

MOCKSVILLE LIONS' MAIN LINE  
Frank Burgio, President George Kimberly, Secretary  
PROUD TO BE IN ZONE 4 & DISTRICT 31-D  
FOUNDED – OCTOBER, 1954

MOCKSVILLE LIONS  
116 Kelly Ave.  
Mocksville, NC 27028

MEETINGS HELD

Meetings 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays  
Board Meeting – 6:00 P.M.  
General Meeting – 7:00 P.M.



St. Francis Catholic Church  
Fellowship Hall  
862 Yadkinville Road  
Mocksville, NC 27028  
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**52 YEARS**

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NC LIONS: [www.ncif.org](http://www.ncif.org)

**SERVICE IN**

**DAVIE COUNTY**

**From People Who Make A Difference**

“Hot heads and cold hearts never solved anything.”

Billy Graham

**Eh, What's Up, LIONS?**

03/ 15/07 CLUB MEETING

Izzy Tutterow  
Big Brothers/Big Sisters

04/05/07\* CLUB MEETING

Dwight Sparks  
ENTERPRISE-RECORD  
(not the topic)

04/19/07\* CLUB MEETING

**HONORING  
NEW MEMBERS**

Somebody  
Super Supper  
Spouse Surprise  
Special Guests

05/03/07 CLUB MEETING

**3 IN 1**

The DOUBS  
Women in LIONS  
Clinical Eye Research  
NC Eye Bank

\*In April, we **MUST** elect officers. Secretary has a deadline to report to District and International.\*

**STATE CONVENTION**

The NC LIONS State Convention is in Asheville May 31 – June 3. We **MUST** sign up soon!

**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

The International Convention is in Chicago July 2-6.

Deadline for **ADVANCE** registration is May 1.

Registration form is in **THE LION**, March, 2007 (pg. 35)

**Quotation for Meditation**

“A lot of people run a race to see who is fastest. I run to see who has the most guts.” -- Steve Prefontaine

**Club Board Business (03/01/07)**

1. Further explanation of exchange student process.
2. Super Supper to honor new members, sponsors and special guests will be April 19. Spouses, etc. are invited.
3. Treasury: \$6,345.63 (bank balance).
4. A substantial sum is to be paid to an Audiologist for work on seven clients over two years.
5. Discussion ensued regarding difficulties, complexities, and expenses of the hearing aid service. Motion made and seconded to discontinue hearing aid service. No call for voting made. Consensus – continue discussion at next meeting.
6. In view of concern about limited funds and need to have reserves for service to the visually impaired, the Board elected NOT to award an MJF and a JSF in 2007.

**What's Going On?**

For a long time – seems like more often, lately, LIONS complain that they don't know what “It's” all about. Some high-up Club Officers say we need to provide more information. Who is “we”?

1. We **NEED** to attend Club Meetings.
2. We **NEED** to attend Board Meetings.
3. We **NEED** to attend Zone Meetings.
4. We **NEED** to attend District Meetings.
5. We **NEED** to read: **MAIN LINE**

District Governor's Newsletter  
**THE LION**  
**LIONISM**

6. We **NEED** to ASK questions.
7. We **NEED** to LISTEN to the answers.
8. We **NEED** to be creative – not critical; and **MOST OF ALL**
9. **WE NEED TO BE INVOLVED.**

### On Attendance At Meetings

Lately, attendance is just a bit above 50%; rarely over 65%; never at 85% as recommended, somewhere.

From our roster of 40 members, 21 are working at least full-time—some more than 40 hours per week. Nine of the working members do not attend regularly (less than 50% of the time). Fifteen of the 19 retirees do attend regularly.

It is important to know what is going on in the Club: business activities, projects, services, etc. Attending meetings is the primary source of information. This includes the Board Meetings. Our Board Meetings are open to all members. Non-Board members may participate in the discussions, but do not have a vote.

Other sources of information are:

The Main Line

District Newsletter

LIONISM

THE LION

Copies of miscellaneous information left on tables at meetings

Conversations with other LIONS; and

Websites

### On Participation As A LION

While attendance is important, participation in projects such as services and fundraisers are equally, if not more important. Actually, participation by almost every LION is essential for our Club to continue to serve as we are needed.

In the last Newsletter, fundraising participation was reported:

Calendars	75%
Fruit	60%
Brooms	25%
Dues	65%

(includes the least participation)

Just as necessary in the work of a LIONS' Club exhibiting the motto WE SERVE, is participation in the work that it takes to have a Club; to fulfill the functions of the Club, and to be assured that we succeed in our efforts to be of service to the community. Fifty percent participation is inadequate.

P.S. Don't we wish we still had those nice sweet President's Messages!?

### Club History – 1965

On October 14, 1965, the Mocksville LIONS' Club Bulletin, reported that "each member participated" in the white cane. Frank Stroud was Chairman. He had a way of motivating all members to participate. Currently, we need that.

Not until the 1980's or early 1990's did we have female members in LIONS. In this particular Bulletin, the two printed jokes would have run them off. Later, in fact, a woman LION resigned because of the telling of jokes. Even Mocksville LIONS have some historical darkness.

### Personal LION Services

At the Club Meeting on March 1, 2007, LION Tamer, Bill, asked 20 LIONS present to complete and submit our personal attendance and activity reports. Six were turned in. One of these could not be understood—Secretary tried several scientific methods to do so. He even considered testing the DNA on it so he could figure out who it was so he could call him/her.

Anyway, the results (using some fuzzy math from cloudy reports):

<u>ONE MONTH</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>MILES</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>MONEY</u>
Blind visits	12	136	81	---
Sick visits	15	115	37	---
Community Service	2	11	6	---
Personal money				\$100.00

LIONS International, NC LIONS, and District LIONS request these reports. Certainly they are not required, but they are strongly recommended. It's so we know what we are doing. At the end of each year, the Secretaries complete an Annual Club Activities Report that includes the above. It takes a lot of recording, figuring, fudging and hedging, (which the Secretary is good at) and math (at which he is awful).

It sure would help a lot if each member would complete these simple, little personal reports and turn them in. The Secretary will then throw them in a pile, scramble them up, and then make something of them.

Remember, he did provide each member a copy of last year's report. It was nice and fairly accurate, considering the raw materials with which he had to work. Also, he remembers how many were left uncompleted on the tables after the meetings. Rather disheartening!

In THE LION, a few issues back, International reported the results from Clubs all over the world. We were right in there. Despite our reluctance to turn in our work, services, expenditures, etc., compared to the world over, we did quite well.

The Secretary knows several LION'S who work diligently, many times, long hours and, at considerable expense, who have NEVER turned in an activity report. It's all confidential. What matters, really, is that we do service. You do, but the Secretary can't just make up reports – he needs the FACTS.

### A LION'S PRAYER

God, Our Father, we are grateful that You have led us to serve our fellow man: We pray for Your guidance in consideration of helping others. AMEN