



MD17-N LIONS "TALE"

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A personal battle plan to grow your club

In this penultimate issue of our newsletter, *Lions Tale*, I wish to ask all Lions an important question. DO YOU HAVE A PERSONAL PLAN TO GROW YOUR CLUB?

If you do not, it is time to make one. Battles are often won or lost before they even begin. This is why a well thought out personal battle plan is so necessary. DO it TODAY. Share it with members of your club and have them do the same, and maybe all personal plans will evolve into an overall club growth plan.

This is great, but never lose sight of your personal plan. This is your personal commitment to your club, and could be a powerful force to take your club to the next level.

Here is an abridged example of a Personal Plan that was sent to me by a Lion from another state. It has been shortened for want of space and published with his permission.

MY PERSONAL LIONS ACTION PLAN LEADERSHIP

1. I will attend a Lions Leadership Program and share the information with my club.
2. Aware that all important decisions have alterna-

tives. I will think through every decision clearly and honestly in the light of what is right for my club.

3. I will never let personal pride get in my way to serve my community.

SERVICE

1. I will share my gifts and talents with other members of my club to serve our community.
2. I will visit, with other willing members of my club, three people who are homebound and share a meal.
3. I will coordinate a food drive for my club to provide food for hungry kids in the winter months.

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District Cabinet Meeting, Officer Training Saturday in Humboldt

The last cabinet meeting of District 17-N for 2017-2018 will be hosted by the Humboldt Lions Club on Saturday, June 16 at Humboldt High School, 1011 Bridge Street.

The cabinet meeting will be from 10:00 am to noon. Registration begins at 9 am. Lunch will be provided; cost is \$8 per person. The District 17-N PDG Club will meet at 12:30 pm. There will be club officers training from 1 pm to 3 pm.

Please RSVP if you are attending the cabinet meeting, lunch and/or training to Lion Chris Bauer at lionchris@sbcglobal.net by Thursday, June 14.

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Officer training offered around the district

Training for 2018-2019 club officers — presidents, vice-presidents, secretaries and treasurers — will be held in two locations in District 17 N.

The club secretary training will include using the My Lion App to report club activities. Effective July 1, all club activities will be reported through My Lion, instead of My LCI.

At the east end of the district PDG Chris Bauer and PDG Don Cunningham will host another session at 1 pm Saturday, June 16 at Humboldt High School.

Those wishing to attend should contact either PDG Chris at lionchris@sbcglobal.net or PDG Don Cunningham at cunning98@yahoo.com.

At the west end of the district, training will be

It's a great time to recruit new members!

Take advantage of the Centennial Entrance Fee Waiver program through June 30. No new member will have to pay any entrance fee.

In a letter to club presidents on June 7, Lions Club International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal wrote:

My year as President ends on 30th June – just 1 month from now. However, I urgently need your help for my most important goal. In fact, this is our most important goal. This goal is to reach the 1.5 million member mark.

This has been the goal of all 26 living Past International Presidents. It was originally set in 1982, and we have always been around 100,000 less.

This year, we started 75,000 less. We have already gained 30,000 members to reach our record breaking all-time high of 1.46 million. Congratulations – you and I are already record-breaking Presidents. However, I see the number 1.46 million as 40,000 short of our goal. Please, let us all come together to add 40,000 new members in the next 30 days. Since we are 48,000 Presidents, we only need around one new member per club – that is the magic of the Power of We.

held in Goddard on Saturday, July 14 at the USD 265 Conference Center, 231 S. Main Street (in front of Discovery Intermediate School).

Please contact PCC Helen LeBlanc at hleblanc1953@gmail.com or 316-644-0168 to reserve your spot.

Governor's message

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MEMBERSHIP

1. I will spread the word about Lions in my work-place, in my neighborhood and in my church and invite those interested to our club meetings.
2. I will organize a Dads day and a Moms day at our school to educate the parents of our kids about Lions, and how they could participate.
3. I will have my club sponsor a LEO CLUB to engage the teens at our high school.

This is only an example, but it shows personal commitment that is so necessary today to enable our clubs to grow. I am humbly requesting YOU, the Lions of 17 N, to make a similar commitment.

Indrajit Phillips
District Governor 17N

Spring membership drive ends soon

Have you recruited a new member?

Our Spring Fest Membership Drive is in full swing. In my letter to club presidents I requested all our clubs to recruit at least ONE NEW MEMBER between April 15 and June 15. Many have done so already. Congratulations.

For all those clubs that do not have a new member, as yet, you have 14 days left. Please make the effort, we can all do it. Let's show our International President who made this special request, that we are equal to the task

Indrajit Phillips, District Governor 17N

Tree planted in honor of Bel Aire Lions

The Bel Aire Tree Board and the City of Bel Aire celebrated Arbor Day on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at the Bel Aire City Hall.

A Southern Magnolia tree was planted at the Bel Aire Recreation Center in honor of the service the Bel Aire lions' Club has provided to the Bel Aire Community. Accepting the honor was President Lion Andy Horner.



Bel Aire Lions- The members who were present to accept the honor, were, from left: Grace Kneil, Richard Caldwell, Jerald Peterson, Gary O'Neal (kneeing) Jackie O'Neal, Andy Horner, and Phil Schull.

Benton Day: It's a Wonderful Life

The **Benton Lions Club** and the City of Benton observed Benton Days on April 28, 2018. As part of the celebration the Lions Club served a pancake and sausage breakfast as a fundraising project. Also, the club brought the Mobile Screening Unit to the community for that day.



IN APPRECIATION

As the Lions year 2017 - 2018 draws to a close, as your District Governor and on behalf of my wife Lion Rasitha, I wish to express our sincere gratitude to all Lions in our District, for making this a successful year.

It was a pleasure and privilege to serve with you and especially to meet and greet so many wonderful Lions. The time, treasure and talent that you so generously gave to serve your communities was phenomenal. Your dedication to this cause was unparalleled.

I ask that you continue this great tradition into the future so that our wonderful District will always be the best of the best

Since this will be our last Newsletter, I wish to take this opportunity to especially thank

- Our International family for their direction and support.
- Past District Governors for their advice and cooperation.
- State Secretary for her inspiring guidance at all times.
- All Zone chairpersons and District Chairpersons for their help in making Clubs successful.
- Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Treasurer for their dedicated work
- All Lions of our District for all they do, day-in and day-out.

My good wishes go out to you all and I wish you continued success.

Indra Phillips
District Governor 17N