

A ROARING MESA HOST NEWSLETTER

APRIL/MAY 2012

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THIS MONTH'S MESSAGE FROM OUR LEADER--- LION PRESIDENT, BILL WORBINGTON

Mesa Host Roarers

We started off 4 April with a White Cane at Fry's netting \$596. On our last White Cane 28 April at Wal-Mart we netted \$335.25. Thanks to all that helped.

Lion Barbara and I took personal hygiene items to the Pima Student Nurses Association for their projects. In turn they gave us 104 pair glasses they collected for our Club. This will be a continual project for both groups. We also took two bicycles to Lion Len Virtue at the Salvation Army for their Bike give away on 28th April. This could also become an on going project. We delivered 873 pair of glasses, 437 cases, 17 cell phones and 12 hearing aids to Sight and Hearing.

Mesa Host Lion Life member J.L. Ward was very happy when nine other members had lunch with him at the Mesa Good Shepard Care facility. After lunch Linda Hartmann played the piano and we all enjoyed a sing-a-long. Two days later I took J. L. a picture of the group. He still talked about how much he enjoyed the day.

In case you haven't heard, Lion Connie finally got her new service dog, "Amity". Trainer, Christine Anderson, spent 10 days with Connie and Amity. She also came to a Club meeting and spoke about Leader Dogs. Too bad she had to return to New York...she fit right in with our members. Amity is a 2 year old golden lab.

We had 3 speakers. Cheryl Jones spoke on National and International travel. Jaycee Frivaldo spoke about her training for the 2016 Olympics in swimming. Since then she has swam from

Alcatraz 1.4 miles in 26 minutes 23 seconds and the next day swam 1.2 miles in 19 minutes 25 seconds under the Golden Gate Bridge. Our last speaker was Patrick Oakley who spoke about Mesa Gateway Airport's future growth plans. If anyone is interested he will take our Club on a guided tour. Let me know.

Please keep Lions J.L. Ward, AAGG Bill Weaver, Guy Myer, Helen & Rudy's daughter Cathy - Associates Gary Gjerstad and Ken Lloyd in your prayers.

Lion PDG Ernie Soto's computer is totally up and running in Florida. You can e-mail him at pdgerniesoto@gmail.com

Prez Bill



The following is an Article that Mesa Host Associate Member, Lion Gary Gjerstad wrote, which was published in the Arizona Republic on April 25, 2012

What Lionism Means to The Blind

I'm writing you to share some thoughts with you about Lions Clubs; and the reasons I became active in Lions, and the work that we do.

As a small boy growing up in North Central Iowa, I came to know about the Lions in a different sort of way. I was 6 years old at the time. My Father had passed away after a lengthy battle with cancer. My Mom was faced with the responsibility of raising two small boys; and trying to make ends meet. A Lions Club in my hometown of Britt Iowa heard about the situation. It's worth mentioning that I'm totally blind, and have been that way since birth. There was not the opportunity to go to public school, as mainstreaming those with special needs was not done back in the fifties. I attended a School for the Blind located 160 miles from my hometown. I went to school there from kindergarten through the twelfth grade. The Lions in my hometown would for a number of years, give my Mom a check for \$100 to use for clothes. When I was in second grade, the Britt Lions Club presented me with a Braille typewriter, something I still have today.

The things I described are typical of what we as Lions are about. Our motto is 'We Serve'. It's not uncommon for many of us to be affiliated with more than one club. I'm a member for example, of the Apache Junction Lions Club. I'm an associate member of two others; Mesa East and Mesa Host. I try to make meetings of those two clubs whenever possible. Lions in brief, champion the causes of the Blind or visually impaired. They also assist those with hearing difficulties. This past Saturday for example, I worked with the Mesa Host Club on their White Cane Drive. Through efforts such as this, we provide glasses for those who are in need. It's great being able to work with other clubs whenever asked. We have the same goal or objective in mind, making it better for our fellow human beings in their time of need.

In Apache Junction, we do a country music variety show yearly. I was Chairman of this project. Money raised, goes toward scholarships for students at Apache Junction High School. Entertainers come in and give of their time, to make the effort the success that it is.

Having benefitted from assistance of my hometown Lions Club in Iowa, I came to the realization that this was the organization I wanted to be a part of when I grew up. No one asked me to join or become a member. Simply put, I wanted to join. I looked at it as a way of giving back; and saying thanks in my own special way. I adopted the idea that it is not what the Lions have done for Gary Gjerstad, but what can Gary Gjerstad do for the Lions. It has made me appreciate in a deeper way, the meaning of what it is to be civic minded. With our unique expertise in different areas, I've found that collectively and individually, we can make a difference; in the lives we touch.

That's the satisfaction I find in being a Lion; something for which I'm truly proud.

Gary Gjerstad, Apache Junction

2012-2013 INSTALLATION OF MESA HOST OFFICERS

High light of this month was our Officer Installation lunch at the Landmark restaurant and the choosing of District Governor Elect Carolyn White as 'Lion of the Year'. A well deserved acknowledgment for her devotion to Lionism. Other special awards for Lions Dave Webster for Football pool and District work; Keith Hackney for newsletter and web site work plus a special 'Flying e-mail award' from the Treasurer, Lion Barbara. This award was for all the e-mails she sends him and he promptly forwards to the members; Shirley Hackney for designing and mailing occasion cards and packing and mailing the military boxes; Helen Torres and Donna Thresher for helping those in need of glasses and Helen for Christmas families and food baskets. Lion Judy Johnson for her Santa Photo Shoot photography. Awards were presented for all who worked the White Cane days and 'We serve pins' to all the members. Attendance award pins were also presented. Prez Bill received the 'Raffled Lion' traveling award and Lion Shirley presented Lion Barbara with a Lions tote bag.

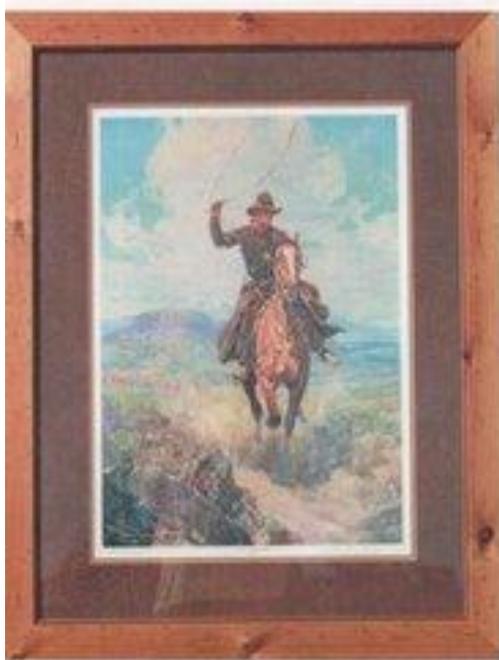
Lion Dave Webster was Master of Ceremonies and introduced Past International Director, Lion Joe Preston as guest speaker and who installed the 2012-2013 officers. Lion Joe spoke about his travels and campaign for the LCI 2nd Vice President to culminate at the Busan, Korea convention in June.

PID Joe presented President Bill and Mesa Host with a 'Club Retention Patch' for our banner. In turn President Bill gave PID Joe a weight luggage scale for his many travels and a second \$500 donation for his campaign from Mesa Host.

Your officers are Lions:

President, Bill Worbington, Vice President, Dave Webster, 2nd Vice-President Bill Weaver, Secretary, Nita Johnson-Book, Treasurer, Barbara Worbington, Tail Twister, Keith Hackney, Lion Tamer Shirley Hackney, Devotion Director, Don Hartmann, 1yr Director, Tiffany Carlson, 2yr Director Arlene Weaver, Membership, Don Hartmann and Don Thresher, Sight Program, Helen Torres and Donna Thresher and IPP Bill Worbington

PLEASE HELP LFA RAISE SOME MONEY



Title: "On the Open Range "

Artist: Frank Tenney Johnson, June 26th , 1874—
January 1, 1939.

Frank was a painter of the American West and he popularized a style of painting cowboys which became known as "the Johnson Moonlight Technique" Somewhere on the Range is an example of Johnson's moonlight technique. To paint his paintings he used knives, fingers and brushes.

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LFA Fund Raiser Raffle

Tickets are available from LFA Board Members or staff members.

The tickets are available: 1 @ \$ 5.00 or 3 @ \$10.00

**The winning ticket will be drawn at the Lions State Convention
May 19th , 2012. (winner need not be present to win)**

**Raffle proceeds will help the Lions Foundation of Arizona fund
operating expenses and land exchange costs.**

**This lithograph is numbered 9 of 400. A certificate of Authenticity
is provided with the art work.**

*This gives us something to think about with all
our new electronic technology.*

GPS

A couple of weeks ago a friend told me that someone she knew had their car broken into while they were at a football game. Their car was parked on the green which was adjacent to the football stadium and specially allotted to football fans. Things stolen from the car included a garage door remote control, some money and a GPS which had been prominently mounted on the dashboard.

When the victims got home, they found that their house had been ransacked and just about everything worth anything had been stolen. The thieves had used the GPS to guide them to the house. They then used the garage remote control to open the garage door and gain entry to the house. The thieves knew the owners were at the football game, they knew what time the game was scheduled to finish and so they knew how much time they had to clean out the house. It would appear that they had brought a truck to empty the house of its contents.

Something to consider if you have a GPS - don't put your home address in it.. Put a nearby address (like a store or gas station, especially the local municipal building) so you can still find your way home if you need to, but no one else would know where you live if your GPS were stolen.

MOBILE PHONES

I never thought of this.....

This lady has now changed her habit of how she lists her names on her mobile phone after her handbag was stolen. Her handbag, which contained her cell phone, credit card, wallet... Etc...was stolen.

20 minutes later when she called her hubby, from a pay phone telling him what had happened, hubby says 'I received your text asking about our Pin number and I've replied a little while ago.' When they rushed down to the bank, the bank staff told them all the money was already withdrawn. The thief had actually used the stolen cell phone to text 'hubby' in the contact list and got hold of the pin number. Within 20 minutes he had withdrawn all the money from their bank account.

Moral of the lesson:

Do not disclose the relationship between you and the people in your contact list.

Avoid using names like Home, Honey, Hubby, Sweetheart, Dad, Mom, etc....

And very importantly, when sensitive info is being asked through texts, CONFIRM by calling back.

Also, when you're being texted by friends or family to meet them somewhere, be sure to call back to confirm that the message came from them. If you don't reach them, be very careful about going places to meet 'family and friends' who text you..

2011/2012 OFFICERS

President: Bill Worbington

1st Vice President: David Webster

2nd Vice President: Dave McGuire

Secretary: Nita Johnson-Book

Treasurer: Barbara Worbington

Tail Twister Keith Hackney

Lion Tamer Shirley Hackney

Chaplain Don Hartmann

1st Year Director Paige Fairbanks

2nd Year Director Tiffany Carlson

I.P.P: Bill Worbington

Membership: Don Hartmann, Don Thresher & PDG Ernie Soto

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2nd year Director: Arlene Weaver
Membership: Don Hartmann

Please visit our APRIL/MAY Photo Gallery

<https://picasaweb.google.com/lh/sredir?uname=112665307255521042622&target=ALBUM&id=5726922645128257857&authkey=Gv1sRgCLn10rmK-a5sgE&feat=email>

PLEASE NOTE;

THERE ARE 212 PHOTO'S OF VARIOUS CLUB ACTIVITIES IN THE PHOTO GALLERY, SO MANY DO NOT HAVE CAPTIONS. IF YOU NEED A CAPTION LET ME KNOW.

DATES TO REMEMBER---2012

May 4,5,11, & 13
May 18-20
June 10
June 22-26

Camp Tatiyee Work Week-ends
MD State Convention Mesa
Camp Tatiyee Open House
95th International convention,
Busan, Republic of Korea)—
INSTALLATION OF
PID JOE PRESTON AS LCI 2ND VP

MESA HOST COMMITTEE CHAIRS

<i>Chaplain</i>	<i>Don Hartmann</i>
<i>Sunshine</i>	<i>Shirley Hackney</i>
<i>Photography</i>	<i>Thresher's/Hackney's</i>
<i>Golf & Casino</i>	<i>Dave Webster/Bill Worbington</i>
<i>Christmas Families</i>	<i>Helen Torres</i>
<i>Glasses Collections</i>	
<i>Book's/Webster's/Worbington's/ Hackney's</i>	
<i>Football Pool</i>	<i>Dave Webster</i>
<i>Retention</i>	<i>Hartmann/Soto/Thresher</i>
<i>Mints</i>	<i>Torres's</i>
<i>Grandpa's Wheels</i>	<i>Webster/Worbington</i>
<i>Recycling Open</i>	
<i>Sight Conservation</i>	<i>Torres/Thresher</i>
<i>Programs/Speakers</i>	<i>Keith Hackney</i>
<i>White Cane</i>	<i>Dave Webster/Worbington's</i>
<i>Newsletter</i>	<i>Hackney's/Judy Johnson</i>
<i>Web Development</i>	<i>Worbington/Johnson/ Hackney</i>
<i>Military Boxes</i>	<i>Shirley Hackney</i>

VOLUNTEERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO HELP ON ANY COMMITTEE

APRIL/MAY BIRTHDAYS

April

Lions

George Hill—15, 1948

Donna Thresher---15, 1948

Jim Johnson—16, 1943

Dave McGuire—23, 1929

Theresa Ferreira—28, 1938

May

Len Virtue---1
Paige Gunn---2
Jane Lloyd---4
Ralph Palmer---7
Zona Schafer---7
Julius Ward—7
Dave Webster—9
Bill Weaver—12
David Juarez---16
Don Hartmann—24
Antonio Ferreira—25

APRIL/MAY ANNIVERSARY'S

April

Lions

Lions Keith & Shirley Hackney—3, 2003
Lions Dave & Bev Webster---16, 2011
Denise Gary---20, 1980
Linda Gollwitzer—30, 1999

May

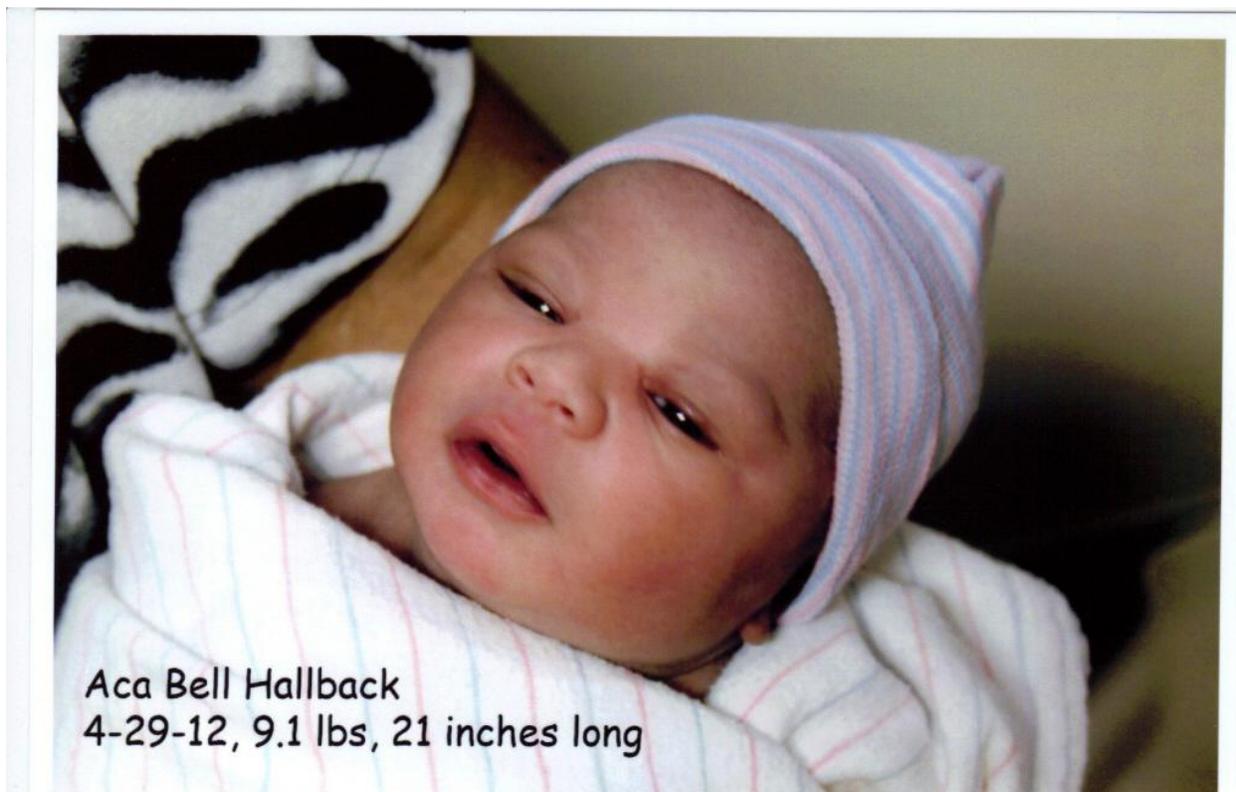
Lions

Jack Burson—23, 1954
Lions Bill & Arlene Weaver—25, 1955
Jerry Hanson---30, 1975

MILITARY CARE PACKAGES

WE NEED ADDRESS & DONATIONS FOR THE BOXES.

It has not been common knowledge that Lion George Hill was old enough to be a Grandfather, but here is the evidence that he is.



Congratulations Lion George !!!!!

WEB PAGES

- Mesa Host-----www.Mesahostlions.org
- Lion International-----www.lcif.org
- MD 21-----www.lions-md21.org
- Camp Tatiyee-- -----www.arizonalionscamp.org
- Melvin Jones Memorial-----www.lions-mjm.org
- LFA-- -----www.lionsfoundationarizona.org



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