

Thomas Grimmond, Zone 7 Chairman Goals for 2007-2008

1. Zone 7 Clubs: **Leverage** the local clubs within Zone 7 by having them discuss what they are doing within their communities at each meeting. I plan on having the required 3 meeting and hopefully 4 or 5 meetings just to help get the information out to the clubs and get them excited about Lionism.
2. Conventions: Encourage attendance at conventions. Attending Conventions is the best way to get individual Lions excited about Lionism. As the Zone 7 Chairman, I will actively persuade members to attend the State Convention in Aberdeen (28 January 2008), the MD5 annual convention in Sioux Falls (4-7 June 2008), and the International Convention in Bangkok, Thailand (23 – 27 June 2008) through incentives (money), persistence (nagging) and maybe even a little arm (tail) twisting.
3. Membership: Reiterate DG Joan Marlette's membership goals for the whole District and what that means within Zone 7. I will pass out the Membership Growth Plan at the first meeting and cover some of the high points like the District's Goal and the Action Plan that will get us there.
4. Awards: Explain to the zone clubs the different awards that are out there for deserving Lions like the Henry Baker Service Award, the Howard Hanson Award and the Helen Keller Award.
5. CORE 4 Grants: I would like to explain the use of CORE 4 grants to the zone clubs and see if anyone wants to explore the use of those grants especially the partnership Lions Clubs International has with Habitat for Humanity.

Communication: I would like to enable better communication between clubs and the opportunities available to Lions Clubs which I think will facilitate an inner-desire to make a difference.