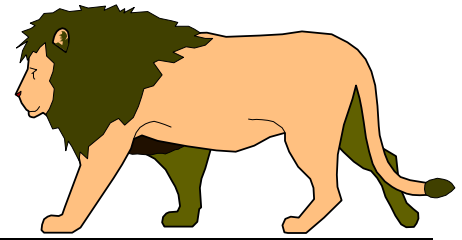


SouthPark Roar



News for and about the South Park Lions Club

We Serve



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SPLC CALENDAR

Sat	Oct 6	◆ Serve at the Men's Winter Shelter, 5:30pm-8:00pm, 3410 Statesville Road
Fri	Oct 12	◆ David Romero, candidate for the Charlotte City Council
Mon	Oct 15	◆ White Cane Safety Day
Tue	Oct 16	◆ Board of Directors Meeting – 7:15am, Fairview Restaurant
Fri	Oct 19	◆ Business Meeting and Project Review
Fri	Oct 19	◆ District 31C Convention Family Reunion Night – Marriott Courtyard Gastonia
Sat	Oct 20	◆ District 31C Convention Tail Twisters Breakfast & Auction, Meet 31-A and 31E, Convention Luncheon
	20-21	◆ Avon Walk for Breast Cancer – Lion Linda Strobino has raised over \$1800 so far !
Fri	Oct 26	◆ Bert Green - Director Charlotte Habitat for Humanity
Tue	Oct 30	◆ Vision Van Screening
Wed	Oct 31	◆ Vision Van Screening
Thu	Nov 1	◆ Vision Van Screening
Sat	Nov 2	◆ Vision Van Screening
Sat	Nov 17	◆ Salvation Army Kettle – Morrocroft Harris Teeter, 10m – 8pm
Sun	Nov 18	◆ South Park Mall “Evening of Giving”, 6:30 p.m., after the mall closes to the public. Various non-profits, including MAB, are selling tickets to raise money for their organizations.

Thought for the Month

“I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; and because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do something that I can do.”

Helen Keller

President's Corner



It's October ... and the SouthPark Lions are moved into high gear as we served dinner on Oct 6th at the Men's Winter Shelter (see article). District 31C's final convention will be held at the Gastonia Marriott Courtyard on 10-19-20 (**reservations due by 10/15**). Seating for meals is limited, so early registration is critical. Let's make sure the SouthPark Club is well represented. Please Register NOW! On November 17, we will support the Salvation Army's Kettle Drive at Morrocroft Harris Teeter. Please sign up for a two hour shift.

Programs are all in place for October, but the rest of the year looms ahead of us. If you have program ideas for November and beyond, contact Club Secretary Jim Sasser or President Dave Shimberg.

Over 70 Fed at Men's Shelter!

Charlotte SouthPark Lions provided meals for over 70 the homeless men on Saturday, October 6. The beef stew received a number of compliments, from the men seeking a meal and place to sleep on Saturday, evening, 10/6. Rita LeFeber, Linda and Dean Strobino, Pam and Dave Shimberg, Hunter and Joyce Garbee all pitched in to serve the stew prepared by the Sassers.

You can also assist in this community project by starting now, setting aside shaving cream, deodorant, and disposable razors, TOWELS, toothpaste and toothbrushes, that will be needed as and the weather gets colder as the months go by.



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To accommodate the growing number of homeless in our community the Emergency Winter Shelter expanded their SERVICE an additional two months, from October 1st through April 30, 2008.

2nd QUARTLY CLUB DUES NOTICE

 ***Lion Treasurer Joyce Garbee has distributed 2nd Quarter Dues Notices to all club members with E-Mail. Please bring your checks to the next meeting, or send them to Lion Joyce***

Let's Go Camping Again

Here's the ticket to a successful camping season at Camp Dogwood! For several years we have sold raffle tickets for the benefit of our Lions camp on Lake Norman. The winning ticket holder may win a Chrysler vehicle or one of several \$200 gift certificates. The SouthPark Lions, lead by PDG Jim Sasser, has always been among the most generous supporters of this program.

This year each Lion is asked to sell 3 books of raffle tickets for either \$10 for a book of 12 tickets, or \$1 per individual ticket. The chance of winning is substantially better than ANY Carolina lottery, probably 150,000 to one! Let's start early with the sale of the books as the stubs will be entered into a drawing at the District convention in Gastonia on October 20th. The gift certificates will be drawn at that time and the winning ticket for the vehicle awarded at the Lions State convention in June.

You say you don't have tickets to sell? We have plenty! Contact club secretary PDG Jim Sasser, or our president, PDG Dave Shimberg. You will have them at the next meeting or in the mail!

The Marcia Chronicles



What a month this has been for Marcia. This is her first time to vote. The ladies at the voting precinct look forward to seeing our guide puppies. On 9-16 USAir let SEG D puppies enter and exit a plane. The puppies had to get under our seats with NOTHING sticking out in the aisle. The puppies also went into the restrooms on the plane with their puppy raisers. We were asked not to sit in first class if we didn't fly first class. The engines were going and not a tail was tucked in fear of the noise. It was a fun and learning morning for all of us.



Sue and Marcia

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

- ◆ *Canan Abayhan*
- ◆ *Raul Farroch*
- ◆ *Jerry Reed*



Monthly Club Activities Report Information

The club secretary needs your monthly hours, miles, funds expended and activities to file with International and the NCLF. Please write these down and give to the secretary by the 25th of each month. Thanks to those who take time to pass on this information to the Secretary.

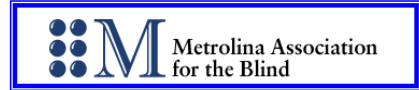
Avon Walk for the Cure



Lion Linda Strobino writes, "I have surpassed my required fundraising goal of \$1,800 for the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer, which will be held on October 20-21. Many South Park Lions generously made donations and I sincerely thank them for their support. They are helping me have the opportunity to participate in the event, but more importantly helping those who currently suffer from the disease, honoring those who lost the battle, and protecting those in the future by finding a cure.

An Evening of Giving

Metrolina Association for the Blind is participating in the South *Park Mall* “*Evening of Giving*” that will be held on Sunday evening, **November 18th**, starting at **6:30 p.m.**, after the mall closes to the public. Various non-profits, including MAB, are selling tickets to raise money for their organizations. The South Park stores are staying open only for those people who buy tickets from one of the participating non-profits, and almost all will be offering special discounts. There will be free refreshments available from area restaurants, as well as live holiday music performances. From the \$10 ticket price, \$7 will benefit MAB and the remaining \$3 will go to the Simon Youth Foundation. If any of our Lions Club members would like to purchase tickets from MAB, please let me know and I will bring some in to the next few meetings to sell.



Did You Know ?



- October is World Blindness Awareness Month: More than two-thirds of visually impaired adults in the United States are over the age of 65, and there are nearly 20.5 million Americans age 6 and older who are afflicted with vision impairments. The prevalence of blindness increases rapidly with age progression, particularly after age 75. Thus, the number of Americans with age-related visual impairments is expected to double within the next three decades.



- Monday, October 15th is White Cane Safety Day



- November is American Diabetes Month - Nearly 21 million children and adults in the United States are living with Diabetes, and another 54 million are at risk. Diabetes can cause eye problems that may lead to vision loss.

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