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**MEETING INFORMATION**

Elks Lodge #385  
1800 N. Oracle Rd.  
1st and 3rd Thursdays  
Lunch 11:30 AM Meeting Starts at Noon

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**TUCSON AREA CLUBS**

BREAKFAST	Café Ramey, 1661 N Swan #120 Wed 7:00 AM
CATALINA/ORO VALLEY	Catalina Elks Lodge, N Oracle Rd 1 & 3 Tue 7:00 PM
DESERT	Cody's Beef & Beans, E Ft Lowell 1 & 3 Wed 7:00 PM
LEONES DEL OESTE	Micha's del Norte, 1220 E Prince 2 & 4 Thur 7:00 PM
LEONES DE LA NOCHE	Coco's, 7250 N Oracle Rd 2 & 4 Tue 7:00 PM
LEONES DE LAS MONTAÑAS	The Country Club of La Cholla 1 & 3 Wed 12:00 PM
NORTH TUCSON	IHOP, N Oracle & Limberlost Fri 12:15 PM
RINCON	IHOP, 7945 E Broadway 1 & 3 Wed 7:00 PM
SOUTH TUCSON	Las Cazuelitas, 1365 W Grant Tue 12:00 PM
SUNRISE	Millies Pancake Haus Tue 7:00 AM
TANQUE VERDE	Tanque Verde Ranch, 15000 E Red- ington Rd, 1 & 3 Sat 1PM
WILMOT	IHOP, 7945 E Broadway 2 & 4 Wed 7:00 PM



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# THE MOUNTAIN LION



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## MEETING of SEPTEMBER 18



Our 2nd Vice President Ron Middleton called the meeting to order; Lion Monica Rhoads offered the invocation; Lion Charlie Hund led in the pledge; and Lion Lowell Fowble led us in a rousing song.

Lion Tamer Bettie Smith introduced our guest Lion Vernon Roudebush of the Safford Lions Club.

Lion Lola Hund had the winning ticket for our 50/50 BIG BUCKS sold by Lion-Lioness Monica Rhoads. Our Ever Kind and Considerate Tail Twister, Lion Lowell Fowble, fined members who were not wearing their Lions vest, and any one who didn't know the dates of Liberty Day and Constitution Day.

Lion Loren Larsen, the Mystery Lion, was able to fine a couple unsociable Lions for not shaking his hand. We celebrated a couple of "family" birthdays this month, Lion Patty Lacy for her granddaughter and Lion-Lioness Pina Talvy for her son. Lion Ron and Sharon Middleton celebrate their 20th anniversary this month.

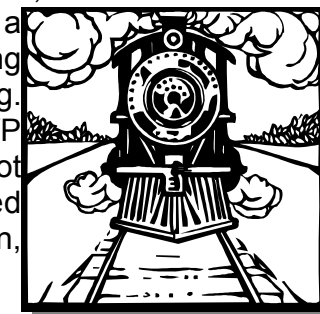
Lions shared several Happy Dollars and regrettably, a few Sad Dollars.

Lion Lowell Fowble reported that our Rodeo Committee has made an offer to the Tucson Rodeo Committee that better benefits our fundraising efforts.

Lion Bob Eastman reported that his new book has arrived and is ready for sale.

Our guest speaker, Mimi Agruila, of the American Diabetes Association, spoke about Tucson's 16th annual walk at Brandi Fenton Memorial Park on Sunday, October 5th. This year's theme is "Step Out: Walk to Fight Diabetes". (See related volunteer opportunity on page 2.)

From all reports, our new 2nd vice president did a great job chairing his first meeting. Way to go 2nd VP Ron! You were not really railroaded into this position, were you?





## BEER FEST

For several years as a community service, our club has assisted Sun Sounds of Arizona, Tucson Station at their annual beer fest by serving hot dogs. This year, the event was held on Saturday, September 27th, 6-10 PM at Hi Corbett Field.

We had a great turnout with 14 club members and 7 family members and friends to help serve the almost 3,000 hot dogs.

It was another great opportunity to serve our community, work with our fellow Lions members and just have a good time.

Lioness Mitzi Tharin, Sun Sounds Tucson Station Manager, reports that, while final numbers are not yet available, this year's event topped last year's. She also sincerely thanks all those Lions, family members and friends who worked so hard to support the Beer Fest.

## MD21 MID-YEAR CONFERENCE

The MD21 Leadership Forum and Mid-Year Conference in Prescott, November 14th-16th will also be a convention. The delegates from each club will be voting to endorse PDG Dick Sawyer, from 21C, for the next MD21 International Director Candidate.

## CABORCA, SONORA TRIP

Did you ever wonder what happens to the used eyeglasses we collect? The first steps after collection is the sorting, cleaning and reading at ALERT activities. The glasses are sent to various organizations around the world including our neighbors to the south.

On October 10th several Lions from various Arizona clubs will visit the Caborca A.C. Lions Club's Eye Clinic to watch as these great Lions provide glasses to the poor.

For more information or to join this group, contact PDG John Hart.

## STEP OUT: VOLUNTEER

The American Diabetes Annual Walk will be held at Brandi Fenton Memorial Park on Sunday, October 5th. This year's theme is "Step Out: Walk to Fight Diabetes". As you know, diabetes is a major cause of vision loss and even total blindness.

The Wilmot Lions Club has been serving a pancake breakfast at this event for several years. This year they will be serving an early lunch of hot dogs and hamburgers—right down our alley. Again, this year the Wilmot Lions are asking for our help for this community service. So Step Out: Volunteer to help serve hot dogs and hamburgers. Don't forget, the Wilmot Lions assist us at the rodeo! Volunteers should be at the park by 7:30 AM.

## USA CANADA FORUM



Before 1977 the Forum was just a dream of Lions International President Joseph McLaughlin. On September 30 of 1977 it became a reality as the first USA Lions Forum was called to order in Rosemont Illinois. The presidential challenge was to come together to forge measures "that will restore vigorous growth of American Lionism." The Forum continues to be an informative and enjoyable event for the Lions of North America.

This year's forum was held in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Canada and was very well attended by Lions and Lionesses from across the United States and Canada including the four members of the Tucson Downtown Lions Club pictured above.

Lion President Kerry reports he really enjoyed this, his first forum and recommends it to other Lions.

Next year's Forum will be a bit closer to home as it will be in Memphis, TN. We hope to see you there.



## EYEGLASS SORTING

There are opportunities for you to help sort or clean the used eyeglasses. Lensmeter training and reading will also be held in conjunction with the eyeglass sorting.

These great events will take place at SAAVI, 3767 E. Grant Road from 9 AM until 3 PM on the dates listed below. Come as you are, when you can and leave when you want to.

See what happens to all those used eyeglasses we collect and enjoy the company of your fellow Lions.

- Friday - October 31st
- Saturday - November 1st
- Friday - December 5th
- Saturday - December 6th
- Friday - January 16th
- Saturday - January 17th

## FUTURE EVENTS

Oct 10-12	Caborca Trip
Nov 1	SAAVI Eye Ball
Nov 14-16	MD21 Mid Year Forum and Convention