

LIONS ROARING NEWS



DISTRICT 35-O
MAY 2013

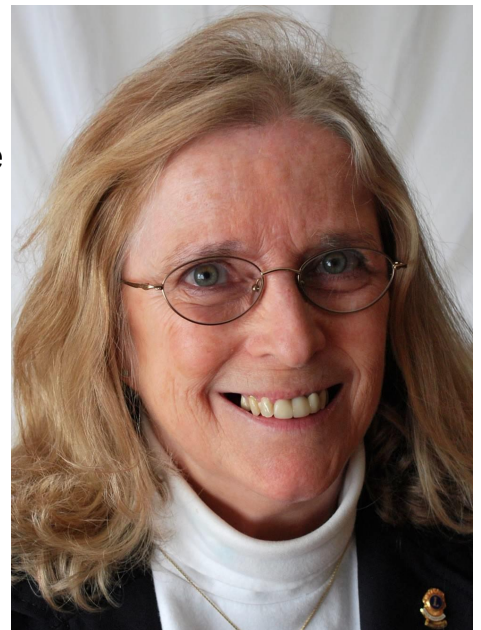


A Note from District Governor Norma Callahan

Now that we have had our convention, I wish to congratulate DGE AI, 1VDGE Carolyn, and 2VDGE Jacquie and wish them well next year. Clubs need to make sure all our PU101s are in. Some of us are having problems doing it electronically. If so contact District Technology Chair Donna Norton for help.

Please take a look and see if your Club qualifies for the 100% Secretary or Club Excellence awards. Secretary Award applications are to be turned into District 35-O Cabinet Secretary Carol Reichard. The Club Excellence Awards applications are to be turned into DG Norma.

We have May and June to go – so let's end this year on a positive side and look at our goals. Make sure your incoming officers are trained. This is very important for us to continue to be successful. As a DG we are trained 2 years to run the district. I hope all incoming officers also get the training they need. If you have questions about training, call GLT Larry Feldhusen. He will set up training for you. There will also be Officer Training at DGE AI organizational meetings in June. Even if you have been president, treasurer or secretary, take the class again. I do every year as things always change.



To those officers who are working with MyLCI, if you are having any issues with the computerized membership reporting system, call Lion Donna Norton and she will assist you. Secretaries, please get your new members entered in MyLCI, so they get their magazine and other benefits of being lions.

Remember as you step down from your job, you are not sitting in the back row. You should be assisting and mentoring your replacement. REMEMBER, it is their year and be thoughtful of the changes they add to their position.

I look forward to seeing you all at the organizational meetings and seeing how we continue to grow and move forward.



In a World of Service, as a District, We Serve!!! Governor Norma

From the Den of 1st Vice DG Elect Carolyn Lloyd

The 2012-2013 Lionistic year, a busy and exciting one, is rapidly coming to a close. So many Lions worked hard this year to serve their communities and beyond. Each club and each Lion should look back over the year and take pride in the wonderful things that have been accomplished. Continue working on things left undone or things that can be improved upon. Always remember that when Lions are out serving in their communities, people take notice, and hopefully, feel the joy of volunteering. Bring a friend along to help. They may enjoy working with the group and feel fulfilled by helping others. "Just ask." The answer just might be "Yes, I would love to be a Lion." More helping hands come into the pride.

All those who are serving in an official capacity next year need to take part in the many training sessions that are provided. The first will be the organizational meetings on the east coast and the west coast. More training will be given at district meetings, zone meetings, and online with LCI. Yes, sometimes it is difficult to take time out of a busy schedule for training; however, instruction can make so much work easier and more efficient. A case in point is filing the PU-101s. Secretaries, going online to LCI to file may look daunting but, with just a bit of instruction, it is simple. Treasurers need to be updated on what goes into what account, tax laws, and filing for audit. It is absolutely critical that treasurers be bonded. Zone chairs need to know what goes into a zone meeting, how to keep records and do reports, what to do when a club asks for help, and where to go for help themselves. Committee chairs, come and find out what the responsibilities of your position are. Come to the organizational meeting and trainings.



I am proud to be a Lion. I am proud to have the honor of working for District 35-O as a 1st Vice District Governor for the 2013-2014 Lionistic year. Thank you all for giving me the opportunity. The Lions of this district will roar together and serve.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTABLE ITEMS

JUNE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS & TRAINING [FLYER](#) & [AGENDA](#)

Attention 2013-14 Club & District Officers & District Chairs:

Please plan on attending at least one of DGE Al Becker's Organizational Meetings.

WEST COAST – June 1st, Homosassa Lions Club

EAST COAST – June 8th, Central Brevard Public Library

TIME: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Homosassa GPS: 8396 West Homosassa Trail, 34448; Clubhouse is on S. Indiania Avenue ([MAP](#))

Central Brevard Public Library: 308 Forrest Avenue, Cocoa, FL 32922 ([MAP](#))

AGENDA

10:00 am - Meeting Starts

NOON – Light Lunch Provided

12:30 pm – Meeting Resumes & Training

2:00 pm – Meeting Adjourned

PLEASE RSVP by Wednesday, MAY 29th to: DGE AL BECKER

email: albecker@earthlink.net phone: 352-257-1388

Don't forget to indicate which session you will be attending.

MD35 LEOS CONVENTION REPORT

The 43 Leos and 8 advisors that attended this year's convention in Daytona Beach got a lot of good work done while having a blast. Their children's book project collected 1,491 books from all over the state. The Palm Coast Lions donated the most with 753 books. The books were sorted and boxed up by the Leos and our 2nd VDGE, Lion Jacquie Tripp delivered them to the "Lions Cub Library" at the Chiles Academy in Daytona Beach. The Leos have requested karaoke for next year!



100% CLUB SECRETARY AWARD APPLICATIONS

Applications for this year are due no later than June 30th. Information is on the [application form](#).

MD35 LIONS CONVENTION REPORT

There was a total of 487 people registered for this year's convention held in Daytona Beach. It was a busy weekend starting with the Conklin Center hosting a dinner on Thursday night. We were entertained by a Center graduate while we ate our steak dinners. A few testimonials were followed by blind bingo. Friday started early and was the day of our district luncheon. We were entertained and many awards were handed out. (Check next month's issue for a listing of the awards.) There were many entities with booths to check out and afternoon training sessions followed by a solemn Necrology service. The evening was a fun night of Luau and dancing. Saturday was election day and Lion Jacquie Tripp officially became our 2ndVDG Elect. More training sessions that afternoon and the Derby followed by the Governors' Banquet. Council Chair Donna Spencer introduced us to her new granddaughter and 2nd Vice President Joe Preston inducted two new lions into clubs in our district.



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 [application form](#).

WHAT IS THE IRS TAX EXEMPT STATUS OF YOUR LIONS CLUB?

By Lion Bill Ringelstein, PCC email: billjeanr@embarqmail.com

Those Clubs that have received IRS notices regarding revocation of their tax exempt status and are contemplating not reinstating their 501c4 status had better think again. LCI Legal reports large penalties being received by Clubs that have ignored IRS notices to reinstate.

The bottom line is this: All Lions Clubs were designated 501c4 tax-exempt status when they were chartered. All Lions Clubs must maintain their tax status by filing some form of tax return (Form 990, etc.) and if revoked, by reinstating their 501c4 status by following the IRS instructions.

LCI has put together a comprehensive set of instructions on how to get reinstated on the Legal Resources page: http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/reinstatement_instructions.pdf

A major change to these instructions is that IRS has ended the \$100 relief filing fee and it now is \$400.

HOW TO VERIFY THE IRS TAX EXEMPT STATUS OF YOUR LIONS CLUB

By Lion Mary Ann Bullock email: maryannbullock@hotmail.com

First step is to know your organization's Employer Identification Number (EIN). It is also known as a Federal Tax Identification Number, and is used to identify a business entity or a non-profit organization.

More general information on EINs can be found on the [IRS website](#).

Misplaced your Lions Club EIN? (1) Have a current club officer check the Club Info section on MyLCI. EINs registered with LCI are listed there. (2) Your club EIN should have been used to open the club bank account and should be in the bank records. (3) Ask the IRS to search for your EIN by calling the Business & Specialty Tax Line at (800) 829-4933. The hours of operation are 7 am – 7 pm local time, Monday through Friday. An assister will ask you for identifying information and provide the number to you over the telephone, as long as you are an officer of your organization.

Each month, the Internal Revenue Service updates the listing of organizations that under the law have automatically lost their tax-exempt status because they have not filed as legally required for the past 3 years. The current listing can be found here: [Automatic Revocation of Exemption List](#) . Another option is to call the IRS for Exempt Organizations at 877-829-5500. Note: Revoked organizations that have been officially reinstated are still shown on the IRS revoked listing.

If your club has also formed a 501c3 Foundation, it will have a separate EIN. Your club and foundation are separate entities in the eyes of the IRS and your board of directors is responsible for filing tax returns for both EINs.

RARE NEWSREEL FOOTAGE OF HELEN KELLER

[View these videos in the LION Magazine](#) for historic newsreel footage and other rare films of Helen Keller with Anne Sullivan. You will see Helen speak about her greatest disappointment and meet with Mark Twain, Winston Churchill, John F. Kennedy, Frank Sinatra and other legendary figures. Also, a 1950s documentary presents Helen's daily life. (The link above will take you to page 1 of the online magazine. Click on the Helen Keller picture and it will take you to page 25. In the lower right hand corner of page 25 you should see some movie camera icons. Clicking on these will bring up the newsreels in a separate window.)



[LCI MAY NEWSWIRE](#)

Subjects covered in this LCI website link above for May: learn about welcoming new members, activities and seminars at the International Convention in Hamburg, Lions Recreational Camps 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.

SOUTHEASTERN GUIDE DOGS

Attention all Lion Clubs you still have approximately thirty days to triple your donations to the new Canine Assessment Center at Southeastern Guide Dogs. For more information or a personal presentation to your club please call Lion Ron Van Gelderen at 352-446-5070.

LIONS DAY AT FLORIDA DIABETES CAMP FLYER

SAVE THE DATE: On Thursday, August 15th, starting at 10 am, the Lions will be visiting the [Florida Diabetes Camp](#) at Camp Winona located at 898 Camp Winona Rd, DeLeon Springs 32130.

TRAINING

LIONS - GET READY FOR WORLD DIABETES DAY 2013!

World Diabetes Day (WDD), led by the International Diabetes Federation, is celebrated every year on November 14 to engage millions of people in diabetes awareness and advocacy. This webinar is for Diabetes, Sight and Lions Services for Children chairpersons and other interested Lions who want to get involved with WDD projects. Join us for a Webinar on May 22 from 10am-11am ET. (Space is limited.) Reserve your Webinar seat now at: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/160683286>

LCI MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP NETCASTS

May 22, 2013, [INVITING, INDUCTING, AND INVOLVING NEW MEMBERS](#): 8pm - 9pm ET

THE 2013-2014 LCI WEBINAR SCHEDULE. Head over to the [Webinars page](#) to register.

NOTE: All times are local times (EDT)

Club Secretary Training

Thursday, May 23, 2013 at 1 PM
Wednesday, May 29, 2013 at 8 PM
Friday, May 31, 2013 at 8 PM

Club Treasurer Training

Tuesday, June 11, 2013 at 8 PM
Tuesday, June 18, 2013 at 1 PM
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

SUNSHINE NEWS

Lion Bob Moser, PDG (Satellite Beach) is rehab in Melbourne following his heart surgery. Apparently, he will be at this facility for a while. Cards may be sent to Lion Robert Moser, Consulate Health Care, Room 606, 3033 Sarno Rd., Melbourne, FL 32935 (May 7)

UPCOMING MD-35, DISTRICT & CLUB EVENTS

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May 18-19, 2013: Mt Dora Lions Relay For Life, Sorrento Elementary School, Contact Lion Terry Askins

June 1, 2013: District 35-O Org Meeting – West Coast, Homosassa Lions (10am-2pm) [FLYER &](#)

June 8, 2013: District 35-O Org Meeting – East Coast, Cocoa Library (10am-2pm) [AGENDA](#)

July 5-9, 2013: LCI 96th Annual Convention in Hamburg, Germany; [Registration Information](#)

Aug 8-11, 2013: MD-35 Summer Conference , Ocala, Hosted by 35-L, Guest ID Stacey Jones

August 15, 2013: Lions Day at Diabetes Camp at Lake Winona, Deleon Springs, (10am) [FLYER](#)

August 17, 2013: 1st District O Meeting, Rockledge Lions Hosting

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 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 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



Do you remember how to dance the Macarena?



INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT WAYNE MADDEN

Danica Patrick, Indianapolis 500 Driver: *"The mistake I learned from was in 2005, leading the Indianapolis 500. I had a decision whether or not to save enough fuel to finish the race - which meant slowing down - or going all-out for the win. I went conservative and made it to the end but finished fourth."*

It's April. That means we are now three quarters of the way through this Lions year. Only three more months to go. Are you going to save enough fuel to finish the race, or are you going to accelerate toward the finish line? How you answer that question will really define your year. I want you all to accelerate!!! With three months to go, there is still so much we can accomplish – like chartering new clubs and inviting new members. This is also the time to end the year on a high note by chartering a new club and a net increase in membership.

Club presidents should ensure that their club is in good standing and has a net growth at the close of the year (requirement for [Club Excellence Award](#)).

I'm very pleased to report as of the end of March, we have surpassed 60,000 [Reading Action Program](#) activities, serving over 6 million people worldwide. That's an amazing accomplishment, and indicative of the Lions spirit to serve the underserved. For clubs that have not yet participated in the program, there is still time and it's a great way to make a real difference in your community. Finish strong! Make sure every bit of fuel in your tank is used by the end of the year.

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For the complete listing of [District Cabinet Officers & Chairs](#) visit our website:

35 O Website <http://www.e-district.org/sites/35o/>

MD 35 Website <http://www.lionsofflorida.org/> LCI Website <http://www.lionsclubs.org/>

District 35O Facebook Page <http://www.facebook.com/FloridaLionsDistrict35O>

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2013-2014 District 35-O ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS & TRAINING

WEST COAST – June 1st

EAST COAST – June 8th

TIME: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

June 1st West Location: Homosassa Lions Club

GPS Address: 8396 West Homosassa Trail

Clubhouse is on S. Indiania Avenue ([MAP](#)) Homosassa, FL 34448

June 8th East Location: Central Brevard Public Library

Address: 308 Forrest Avenue, Cocoa, FL 32922 ([MAP](#))

AGENDA

10:00 am - MEETING STARTS

NOON - LIGHT LUNCH PROVIDED

12:30 pm - MEETING RESUMES & TRAINING

2:00 pm - MEETING ADJORNED

Training will be for Club President, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership; and Region & Zone Chairs

PLEASE RSVP by Wednesday, MAY 29th to:

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Don't forget to indicate which session you will be attending.



Flyer Dated May 8, 2013

