me so much. It was fun to reconnect with her through Lions.

Every one of these Lions offered support, encouragement and guidance as was needed as I moved to different positions in Lions. They were so kind and positive. Things that we need more of today. I was blessed to have them in my life.

As I think through this, I wonder what we will see in the future. Our younger people are not joining

service organizations as these PDGs did. They do not serve others with the same zest that was seen in the past. Do not get me wrong, they are wonderful people – just not as involved in service. The reason I first started joining organizations was that my employer paid the dues and encouraged everyone to join a community organization such as Lions. It was the push that I needed and the push that you do not see these days. How do we get more companies to support Lions and help get younger people involved? They are the partners we are missing as we move forward to help others.

If younger members cannot attend meetings – how do we keep them involved? Do we send out newsletters, so they keep up with the club or send email? They need to feel involved whether they are there or not. They love serving and will be there when you do a service project – but need to feel a part of it.

By keeping them informed, they know they are important. By going to them and welcoming them when they are involved – they know they are appreciated. By informing them of all we do as an organization, they can be proud to be part of something so amazing – but only if we let them know it

is amazing!

I encourage you to work with community businesses to see if they would be willing to sponsor a Lion. Recognize the sponsors yearly and allow their employees to wear company clothing to your service events. When the businesses see their employees in the community helping others, they will want to get more employees involved.

Let's grow some future leaders like those that have gone before us.

Happy Holidays dear Lions, and thank you for all you do for others this time of year.

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**Atwood Lions joined the Sam Hubbard American Legion Post 49 to host a Veteran's Day Community meal for 100-plus community residents.**

District A

## See you at the rally!

In many cultures and societies, midwinter is a time when festivals of light are held, with feasting and festivities to brighten the darkest days.

That is a good description of our Kansas Lions Mid-Winter Rally. We come together to learn, share, eat, and have fun. I highly recommend all Lions attend this midwinter celebration.

Get this on your calendar now – January 17-19, 2025 in Junction City.

Hope to see you there!

*DG Margy Sundstrom*

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## Woodbine Lions Club 'TRAINS' their community

This is a heartwarming story about a community project that will bring joy to many children. It's inspiring to see the dedication and creativity of Lion Steve Thompson and the Woodbine Lions Club.

This train project has been a brainchild of Lion Steve Thompson since he began as a Lion. He started pulling the Lions Club's Children Train with his mower years ago. It finally came to fruition this year with a nice donation of an actual (non-running) mower from a friend, the creative spirit of Lion Steve, David Jones, a friend of Lion Steve, his shop, and a whole lot of time, effort, and material.

The result is a beautiful Engine #2025 (first full year of service) that should serve many years into the future.

It has many safety devices such as multiple LED flashing lights, a loud horn, and a rearview mirror to keep an eye on the kids while keeping your eyes ahead.

Future plans are to upgrade the transmission to a hydrostatic so it has a smoother takeoff and stop.

Also, they hope to build a Caboose that will allow an adult or teen to be at the back of the train to assist in keeping an eye on the children.

It's wonderful to see such positive initiatives that bring smiles to children's faces and strengthen community bonds.



**Engine #2025 was put into service this year for the Woodbine Lions Club train.**



**Woodbine Lions barrel train provides fun for kids at community events.**

## District N

## Off the Beaten Path: Westphalia, Kansas

Small town, small Lions Club, but big hearts and community spirit. Nestled in Anderson County, between US Highway 75 and US Highway 169 is the small town of Westphalia, Kansas. The 2020 census reported a population of 128. Westphalia is the home of the Westphalia Lions Club, which chartered in April 1969.

The club is led by President Olivia Lehmann, boasts a membership of 18 Lions, each of them dedicated to making a difference in the community. Throughout the year, the members play a vital role in supporting the community.

One can almost set a calendar by the various events and projects spearheaded by this remarkable group of Lions. Each spring, the Lions host an Easter Egg Hunt for the town's children. A fun filled event that is not only directed at the young children, but is also a highlight for the local families. The fun continued in mid-June this past summer with a fishing derby. 18 local children participated, with each of them receiving a prize and a free lunch at noon.

Each year at the start of a new school year, the Lions host a "Back to School Night" to prepare students and families for the upcoming school year. The event provides school supplies, treats, and encouragement for a successful year ahead. As fall continues, the Lions prepare for Halloween. Lions provide candy to all the elementary school students, after church services, and follow that up with hosting the community "Trunk-or-Treat" event.

Of course, the Christmas season soon follows and the Lions prepare for the various services they pro-

vide. In December 2023 the club held its first tree lighting ceremony in the city park. The event was a huge success and is being discussed if the club will make this an annual event.

In December, the Lions also provide candy to the children in the community and fruit baskets to the community's elderly and shut-in residents.

Dedicated and determined, the Westphalia Lions Club members are making a difference in the community. Their efforts are focused on helping people of all ages, the young to the elderly. From honoring their veterans by maintaining the Veterans Memorial, providing scholarships to high school students pursuing further education, making donations to various organizations outside of the community, and so many

more projects undertaken, reflects the highest values of Lions Clubs International and being a Lion.

Thank you, Westphalia Lions Club, for all you do in serving your community, state, and worldwide.

*District Governor Shari Neidhardt  
District 17-N*



**Flags representing the branches of the military were added to the Veteran's Memorial in Westphalia this fall.**



**Westphalia Lions created a Memory Tree for the Christmas season in the City Park in 2023**

# Mid-Winter Rally

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some tips on effective marketing with Lion Irene Haws, and a guest speaker will offer ways to use AI in your club.

## Statewide Service Project

Lend a hand with the Mid-Winter Rally Service Project to provide care packages for military troops and socks for veterans. Bring snack foods to be boxed and sent to our military troops serving overseas and socks to be donated to veterans in Kansas.

The Saturday luncheon, hosted by the Kansas Lions Foundation, focuses on youth with the announcement of the Peace Poster winner and recognition of the achievements of Leos.

Want one-on-one help with Facebook or other social media? Would you like to know how to tap into the wealth of information on the Lions Portal? Leos and Lions will share their expertise during the

afternoon in the Prairie Room.

The afternoon closes with the annual Band Foundation Auction at 3 pm. Bring your checkbook (cash is okay too!) to bid on a theme baskets, handmade items and there's always good food items too. Bid high and bid often in this fundraiser for Kansas Lions Band.

Our special guest, International Director Judge Anthony Paradiso will deliver his message during the Saturday evening banquet.

## Council Meeting Sunday

Sunday morning begins with a devotional provided the PDG Club, followed by the Third State Council Meeting at 9 am. The state council will conduct the business of Kansas Lions and hear midyear reports from committees.

Hotel reservation deadline is January 7 and meal reservations are due January 9. A complete agenda and registration forms are on pages 13-15.

# ID Paradiso

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Crime from 2010 to 2023. He has been a group leader for multiple DGE seminars, a panel moderator for LDUN and a forum presenter.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the Brandel-Murphy Miracles Through Service Award and Robert J. Uplinger Award.

He is also the recipient of multiple International President's Awards and International President's Leadership Awards. He is also a Progres-

sive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Paradiso is active in numerous professional and community organizations.

He is an executive director and past president of the Columbian Lawyers Association of Nassau County, a past director for the Nassau County Bar Association and past president for the District Court Judges' Association.

When not engaged in Lion service, Director Paradiso enjoys traveling, art appreciation and sharing good food and wine with friends.

# Rally service project benefits vets, troops

Two service projects at Mid-Winter Rally will benefit active duty troops and veterans.

State Global Service Chair PDG Tom Baumann encourages attendees to bring socks for veterans and snacks for troops.

Collected socks will be donated to veteran's organizations.

Snacks will be packaged for Packages for Warriors and sent to active duty troops deployed around the globe.

Amy Paden of Packages for Warriors said any snacks; such as cookies, candy, protein bars, single serving drink mixes and variety of chips are suggested for the boxes. All food products must be commercially packaged (no homemade) food.

Other items of interest are variety of seasonings and flavorings, bath towels and wash cloths.

Packages for Warriors will provide the medium flat rate boxes to pack during Mid-Winter Rally.

In addition, if any Lion has a deployed family member or friend, bring the name and address to mail a package to them! The service member must be deployed outside of the USA with an APO, DPO or FPO address.



**MISSION 1.5** 



Enjoying some fall color was a bonus for Newton Lions as they cleaned-up along Sand Creek in October.



Hiawatha Lions made some upgrades at the park at Hiawatha City Lake.



Concordia Lions ushered guests at a recent event at the Brown Grand Theater in Concordia.



**Above and right: Council Chair Pam Bilyeu delivers Halloween cards and treats prepared as a service project at the October Council Meeting to Children’s Mercy Hospital in Topeka.**



**Norton Lions provided some needed upgrades to the a city park shelter and bathrooms.**



**For the last 6 years Lion Mary Herring has been making and delivering blankets to all the Valley Falls kindergarten students. Imagine how much cozier nap time is with one of these blankies!**

# Deadline near for Environmental Photo Contest

There's still time to enter the annual Kansas Lions Environmental Photo Contest!

New this year — the contest is completely digital. Deadline to submit your digital photos to your District Environmental Chair is January 1, 2025.

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.

Any Kansas Lion or Leo is welcome to participate in any or all contest categories. All photographers accept responsibility for the cost of taking or processing all submissions.

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

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 Mid Winter Rally. Online voting will begin at MWR and conclude on or about May 1, 2025; details to follow.

A Lion may only win in one category. Winners will be recognized and awards presented at the MD17 State Convention in Wichita.

District Environmental chairs are:

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**District N: Kathy Pratt, [kpratt558@gmail.com](mailto:kpratt558@gmail.com)**

**MD17 Environmental Chair: Ron Weaverling, [rweaverling@gmail.com](mailto:rweaverling@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***

# MID-WINTER RALLY AGENDA

## July 17-19 | Sonesta Essential in Junction City

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### 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
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5:45 pm	DG’s, Council Chair, & International Family assemble .....	PRAIRIE ROOM
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6:00 pm	Banquet Room Open.....	COTTONWOOD A/B
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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
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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.

# Exhibitors / Vendors Table Request Form

**MID-WINTER RALLY**

**JANUARY 17-19, 2025**

**SONESTA**

**(Formerly Courtyard by Marriott)**

**310 Hammons Dr., Junction City, KS 66441**

**Phone: 785-210-1500**



Name of Exhibitor / Vendor \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Electricity Requested (Please check if needed)

\_\_\_\_\_ Not-for-Profit or Lions Programs / Foundations and Pin Collectors (Please indicate if more than one table is needed)

\_\_\_\_\_ For-Profit Companies

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor's Hours: Suggested Hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday January 18.

Area Description: One 6' table and two chairs. Electricity is limited. First come/first served.

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or e-mail: [kansaslionsoffice@gmail.com](mailto:kansaslionsoffice@gmail.com) by JANUARY 7, 2025  
Phone 316-773-2100**

**MUST RESERVE TABLE(S) IN ADVANCE**

**DUE JANUARY 9, 2025**