

Zone "D" Cabinet Report

Zone "D" conducted their 3rd Quarter meeting on March 7th in conjunction with Merrifield Lions Club Membership Meeting. In my absence 2nd VDG Greg DeRosa conducted the Zone Meeting.

2nd VDG Greg discussed the need for all clubs to become involved in the March Madness membership drive. There is always a member loss during the last month of the Lion year and generating new members now will help to offset that anticipated loss.

King Lion Shirley Gorospe expressed her support of March Madness and added that Springfield Global Lions would also be conducting a club level picnic in June celebrating member appreciation.

Lion Greg stressed the importance the importance of the Bland Music Competition. He mentioned that Fairfax Host Lions had hosted a Bland program on January 15. KL Don Bradley mentioned that Burke Lions provided support for that event by providing refreshments.

During the remainder of the meeting the group discussed the importance of member recruitment and retention, providing service to the community and stressing the importance of members who are seeking leadership roles to attend the position specific training as offered in June.

Zone "D" conducted their 4th Quarter meeting in conjunction with the Clifton Lions Membership Meeting on May 14th.

Along with representatives from the Clifton Lions, Fairfax Host Lions and Burke Lions, incoming Clifton Lions President Shea Megale, 1st Vice President Jim Boatner and PID Jay Moughon were in attendance.

Our opening discussion centered around membership recruitment and retention. Everyone agreed that is an issue of paramount importance. We discussed that one of Lions most successful member recruiters recommends establishing relationships with libraries by offering to provide service, as a most successful way to recruit new members. His success with such effort is remarkable. Incoming Clifton President Megale stated that Clifton would definitely pursue that method and measure the results.

ZC Bill led a discussion about conducting joint service projects. As our members age their ability to support physical projects wans. However, 2 or more clubs can work together employing the support of their more able members to provide mutual support to one another.

ZC Bill reminded everyone of the Officers Training opportunities coming up in early June. These sessions are position specific and have proven to be very helpful to all incoming officers.

He also reminded everyone of the benefits gained by using the Lions websites for information in upcoming programs and the locating the details pertaining to those programs.

We adjourned the Zone "D" meeting at 9: 10 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Poole Zone "D" Chairman

