

The Lion's Roar

Fair Grove Lions Club

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Special points of interest:

- Road Block raised \$1120, Kudos to all who participated!
- Exceeded annual White Cane goal by \$490!
- 2009-2010 District 31-E White Cane goal is \$166,000

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92nd Lions Club International Convention

The 92nd Lions Clubs International Convention began Monday, July 6 at the Minneapolis Convention Center and ran through Friday, July 10. More than 15,000 delegates were registered to attend.

A parade on Tuesday, July 7, in downtown Minneapolis was one of the highlights. Thousands of delegates representing more than 200 countries participated, along with many marching bands.



Jim Gehrz, Star Tribune

Colorful flags and dress, which included a group from Germany, filled downtown Minneapolis along Nicollet Mall as nearly 10,000 Lions from 100 nations marched in the Parade of Nations.

The five-day event included a concert Tuesday night by the Beach Boys. Former U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell delivered the keynote address. Powell is a two-time recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom and founder of America's Promise, a foundation dedicated to helping youth, and namesake of a charter school in Minneapolis. He urged Americans to rededicate themselves to community service.

"We have always been a nation of volunteers, going back to the beginning of our formation," he said. "And this is the time for people to step forward and help your fellow citizens who are in need as a result of the economic problems we're having, but just because its the right thing to do, whether we had economic problems or not, we need more volunteers stepping forward."

The Lions make up one of the world's largest service club organization, counting 1.3 million members among its ranks. The clubs have been devoted to combating blindness, as well as serving young people worldwide.

Gordon and Dixie McAdams made the trip to attend. Look for a report from them in the next issue of *The Lions Roar!*

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 
5 ←	6 No Mtg Lions International Convention, Minneapolis, Minnesota	7	8	9	10 →	11
12	13 Lions	14	15	16	17	18 31-E Installation reg. due
19	20 Lions	21	22 Happy Anniv Clodfelters!	23 HB Donnie H!	24	25 31-E Installation FGUMC
26	27 Lions HB Bill C.!	28	29	30	31	

Coming up . . .

August 31, 6 p.m., White Cane Kick-Off, Jay's Seafood, Albemarle, NC

District White Cane Kick-Off, August 31

Lions of District 31-E will kick off our humanitarian fund drive on Monday, August 31, at Jay's Seafood, 40439 Stoney Gap Road Albemarle, off NC Hwy. 52

The dinner buffet has something for everyone including a salad bar and desserts but features southern-style fish and shrimp. Other entrees are also on the buffet. Cost is \$11, pay at the door; no reservations are required. Dinner service will start between 6 pm & 6:30 and the meeting will start at 7 pm. Club presidents, secretaries, Camp Dogwood and White Cane chairpersons should attend. Everyone is welcome

Our foundation officers and state White Cane chairs will be there with the latest news and inspiration. Camp Dogwood raffle tickets will be distributed along with other important information. It is hoped that district directories will be distributed at the first cabinet meeting on July 25, but if not, they will be available at the White Cane Kick Off.

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