



# The Serving Lion

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A New Star of Service



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## District Governor's Message

On October 2<sup>nd</sup>, the White House will recognize members who have been selected to represent Lions in the U.S. as Champions of Change. Lions serve across the country and the globe, wherever help is needed, making every Lion a Champion of Change. We should be proud that Lions are being recognized in such a prominent way.

October is also Membership Month. The International Association of Lions Clubs has traditionally set aside this month to challenge its members to make an extra effort in recruiting new members for our clubs.

LCI has established a number of recognition awards for clubs and individual Lions who sign up new members during this month. These awards include patches for your club banner to pins with diamonds according to the number of new members that you have brought in. I encourage you to visit the LCI website for more detailed information regarding these awards.

Yet, it should be our pleasure to joyfully invite our friends, business associates and acquaintances to join our great organization. To share the joy of experiencing the wonderful benefits that less fortunate members of our community receive as a result of our labor of service.

There is an untold number of good neighbors out there whose only reason for not being a member of our organization is that no one has ever **asked** them. You will be surprised how receptive they are to the idea of joining the world's largest volunteer service organization.

Let us all ask one person to join during the month of October.

Yours in Lionistic service,  
DG Juan



**"Angry people want you to see how powerful they are.  
Loving people want you to see how powerful you are."**

**- Chief Red Eagle**

## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor

Hello Lions Of This Great District,

The last time I wrote to you a lot have happen. I went to Leader Dog in Rochester Michigan, where I learned about the operation over a three day visit. Then I attended the USA/Canada form in Tampa. I want to say thanks to all the volunteer who worked so hard to make it the best form.

Please remember the District Meeting on October 27<sup>th</sup> and the Fall Conference in Altamonte Springs on October 18 -21.

Clubs President—there are a lot of awards out

there to be given to the grass root Lions, like the Governor Achievement Award for your new Lions. Remember that I am just call away if you need my help on anything.

Thanks you again for your Service,.

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## From Your Sunshine Chair

It is with deep sorrow that Lion Bob Hillar informed us of the passing of Lion **Albert "Bud" Mansolilli**. Bud went to be with his Maker at 1:42 p.m. on September 5. Lion Bud was the president of the Florida Lions Eye Bank. Please keep his family in your prayers.

With deep regret that DG Juan J. Tejera informed us of the passing of Lion **Jorge De Armas**. He was the treasurer of the Miami Buenavista Biltmore LC, and was a nursery tester. He passed away on September 7. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

It is with deep sadness that I inform the Lions family that the mother of Lion Adelfa Zamoranos, secretary of Florida E-Lions Club, passed away peacefully. Her mother was also a Lion and member of Florida E-Lions Club. May her memory be sustained by the wonderful ways she contributed her time, energy and resources to less fortunate individuals in the Philippines and around the world. It gave her great joy to be able to constantly give to others in a benevolent way and not seek attention for herself. May the faith that brings comfort sustain us and give us peace. Lions of the world extends heartfelt condolences to Lion Adelfa and her family. **Mama Z** rest in peace. Condolence cards may be sent to: Lion Adelfa Zamoranos. P.O. Box 551963, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33355



And with a heavy heart, we wish condolences to **ID Stacey W, Jones** and his wife, **Lion Mary Jones**, on the passing of his mother on September 27<sup>th</sup>. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

### October Birthdays:

- 1 **Delia Carbon** - West Miami Sunshine LC
- 2 **Angel Quesada** - West Miami Sunshine LC
- 8 **Charlie Pinkerton** - Miami Lakes Lions Club
- 10 **Guillermo Aguago** - West Miami Sunshine LC
- 20 **Consuelo Hernandez** - West Miami Sunshine LC
- 21 **Juanita Benito** - Miami Lakes LC
- 22 **Lourdes Corrales** - West Miami Sunshine LC
- 29 **Elizabeth Tejera** - wife of our DG Juan J. Tejera
- 30 **DG Juan J. Tejera** - Miami Buenavista LC
- 31 **Carlos B. Pargas** - West Miami Sunshine LC
- 31 **Rolando Fongon** - Miami Buenavista LC

Lion **Nadia Valdes** had his second child, a beautiful lady in the last week of October. Congratulations to Nadia and Alex Delgado. Many happy years with their two daughters.

C/C Olga B. Ortega, Sunshine Chair  
5851 SW 11 Street  
West Miami, FL 33144

### Cabinet Secretary



It was a great USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum! As International President Wayne Madden said "Lions, as we take a quick Pit Stop in Tampa, let's change our tires, refuel our tanks, and tweak our engines to reach maximum performance as we strive to have our best Lions year yet- In a World of Service." That is exactly what we did! I want to say thank you to those in N who stepped forward to volunteer.

I wanted to mention the importance of the club secretary. As they serve as the liaison between District N and the Multiple. They do regular monthly reports to International such as MMR's, Activity Reports, PU 101's. They cooperate with and are active members of the DG Juan's advisory reports

committee of the Zone in which their club report is located. They have custody and keep and maintain general records of their club, including records of club and board meeting; attendance; committee appointments; elections; member information, addresses and telephone numbers of members and member club accounts. I brought this up because I wanted to thank you for all your hard work and we really appreciate our Lion secretaries. I so often remind you of how important that reports be done in a timely manner but fail to say thank you.

Yours in Service,

Lion Mary Lackey,  
Cabinet Secretary

### Cabinet Treasurer

Dues are past due! Thanks to the clubs who have paid their dues but we still need to receive dues from clubs. If you are one of them, please send your check today with a copy of the dues statement. Just a reminder that your dues include payment of the Multiple District dues and our District needs to pay their bill to the Multiple District.

We look forward to club donations at the District Meeting. Checks for the projects are made payable to the Lions of District 35-N with a memo for the project. Checks for the entities are made payable to the specific

entity. Please print or write legible since some of the entity names are very similar. Turn your checks in with the donation summary sheet and compare them to make sure the checks and the information on the summary sheet agree. It is appreciated to have the checks turned in prior to the meeting. Thanks for your cooperation and support.

See you at the District Meeting.

Colleen Pinkerton, PDG  
Cabinet Treasurer



### Around the District



Rancagua Lions Club (Chile) "Italian Dinner" on 8/31 with the President Lion Juan Andres Carvajal, and from the Miami Five Stars Lions Club, Lions Myriam Sanchez-Cubillos, Mari-olli Castillo and Maria Augusta Pusey.



Also at the Italian Dinner with the Comite de Damas Leones de Rancagua.



Having a good time with Pres. Juan Andres Carvajal and his wife at Italian Night



## WHITE CANE DAY WALK

### Celebrate White Cane Day with Miami Lighthouse!



Miami Lighthouse has planned a fun-filled day of entertainment and education promoting awareness about blindness issues and the White Cane Law, which protects blind and visually impaired pedestrians. Join fellow Lions, government dignitaries and keynote speakers Paul Edwards, President, Florida Council of the Blind and Earl Oaks, President of the National Federation of the Blind Greater Miami Dade Chapter, as we celebrate the annual White Cane Day Walk. Enjoy a Burger King luncheon, with special recognition to Michelle Levy and her team at Division of Blind Services as well as District Governor Juan Tejera and participating Lions.

Miami Lighthouse was founded by the Miami Lions Club in 1931 and is the oldest and largest private agency in the state providing services to the blind and visually impaired. In 2006 with the closing of the Lions Home for the Blind, its many participants joined the Miami Lighthouse Social Group Activities Program. We are counting on your help in raising money for the programs we offer that are funded by generous donations like yours. Special prizes will be given to the participants that raise the most funds!

**Where:** Miami Lighthouse for the Blind  
601 Southwest 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Miami, FL 33130

**When:** Monday, October 15, 2012  
8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Breakfast is provided courtesy  
of Lions Club Miami-Guatemala



**Cost:** \$5 suggested contribution  
for the visually impaired  
\$20 for all other participants

**Register:** Kristina, (786) 362-7514 or  
[kpham@miamilighthouse.org](mailto:kpham@miamilighthouse.org)

## Council of Governor's Conference Agenda

### Thursday Oct 18

- 1:00-5:00 Registration and entity setup
- 2:00-4:00 District Governor meeting
- 2:00-4:00 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Training
- 2:00-4:00 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Training
- 2:00-4:00 Partners workshop Sandy

### Friday Oct 19

- 9:00-5:00 Registration & Entity Booths
- 9:00-5:00 Lions Store (closed during lunch)
- 9:00-11:30 COG Executive Session
- Noon-1:45 Lions Diabetes Foundation and FL Diabetic Camp Luncheon
- 2:00-4:00 Alert Program and Disaster Training  
Mary Yochum (MD Chair)
- 2:00-3:00 Reading and Youth Program,  
Dr. Lynn Hawkins (MD Chair)
- 3:00-5:00 Certified Guiding Lion,  
Larry Feldhausen 35-0 GLT
- 4:00-5:00 Retention: How to Shut the Back  
Door, Carolyn Lloyd VDG2
- 3:00-4:00 Future Leaders
- 2:00-4:00 Partner field trip to Conklin Center  
for Tour
- 6:30-9:00 Red, White and Blue Social

### Saturday Oct 20

- 7:15-8:30 Lions Diabetes Awareness FND Meeting
- 9:00-11:30 General membership Meeting
- 12:00-1:30 Meet the Director
- 2:00-4:00 What is new is diabetes?  
Diane Yates, Training Coordinator
- 2:00-4:00 Foundation Meeting and projects
- 3:00-4:00 What is New with LCIF?  
Doris Hollis (MD Chair)
- 4:00-5:00 PAW for Patriot and How To Do a  
Fundraising Project, Jeff Follmer &  
Southeastern Guide Dogs
- 4:00-5:00 Tarnish Brass
- 4:00-5:00 Extension: How To Build Your Club  
David Lloyd PCC
- 7:00-10:00 District Governor Banquet

### Sunday Oct 21

- 8:30-10:30 Florida Lions Foundation Breakfast meeting
- Conference Adjourned

## Glass & Crystal Ornaments

Place your order now for this year's glass and crystal holiday ornaments from Lions International.

The Jade glass tree (top) is 3 3/4" high x 3 3/8" wide and sells for \$12.50. The 24% Lead crystal oval wreath is 3 1/2" high x 2 3/4" wide and sells for \$19.50.

Price includes laser cutting of the Lions emblem, a holiday message and year, a gold bow for hanging and a gift box.

Orders must be placed before November 8 and delivery will be approximately three weeks after that.

Orders can be placed online at the Lion Shop or by calling 1.800.710.7822 or 1.630.571.5466.



## Getting To Know You

This month we are privileged to "Get To Know" Carlos A. Vargas, Jr., from the Miami Buena Vista - Biltmore Lions Club. He serves the Zone Chair Coordinator and Sight Conservation Chair.

He has been married to Xiomara for 24 years and they have a son, Carlos A. Vargas III, who is 19 years old, and a daughter, Nicole Maria, who is 10 years old. They also share their home with two cute little dachshunds—Blacky and Sasha.

Carlos came from Managua, Nicaragua in August of 1985 and has lived in Miami for the

past 20 years. He became a Lion in June of 2004 and held many different offices, both in his club and throughout the District. He joined Lions to help and hasn't stopped doing that ever since!

He is currently the Sales Manager at CV Marketing Services. He loves soccer and being a Lion. He also loves grilling—but what man doesn't love fire?!!! His favorite color is blue and says he's ready to help wherever he's needed.

For this, we thank you for being a Lion and contributing to the success of District 35-N.



## The Sebastian Lions Club & American Legion Riders Post 189 Present

# SPECIAL RIDERS for SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Supported by ABATE of Florida, Inc., Treasure Coast Chapter

\$15 per rider  
\$5 per passenger

50/50  
&  
prizes



## POKER RUN SUNDAY NOV. 4th

REGISTRATION - 9-10AM @ Am Legion #189  
807 Louisiana Avenue, Sebastian FL 32958

Breakfast \$5 from 8-? Am Legion #189

**Stops:** Tiki Bar and Grill, New England Eatery, Malabar Moe's,  
Kristen's River House, Outriggers

Last Bike in 3:00 pm. Earl's Hideaway (Poker run is over)

**PARTY at EARL'S HIDEAWAY**  
Entertainment by David Shelley and Bluestone

For more information contact Jim Finochi at 772-581-0837  
E-mail - [jpf248@aol.com](mailto:jpf248@aol.com)

# CRUISIN' WITH THE LIONS

ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISE LINES

**JANUARY 11-14,  
2013**

*Reservations MUST be made by 10/13!*

## MAJESTY OF THE SEAS

Thanks to a dazzling, top to bottom renovation, our popular Majesty of the Seas is more majestic than ever. Bahamas bound guests will enjoy a newly remodeled pool deck, expanded Day Spa & Fitness Center, plus tastefully refurbished staterooms, featuring luxurious bedding and eye-popping flat-screen TVs and more. And of course, there's still the Bahamas powdery beaches and crystal clear water to look forward to!



- Rock-climbing wall
- Johnny Rockets '50's-style Restaurant
- Sorrento's Pizza
- Latté-tudes<sup>SM</sup> Coffee House
- Casino Royale<sup>SM</sup>
- Themed bars and lounges
- 2 whirlpools
- 2 outdoor pools
- Adventure Ocean<sup>®</sup> youth Facilities
- Day Spa and Fitness Center
- Open-air basketball court

**Outside Cabins : F2**  
**\$390.47 per person**  
**Double occupancy**

**3 NIGHT BAHAMA CRUISE**

JAN 11 MIAMI, FLORIDA  
JAN 12 COCOCAY, BAHAMAS  
JAN 13 NASSAU, BAHAMAS  
JAN 14 MIAMI, FLORIDA



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### Attention MD-35 Past District Governors

Let it be known that the 2013-2014 Council of Governors will hold interviews for the position of 2013-2014 MD-35 Council Chairperson during the Winter Conference to be held on January 11-14, 2013, on the MD-35 Bahamas Cruise out of Miami.

Only those requests for an interview, including resume, received on or before December 28, 2012, via email will be considered.

Send your email to all 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governors and MD Secretary Gary Nieskes at: [nieskes@comcast.net](mailto:nieskes@comcast.net)  
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We appreciate your service. See you on board!



### Florida Lions Eye Bank at the USA/Canada Forum



The Florida Lions Eye Bank was happy to represent and support the Lions of Florida by sponsoring and attending the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Tampa, FL.

The Florida Lions Eye Bank donated 2,300 goodie bags to the Lions in attendance and sponsored a free raffle at its booth. A grand total of 461 Lions (from 276 different Lions Clubs throughout the

U.S. and Canada) entered the raffle and dozens more stopped by the booth to find out about this District 35 Lions entity. The Grand Prize winner was Lion Judy Shaw, PDG, from Warren, Illinois, pictured on the left.

Thank you to the Florida Lions Eye Bank for supporting this wonderful Lions event and for representing the Lions of Florida!

### USA/Canada Forum

There were lots of "first-timer" Lions at the USA/Canada Forum this year because it was held in Tampa. We also had a lot of grass root Lions attend.



Powerful leadership!



Love this picture because it says it all...3 PDGs and above everyone's head—"SERVICE."



**Used Eyeglass Procurement District 35-N**  
As of August 23, 2012

Club	Glasses	Frames	Lens	Cases	Sunglasses	Other
Aventura N. Miami Beach	185		18	33	14	
Coral Springs Downtown	3,010					
Delray Beach	2,216			42		
Ft. Lauderdale				813		
Hialeah Pan American	342					
Key West	155			93	6	
Lake Worth	346			69	32	
Miami Buena Vista Biltmore	350			105		
Miami Columbian	100		110			
Miami Lakes	395			84		
Miami Lautro Chilean	284	19	453	59	17	
Port Saint Lucie	305			170	70	
Port Saint Lucie West	520		30	131	37	
Sabastian	2,863	40		685		
West Palm Beach	1,297			560		2xHA,1xCF
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>12,368</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>2,844</b>	<b>176</b>	

You're Invited to a



*Sunday, October 21, 2012*  
*Noon to 4:00 pm*



**The Miami Springs Lions Club**  
301 Swallow Drive  
Miami Springs, FL 33166



BBQ Chicken and Pulled Pork  
Baked Beans, Black Beans and White Rice,  
Corn-on-the-Cob, Fried Plantains,  
Salad and Cuban Bread and Butter  
- and desert -  
Sheet Cakes, Cheese Cakes, Brownies,  
Cookies and more  
One soda included with meal  
Donation: \$ 10.00



*Proceeds to benefit*

**The 2012 State Champions**  
**Miami Springs Senior High School**  
**Wrestling Team**



*Sail Away Cruise*

Date: Saturday, October 20th, 2012  
Boarding Time: 7:30pm  
Vessel: Bahama Mama  
Donation: \$15



*Drinks & food available at affordable prices*  
*Music provided by DJ Scorpio*



*Proceeds to Aid the*  
**Lions Sight Conservation Project**



*For Sight*

## Ear Buds and Hearing Damage

Turning the volume up too high on your headphones can damage the coating of nerve cells, leading to temporary deafness, scientists from the University of Leicester have shown. Ear buds or headphones on personal music players can reach noise levels similar to those of jet engines. Noises louder than 110 decibels are known to cause hearing problems such as temporary deafness and tinnitus (ringing in the ears), but the University study is the first time the underlying cell damage has been observed.

Ear buds are becoming a fashion statement and hearing loss will definitely affect the younger generation. The study was published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences and the research was funded by the Wellcome Trust, Medisearch, GlaxoSmithkline and the Royal Society.

A University doctor who led the study noted that the research will help prevention as well as progression into finding appropriate cures for hearing loss and allows an understanding of the pathway from exposure to loud noises to hearing loss.

Nerve cells that carry electrical signals from the ears to the brain have a coating called the myelin sheath, which helps the electrical signals travel along the cell. It's a bit like stripping the electrical cable linking an amplifier to the loudspeaker. Exposure to loud noises (over 110 decibels) can strip the cells of this coating, disrupting the electrical signals. This means the nerves can no longer efficiently transmit information from the ears to the brain.

However, the coating surrounding the nerve cells can reform, letting the cells function again as normal. This means hearing loss can be temporary, and full hearing could return.

The findings are part of ongoing research into the effects of loud noises on a part of the brain called the dorsal cochlear nucleus, the relay that carries signals from nerve cells in the ear to the parts of the brain that decode and make sense of sounds. The team has already shown that damage to cells in this area can cause tinnitus – the sensation of 'phantom sounds' such as buzzing or ringing.

Source: *ScienceDaily*, Aug. 29, 2012



## Spotted at USA/Canada Forum

Anyone know who this Buccaneer is?

Shhhh...don't tell anyone, but we heard that SHE was from the Miami Lakes Lions Club!



*Every exit is an entrance to something else.*

*Tom Stoppard*



## DISTRICT CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 2012

- 1**     **Hearing Bank Meeting**  
7:30 pm—Larkin Hospital  
6129 SW 70 St, S. Miami
- 1**     Zone 4 Meeting, Boca Raton LC Clubhouse
- 4**     Zone 3 Meeting
- 5**     Oktoberfest—Key Biscayne Lions Club-\$25/7:30 pm
- 6**     The Eye Ball @ T. Pepin’s Hospitality Centre 7PM
- 6**     Conklin Center Walk
- 6**     Zone 2 Meeting
- 8**     **Diabetes Awareness Meeting** (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday)  
3363 S Miami Ave 7:30 PM  
Mercy Hospital—Room 352
- 9**     Zone 13 Meeting
- 10**    Zone 10 Meeting hosted by Miami Cuban LC
- 11**    World Sight Day
- 12**    Zone 7 Meeting @ Miami Springs LC Clubhouse
- 13**    A Global Affair
- 15**    **Lions For the Blind Meeting** (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday)  
7:30 pm Miami Lighthouse for the Blind
- 15**    White Cane Day @ Miami Lighthouse for Blind
- 16**    Zone 1 Meeting
- 18-21** MD 35 Fall Conference, Altamonte Springs
- 20**    American Diabetes Walk-a-thon
- 20**    Notte Italiana-Miami Lautaro Chilean LC
- 20**    Spooktacular Halloween-Hollywood Colombian Am LC
- 21**    FL Lions Foundation for the Blind, Inc.
- 24**    **FL Lions Eye Bank** Dist. Election to fill President’s  
vacancy. Bascom Palmer 7-8 PM
- 27**    District Meeting—Frost Park, Dania
- 31**    Halloween



### *Important Dates to Remember*

- Nov 3     SE Guide Dogs, Dining in the Dark, Sarasota
- Dec 2     Conklin Center Bite for Sight Fish Fest, Ormond Beach
- Dec 8     SE Guide Dogs Open House
- 2013**
- Jan 11-13 Winter Conf Cruise—leaving Ft. Lauderdale
- Jan 26    District Meeting—Port St. Lucie
- Mar 10    District Meeting—Deerfield Hilton
- April 5-7 Official visit to Freeport Club, Bahamas



A report says high school students aren't very good with American history. It's pretty shameful. On a recent test, a majority of seniors thought Lincoln's Gettysburg address was ALincoln@gettysburg.com..."