

Lions Paw Tracks

GOVERNOR: David Orr



Track Three - Issue 3 "We're On Track"

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MD17-K1



ARE YOU READY TO ROCK & ROLL?

Well the Little Lions Rock Guy finally showed up so when your Governor is Visiting your Club be sure and ask him for one of your very own Kansas Lions Rock Pin. I'm sure these little guys will be a collector's pin someday if not with a Lion, with past or present musicians and even Pin Collectors.

SEE THE LIONS JAMBAND ROCK OUT at:

"The K1 Governor's Convention"

MARCH 24th, 2007
PARSONS, KANSAS



Governor's Report

The whole month of **September** was a little weird compared to other months because it was a little more of a planning and strategy month. Of course I have a few visits to include: the "All Zone Social" at Independence, Kansas Hosted by Parsons and Independence Lions Clubs. However we mostly planned for the end of the month programs of the Governors Ball & Fun Raiser for the "*We're on Track*" Program.

You know that when you become Governor they tell you the first day on the job start planning for your last day! Now I'm starting to understand that mentality. One year doesn't seem like a very long time but believe me this is a full time job! I hope when I get done with the end of my term I'll feel like a made some little difference in this Organization that is one of the best in the world.

My wife, Cheryl, applied & won a \$ 1,500 dollar PR Grant at Lions International we decided the Train Pin Set would be a GREAT Place to use this Grant since it promoted all of the goals that International and our District has for this year.

On the Leo Program, since I've not been around to some of the Clubs yet I haven't got a chance to request the \$ 200.00 dollars from all of the Clubs. However of all of the Clubs that attended the Governors Ball, all but one have committed! The Clubs are Ark City Early Bird and Ark-City Evening, Chanute Lions Branch & Evening, Independence, Caney, Baxter Springs, Neodesha, Parsons, even my buddy and Zone Chair went home and signed up Burlington. This brings the Total dollars raised to date \$ 2,000. All of these monies will be sent to the Lions Foundation by March 15th, 2007 to help send the Leo's to Chicago.

To all K1 Lions Club please help us send our Kansas Leo's to Chicago to support Kansas at the International Lions Convention by sending \$ 200.00 to the Kansas Lions Foundation. (Make Sure your Club Check say's Leo's only).

I'm real proud of our Vice District Governor Nancy Moore she has attended many of the State Meetings and our K1 events, I really feel she is up to speed and will be a driving Lion in the next years to come! GO Nancy!

Cooking and Serving With The Southeast Kansas Lions

In order to earn the Lions Reserve Mint Car from the Governor's train pin set, Pittsburg Lions club has initiated a new fundraiser with proceeds to assist in the Sight 1st Campaign and the Leo's to International pledge. We'd like the help of EVERY Lion in the district by contributing your favorite recipes to our new cookbook – *Cooking and Serving with the Southeast Kansas Lions*.

There are three ways to submit recipes by the fast approaching Deadline November 10th

? **E-mail your recipe along with your name, hometown and club name to:**

pittlions@sbcglobal.net please add to the subject line – COOKBOOK

?? Submit them on line to our web page: <http://www.geocities.com/janee11/cb06.html>

??? **Mail us a legible copy of your recipe along with your name, hometown and club name**

to: Pittsburg Lions Club

Cookbook Recipes

P O Box 1812

Pittsburg, KS 66762

We greatly appreciate your help on what promises to be a Lions promotional keepsake.

KANSAS LIONS COUNCIL MEETING

November 3rd thru 5th, 2006 – Emporia, Kansas – Former Ramada Inn

2nd DISTRICT K1 CABINET MEETING

November 18th, 2006 – Arkansas City, Kansas – Middle School – Kansas & C Streets

Please mark your calendars NOW!! The Second K1 District Cabinet Meeting is coming up Saturday, November 18th and will be held at the Middle School in Arkansas City, Kansas. The Middle School is located at the corner of Kansas and "C" Streets in Ark City. The Ark City Lions clubs will be our hosts.

We will have the use of their computer lab, so Secretaries, please bring your Computer password as Lions Club International has promised that the website will be functioning that day so we can have a good training session on its use.

There will be lunch provided by the Ark City Band with a cover charge of \$10 which will go to the Band as a fundraiser. They will also provide some jazz music for us.

Classes will be offered in the following: Website Use, Membership ideas, Fund Raising Ideas, and Officer Training.

Please RSVP your plans to attend to dg@lions17k1.org or call Dave, Terri, or Cheryl at:
(800) 477-0480

Arkansas City Early Birds

25th Anniversary

November 18th, 2006 Meet & Greet 5:00PM

Arkansas City Senior Center

320 South A Street

Arkansas City, Kansas

KANSAS LIONS MID-WINTER RALLY

January 12th thru 14th, 2007 - Salina, KS – Holiday Inn

K1 CONVENTION & CONCERT

March 24th, 25th 2007

Parsons Memorial Auditorium

CLUBS IN THE NEWS!

INDEPENDENCE and PARSONS

September 5th, 2006 Independence and Parsons Lions Clubs hosted "All Zone Social" with over one hundred and fifty seven and eighteen Clubs in attendance. Clubs in attendance and contributing to the success of the evening were: Altamont, Ark City Early Birds, Ark City Evening, Baxter Springs, Burlington Noon, Caney, Chanute Branch, Chanute Evening, Coffeyville, Columbus, Independence, McCune, Oswego, Parsons, Pittsburg, Towanda, Wichita Morning, and Yates Center. And a good time was had by ALL!!

CANEY

I attended the Caney Ice Cream Social it was a great fellowship with DGE Nancy Moore's home Club! President Don Gaston received the Governor's Award for membership & community service. PDG Lion Don Matlock and his wife Lois also were in attendance. PDG Don requested help for Governor Orr's Leo Program and the Club Voted unanimously to give the \$ 200.00 dollars to the program.



YATES CENTER

COMIN' DOWN the RAILROAD TRACK!!



That's where the Yates Center Lions are---back on track, ready to serve our community. On Thur., Sept.28th at 7:00pm the Engineer whistled and the Conductor called, "A-I-I aboard! and ready to go!"

Engineer Lion President Helen George led the passengers in the Flag Salute and passenger Pat Grindol asked the blessing.

All passengers went into the Dining Car where we enjoyed a very delicious steak and all the trimmings, served by the OES Harvey Girls. This was also our Zone Social. There were 32 Lions on board, including passengers from Chanute, Humboldt, and Parsons.



Engineer Lion Helen had done a fantastic job of decorating for the evening. Dining car tables were decorated with Lion colors of purple and gold, with train cars and track.

On the head table she had railroad artifacts. Placemats were copies of an original dining car menu. Around the room many railroad artifacts

were on display. One of particular interest was a photograph of "Ol Jerky", which made a daily trip between Colony and Yates Center. This brought a lot of comments from older Lion passengers.



Passenger Lion Mike Rhea says he can remember 2 trips per day."Ol' Jerky" picked up school kids all along the way for school and took them home after school. It stopped at farms to pick up eggs, milk, and other produce.

"Ol' Jerky" also stopped at towns between here and there for mail. (Wouldn't have many stops today!) These services reminded all Lion passengers of our motto "We Serve". As we enjoyed our meal, the passengers had a good time sharing railway experiences and memories.



Background music was supplied by a special passenger, Cory Green. He also shared with us his experiences at Lion Band Camp and how much he enjoyed it.

Former Train Master, PDG Lion Sol Evans presented Depot Agent Lion J.C. Goodrum with the Citizen of the Year Award.

The Lion of the Year Award was presented to Lion Pat Grindol of the Holton section gang. Each Lion thanked the Lions Railroad Company for special recognition of their loyal services to the company-even though neither they had done any thing to deserve the honor. President of the Chanute Branch Line, Lion Cheryl Orr commended both railway workers for their services to the Company.

Engineer Pres. Helen presented bonuses to retiring Time Keeper Lion Leinetta Evans and section gang members Lions Grayden and Willena Tressler.

Section gang member Lion Grayden reported \$215.00 in can sales for Sept. Engineer President Helen suggested the Unit make a donation to the Knoblock Family Fund. Gang member Lion Karen Grisier moved we donate the September Can Sales to the fund. Gang member Lion Steve Epler, 2nd the motion carried. Serving this section gang and our community keeps this railroad on track. Track Rider Chris Grisier keeps us on our toes so we have a smooth track.

Gandy Dancers Lion Sean Stewart of Chanute, Past Train Master Lion Chris Bauer and Lion Wolf of Humboldt, and Past Train Master Lion Don Cunningham of Parsons were on board to encourage the YC section gang to maintain a good track, keep a full section gang, and update us on future track expansions, and work orders were explained.

Engineer President Cheryl Orr, of the Chanute Branch Line, brought a message from Train Master District Governor David Orr, of Chanute, of encouragement and plans for the track this year. Engineer Cheryl also explained Train Master David's merit program.

Ron George boarded the Train later with a Western Union message about the YCMS football game. **GO WILDCATS GO!!!!!!!!!!**

Gang member Lion Mike Hamman brought a work line up for October: Firemen will do breakfast; yearly physicals are due at the screening Unit; there will be time-and-a -half for the cancer walkers; and frees rides to all hobos on the 14th to the Chili Cook Off and the Apple Bake-Off. Engineer President Helen adjourned the meeting until the 2nd Thursday in October.

Time Keeper/ Lion Secretary
Willena Tressler

Governors Note:

I'm really sick that I couldn't be there for this event? Yates Center went out of their way to make this stay with our theme this year. Plus I heard the food was to die for. You did everything flawless! Thank You! Yates Center for a Job Well Done!



WOULD YOU SAY YATES CENTER IS ON TRACK!

Wow!
GOVERNOR'S DINNER & BALL – ROCK OUT

Friday night, September 29th, around 40 Lions from Humboldt, Caney, Independence, Parsons, Pratt, Holton, and Chanute came together at The Alibi lounge in Chanute for a chance to dress up and eat a sumptuous dinner prepared by Lions Maggie Keene, Parson's Lions President and owner of The Sirloin Stockade in Parsons.



The District Governor, David Orr presented a Pink Lion as a thank you to Maggie Keene in recognition of a contribution in her name to the Kansas Lions Foundation, there was dancing to the three live horn bands performing that weekend.

Past President of the Chanute Lions Club, Sean Stewart, presented a District Governors Ring to DG Orr, as a token of his being voted Lion of the Year for years 2004-2006 for the Chanute Club.



The three bands also played for the public Friday and Saturday night until 1:30 in the morning. They included **“King Midas and the Muflers”**, **“The Common Few?”** and the **“Lions JamBand”**, led by District Governor David Orr.

Over \$12,000 with Ticket Sales, Merchandise, and Donations was raised from the two events over the weekend, \$ 2,000 Dollars was given to District K1 for the Governor's Pin Program, over 400 attended the Governor's Festival which was open to the public.

All of the bands performed in downtown Chanute after the Artist Alley Parade during the Artist Alley Festival for more than 6,800 people.



Governor's note: Sorry that the newsletters are sometimes late, we want to make them the best we can and it is hard to get everything in on time.



LEGISLATIVE ALERT---SALES TAX ISSUE

Past International Director, Gene Vogel, and our District Governor, David Orr are leading the pack for the Kansas State Lions movement to have State Sales Tax Exemption for all of the state Lions Clubs.

The Interim Tax Study Committee will start meeting in September. The following are key members on this issue:

Rep. Kenny Wilk - District 42
715 Cottonwood Drive
Lansing, KS 66043
(913) 727-2453
kwilk@kc.rr.com

Senator Derek Schmidt - District 15
PO Box 747
Independence, KS 67301
(620) 331-1800 or (620) 331-1807
schmidt@senate.state.ks.us

Rep. Virgil Peck - District 11 Box 251
Tyro, KS 67364
(620) 289-4633
peck@house.state.ks.us

Lions Club Secretaries and other members are encouraged to write letters and e-mails of support for Lions Sales Tax Exemption to these legislators, especially if the Club is in the Representative's or Senator's district.

Letters should stress that we are seeking sales tax exemption for Lions Club fund raising activities for our Service Funds. We need to let them know that these Service Funds go 100% to Service Projects in our communities. Detail the Service Projects that your Club is funding in your area, especially those that are saving the tax payers money such as: Paying for eyeglasses for needy individuals, buying needed medical equipment for those who health needs, helping cancer victims, scholarships for worthy college students, park and roadway maintenance projects, flag projects, etc.

Please do not just relate your concerns to one individual club, as we are appealing for exemption for ALL of the Kansas State Lions Clubs. There is Power in numbers!!

You can locate the e-mail address and or mailing address and phone for your Club's Representatives and Senators on line at www.kslegislature.org. When you send your letter, it would be great if you copied in the District Governor at 4331 South Johnson Road, Chanute, KS 66720, or dq@lions17k1.org.

Thanks for your help... It will help our fund-raising go a lot farther!!

Members of the Assessment and Taxation Interim Committee: **Reps. Kenny Wilk (Chair), Virgil Peck, Tim Owens, Mitch Homes, Barbara Craft, Anthony Brown, John Grange, Tom Thull, Jerry Henry, Nile Dillmore, and Oletha Faust-Goudeau. Senators Barbara Allen (Vice Chair), Greta Goodwin, Janis Lee, Les Donovan, Derek Schmidt, Roger Pine, and Dennis Wilson.**

Members of the House Taxation Committee: **Reps. Anthony Brown, Steven Brunk, Sydney Carlin, Richard Carlson, Paul David, Nile Dillmore, Pat George, Mario Goico, Lana Gordon, Don Hill, Kasha Kelley, Lance Kinzer, Nancy Kirk, Steve Lukert, Julie Menghini, Ed O'Malley, Tim Owens, Virgil Peck, Arlen Siegfried, Tom Thuss (Ranking Member), and Mark Treaster.**

Members of the Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee: **Sens. Barbara Allen (Chair), Pat Apple, Terry Bruce, Les Donovan, Greta Goodwin, Nick Jordan, Janis Lee, Roger Pine (Ranking Member), and Derek Schmidt (Vice Chair)**

**PLEASE CHANGE AND PERSONALIZE THIS LETTER AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE...
IT Would NOT BE GOOD IF THEY ARE ALL THE SAME FORMAT.**

Recap of Upcoming Dates of Importance:

- Nov. 3-5th Kansas Lions Council Meeting - Emporia
Nov. 10 Deadline for Cooking & Serving with Southeast Kansas Lions Cookbook
Nov. 18 2nd Dist K1 Cabinet Meeting –Ark City Middle School Kansas & C Streets –
\$10.00 RSVP – 1-800-477-0480 or dg@lions17k1.org
Nov. 18 Arkansas City Early Birds – 25th Anniversary – 5:00 pm Senior Center
Nov. 27 Pittsburg Chili & Soup Feed 5:00-8:30 pm Memorial Auditorium - \$4.00
Dec. 4 Baxter Springs 65th Club Anniversary – PID Ernest Young presenter
RSVP to Treasurer Dennis Webb 620-856-5659
Jan 12-14 Mid-Winter Rally – Salina Holiday Inn
Mar 24-25 K1 Convention & Concert – Parsons Memorial Auditorium

GOVERNOR'S TRAIN PIN PROGRAM PICKS UP STEAM!!

On September 8th, 2006, MD17 K1 was awarded a Public Relations Matching Grant from Lions Clubs International in the amount of \$1,500.



These funds are available for District Governor's in order to increase the promotion of Lions Clubs and their activities. District Governor, David Orr, thought what better purpose to fund than the Train Pin Program? So, spouse, Cheryl, applied for the funds on the Lions Clubs International website, www.lionsclubs.org and within a couple of weeks here came the check for \$1,500.

The funds must be matched by other District funds and they must be used to expand public relations efforts. Within 90 days documentation must be submitted to LCI showing how the money was spent and matched.

We also must send them copies of the newspaper articles and other forms of media coverage that the program has generated.

We wrote for funds to help buy the Mail Car Pin as this is the pin that encourages Lions Club members to write articles for the District Newsletter, Paw Tracks; write articles for local newspapers; send in articles to Kansas Lions News, and send in articles to the Lion Magazine in order to win the Mail Car Pin.

Details of how to win all of the Train Set are enclosed in this and every issue of the Paw Tracks.

A Form for Club Secretaries to use to submit at the end of each month to show who in their club has won the pins is being mailed to each club Secretary, along with instructions.

So, let's get those pens poised and ready to write our little paws out to promote our Lions activities, fund raisers, and the projects we fund....

They will be sent to LCI and who knows? International President Jimmy Ross himself may end of reading them and jumping on the train?

THE TRAIN HAS LEFT THE DEPOT...HAVE YOU GOT YOUR TICKET TO RIDE???

GOVERNORS "NO LION LEFT BEHIND" PIN CONTEST

2006 – 2007



Beginning July 1st, 2006 K1 will be implementing an **NEW AWARDS PROGRAM** highlighting our theme "We're On Track". This program will have many facets to it? This Pin Contest will help consolidate our railroad and Lions Communities together with the Synergy that will be created by the excitement of young and old pulling together as one! On top of all that it's **FUN!**

LIONS ENGINE w/Coal Car:

(These will be given out at the Start of the Contest)

It will start with the Engine which is the Kansas MD17. As I pay my visits to each Club **I will be handing out these Engines with a Coal Car attached.** The Coal Car is the Fuel or the Energy that drives the Engine! I will ask you as Fellow Lions to make a one time donation to the District of \$5 dollars. This will help pay for the pins and support our District and the Pin Program through the coming year! Giving of your time and money will make your District, Community and Club the best it can be. Every Train Car can then be earned by each and every one of you Lions **working together or individually!**

LIONS MAIL CAR: (Communications with any News Source)

Option a) Send a Club article to the District newsletter or send a copy of a Club or Fund Raiser article published in your local newspaper. Mail the Governor a copy of an Article you had published in your Club Newsletter.

Option b) Get an Article published in an International or State Lions Club publication (Lions Magazine or Kansas Lions News)! The Mail Car Pin gets all Lions Involved in public relations tooting their own Whistle letting Off Steam about their communities and helping other people around the country know about Lionism? A very easy Pin to Win!



STATE CAR: KANSAS

(This Train car display's the State Flag)

This State Pin you earn if you **attend one of our Four District Cabinet Meetings or State Convention.** another way would be to **Attend all of the Zone Socials** in your area!

The Entire Club can earn the State Pin by hosting one of these events.

(Train Car Loaded with Gold Bricks)

This Golden Car is to push you into thinking outside of the Box! Having your Club Participate in a **New Fund Raiser** and Contributing over 50% of the Proceeds to Sight II. Another way to earn this pin is to donate **\$500 hundred dollars** or Give **\$ 200** to the Leo's to attend Chicago in 2007 and/or another charity equal in value like LCIF Foundation and / or Leader Dog Programs. Collecting over One Thousand Glasses and the pin is yours! Keep in mind this is for New Ideas and Fund Raisers your Club has never done before.

LIONS RESERVE MINT CAR:



LIONS PASSENGER CAR: (New Members you're going to sign up)

This Train car is to hold all of the members you and your Club are going to sign up. The goal here is to create New Members for your Club. You can earn this pin collectively or individually. Here is how this Pin works: **Sponsor One NEW MEMBER** and win the passenger car or you can also receive this Pin if your Club inducts **10 new members!** I call this program **NET-10**, because they have to be new members **without dropping** any for the program year.



BAND PIN: (Support Lions State Band)

All you have to do is have your Club sponsor and pay for two young musicians to Lions State Band or donate \$ 500.00 from your Club to the Lions State Band. Our goal here is to keep our Lions Band Program moving ahead with full steam and give every student an opportunity to participate in music, without the fear of being Left Behind.



CABOOSE: (The Follow up Pin)

All you have to do to win the Caboose is **win all of the other Train Cars by State Convention.**

Have your Club Secretary have all of your reports submitted on time with the final PU101 Report completed. Trust me if you do all we're asking you will be honored with the final grand prize that will be worth it the time and effort your Club worked for! This will give you the joy and fulfillment all Lions strive for!



This new program has started July 1st, 2006 and run through May 15th, 2007. By giving you an insight into this new Lions Venture it will

give you time to get your Boilers Fired and your **Train Moving!**

TEAM WORK

We Can Make a Difference in our Communities, District, State, Nation and the World by working together as a TEAM on the same **TRACK!**

ALL ABOARD!

