LIONS ROARING NEWS



DISTRICT 35-0 JUNE 2013

A Note from District Governor Norma Callahan



This has been an exciting and wonderful year serving as your District Governor. First, thank you for the Melvin Jones Fellowship presented to me by the district at our luncheon as well as the Grand Lion. I want to thank Ormond by the Sea for outstanding service for the best convention ever!!!

I would like to recap our convention awards – please check on page three for the listing. This is a time we look back to see what have I accomplished this year! First, I have opened up

communication with my complete cabinet. I have also made our meetings timely and organized. We may be a smaller district, but I have a stronger and better district. DGE Al and 1VDGE Carol and 2VDGE Jacquie are well under way to continue the hard work we have begun to continue making this district better. We have our issues with fraud, bullying, and exhausted clubs. But at the end of the day we are all lions.

- I am going to be working closely with the new Cabinet and continue sharing what I have learned. As a soon as I am a PDG, I will go back to my roots. LCIF and another grant are in the works. I have been working on this and it will again be for the Multiple District.
- We need to remember everyday why we joined to become a lion. As DGE Al says "Just ask". If each one of us brings in one new member we will be back to our original strength. As the new GMT for our district I am going to work on retention and shutting the back door. I am really eager to get started.



Thank you to my advisors Lions Shel, David and Anne. A big thank you to our treasurer, Lion Jeannine who cleaned up the mess our district had fallen into to make our financial picture clean and transparent, also thank you to my cabinet secretary, Lion Carol, for all the emails, correcting of notes and great job putting my schedule together.

DGE Al, 1VDGE Carolyn, 2VDGE Jacquie – it has been great to work and train and share this year. You are due for a better year and I will do all I can to see that happen. I have had a gift in my advisors. All I had to do was ask. Lion David was quick to respond by return email, Lion Anne took on every task I asked her, and Lion Shel was always there to support, and help find answers to questions and procedures.

Thank you for all your help and support. I will never forget what a wonderful experience you have given to me.

Yours in Lionism, District Governor Norma

Greetings from District Governor Elect Al Becker

Fellow Lions: Two years ago I ran for 2VDG of district 35-O and now as I prepare to take the oath of District Governor I want to thank all of you who have supported me and my wife, Jo over this period of time. We have met and formed great friendships throughout the District and Multiple District. Yes, there is a lot of traveling and expense to get to this position, but from what past District Governors have said, I will

enjoy the year it will be a fun time. Yes, I have learned a lot sitting in the training classes and gone visiting clubs. You would be surprised just how much effort is made by Lions to help others with the different fundraisers and projects.

Lions come from all walks of life, but their goals are the same, "WE SERVE". Now has I head to the International Convention in Hamburg Germany, I will bring back with me more friendships and experience along with the knowledge of what it takes to govern a district.

This coming year it is my goal to create more fun meetings, increase membership and work with those clubs struggling to survive. There are many tools out there to help Lions become bigger and better clubs with projects to help those in your



community. All you have to do is ask for the help. Our GLT/GMT teams are here for the asking as well as are all District Officers. Take the time and let us come in and do a Club Evaluation Program to help your club to understand where you can do the most good in your community and get new members. Again, it is available, **just ask**. I hope each and everyone will help make this Lionistic Year a great one and I look forward to serving as your Governor in 2013-2014.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTABLE ITEMS

CHANGES IN LCI FAMILY MEMBERSHIP FEES – EFFECTIVE JULY 1st

Beginning July 1, 2013, all NEW family members will pay the one-time entrance fee or charter fee. Up to four additional qualifying family members will still pay only half international dues. This change will not impact existing family-member Lions.

NOTE: Until July 1, 2013 only the "Head of Household" is charged the \$25 new Member Fee (\$30 for Charter Members). Up to four additional family members, living at the same address, can join the same club without paying this fee. If you have a family member who is considering joining, NOW would be the time to do so in order for the club to vote in the new member and to get the new member entered into the MyLCI system before the end of this month!

INCREASES IN LCI MEMBERSHIP DUES– EFFECTIVE JULY 1st

Effective July 1st 2013, the six month billing of membership dues with LCI will increase \$1.00 for each regular member and \$0.50 for each family and student member.

| · | Regular Members | Family & Student Members |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| LCI | \$21.50 | \$10.75 |
| MD35 | \$10.50 | \$10.50 |
| District | \$ 4.00 | \$ 4.00 |
| TOTALS (6 months) | \$36.00 | \$25.25 |

CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATIONS

Completed applications must be sent to DG Norma for her signature of approval before they are submitted to LCI. The deadline for LCI is September 30th. Information is also on the <u>application form</u>.

100% CLUB SECRETARY AWARD APPLICATIONS

Applications for this year are due no later than June 30th. Information is on the application form.

THE MD35 OFFICE HAS RELOCATED BACK TO ORLANDO

The MD35 office is back in Florida in the same office complex with the lion statue out in front of the building. The address is 7200 Lake Ellenor Drive, Suite 109, Orlando, FL 32809. The office phone number remains unchanged; 407-859-7174.

MD35 CONVENTION AWARDS LISTING (by DG Norma Callahan)

We had the largest convention ever with over 525 attending. We had over 125 lions at our District luncheon. I would like to congratulate all the award winners:

DISTRICT 35-0 AWARDS

Pilot Award – no applications Crusader – Pat Stamm (Oviedo Winter Springs) PDG Service Award – Mary Yochum (Ormond by the Sea) PID Bob Lastinger Award - Vivian Henegar (High Point) Builder Award – Homosassa Lions Outstanding Zone Chair – Greg Evans (Ormond by the Sea) Bulletin Contest – Ken Crowley, Editor (Palm Coast) Lions Diabetes Foundation Life Membership – Jackie De Graff (Crystal River Kings Bay) Lions Diabetes foundation Life Membership - Maggie Narvaez (Orlando Latin American) Youth Exchange (YESTF) Life Membership – Lynn Hawkins (Volusia Lions) LCI Youth programs – Lynn Hawkins (Volusia Lions) RAP – Lynn Hawkins (Volusia Lions) LCI Youth Exchange - Shel Reichard, PDG (Palm Coast) LCI Diabetes Horizon Award – Ormond by the Sea Most active large Club award – Viera and Satellite Beach Most active small Club award – Rockledge **MULTIPLE DISTRICT 35 AWARDS** Multiple Page Bulletin Contest - Ken Crowley, Editor (Palm Coast)

INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

International President Leadership Medal – Anne Greer, PDG (Viera) International President Leadership Medal - Larry Feldhusen (Inglis Yankeetown) International President Leadership Medal – Dan Fox (Homosassa) International President Certificate of Appreciation – Bobbie Cheh (Ormond By The Sea) International President Certificate of Appreciation – Jeannine Thibault, PDG (Davenport) International President Certificate of Appreciation – Carol Reichard (Ponce Inlet) International President Certificate of Appreciation – Shel Reichard, PDG (Palm Coast)

A NOTE OF THANKS (by Lion Anne Greer, PDG)

Lion Anne Greer would like to thank the following Lions clubs and individuals in District 35-O for contributing to the fund for DG Norma's Melvin Jones Fellowship to be presented in the very near future. They are as follows:

Ormond Beach, Viera, Ponce Inlet, Osceola Latin America, Palm Coast, Beverly Hills, Satellite Beach, Longwood-Lake Mary, Lake Alfred, South Daytona, Cypress Gardens, North Brevard, Homosassa, Crystal River, Davenport, Fruitland Park, Lions Carol and Shel Reichard, and Lion Anne Greer. DG Norma has made District 35-O shine with her devoted service to Lionism.



Awards Pictured above: (Left) DG Norma and Lion Larry Feldhusen; (Right) Lions Carol & Shel Reichard

FLORIDA LICENSE PLATE BENEFITING THE BLIND & VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Benefiting blind and visually impaired Floridians through the services of local nonprofit agencies statewide, the "A State of Vision" specialty license plates rolled off the presses on January 26th, 2007. Robert Kelly, Executive Director of the Conklin Center says: "Thousands of Floridians with limited vision or blindness will have a brighter future because of the 'A State of Vision' license tag."

How do I get this license tag? Take your current tag to your local tag agency and purchase the new tag.

- Do I have to wait until my tag's annual renewal? No. In fact, you will get a credit for all unused time on your current tag.
- How much does it cost? The normal license plate fees apply, plus \$25 which benefits blind & visually impaired Floridians.

Who gets the \$25 and how does it



benefit the blind? The Florida Association of Agencies Serving the Blind (FAASB), a statewide nonprofit organization, receives the \$25. It is distributed among 14 member agencies to be used for hands-on "direct support services" to blind and visually impaired Floridians throughout the state. The Conklin Center has been a member of FAASB since 1979.

How long will the plates be available? The plates are available when at least 1,000 are sold each year.

DIABETES SCREENING TRAINING DATES IN OUR DISTRICT

Contact: 1VDGE Carolyn Lloyd, Res: 321-631-6633 Cell: 321-298-4223 lioncarolyn@gmail.com If you are interested in becoming a Lions Diabetes Screener or just need to be re-certified, contact 1VDGE Carolyn Lloyd and sign up for one of the training classes: August 3rd in Viera; and September 7th in Orlando at the MD35 office. Other dates in the other districts include: June 22nd at Ocala On Top of the World; August 24th in Dania and October 12th in Gulfport.

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WHY AUDITS ARE SO IMPORTANT!!!

Lakeland Woman Sentenced to Prison in Theft from Lions Club

THE LEDGER, Published: Monday, May 20, 2013 at 10:04 p.m.

- A Lakeland woman has been sentenced to five years in prison followed by 25 years of probation for stealing more than \$50,000 from the Imperial Lakeland Lions Club. Caroline Bonds, 49, who served as the club's treasurer, was arrested in December. During a Friday hearing, she pleaded guilty to grand theft and three counts of money laundering. An arrest affidavit states the club received an inheritance worth more than \$50,000 in 2006. Over the years, Bonds transferred money to her personal bank account as well as made cash withdrawals, the affidavit states. Bonds' theft was devastating to the nonprofit organization, and the club disbanded.
- The judge ordered Bonds to "make every honest effort" during her probation to pay \$50,378 in restitution, which will be given to the Dixieland Lions Club. If Bonds violates terms of her probation, she could face up to 25 years in prison.

IMPORTANT: VERIFY YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS CURRENT WITH LCI BY JUNE 30

Each club will be billed in July for their International, MD and District dues based on your members listed in the MyLCI database as of the end of June. Please make sure that all members are current and that their membership type is correct. LCI bills Family and Student members at half of the dues amount for a regular member. Your Club Secretary and President have access to MyLCI to update member info. For assistance please contact Lion Donna Norton at 352-564-0315 or <u>donnanorton@tampabay.rr.com</u>.

LCI JUNE NEWSWIRE

Subjects covered in this LCI website link above for June: learn about the International Convention and Online Convention, new Lions Learning Center courses, the Lions Eye Health Program and more.

ENTITY NEWS

BE AN EYE DONOR: www.DonateLifeFlorida.org

Only a human donor cornea can alleviate another person's corneal blindness. And the only method of restoring sight is for people like you to give the ultimate gift and become a donor. You have the ability to change the quality of someone's life forever. Organ, tissue and eye donors have the power to save up to eight lives and enhance many more. YOU can make a world of difference.

LIONS DAY AT FLORIDA DIABETES CAMP FLYER

SAVE THE DATE: On Thursday, August 15th, starting at 10 am, the Lions will be visiting the <u>Florida</u> <u>Diabetes Camp</u> at Camp Winona located at 898 Camp Winona Rd, DeLeon Springs 32130. A donation of \$10 to cover lunch is asked of each attendee. DG Norma would like to have a head count so please RSVP to DG Norma at <u>dgnormacallahan@yahoo.com</u> or 386-479-9896.

DISTRICT 35-O LIONS DAY AT SOUTHEASTERN GUIDE DOGS

Contact: Lion Ron Van Gelderen, Chairperson, 352-446-5070; <u>ronaldjvangelderen@gmail.com</u> SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, February 8, 2014

WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE CONKLIN CENTER

August 1 - Ticket sales begin for "Win A Week At The Beach!" The winner will stay in a one bedroom villa that sleeps four at Daytona Beach during the week of October 14 to 21, 2013 (Biketoberfest!). The drawing will be held September 29, 2013 during the Poker Run.

September 29: Ride for Sight - Poker Run

October 12-20: Biketoberfest® - See the new bike at the Iron Horse, Ormond Beach

October 25: Halloween Bash in Ocala - Dancing, dinner, auction & prizes

February 14, 2014: Night for Sight - Casino style games, dinner and silent auction

2013-2014 LIONS OFFICERS & MyLCI

Incoming Region and Zone chairs, and all Lions Club Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers (as reported on the PU-101s) are now able to create their own user name and password for MyLCI. To access MyLCI go to <u>www.lionsclubs.org</u> and click the "Submit Reports" link at the top of the page. From the log on page, click "New User? Click here to register now" and follow the onscreen prompts to create a user name and password. You will be asked questions to confirm your identity. You will also be required to provide a unique e-mail address. Note: Lions officers who previously created a user name and password for MyLCI will be able to use the same user name and password for MyLCI during their 2013-2014 term. If you forgot your password, click the "Forgot your User Name or Password?" link on the log on page. You will be prompted to enter your member number, the word verification and the answer to one of your security questions. Keep in mind, your responses to your security questions are case sensitive. If you have not registered yet, you will be prompted to do so at that time. For more information, you can use this How to Log Onto MyLCI document and this MyLCI Screen Shots & Training document. Both documents were created for last year officer training and are still relevant. TRAINING ON THE LCI WEBSITE: Five short English language video segments are available : MyLCI Introduction An overview of the MyLCI website. LCI Logon and Registration How to create a user mane and password Lising the MyLCI Web site. Demonstrates how to pavigate and use the

username and password. <u>Using the MyLCI Web site</u> Demonstrates how to navigate and use the help features. <u>MyLCI Membership Reporting</u> Demonstrates how to add, drop and edit membership records. <u>MyLCI Family Units</u> Demonstrates how to create and edit a Family Unit.

2013-2014 LCI PEACE POSTER CONTEST

"Our World, Our Future" is the theme of the 2013-14 <u>Peace Poster Contest</u>. Lions clubs can sponsor this art contest for kids in their community for children in local schools or organized, sponsored youth groups. Lions clubs interested in sponsoring the Lions International Peace Poster Contest can order a Peace Poster Contest kit (PPK-1) from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. The cost of the kit is \$10.95 plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes. The kit is available in all 11 of our official languages. Lions clubs must purchase a kit for each poster

sponsored. Each kit contains: Official Člub Contest Guide and Rules, Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules and Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home, Sticker to place on back of winning poster and Certificates for contest winner.

- You can order kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at LCI from January 15 to October 1. To order a kit, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822. To order online, go to <u>Club Supplies</u> (Item Search: Peace Poster Kit). <u>You</u> <u>can also download the order form.</u>
- Please <u>review contest rules</u> and order kits as soon as possible to guarantee sufficient time for a wellplanned contest. Allow 3-4 weeks for delivery.

Pictured Right: DG Norma presents Lion Jeannine Thibault, PDG with the International Presidents Certificate of Appreciation.



TRAINING LINK FOR LCI LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT WEBSITE

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THE 2013-2014 LCI WEBINAR SCHEDULE. Head over to the Webinars page to register.

NOTE: All times are local times (EDT)

Club Treasurer Training Friday, June 21, 2013 at 8 PM

Zone Chairperson Training Tuesday, July 9, 2013 at 1 PM Friday, July 12, 2013 at 8 PM Wednesday, July 17, 2013 8 PM

Club President at Leading and Managing Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at 8 PM Tuesday, August 13, 2013 at 1 PM Friday, August 16, 2013 at 8 PM

Managing Service Projects Friday, September 6, 2013 at 8 PM Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 1 PM

LCI Ethics and the Role of the Leader Wednesday, October 9, 2013 at 1 PM Friday, October 18, 2013 at 8 PM **Leadership Resources on the Web** Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at 1 PM Friday, November 15, 2013 at 8 pm

Effective Club Meetings Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 1 PM

Leadership Lessons from the Angry Birds Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at 1 PM Friday, January 24, 2014 at 8 PM

The Dream Continues: Lionism as a PDG Friday, February 7, 2014 at 8 PM Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at 1 pm

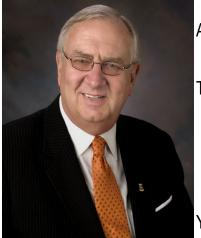
You've been Club President . . . What's Next? Friday, March 7, 2014 at 8 PM Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 1 PM

Is it Your Dream to Be a District Governor? Friday, April 4, 2014 at 8 PM Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 1 PM

UPCOMING MD-35, DISTRICT & CLUB EVENTS

PRINTABLE PAGE

July 5-9, 2013: LCI 96th Annual Convention in Hamburg, Germany; Online Convention August 3, 2013: Diabetes Screening Training in Viera, contact 1VDGE Carolyn Lloyd Aug 9-11, 2013: MD-35 Summer Conference, Holiday Inn, Ocala, Guest ID Stacey Jones Registration August 15, 2013: Lions Day at Diabetes Camp Winona, DeLeon Springs, RSVP DG Norma (10am) FLYER August 17, 2013: 1st District O Meeting, Rockledge Lions Hosting September 7, 2013: Diabetes Screening Training in Orlando (MD35 office), contact <u>1VDGE Carolyn Lloyd</u> September 19-21, 2013: USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Overland Park, Kansas; Website September 29, 2013: Conklin Center Ride for Sight Poker Run & Condo Drawing (10am-4pm) October 25, 2013: Conklin Center Halloween Bash, Elks Club Lodge, Ocala, \$30 (6:30pm) FLYER November 7-10, 2013: (tentative) MD-35 Fall Conference TBD, Hosted by 35-I, Guest ID Judy Hankom November 14, 2013: World Diabetes Day November 14, 2013: Palm Coast Lions 40th Anniversary Celebration November 16, 2013: 2nd District O Meeting, Cypress High School January 9-12, 2014: MD-35 Winter Conference, Freeport, Hosted by 35-N, Guest ID Stephen Glass January 18, 2014: 3rd District O Meeting, Clermont Lions Hosting February 1, 2014: Potential Governor's Seminar (9am) February 8, 2014: District 35-O Day at Southeastern Guide Dogs, save the date February 14, 2014: Conklin Center Casino Night for Sight, Save the Date - More info to follow February 22 – March 1, 2014: Viera Lions Cruise, RC's Oasis of the Seas, Ft. Lauderdale FLYER March 6-9, 2014; MD-35 Spring Conference, Orlando, Hosted by 35-O, Guest ID Harvey Whitley March 15, 2014: 4th District O Meeting, Homosassa Lions Hosting May 1-4, 2014: (date is tentative) MD-35 Convention July 4-8, 2014: LCI 97th Annual Convention in Toronto, Canada September 11-15, 2014: USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, San Juan, Puerto Rico June 26-30, 2015: LCI 98th Annual Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii



INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT WAYNE MADDEN

As I near the end of my term as International President, I want to first say thank you to the district governors and club presidents around the world for the tremendous support you have given me throughout the year.

This year I challenged you to expand your community service by including a new initiative – the Reading Action Program (RAP). Your response has been overwhelming. To date, Lions have participated in over 65,000 RAP projects, impacting the lives of 6 million people around the world. RAP has been so successful, the Board of Directors has extended it as a major service project for the next 10 years. That is personally gratifying to me not only as a Lion but as a former educator.

You embraced my theme "In A World of Service" in so many ways. Linda and I had the opportunity to visit many of you this year, and witness first-

hand what Lions are doing to change people's lives each and every day of the year. I never imagined growing up in a small town in Indiana that I would one day not only have the opportunity to make an impact on the lives of others, but to lead the world's largest service club organization and the global leader in humanitarian service – Lions Clubs International. I am forever grateful and sincerely humbled by the outpouring of love and support for Linda and me. Please express my sincerest appreciation to the Lions in your clubs and districts. Our world is truly a world of service and this year you have helped make the world better through your selfless acts of kindness shown to others.

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