# **DISTRICT 35-O NEWSLETTER**



### Message from District Governor Tito

Namaste! District 35 O Lions,

Winter winds are almost behind us and our minds get signal that our lionistic year is almost over. We can finally see the light at the end of the tunnel. We start prepping for turnover, but there's a feeling that we are falling to rear of the pack. As we head into April there are many things going on in the Lions world. First and foremost is our 94th Annual Multiple District 35 Lions of Florida & Bahamas Convention May 4th - 6th, 2018, at the Wyndham International Resort. Have you registered yet? If not by the time you receive this letter you are on the wire.

Secondly, we have all club elections to complete. Don't forget to file your PU-101 on

line. For those that file by mail, be sure to send copies to your 1st VDG Helene. We had our last District Cabinet meeting on March 17, at the Beverly Hills Lions club, and for those that didn't get a chance I announced that we must not forget those lions that worked very hard to serve our communities. I asked that to please submit nominations for any awards, and to please do it with plenty time for me to look and signed them. All forms are in our District e-clubhouse page. It sounds like a lot? It is. But that is what we as Lions do, we stay busy.

I hate to say but our membership is continuing to drop. As of this writing we are down for the year. Can you help us? If one half of our clubs brought in a new member now we would be even. Of course, we have those member drops. Clubs, please before dropping a member make sure that you have exhausted all avenues to keep them before hitting that send button to delete them. It is so hard to get the new member; we want to be sure that all efforts are made to keep them with us. Need some help! Contact PDG Al Becker our District Global Membership Coordinator/Chairperson. He will be happy to meet with you to develop a plan.

As we approach the time for elections and new club officers, be on the lookout for the dates for club officer training. GLT Vivian Hennegar have begun posting those and plans are currently to have everyone trained before their start of the new term. Please encourage your new (and current) club

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officers to attend. Bring back some new tools and ways to provide improved leadership at your club. As for District Leadership, we still are still looking a 2nd VDG to nominate for office. Our team has been talking with many and has found a few with some interest, just not ready at this time. Lions that have served as a Club President and Zone Chair are exactly who we are looking to step up into a leadership position for the District. Believe me it is challenging but also rewarding. I have met so many excellent Lions over the past year. Many who have what it takes to move up. Please give it serious consideration. Call me, 1st VDG Helene, or 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Greg and we will come out to meet with you.

To end on a very positive note, I want to thank everyone for working so hard this year, from every lion that have served his community, all the way up to our entire District Advisory. I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our Lions District Convention on May 3rd. Please help us to reach our goals and fill that convention with Multiple District 35 Lions registered to attend. We Serve.

In friendship and Lionism,

DG Irving E. "Tito" Navarro



### Hello from 1st Vice District Governor Helene

Fellow Lions

In March, Lion Gini and I travelled to Miami to attend the Florida Lions Eye Bank Annual Open House and Lion Appreciation Night. It was a wonderful opportunity to learn more about our wonderful entity.

The Eye Bank is located in the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute on the University of Miami Campus. The open house started with a meal and entertainment on the outdoor Retter Patio. It was an opportunity to mingle with Lions from all over our Multiple District while enjoying BBQ and some great music from the 70s and 80s.

Then we adjourned to the beautiful auditorium for the meeting which included elections for next year's Board. The President for 2018-



2019 will be our own Lion Norma Callahan, PDG. The Vice President for District O will be Lion Karen Stowers.

After the meeting we broke into 3 groups and went on tours. Lion Gini and I toured the research labs. Our tour was led by Medical Director Sander Dubovy, MD. We met the Technical Director Jorge A Pena, MD, CEBT and his fellows and were quite impressed with the work they are doing. They even make their own tools there. We watched a 3D printer creating some filters for one of the eye machines. It was fascinating and a little overwhelming.

The tours were followed by dessert and coffee on the Retter Patio and then we boarded the bus. We were taken to the Wynwood Art Walk. We enjoyed looking at all the art and the shops.

This was a great event. I am always happy to learn more about our entities and the wonderful people who run them. My thanks to Executive Director Elizabeth Fout-Caraza and our friend Mara Budnetz for being such good hosts and tour guides. I look forward to seeing them both in May at the MD 35 Convention.



## Greetings from 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Greg Evans



April 15<sup>th</sup> is Tax Day, it is most likely the first day you think about when you get to April. But almost every day in April is a busy day for Lions of District O. As I have listened to Lions Clubs at visitations and Zone meetings, they have communicated the great service they have done in March and are scheduled to do in April. In fact, the Inverness Lions President, Lion Steven Wood, said "March and April are his clubs busiest months".

As we sprint through the Lions year, (notice I didn't say to the end of the Lions year, Lions are never done) I have some items to make sure are on your check list.

**#1.** Take a minute to review and revisit your club's goals that were set or talked about in the beginning of the year. Take Action and get them done!

**#2.** After your slate of officers are confirmed, make a commitment to go to your Districts CLUB OFFICER TRAINING at one of the 3 opportunities GLT Vivian Henegar has set up for you. We want to get EVERY Club Officer trained.

**#3.** <u>Make a commitment to bring in a new member.</u> Our District can grow, but we need every Lion thinking about and acting to bring in a new member. If you sponsor a new member in April and email me your name, your club and the New Lions name I will put your name into a hat and draw one winner of Centennial al Lions Coin. You must have them on the role in April and email me at <u>LionGregEvans@gmail.com</u>

**#4.** Send a card, email or call a Lion Leader and thank them for something you noticed they did this year. We are all volunteers and by noticing and thanking others, you will inspire Lions to do more. "<u>The Art of Recognition</u>" is a great read and will give you some ideas.

**#5.** All Clubs should try to donate at least something to LCIF, each authorized MD Project and to each of your District projects. By doing so your club learns about all the resources and ways that you and your club

can assist and serve those in need. Lion Mary Pezzo taught my club this and we thank her for that. "*We Serve*" is our motto, but by giving we are not only serving, we are learning about all the great things the "Power of We" can do. Please refer to your District hand book or the District Website for names, addresses and contact info for donations. Many "Life Memberships" are available for recognizing your club or community members. If I can help you locate the group you are looking for please contact me. I have listed all the authorized MD Project and District Projects that I am aware of to make it easy for your club. If I have missed any, I apologize in advance and please email me so I can learn more.

#### **MD Projects**

\*Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind

\* Florida Lions Conklin Center for the Blind

\* Leader Dogs for the Blind, Inc.

\* Southeastern Guide Dogs, Inc.

\*Lions Eye Institute for Transplant and research, Inc.

\*Florida Lions Eye Bank, Inc.

\*Florida Guide Dogs for the Deaf

\*Lions Diabetes Awareness Foundation of MD-35, Inc.

\*Florida Retinopathy Foundation, Inc.

#### **District 35-O Projects**

\*Youth Exchange Scholarship Trust Fund (YESTF)

\*35-O Hearing Board

\*Project Right to Sight

**#6.** Please report your all your service and check the Centennial Service Areas.

VISION - HUNGER – DIABETES – ENVIRNMENT – YOUTH CANCER

Your District Governors Team wants you to get the credit you deserve, which will help promo Lionism, which will bring us more members. I know that Lions Clubs work very hard and give back so much. Thank for all you do. Lion Greg

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth" Muhammad Ali



Notes from Donna (Cabinet Secretary)



# Dear Easter Bunny, this year could you please fill my eggs with health and happiness and deliver them to everyone that I love. Thank you.

## Cabinet Treasurer Ríta Talks Money



# To Square or Not to Square

How many times during a fundraising event are you asked Do you take cards? When you reply No how many sales are lost?

As the world continues to change we must consider how we can change. One way will be to take credit/debit cards at fundraisers (excluding gambling fundraisers.)

There are several ways to accept cards.

One way is the SQUARE: https://squareup.com/

Square is one service for your entire organization, from collecting membership dues to point-ofsale software. Whether you're hosting a fundraising event or seeking donations, you can get extra Square Readers if needed. Square offers phone support, protection from eligible chargebacks, and a 2-year limited warranty. There is a charge for each tap, dip, or swipe check those rates before you decide.

Square encrypts card information at the moment of swipe, dip, or tap and never stores data on your device after a payment has been processed. Give peace of mind and serious security to your donors and members.

All major credit and debit cards are acceptable. Deposits are directly placed into your bank account within a few days.

There are two displays.

#### One screen for you

Ring up customers effortlessly with a touchscreen that's wide enough for all the information you need without crowding your counter.

#### One screen for your customers

Sell accurately by showing customers what they're buying then let them pay and tip on screen in just a few taps.

#### Another way is Heartland: https://www.heartlandpaymentsystems.com/

Today, Heartland delivers credit/debit/prepaid card processing, payroll and payment solutions to more than 300,000 businesses and educational institutions nationwide.

### Not to Square

Accept credit and debit payments. Heartland has secure credit card processing, comprehensive breach warranty, interchange-plus pricing, no hidden fees, 24/7 US-based customer service, and merchant bill of rights.

### To Square

<u>Still another way is to Check with your bank institution:</u> they may have a way to help you process cards. Remember to check out the fees charged for equipment and processing.

If you want to set up a merchant account for credit card processing, you probably wonder about the credit card fees you will be charged. The most important determinant of how high your fees will be is the type of business you are in. Certain businesses are more likely than others to suffer payment disputes and chargebacks, so their transactions are considered riskier by issuing and acquiring banks. Businesses with these riskier transactions are therefore charged higher fees to offset the risk of chargebacks.

Chargebacks are what happens when a customer successfully disputes a credit card fees transaction with your business. The safest transactions, as far as the issuing and acquiring banks are concerned, take place when the cardholder swipes their own card in the credit card reader and signs the receipt to pay for goods that are inexpensive and not likely to generate complaints, thus you pay less in fees for credit card processing transactions.

Who needs Credit Card Processing Companies? Any merchant who wishes to serve all potential customers. Although you will pay a certain price for credit card processing services the bottom line is that you can't really be successful without it. However, due to the variability in pricing for credit card processing services, you can shop around for the best deal. Just be sure that any quotes you receive include all the rates and fees you will be charged.

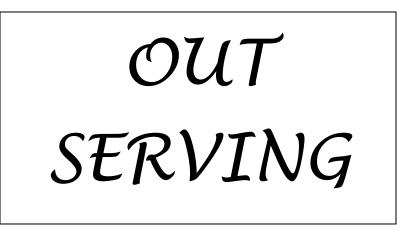


# from your Global Membership Team



| April | 10 | Chartered 1939 | Deland Lions Club 79 yrs                |
|-------|----|----------------|---|
| April | 12 | Chartered 2000 | Oviedo-Winter Springs Lions Club 18 yrs |
| April | 20 | Chartered 1950 | Orlando College Park Lions Club 68 yrs  |
| April | 30 | Chartered 1970 | Homosassa Lions Club 48 yrs             |

Serving with your GST Coordinator Jacquie Tripp Spencer



# Learning with GLT Vivian

### From the GLT

Clubs have met, slates have been proposed, and all that's left is the official election of new officers for the 2018-2019 Lionistic year. All new officers want to be prepared to do the best job they can for their club. The best way to do that is to be trained for the duties that go with that office. Many changes are occurring with LCI and officers need to be up to date with those changes.

Training will be offered on different levels in the coming months – from the local to the multidistrict level. Officer training will be offered again in general regions as it was last year. The eastern part of the district will have a training on Saturday, June 9 in Ponce Inlet at the Community Center; the middle of the district will have a training on Monday evening, April 30 at the Orlando Hispanic Club's meeting place on Herndon Avenue; and the western part of the district will have training on Wednesday evening, May 9 at Mama's Kuntry Kafe in Inverness. Times will be announced later. This training is for all newly elected officers and all others who are interested in becoming an officer. Training will encompass the offices of president, secretary, treasurer, and membership chairperson.

Also keep in mind the dates of September 15 for Boot Camp for zone chairs and region chairs and September 29 for all interested in becoming a Guiding Lion.

If you have questions, please contact me at vivianhenegar64@yahoo.com.

# APPROVED CANDIDATES FOR 2018-2019 OFFICE

1<sup>st</sup> VDG Helene Thompson has submitted the paperwork and has been approved to run for the office of District Governor for 2018-2019.

2<sup>nd</sup> **VDG Lion Greg Evans** has submitted the paperwork and has been approved to run for the office of First Vice District Governor for 2018-2019.

## **New District Directory Information**

Instructions for placing an Advertisement in the 2018-19 Directory

#### Please use .pdf but prefers .jpeg when sending in advertisement!

Ad content will be reviewed/approved by the incoming District Governor before publication.

Ads and other content plus payment must be received

no later than May 31, 2018.

Ads may be sent by e-mail or mailed. E-mail is preferred!

E-mail: helenevt63@aol.com

#### Ad Sizes

Full page (5 1/2 x 8 1/2)

Half page (5 1/2 x 4 1/4)

Business card (2 1/8 x 1 3/8)

#### Ad Prices

#### Pay by cash or checks ~~ payable to Lions District 35-0

Send to: 1VDG Helene Thompson 169 Montecito Dr. Satellite Beach, FL 32937

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### Hearing Program

Liberty is doing really well in training - she has moved on to the final sound in training, the telephone! Last month we were having the flooring in the kennel redone and she went to stay at the home of a volunteer for those couple weeks. She did really well in the home and I'm sure is looking forward to being with her person. She will be leaving the facility mid- to late-May for placement down in Florida! Perhaps we can set something up for the clubs to meet her.

Again, we are so grateful for your support. Thank you!

Aspen Matthews Director of Development International Hearing Dog, Inc.



### **INTERPRETERS NEEDED**

A request for volunteer interpreters for the April 2018 International Board Meeting, which will be held in Miami, FL, has been received by the District.

There are a number of International Directors from different countries around the world who serve on the International Board.

Volunteers are needed as interpreters for spouses who do not speak English. It is requested that you assist in identifying as soon as possible

any PID, DG, Lion or their spouse/companion who would be able to help provide onsite translations during the spouse programs. Volunteers

will attend all spouse programs. They will be welcome to fully participate in the activities, ride the bus with spouses and enjoy lunch as well.

Interpreters are needed for the following languages: Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, French, Japanese, Korean and Chinese.

Should you be able to identify someone who can serve as an interpreter, in any of the languages listed, please notify DG Tito, 1VDG Helene

or 2VDG Greg as soon as possible to ascertain 'next steps'.

# International Convention

**REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!** 



## 101st LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION JUNE 29 - JULY 3, 2018/LAS VEGAS, NEVADA ONLINE CONVENTION REGISTRATION & HOTEL RESERVATION

- Please have your credit card ready, you can only use the online system with a credit card payment. Visa, Mastercard and Discover are accepted.
- Type all information in CAPITAL letters.
- You will receive an email confirmation upon completion of your registration. Please print and bring with you onsite to receive your name badge. LCI will not mail out name badges in advance.
- Please check your spam mailbox if you do not immediately receive an email confirmation.
- All fees are quoted in U.S. Dollars.
- If you need to register more than one person, you have the option to do so after submitting and paying for your registration. After completing your registration, return to this page to register another person.
- For Group Registration & Housing contact LCI at <u>registration@lionsclubs.org</u>.
- If you have any questions contact us at <u>registration@lionsclubs.org</u>.

We look forward to seeing you in Las Vegas!

# Club News

**The Rockledge Lions** have changed their meeting night from Wednesday to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays effective Nov to Mar 2018.

#### **Ormond By The Sea Lions Club Happenings**

February ended the Annual Regional Food drive for students needing assistance with food during Spring Break. Thanks to generous donations from the local community, Ormond By The Sea Lions Club was able to deliver 15 bags of groceries to Osceola School, 40 grocery bags full to Westside Elementary School and 15 grocery bags to St. Brendan's Catholic Church Food Pantry.

Members are now looking forward to hosting a fish dinner on April 9. See flyer for details.

Also, in April the Club is sponsoring a Lions Night at Jackie Robinson Ball Park. See flyer for details.









### **OSCEOLA LATIN AMERICAN LIONS CLUB**

# FIESTA 9<sup>TH</sup> ANIVERSARIO



# OSCEOLA STEAK & GRILL

2038E. Osceola Pkwy Kissimmee, FL 34743 ABRIL 21, 2018 7:30 PM

Donacion: \$15 p/p Incluye Cena Viste: S – Formal Rifas Musica en vivo

PARA INFORMACION

Tel: 407-701-8568

WE SEVE



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Good day District Officials and Club Officers

I am writing to all of the MD 35-O clubs to ask for your support on a fundraiser that we will start on April 2nd and run until May 1st. It is an incredible win-win for both our club and each of you.

We have partnered with a local Tupperware representative, Tara Ballantyne, and have a special catalog that we can forward to your club in which we will receive a <u>40%</u> commission of the sales.

As you know, Tupperware has a lifetime guarantee, and is the oldest storage container on the market today. This year Tupperware will celebrate their 70th birthday.

If you are interested in helping us to help more people in our community and you want some incredible Tupperware then please contact me.

If anyone in your club has any interest in helping us, please let me know and I will forward a book to you by mail.

Payment should be by check made payable to the Inverness Lions Club in the memo please put Tupperware, and then the club will write a check to Tupperware. We need all orders by May 1st in order to qualify for this opportunity. Also, please add 6% sales tax.

If your club would like to have a similar fundraiser, new books will be out sometime in July and I can forward your info on to Tara.

Thank you all for your service to all of our communities. Together we serve!

Lion Kelley Rowland VP Inverness Lions Club

# Southeastern Guide Dogs

# WALKATHON DATES TO REMEMBER

April 7, 2018 – Orlando Walkathon at Cranes Roost Park

April 14, 2018 – Fort Myers Walkathon at JetBlue Park

April 14, 2018 – Tampa Walkathon at Al Lopez Park

April 21, 2018 – Sarasota Walkathon at Payne Park

February 24 – April 21 – Virtual Walkathon at Your Lo-cation

Can't make it to our Walkathon this year? We've got you covered! Sign up for our Virtual Walkathon for a completely custom experience that YOU design.



# SPRING HILL NATURE COAST LIONS CLUB

### FUNDRAISING ACTIVITV PROGRAMS PRESENT

# Salsa Dinner Night



When; Friday. April 2018 Where: Silverthorn Country Club, Spring Hill Florida Time: pm—'I pm Cost: \$25 per person RSVP.' aturecoastlionsclub@yahoo.comby April 24th

"Making a difference in lives of the less fortunate"



# RUN IN DARKNESS SO THAT OTHERS CAN LIVE IN THE LIGHT!

# NIGHT RACE 2018

### Roar Through Ybor The 17th Annual Race for Sight!

Join us on Friday, April 20, 2018 in beautiful Centennial Park, as we close down the streets of Ybor City for our **2018 Night Race**! Roar Through Ybor is a 5K race and one-mile Fun Run which raises funds to support the sight-saving work of the Lions Eye Institute Foundation.

Visit our website to Register!



## When?

### Friday, April 20, 2018

-Check-in on race day begins at 6:00 pm -5K Race begins at 7:00 pm -Evening Festivities begin at 7:30 pm -Be sure to stick around for our post-race Awards Ceremony and celebration!

### Where?

Centennial Park in the heart of Ybor City 1800 East 8th Avenue, Tampa, FL 33605.

For directions, click here!



## **Registration Fees**

**Get a jump on those New Year's Resolutions!** Only for the month of January, online registrations are \$20.00 per person!

**<u>Register Today!</u>** 

# Run from Home

Can't make it to Ybor City? Don't worry! We are featuring a "Run From Home" that allows you to participate remotely and receive all of the benefits!

Pick the day and time that works for you, register your friends and family and we send you all the materials you need to have a great event in your hometown.

#### Click here to register!

### Donate:

Don't have the time to participate, but still want to make a difference and give the gift of sight? Consider <u>making a donation</u> today!



For more information or to become a Sponsor: Visit our <u>website</u> or contact Jamie Farrell at (813) 289-1200 or <u>send Jamie</u> an email!





### NIGHT FOR SIGHT 2018 April 5, 2018 - The Shores Resort & Spa

Please join us for a supercharged gathering of community leaders and members at our 4th Annual *Night for Sight* to help celebrate our mission to help children and adults who are blind with additional disabilities be independent and contributing citizens!

A cocktail reception, silent auction, entertainment and testimonials shared by students and family are part of this special evening. The money raised at our *Night for Sight* will be used to sustain our daily academic, residential, and community-based programs.

### Purchase tickets today at nightforsight.eventbrite.com

### **COMMUNITY GIVING BACK**

Volusia County Women Who Care

Volusia County Women Who Care is an alliance of women with the intent of streamlining fundraising help for agencies in Volusia County.

In their 1st quarterly meeting of 2018, members selected to award funds raised to the *Conklin Center for the Blind*. \$4,900.00 was raised from the members plus the Richard Schulze Family Foundation Match of 50% for a total of \$7,350.00!

# **REST IN PEACE**

#### PDG Burt Whiting, 1976-77 District I

ALPHEUS BURT WHITING, 89 Schering Pharmaceutical Co.

LAKELAND - Alpheus Burt Whiting, 89, died in Lakeland, Florida on March 19, 2018, from congestive heart failure. He was born in Charlotte, NC on Nov. 28, 1928.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy; parents, Alpheus and Lula Whiting and brother, Bill of Charlotte, NC and grandson, Rogan Whiting of Lakeland.

Survived by sons, Steve and wife Frances of Lakeland, Randy and wife, Kara, of Clermont, Fl. and Rick and wife Nicki, grandsons, Justin and Derek, all of Lakeland and a sister, Carol Keefer and husband, Karl, of Charlotte, NC.

He graduated from Florida Southern College with a degree in business and religion. He worked for Schering Pharmaceutical Company for 35 years. He was a member of the Downtown Lions Club, having served in all offices as well as a District Governor of Florida. He was also a member of The First Presbyterian Church in Lakeland as well as the Church of The Resurrection in Little Switzerland, NC where they had a summer home. He was an avid golfer. He was a member of Cleveland Heights Golf Club and Mt. Mitchell Golf Club in NC. He was a Mason. He also volunteered at LRMC for many years.

A Memorial service will be held at First Presbyterian Church Chapel on Saturday, March 24, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. A second service will be held in Little Switzerland in the summer. Family asks that donations be made to: Church of the Resurrection in Little Switzerland, NC instead of flowers. Sympathy cards may be mailed tohis son Steve Whiting 1020 Cowart Rd Plant City FL 33567

#### PDG Robert E Lee 1994-95 District O

Robert E. "Bob" Lee, 79, of Lake and Sumter Counties, FL, passed away Tuesday, March 20, 2018, in Tampa, FL. He was born on December 16, 1938 in Connecticut. He attended First Baptist Church and was past District Governor of the Lions Club International.

He is survived by his wife; Anne Carter of Lake and Sumter Counties, FL; step-daughters: Darla A. Elliott of Hernando County, FL, Deborah Jean Carter of Center Hill, FL; nephew: Jody Canaday (Rachael) of Moniac, GA; cousins: Emory and Betty Wine of Lake Wales, FL; Roy and Nancy Pierce of Lake Wales, FL; Lois Canaday of Moniac, GA; numerous nieces and nephews and Life Long Friend Jim of Groveland, FL.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, March 25, 2018 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Purcell Chapel. The Service will be held on Monday, March 26, 2018 10:00 a.m. at Purcell Chapel with Pastor Don Grant officiating. Interment will follow at Center Hill Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Purcell Funeral Home, Bushnell, Florida. Sympathy cards can be mailed to his widow Anne Carter 785 Sloans Ridge Rd Groveland FL 34736

#### Nancy Ann Barker, Cypress Gardens Lions

WINTER HAVEN - Nancy Ann Barker, 81, of Winter Haven, FL, passed away on Monday, March 26, 2018 at Tampa General Hospital.

Born May 3, 1936 in Minneapolis, MN, she moved here in 1964. She was a school librarian at Stambaugh Middle School in Auburndale for many years before her retirement in 1999. She was a member of St Joseph Catholic Church and a member the Lake Alfred Women's Club, Cypress Gardens Lion's Club and the P.E.O and Survivors club.

Preceded in death by her husband Robert in 2008, she is survived by: two sons, Ken (Susan) and Kirk (Stacey); three daughters, Karen Carter, Kim (Brian) McDermaid and Kellie (Eddie) Barnett; eight grandchildren, Kari (Jeremy) Walker, Sean (Erin) Carter, Blaine (Lisa) Carter, Jasmine (Chris) Barker, Austin Barnett (fiancé© Ashley), Taylor Barker (fiance© Kasey), Drew Barker and Shannyn Barnett; and five great-grandchildren, Peyton Carter, Aiden Barker, Eliza Carter, Emery Barker and Jackson Carter.

Nancy (Granny -Gee to her family) lived a vibrant and ardent life, bringing happiness to anyone she encountered. Her smile lit up a room and she was a woman everyone loved to be around.

She was a selfless person who put family & friends above anything, giving all and expecting nothing in return. Granny could be found many a day/ night working the concessions at Winter Haven Theater, sorting glasses with LA Lions Club, accompanying her many friends to various appointments, and at every event her children or grandchildren were involved in. She loved angels but loved her family more. Granny leaves behind a legacy of love that her family will strive to continue to pay forward.

A Memorial Service will be held at 10:00am, Saturday, March 31, 2018 at Oak Ridge Funeral Care in Winter Haven. In lieu of flowers please make memorial donations to the Cypress Gardens Lions Club. Condolences may be sent at <u>www.oakridgefuneralcare.com</u> Sympathy cards may be mailed to her daughter Kim McDermaid 8077 Jamestown Dr Winter Haven FL 33884





94 TH ANNUAL MULTIPLE DISTRICT 35 LIONS OF FLORIDA & BAHAMAS CONVENTION

Orlando Wyndham Resort 8001 International Drive Orlando, FL 32819

\$109.00 per night

Call for Reservations to: 1-800 -421 -8001



REGISTER ONLINE: https://conference.com/eventmanager/onlineregistration.asp?eventcode=GDC 2018 MD-35

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM—PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY:

| #1  |              |  |
|---|--------------|--|
| SPECIAL MEAL  |              |  |
| FIRST PERSONS NAME  |              |  |
| NICKNAME FOR BADGE  |              |  |
| ADDRESS   |              |  |
| CLUB  | DISTRICT     |  |
| TITLE/OFFICE  |              |  |
| PHONE # (In the event we need to contact you) ()              |              |  |
| EMAIL ADDRESS (A Confirmation Email will be sent)             |              |  |
| # 2   | SPECIAL MEAL |  |
| SECOND PERSONS NAME   |              |  |
| NICKNAME FOR BADGE  |              |  |
| ADDRESS   |              |  |
| CLUB  | DISTRICT     |  |
| TITLE/OFFICE  |              |  |
| PHONE # (In the event we need to contact you) ()              |              |  |
| EMAIL ADDRESS (A Confirmation Email will be sent)             |              |  |
| CHECK HERE IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST MULTIPLE DISTRICT CONVENTION |              |  |

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#### 94TH ANNUAL MULTIPLE DISTRICT 35 LIONS OF FLORIDA & BAHAMAS CONVENTION MAY 4TH—6TH



Person #1 Person #2 TOTAL **REGISTRATION FEE** \$10.00 \$15.00 × LEO REGISTRATION FEE \$ 5.00 **\$** 5.00 x Ticket Price Ticket Price if Order if Order Post- NUMBER EVENT Postmarked marked On or OF BEFORE AFTER TICKETS April 1, 2018 April 1, 2018 (Please Specify Meal Choice where Noted) FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION BREAKFAST \$ 25.00 \$30.00 x Friday May 4th DISTRICT LUNCHEON \$ 30.00 \$35.00 × Friday May 4th Grilled Chicken Caeser Salad Sirloin Caeser Salad "ROLLING INTO VEGAS" FUN NIGHT \$45.00 \$50.00 x Friday May 4th Dinner Buffet, & Fun RECOGNITION BREAKFAST \$ 25.00 \$30.00 × Saturday May 5th FLORIDA LIONS LUNCHEON \$30.00 \$35.00 x Saturday May 5th Roasted Vegetable Wrap Chicken Salad Croissant \$ 30.00 \$ 35.00 x TARNISHED BRASS Saturday May 5th 12:00 Noon Roasted Vegetable Wrap Chicken Salad Croissant XXXXXXX XXXXXXX VIP LUNCHEON XXX XXX x XXXXXXXX Saturday May 5th Roasted Vegetable Wrap Chicken Salad Croissant GOVERNORS BANQUET \$45.00 \$50.00 x Saturday May 5th Check Your Choice Salmon w/Burre Blanc Chicken Cordon Blue Sliced Sirloin w/Mushroom Sauce FOUNDATION BREAKFAST \$25.00 \$30.00 x Sunday May 6th **Register online at:** 

https://conference.com/eventmanager/onlineregistration.asp?eventcode=GDC

Total







35-0 DISASTER RELIEF

Bring the following items to your DISTRICT LUNCHEON at the MD Convention:

- Hand towel (new, not washed)
- Wash cloth (new, not washed)
- Adult toothbrush (keep packaged)
- Toothpaste (Dollar tree sized, not travel size)
- Bar soap (3 oz. or larger, wrapped)
- Gallon bags
- Nail clippers
- 1 comb (under 6")
- 6 adhesive bandages (3/4 to 1 inch)
- · Feminine hygiene products



The bags will be assembled on Saturday by Leos and interested Lions.

### BAGS WILL BE GIVEN TO MD DISASTER CHAIR FOR DISASTER RELIEF TRAILERS!

### SPECIAL GUEST KEMBRA L. SMITH



INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

### FLORIDA & BAHAMAS MULTIPLE DISTRICT 35 2018 CONVENTION

Kembra L. Smith from Decatur, Georgia was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 97th International Convention held in Toronto, Canada, July 4 through 8, 2014.

Director Smith is a lawyer. A member of the Decatur North Decatur Lions Club since 1997, she has held many offices within the association, including district governor, zone chairperson, council chairperson, district LCIF chairperson, multiple district MERL coordinator, district and multiple district GLT coordinator, district convention chairperson and CEP facilitator. Director Smith is also the chairperson for the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation and a certified guiding Lion.

In recognition of her service to the association, she has received numerous awards, including four Contributing Membership Bronze Awards, the Member Key Award and an International President's Award. She is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Certification – Will be on Friday May 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup>

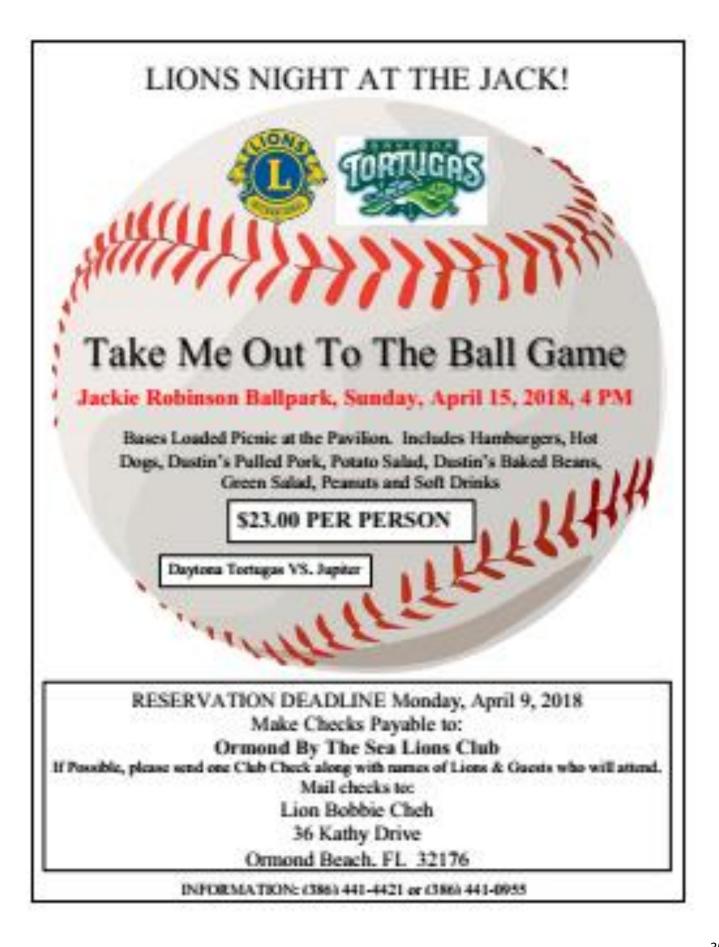
Voting – Saturday May 3rd

Friday Night Fun Night will be Rollin' Into Vegas – Casino Night where we will have Roulette,

Black Jack, Craps and Texas Holdem.

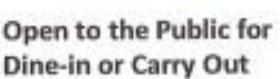
Register Early and save yourself \$5.00 on registration and each meal.

Registration forms are available in your MD Magazine and out at the registration desk.



### ORMOND BY THE SEA LIONS FOUNDATION INVITES YOU TO A





Monday Evening, April 9, 2018 4-7 PM

### \$12.00 Donation

Alfies Famous Fish Dinner (Broiled or Fried), Baked Patato, or French Fries and Cole Slaw

Alfies Restaurant, 1666 Ocean Shore Boolevard, Ormond Beach, FL 32176 OBTS Lions will again be Serving and Cooking-100% Proceeds to Charities!

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT ALFIES RESTAURANT, ANY ORMOND BY THE SEA LIONS CLUB MEMBER OR BY CALLING (386) 441-4421

Call Ahead For Delivery Dinner Reservation (Linited Delivery Area)

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### **Project Right to Sight**

### 2018 - 2019 Officers

| Dragidant          | Julia D Oshaa                    |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| President          | Julio B Ochoa                    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> VP | Steven VanVarik                  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> VP | Fred Wilsen                      |
| Secretary          | Linda James                      |
| Treasurer          | Joe Langello                     |
| Immediate P P      | Ted Erion                        |
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| 1 Year Director    | Dan Annis                        |
| 1 Year Director    | Rita Fawcett                     |
| 1 Year Director    | Barbara McGinnis                 |
| 2 Year Director    | Marilyn Anderson                 |
| 2 Year Director    | Dennis Dulniak                   |
| 2 Year Director    | Jim Koertner, LDO                |
| 2 Year Director    | Gary James                       |
| Mission Specialist | Linda James                      |
| Warehouse Manager  | Steven Van Varik                 |
| Clinic Director    | Pat Stamm                        |
| Advisors:          | Dr. Francisco Richardson, OD     |
|                    | Dr Ethira J Ramchandler, MD-OPTH |
|                    | Gene Rice PID                    |
|                    |                                  |

Project Right to Sight needs lots of help in several areas. The Clinic - second Wednesday of the month at Orange Blossom Family Health Center, 232 OBT in Orlando - 8 AM to 2 or 3 PM. Eye exams, retina screens, pulling the glasses at the warehouse, delivering the glasses to OBFHC, dispensing recycled, reconditioned glasses for about 20 to 25 clients each month. Since 2009, this Clinic has been run by PRTS - on a volunteer system.

Information to Clubs about collecting and sorting glasses before sending to the warehouse for distribution to Polk County Correctional, distribution to Missions, distribution to Respecs, and much more going on at the Warehouse.

This is a very busy Entity, all Board Members and all Lions who collect the glasses do an absolutely amazing job. Just a little pep talk - out of all Lions do in Florida - PRTS is another Entity right on target for the Mission of LCI.

The next PRST meeting will be on Monday, April 2 at Noon at the Warehouse.

Mary Pezzo Past President

# **Calendar of Events**

Dates are subject to change

| Month | Date | Description                      | Place or Club                             |
|-------|------|----------------------------------|---|
| April | 1    | Easter                           | United States of America                  |
| April | 2-10 | International Board of Directors | Miami                                     |
| April | 10   | Chartered 1939                   | Deland Lions Club 79 yrs                  |
| April | 12   | Chartered 2000                   | Oviedo-Winter Springs Lions Club 18 yrs   |
| April | 12   | Chartered 1926                   | Lakeland Lions Club 92 yrs                |
| April | 15   | PU 101 Deadline                  | Lions Clubs International                 |
| April | 17   | IRS Tax Day deadline             | United States of America                  |
| April | 20   | Chartered 1950                   | Orlando College Park Lions Club 68 yrs    |
| April | 30   | Chartered 1970                   | Homosassa Lions Club 48 yrs               |
| May   | 1    | Chartered 1957                   | Cocoa Beach Seaside Lions Club 61 yrs     |
| May   | 2    | Chartered 1978                   | South Daytona Lions Club 40 yrs           |
| May   | 3-6  | MD 35 Convention                 | Orlando -Wyndham Resort                   |
| May   | 3    | Chartered 2005                   | Palm Bay Progressive Lions Club 13 yrs    |
| May   | 5    | Cinco de Mayo                    | United States of America                  |
| May   | 13   | Mother's Day                     | United States of America                  |
| May   | 20   | Chartered 1999                   | Orlando Hispanic Lions Club 19 yrs        |
| May   | 23   | Chartered 1974                   | Longwood-Lake Mary Lions Club 44 yrs      |
| May   | 24   | Chartered 1971                   | Inglis Yankeetown Lions Club 47 yrs       |
| May   | 28   | Chartered 1992                   | Ponce Inlet Lions Club 26 yrs             |
| May   | 28   | Memorial Day                     | United States of America                  |
| May   | 29   | Chartered 1975                   | Palm Bay Happy Lions Club 43 yrs          |
| June  | 7    | Chartered 1996                   | Crystal River Kings Bay Lions Club 22 yrs |
| June  | 14   | Flag Day                         | United States of America                  |
| June  | 16   | Chartered 1953                   | Floral City Lions Club 65 yrs             |
| June  | 17   | Father's Day                     | United States of America                  |



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