

Book Available

The Texas Lions League for Crippled Children will be distributing a commemorative book, *Almost to Heaven*, by Mary Kay Hartley, to celebrate its 40th anniversary.

For further information, contact The Texas Lions Camp, P. O. Box 247, Kerrville, Texas 78029-0247.

Please Note

Effective April 1, all audio-visual programs ordered for purchase **must** be ordered by the club president or secretary.

Any program to be billed to the district must be ordered (by phone or written request) by the cabinet secretary/treasurer, council chairman or the district governor. There will be no exceptions.

Does Your Lions Club Recycle Paper?

International Headquarters has been contacted by a public relations firm interested in publicizing the role of Lions in paper recycling.

A model to emulate is the 60-member Sun City, Arizona, Lions Club Paper Recycling Committee. At median age of 82, these Lions have transformed the group's 20-year paper recycling program into a \$300,000 annual fundraiser to benefit the area's

handicapped—including the visual care programs for which Lions have become internationally noted.

If your club is currently conducting a paper recycling program, send information about it to the Program Development Department at International Headquarters.

To expedite inclusion of your club in a national salute to the paper recycling efforts of Lions, please send a copy of the same information directly to:

Robert Marston and Associates
260 Madison Avenue
4th Floor
New York, New York 10022
(212) 371-2200

Speakers Available

The U.S. Department of the Interior, as the nation's principal conservation agency, is entrusted with the stewardship of most of federal public lands and natural resources.

A management team composed of men and women on flexible schedules is available to speak to Lions clubs about a variety of programs. Included are talks on the following projects:

- Take Pride in America
- Drug-Free Public Lands Program
- Natural Resources Management Plan

Higher Keys Issued During December

Senior Master Key (25)

- Lion Earl B. Webb, League City, Texas
- Lion Raymond E. Haller, Rutland, Vermont
- Lion Rollie Myers, Pinedale, Wyoming
- Lion Leon "Bub" Sweet, Fairbanks (Cheechacko), Alaska
- Lion Captain P. C. Parija, Jeypore, India
- Lion Kenichi Kawaguchi, Fukuoka (Heiwa), Japan
- Lion M. A. Khaleque, Chittagong (Pioneer), Rep. of Bangladesh
- Lion Krishan Kumar Sawhney, Chandigarh (Host), India

Monarch Key (150)

- Lion Charles Brinkley, Fort Worth (Northeast-Richland), Texas

Membership Ideas of the Month

Make Your Meetings Interesting!

As you know, making club meetings **interesting** is one of the major ingredients of a successful club. Many Lions will never obtain Perfect Attendance Awards unless they can regularly look forward to meetings that will interest them.

"**Interesting**" means more than just the business portion of the meeting. It means:

- A Tail Twister with a sense of humor and a lively imagination.
 - Good food with a menu that varies from meeting to meeting.
 - An after-dinner or after-lunch program that is fun or entertaining. (Program can be **both** fun and supportive of your club goals!)
 - An agenda that moves from item to item in a minimal amount of time.
 - Reports by Lions that are brief, to the point and meaningful to all members.
 - An atmosphere of fellowship that is maintained by the president and other officers who make sure new, as well as old, members are engaged in it.
 - A bulletin board or wall which displays recent publicity and other important documentation of the club.
 - An occasional Lion guest speaker who can inspire members.
 - A meeting room that is well lighted, kept at the right temperature and has a comfortable seating arrangement.
 - A presidential message now and then, that indicates that this club is indeed going somewhere.
- Finally, it always helps the mood and the digestion to sing a couple of good songs!
- by W. C. "Bill" McGregor, Past District A-4 Governor

The Department of the Interior welcomes all inquiries to assist in the selection of appropriate speakers. Requests may be directed to:

Zee Homoki/Lauren Sherlock
Department of the Interior
18th and C Streets, N.W.
MS5115
Washington, D. C. 20240
Telephone:
(202) 343-6724/7319
FAX: (202) 289-4714

Past Director Dies

Past International Director Homer L. Hoover, of Wooster, Ohio, has passed away.

He served on the board of directors during 1963-65. He became a Lion in 1937 when he joined the Wooster Lions Club, and was a Life Member of that club until his death.

Lion Hoover is survived by his wife, Mary, and three children.

President Austin P. Jennings appointed Past International Director William P. Leibensperger to represent the association at funeral services.

For the Record

As of December 31, 1988, Lions Clubs International had 1,356,703 members in 39,199 clubs in 665 districts and 163 countries and geographic areas.

Convention Countdown

- 1989 Miami/Miami Beach, FL/June 21-24
- 1990 St. Louis, MO/July 11-14
- 1991 Brisbane, Australia/June 19-22
- 1992 Madrid, Spain/July 8-11
- 1993 Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN/July 7-10