

Zone 4 Gathering of Lions

Recap September 6th 6:15 PM -8:30pm.

Clubs Represented:

Kaufman Jim Woods membership, Chet McDonald President

Seagoville Sunset – Rita Claxton President

Crandall-Combine - Diane True Secretary

Forney - Lee Arden President & S&TF

Mabank Cedar Creek Area Joe Kyle, President, TLC director, & Zone Chair

Terrell could not make it nor several of 2x1 leaders.

Started off with a Reprimand & Thankfully a Tail Twister was not in attendance, as the Agenda had two mis-spellings, "Kafman" & "Seagoville unset". After apologies.....

Introduced District Leaders in attendance & Key Note speaker Lion Virginia Lamb Global Service Team Leader.

Everyone Introduced themselves, their Club & 2x1 position, if any. I started with as Joe Kyle President of Mabank Cedar Creek Area Lions Club, District Director & club Speaker for The Texas Lions Camp and Zone 4 Chair.

Went over 100% requirements including attending 3 zone meetings and this is part of the criteria to qualify for the Governors 100% Club, Secretary & Present's Award.

Set next 2 meetings:

November Zone 4 meeting on 11.2.23 at 6:30PM - probably Dickie's BBQ in Kaufman Focus on Membership

March Zone 4 meeting 3.7.24 at 6:30PM – probably Dickie's BBQ in Kaufman Focus on Leadership

Goal for each Club is to request each member donate ANY Amount, to LCIF to support our Foundation & each club to donate at least \$10 to LCIF.

Asking each club to donate \$100 for a Hole Sponsorship at TLC Harry Wickersham Gold Tournament.

Work on getting 2 new members and getting them involved before November meeting!

Requested each club to make a 100% donation to 2x1 charities, especially TLC and invite me to come be a Speaker at your club!!!

Timely submission of service and membership reports, ideally by the 20th of each month & a second report may be added before month end. ALL Volunteer work (non-paid) in the community can be included. Lion Virginia went over this more in detail during her presentation. i.e. You volunteer to be a bookkeeper at church, count that time.

We are all in the same area. Each Club discussed upcoming Fund Raisers & Service Projects Through November and we will try and support each other. Each Club in this Zone reporting is very organized and Active with Fund Raisers & Service Projects scheduled. We heard from several Lions **“Being Seen & Heard in the Community is VERY Important!!! EXPOSURE, EXPOSURE, EXPOSURE!!!”**

Our Theme for this meeting was **Service** and Lion Virginia Lamb our Global Service Team Chair, took the floor to explain that we also need to report our Service Hours Timely, since our clubs already have service projects lined up, Brag about it!

Our zone is doing Pecan Sales, Booths at local events, golf tournaments, Blood Dives, Eye Clinics, Pancake Breakfasts, Corn Hole Tournament, Gun raffles, and working with Food Banks, just to name some we discussed. Again, we agreed to share our events with neighboring Clubs to encourage participation so share to this group.

We heard about Eye Clinics, Football Squares with S&TF, Computers for the Blind & each club was to go back and remind their club - Build a Bed was this coming Saturday and please report expected numbers going to Lion John Eads.

Only club of concern is low membership in Crandall-Combine, but with experienced, enthusiastic Lions having moved into leadership roles, and help from district, recruiting membership, they will be fine. One of the easiest recruiting tools is to invite someone to help on a project & ask current Lions for 2 names and let your club “Go Getters” contact them if those Lions would like.

Closed after more than 2 hours of Very Fun and Informative Discussions so our Host meeting location could close for the night.

Respectively Submitted,

Lion Joe Kyle fer Zone 4

P.S. who found a mis-spellings?