## August 2016

# MD 35 0 District Newsletter



Issue 2

# **DG Steve Hilaire**



Fellow Lions,

The work has started. "New Mountains to Climb" IP Lion Bob Corlew has an easy explanation. Take on "New Challenges" for this centennial year. When you get to the top of the first mountain you will have a 360-degree view all around. It will be easy to pick another mountain, your next challenge, it is another opportunity to serve. We also have a membership goal, positive membership growth for North America for the first time in many years. This sounds easy. Each club just have to end the year with at least one more member. However, to do this, we need to focus on retention as well. We are great at getting members, but not so good at keeping them. We need to delight members and keep them involved and interested. As you are aware, we are in the middle of school supplies season. This is an easy project for the centennial youth service program.

The past two months has been horrible. From France to Turkey to Germany to Orlando and Dallas we have experienced some form of hatred. As Lions we are accustomed to working together for a common cause with persons of all nationalities and background working side by side to achieve this. We must continue to be the example and role model for the rest of the world and help create a spirit of understanding among the people of the world. We shall be the leaders of the day when every creed and race find an equal space.

Wherever there is a need, there is a Lions club. "Together we can make a difference!"

District Governor Steve Hilaire 2016-2017

# 1st Vice DG Irving "Tito" Navarro



#### FEED THE HUNGRY, WAYS WE ARE SUPPORTING

With a "New Mountains to Climb" slogan, International President Bob Corlew's (2016-17) sets his theme to see how we can reach new heights as Lions. Following the link to his President's Theme page, he makes some suggestions on how to "Reach the Summit of Service". He asks us to continue moving forward with the Centennial Service Challenge, leading through service by joining the challenge to help 100+ million people for our Centennial. Furthermore, he encourages us to engage and impact youth through hands-on projects with Lions Children First, promote literacy through the Reading Action Program, and bring hope to vulnerable children through the Leo Spotlight on Children.

This serves as a preamble to my message this month, I would like to start with a small real story of need. Imagine you are a single mom who has been raising four kids. You go to work every morning for a paycheck to be able to provide for those you love. One morning, you arrive at work to learn of unexpected corporate cutbacks. Much to the dismay of your boss, you are laid off. As you drive home, a thousand thoughts are running through your head. What are you going to tell your children? How are you going to put food on the table every night? This is an unfortunate scenario that many face in cities across the United States.

As Lions we can respond to this need with small budgets and big hearts. There are several programs in place by which Lions can participate. Some clubs are participating in programs, like Satellite Beach Lions Club, who partners with the Children's Hunger Project to help provide food for children in Brevard County. During my visit to one of zone's ten meeting I had the pleasure to observe Lion Pete Dunn give us a report on all the good deeds done through this partnership.

Also let's view for example, undertaking your very own program. As in the case of Region 3 Lions, their leadership decided on an idea that would involve all the 15 Volusia County Lions Clubs (of which Ponce Inlet is a part) and accomplish a large community service project for Volusia County. Their idea was to provide a community service that was innovative and not often done. Specifically, this was to conduct a short food drive that would provide food to all needy/homeless children in the County to eat during their Spring Break (a time they normally don't have ready access to food) starting on March 18th.

Another good example is Lake Alfred's Lions Club Food for Kids project. As explained by Lion David Fawcett project chairman, he purchases the food needed to fill the 25 orders for each week of the month. The lions come to help pack this food on the first Tuesday of the month at 6 pm. Food is delivered to the school on Friday and the children pick it up before they leave for the weekend. The packages include pasta with sauce (ravioli, spaghetti & meatballs, etc.) peanut butter crackers, rice Krispy treats, pop tarts, fruit

Snacks, fruit cups, granola bars, fork and spoon. They make sure that we put in food that does not have to be heated.

I would also like to point out that Lions Club International website has further resources to guide you in the right direction. Please visit the LCI Main Page and select: Lions 100 > Toolbox > Centennial Service Challenge Resources> Or use this link to get there: <a href="http://lions100.lionsclubs.org/EN/toolbox/centennial-service-challenge.php">http://lions100.lionsclubs.org/EN/toolbox/centennial-service-challenge.php</a>
And download: "Relieving the Hunger - 25 Project Ideas for Relieving Hunger" <a href="http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/iad459.pdf">http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/iad459.pdf</a>

Take a look at number nine (9); "9. Create snack packages to be distributed to children in need."

The choice and the initiative are entirely yours to do what is right. Program examples abound, if your club gets involved in projects like these, please let me know. Finally, do not forget to report it to LCI. Thanks for all you do.

Lion Irving E "Tito" Navarro, 1st VDG District 35-O 2016-2017



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice DG Helene Thompson



#### THE NEW LION YEAR HAS BEGUN

Fellow Lions,

The new Lion year has begun, and we started climbing our mountain! District Governor Steve's Organizational Meeting was well attended. It was inspiring to see so many of you participate in the Officer Training that was offered. Thank you for making the trip and the effort.

As 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor, one of my responsibilities is to work with the Global Leadership Team (GLT) Coordinator. This year, again, our GLTC is Lion Greg Evans. I will be working with Lion Greg to help provide your club with the training you need and want. I am a big fan of Zoom, where we "meet" through the internet from the comfort of our own home. If that type of training is of interest to you, please let us know. Lion Greg is currently planning a number of different Zoom meetings.

There are many opportunities for additional training through Lions Clubs International. Emerging Lions Leadership Institute, Advanced Lions Leadership Institute and Faculty Development are all enrolling now if you qualify and are interested. But if you don't want to travel too far, watch for an upcoming Regional Lions Leadership Institute. After the success of last year's session in Fruitland Park, there should be another one soon.

By time you read this, we'll be preparing for the District Advisory Meeting in Homosassa on August 20<sup>th</sup>. I hope all our club Presidents and Secretaries attend our first District Advisory Meeting of the year, there will so much information to share. I also look forward to spending more time getting to know our Zone and Region Chairs while there.

Please feel free to invite Lion Gini and me to your events and projects. When possible, we will join you. We look forward to a successful year through service and teamwork.

Lion Helene Thompson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor 2016-2017



# **Cabinet Secretary Harry Williams**



# I am excited to be your cabinet secretary this year

I am excited to be your cabinet secretary this year. Working with the theme "New Mountains to Climb," we will all have new challenges facing us this year. District Governor Steve Hilaire wants us to plan for the future, remembering the value of teamwork and member engagement. His goals for the year include organizing 3 new clubs - one new, one branch, and one campus. He challenges our club to maintain membership through better orientation and training of officers. "Together we can make a difference."

I want to remind everyone about the first cabinet meeting in Homosassa. Encourage your members to attend. Until then, keeping working on your projects and always look for "new mountains to climb."

Lion Harry Cabinet Secretary 2016-2017

## **Cabinet Treasurer Gini Black**

# Please Pay Your Dues Promptly!

Thank You To Those Clubs That Have Already Paid!

# Global Leadership Team Greg Evans

The New year is well on our way in District 35-O. Officer training was held at the MD convention in



Jacksonville and at the District Orientation on July 16<sup>th</sup>. For those officers who could not attend there are other opportunities to get you prepared for you Lions Club position. I have listed a link for the Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer training offer by LCI. Our District will also be offing a training on line in the next few weeks. We will e-mail the corresponding officer of the club for the training in front of your computer. *One of the goals of the GLT Team is to have all the Club Officers go through a training each year.* We realize there are officers whom have held their jobs before and may not feel it necessary to do this, but there are new things each year for us to learn.

Presidents training, click the link <a href="http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/training-resources/club-officer-training-orientation.php">http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/training-resources/club-officer-training-orientation.php</a> Then open the Presidents module Presidents Work book-

http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/club\_president\_workbook.pdf

Secretary Training, click the link <a href="http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/training-resources/club-officer-training-orientation.php">http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/training-resources/club-officer-training-orientation.php</a> Then open the module Secretary work book - <a href="http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/club\_secretary\_workbook.pdf">http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/club\_secretary\_workbook.pdf</a>

#### Treasurer Training, click the link

 $\frac{http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/training-resources/club-officer-training-orientation.php \ Then open the module$ 

Treasurer Work book-

http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/club treasurer workbook.pdf

Email me at kippyevans@aol.com or call me at 386-453-4099. The GLT Team is here to serve our District.

#### Don't Forget to get you applications downloaded for Future LCI Leadership Institutes

The next ELLI (emerging Lions Leadership Institute) is scheduled for January 21-24, 2017 in Chicago. <a href="http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/development-programs/emerging-leadership-institutes/index.php">http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/development-programs/emerging-leadership-institutes/index.php</a>

The next FDI (Faculty Development Institute) is scheduled for November 11-14 in Houston Texas <a href="http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/development-programs/faculty-development-institutes/index.php">http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/development-programs/faculty-development-institutes/index.php</a>

The next ALLI (Advanced Lions Leadership Institute is scheduled for November 12-14 in Houston Texas <a href="http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/development-programs/advanced-leadership-institutes/index.php">http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/development-programs/advanced-leadership-institutes/index.php</a>

# Standing Together for World Peace

Dear Lions of the World.

Paris, France; Brussels, Belgium; Orlando, Florida, USA; Dallas, Texas, USA; Istanbul, Turkey; Dhaka, Bangladesh; Nice, France; racial tension in many parts of the world.

Why is it happening? When will it stop? How much is enough? These are questions all of us are asking ourselves, and no one is providing any answers.

As the global leader in humanitarian service, a central focus is on providing for those less fortunate through a variety of service programs at the international and local level. Over the past two years, as part of our centennial service challenge, we have served 100 million people around the world. We are proud of our selfless service to others.

But as much as service is our focus, it doesn't completely define who we are and what we stand for in the world community. One need only review excerpts from Lions Clubs International Purposes to gain a true understanding of our focus beyond service:

- To Create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.
- To Promote the principles of good government and good citizenship.

In my inaugural address delivered June 28 in Fukuoka, Japan, I spoke the following words:

"As we look at our future, there is another new large mountain which is arising for our world to conquer, and Lions International is the one to help the world climb this new mountain — and that is international relations. The Lions of the world are one family, focused on the goal of providing for others, and creating peace and understanding among the people of the world. We must strive to leave a legacy of world peace, world health, world safety, and world happiness."

In February 1945, Lions' founder Melvin Jones gathered with leaders of other national groups to meet with Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., and Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs, Archibald MacLeish, to discuss forming a United Nations. In April of that year Lions headquarters asked clubs to hold a United Nations week to show support for the initiative.

In that spirit, and as we approach our 100<sup>th</sup> year of humanitarian service, I ask Lions around the world to hold a day of reflection during the week of July 25<sup>th</sup>. Set aside this day to reflect on how your club can work with local community leaders to nurture peace, lessen violence that has affected so many of our communities, and foster understanding among all peoples.

As we pause to reflect, please keep the victims and families of the recent tragedy in Nice, France in your thoughts and prayers

Let us be the example of how people of different races, cultures, religions and diverse backgrounds can come together for a common cause.

Sincerely,

Chancellor Bob Corlew International President

### Message from International President

#### 2017 Party Train Gathers Steam

Kathy Singleton recently emailed Lions Clubs International. When she was a first-grader in Springfield, Missouri, the Lions club bought her first pair of glasses. "I still remember the joy I felt when I was able to distinguish that trees had individual leaves. It excited my heart to learn to see the world in its infinite beauty," she eloquently wrote us. "I pray y'all continue blessing many other kids like y'all did me."

Yes, Ms. Singleton, for the next 100 years, we will keep on helping children as well as adults as we have for the past century. In our Centennial year, we want to honor and remember the past as well as move our great Association forward.

During our long history Lions not only reached out to individuals but also often impacted entire communities. After an earthquake and tsunami devastated Afognak, Alaska, in 1964, Lions built a new town for residents. Five years earlier in the tinder-dry cattle country of Texas, their town regularly threatened by prairie fires, Leakey Lions started a fire brigade including a fire truck. Long ago in 1925, alarmed by the inadequacy of

schools, York Lions in Pennsylvania began a well-stocked circulating library. The pages of the LION from the last century are filled with tens of thousands of such examples of lifechanging and often life-preserving service.

Our Centennial service goal is to serve at least 100 million people by June 2018. We are on pace to shatter that goal. Please have your club "join the party." Celebrate the Centennial in other ways, too, by inviting family and friends to serve with you and by planning a Legacy Project in your community. Find out how to participate at Lions100.org.

I am honored to serve as your Centennial president. I hope you are just as thrilled to be a Lion at this special moment in our grand history. The service we do today will echo down the decades as we invariably strengthen our Association and leave

Lions Clubs in better shape than ever for generations to come.

Chancellor Bob Corlew
Lions Clubs International President





#### DISTRICT 35-O MEETING

August 20, 2016
Doors open at 8 AM
General Meeting starts at 10:00 AM
Location:

Homosassa Lions Club 8405 W Homosassa Trail (CR 490E) Homosassa, FL 34447

Driving Directions: Take US Hwy 19 to Homosassa. Go east on Homosassa Trail 1/5th mile to the clubhouse on the left.

Lunch Menu: Meatloaf, Red Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Salad, Dinner Roll, Dessert, coffee or tea. Donation of \$10.00 per person. Reservations must be made in advance – no extra meals will be available.

RSVP to Lion Judy Geary, wayneandjudy6@gmail.com or 352-697-2166 before August 13, 2016.

> Make checks payable to: Homosassa Lions Club

Mailing Address: PO Box 1401, Homosassa Springs, FL 34447







Manatee: These gentle giants make their home in the crystal clear waters of Homosassa Springs.

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

#### **BEVERLY HILLS LIONS CLUB**

JOHN A AMES Sponsor: THOMAS MIZE

#### **HOMOSASSA LIONS CLUB**

LINDA S CRAWFORD Sponsor: SUE

**MARCHETTI** 

LINDA C GADKE Sponsor: RUTH DUBALL PAUL GADKE Sponsor: RALPH DUBALL

## LADY LK ORANGE BLOSSOM GARDENS LIONS CLUB

BEATRIZ J. CALDERO Sponsor: LAURIE

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MILAN S KAPEL Sponsor: JOHN BUSWELL STEPHANIE L KUSMICH Sponsor: LAURIE

**CAUFIELD-BLUM** 

#### MOUNT DORA LIONS CLUB

PAUL PERKINS Sponsor: SHELLEY ROGERS

#### **OVIEDO-WINTER SPRINGS LIONS CLUB**

THOMAS L GALLAGHER Sponsor: DENNIS

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CAROL ANN MILLS Sponsor: ANN GOODWIN-

EIRK

#### **SOUTH DAYTONA LIONS CLUB**

TERRY A WILGER Sponsor: SANDRA

**GAROFALO** 



CHECK OUT THE MD MAGAZINE ONLINE AT www.lionsofflorida.org



#### **DIABETES TRAINING SEMINAR**

The Ponce Inlet Lions Club is hosting a Diabetes Training Seminar on Sunday, September 18, 2016. Training for new screeners will be 12:30 PM to 5:00 PM. Recertification will be held from 5 PM to 7 PM.

Location

Ponce Inlet Community Center, 4670 S. Peninsula Drive, Ponce Inlet, Florida 32127.

#### **New Screeners**

For new screener training, if you print your own manuals and bring them to the seminar the training cost is \$15.00. If you need manuals supplied by the trainer the cost is \$30.00. (No sharing please!) Manuals: Go to the Resources and Forms tab on <a href="http://www.dafmd35.org/">http://www.dafmd35.org/</a>. Download both the current training manual and the procedure manual. Print both and bring them to the seminar.

#### Recertification\*

Recertification is \$15 (FREE if you held a screening event in last six months and your screening forms along with your report were turned in after the screening event). \*Screeners must be recertified every year.

#### Registration

**Email the following information:** 

**NAME** 

**Email Address** 

**Session Attending:** 

(12:30 - 5pm OR 5pm - 7pm)

To: Both Lion Ed Kocis (ekocis63@gmail.com) AND

PDG Norma Callahan

(lionnormacallahan@yahoo.com)



# Leave a Legacy & Help Restore the Beauty of Sight!

For the past 54 years, Florida Lions Eye Bank has provided the Florida community with every day miracles. In this time the "Beauty of Sight" has been given to over 50,000 recipients and the impact of research and teaching tissue has touched countless more. None of this would have been possible without contributions to the Florida Lions Eye Bank's Investment Fund. These funds have been invested for long term growth and are used to guarantee that future generations will continue to benefit from the everyday miracles of the Florida Lions Eye Bank. Below is information regarding two ways that YOU can use to leave a legacy!

#### **Memorial Wall Donations**

The Florida Lions Eye Bank Memorial Wall is a generous way to honor family, friends, and fellow Lions who have passed away. For a contribution of \$100, the name of the deceased will be placed on the Eye Bank's Memorial Wall and the monies will be deposited in the Eye Bank investment fund. In addition, a letter can be mailed to the family to inform them of the donation made in honor of their loved one.

## **Century Club Membership**

Your membership in the Century Club can insure the Florida Lions Eye Bank's firm foundation for the next 50 years! All donations to this membership will be placed in the investment accounts. Memberships are available for \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000 or more and can be processed in installments, if desired. In addition to a Certificate, members of the Florida Lions Eye Bank Century Club will receive a lapel pin indicating level of

Donations to the Century Club are cumulative & can be contributed to at any time:

<b>e</b>	Century Club Member \$100 (gold pin)			
	Benefactor Member	\$500 (gold pin with ruby stone)		
	Life Member	\$1,000 (gold pin with diamond stone)		

For more information, visit the Florida Lions Eye Bank website at www.fleb.org,

call 305-326-6359 or email info@fleb.org



Florida Lions Conklin Center Message from Mary T Pezzo President of Your Florida Lions Conklin Center

Did you know:

In the early 1970s a survey conducted by the Florida Division of Blind Services found that more than 1,200 adults who were blind with other disabling conditions were placed in institutions and receiving only custodial care.

When the Conklin Center opened for service in 1979, it was the only organization in the United States whose adult services were devoted exclusively to the vocational rehabilitation needs of adults who were blind with coexisting disabling conditions, and we believe this is still the case today.

In January 2000, an Early Intervention Blind Babies Program was added to serve children with who are blind or severely visually impaired and their parents in the most natural environment – their home.

The Conklin Center recently purchased a duplex in Ormond Beach which will enrich the training program to offer real-life independent living skills for the advanced students.

Again this year, the Conklin Center is setting the fund raising goal for each District at \$45,000! Ambitious - yes, doable – yes! How about helping your budgets out and run an event or two that just supports the Conklin Center?

This will help get more people (and Lions) to be aware of the life changing mission of the Conklin Center. So many ways avenues for press releases today! Keep the Conklin Center informed, we could probably give you hand!

How you can donate to the Conklin Center:

# DUPLEX SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES VISIONARY SPONSOR – \$10,000 PACESETTER SPONSOR – \$5,000 LUMINARY SPONSOR – \$2,500

Or any Cash Donation Special Donations

- \$ 25 Purchases a white cane used for mobility training
- \$ 50 Buy a learning toy that stimulates the senses for our youngest students
- \$ 100 Help a student learn to shop for a cook a meal
- \$ 250 Provide Job Readiness training in our workshop
- \$ 500 Braille instruction for a student who is blind
- \$ 1000 Provide training in safe travel on foot or by bus
- \$ 365 Your annual donation of \$1 a day helps ensure training is available to everyone who needs it

#### Life Memberships

Amethyst Life Membership \$100 Opal Life Membership \$250 Sapphire Life Membership \$500 Diamond Life Membership \$1,000 Ruby Life Membership \$2,000

State of Vision License Plate - \$25 (at last count – about 3,000 have been purchased)

Wish List – check out <a href="www.conklincenter.org">www.conklincenter.org</a> for a complete list, but when I attend your District Meetings, I am encouraging Lions to send me home with a car filled with new white sheets, (twin or full), new white towels and face cloths!

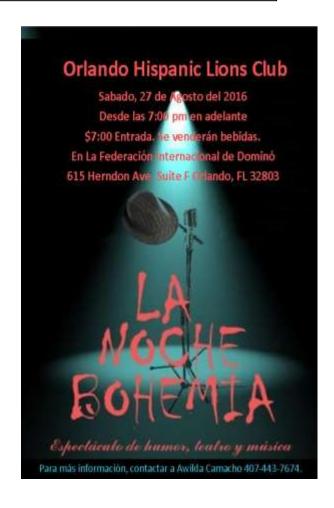
Looking forward to a great year! Roar!

Mary T Pezzo 352 223 1847 mtpezzo@yahoo.com

#### Diabetes and Retina Training

There will be diabetes training Zephyrhills 8/13 both full and recert Cocoa Beach 8/7 Port orange 9/18

Please email <a href="mailto:lionnormacallahan@yahoo.com">lionnormacallahan@yahoo.com</a>
To reverse a spot.









The Satellite Beach Lions Club donated \$2,400 in June to Recreation Director Cassie Warthen to assist in a city project to buy benches for area parks. Each eco-friendly bench is made of recycled milk jugs and will be engraved with the club's name. The benches will be placed in three separate parks for Satellite Beach's residents to enjoy for many years to come. Pictured first row from left to right: Satellite Beach Recreation Director Cassie Warthen, Lion Alan Boleware, Lion Linda Smith. Second row: Lion Heather Black, 2nd Vice District Governor Lion Helene Thompson. Back row: Lion Mario Amaral, Lion Gini Black, Lion Jeff Chestine, Lion Curt Black, Lion Lance Smith, Lion Joe Hauser.

#### **Lions Community Eye Clinic in Transition**

The Lions of Central Florida operate a thriving Eye Clinic in Orlando serving patients that would not otherwise be able to afford an eye exam and glasses. The Lions Community Eye Clinic is colocated with the Orange Blossom Family Health Care Center, at 232 North Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, Florida 32805. The Lions Community Eye Clinic is funded and operated by "Project Right to Sight," an entity of Central Florida District 35-O Lions.

The Lions Community Eye Clinic has recently undergone a number of major personnel changes. In August of 2015 the long-term Clinic Director, Susan Lewis, resigned due to family issues and in October our long-term Eye Clinic Doctor, Dr. Mauger, announced his retirement as of December 2015. In February the Project Right to Sight Treasurer and the Warehouse Manager Lion Tom Hamilton left due to job relocation. The loss of key personnel is disruptive in any organization and is even more so in a small volunteer organization such as Project Right to Sight. Several of the Lions in Project Right to Sight stepped up and were able to fill in the gaps to keep the Lions Eye Clinic operating without any reduction in service. Lions Mary Pezzo, Pat Stamm, Miriam Navarro, Ted Erion, Tom Hamilton and Linda James met the challenge of hiring new Doctors, finding new volunteer opticians to fit glasses and learning new jobs at the Clinic in minimum time as well as appointing a new Treasurer and Warehouse Manager for Project Right to Sight.

Dr. Trish Gold performed the eye exams in January and February 2016 while the search for long-term Doctors was conducted. Project Right to Sight is now privileged to have the services of two outstanding Doctors in Dr. Ryan Schott of the Maitland Vision Center and Dr. Kerry Giedd of Eola Eyes. These Doctors are supported by licensed Optician Jim Pinckney who fits the prescription eye glasses to each patient as required by Florida Law.

The glasses provided for Clinic patients are prescription eye glasses from our Project Right to Sight inventory stored in a warehouse in Ocoee, Florida. Project Right to Sight collects used eye glasses and processes them with labor from the Polk County Correctional Facility.

In 2015 the Lions used eye glass program produced approximately 108,000 prescription eye glasses that were considered acceptable for reuse. Approximately half of the glasses collected are accepted for reuse following cleaning and inspection to separate and discard the glasses that are scratched or defective in any way. In addition to supplying glasses for the Lions Eye Clinic in Orlando glasses were supplied for 28 International charity missions around the world.

A significant indicator of the level of need for patient medical care of the Lions Eye Clinic is the number of referrals by the doctors for additional medical services beyond the receipt of prescription eye glasses. For the period November 2015 through June 2016 the Lions Eye Clinic saw 179 patients. There were 23 patient referrals for additional medical service during this period, a 13% referral rate. The typical referral rate for patients with proper routine health care is in the 3% to 4% range. This after-exam referral rate for Lions Community Clinic eye patients is a strong indicator of the need for these patients to receive critical medical treatment that has been denied due to financial distress. The typical medical cause for referrals for the Eye Clinic patients includes cataracts, glaucoma, cornea transplant, retina problems and diabetes. Each patient of the clinic is sponsored by one of the Lions Clubs in the Central Florida Lions District. Patient referral information is provided to the sponsoring Lions Club and they provide the resources to ensure that the recommended follow up treatment is promptly implemented.

The Lions Community Eye Clinic operates once each month providing a major service to citizens of Central Florida. The Eye Clinic exams as well as the follow up referrals are accomplished consistent with the Lions motto "We Serve." This Eye Clinic is one of many ways that the Lions make a difference in our community.

Authored by Lion Ted Erion

## **President's Message**

#### Dear Lion,

It is truly an honor to serve as your new international president during our  $100^{th}$  year of service. As a young boy in Tennessee, I grew up instilled with the bonds of community—a rich tradition of neighbor helping neighbor, and friends and strangers coming together for the good of our community.

Years later, I'm honored to bring that commitment to community service to the office of international president. As we move toward our Centennial convention in Chicago, I encourage you to celebrate this special moment in our history and to continue to answer the call to serve those who need us most.

No matter where you are, there's an opportunity for your club to reach out to the poor and underserved, and to help bring hope to humanity.

I hope you'll <u>visit my Theme Page</u> to learn more about our vision for the upcoming year. I look forward to working with you, and Lions around the world, to climb new mountains and reach new heights of service.



Very truly yours, Chancellor Bob Corlew Your International President



## MD-35 LIONS OF FLORIDA AND THE BAHAMAS FALL COUNCIL OF GOVERNOR'S CONFERENCE November 4 - 6, 2016





International Director William "Bill" Phillipi

Bill Philipi from Marysville, Kansas, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawali, June 26 through 30, 2015.

A member of the Marysville Lions Club since 1974, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, secretary, treasurer, district governor, district convention chairperson, council chairperson, multiple district GMT coordinator and multiple district convention chairperson. He was also the associate chairman of the host committee for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in 2013.

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When booking remember to click "<u>Update your access or promotional code</u>" then select "Group" Type LIONS in the box provided and click <u>UPDATE</u> to reserve your room at the Lions Rate.

# International Palms Resort





# MD-35 LIONS OF FLORIDA AND THE BAHAMAS FALL COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS CONFERENCE

November 4 - 6, 2016

#### CONFERENCE MEAL TICKET REQUEST

Early Bird Pricing in Effect! Deadline October 4, 2016	Ticket Price if Order Postmarked Before Oct. 4	Ticket Price if Order Postmarked After Oct. 4	NO.	\$ TOTAL
Friday Luncheon Diabetic Retinopathy Foundation Friday, November 4, 2016 Club Croissant Chicken Caesar	\$21.00	\$26.00	×	s
Friday Night Country/Western Friday, November 4, 2016 Country Western Flesta	\$34.00	\$39.00	x	s
Saturday Conklin Center Breakfast Saturday, November 5, 2016	\$21.00	\$26.00	×	5
Lunch with the Director Key Lime Chicken Beef Stroganoff	\$24.00	\$28.00	x	s
Governor's Banquet Saturday, November 5, 2016 Tropical Salmon Beef Tenderloin	\$38.00	\$43.00	x	s
Sunday Foundation Breakfast Sunday, November 6, 2016	\$21.00	\$26.00	x	s

	Total Amount Due \$			
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President Lion Bobbie Cheh, Lion GLT Greg Evans, Secretary Lion Katie Hamlin and Treasurer Lion Mary Yochum at District Meeting

Ormond by The Sea Lions Club will be hosting their popular Summer Sizzler Gently Used Book Sale on Saturday, August 6 from 9 AM till noon. The new location will be 1280 Ocean Shore Boulevard, Ormond Beach. This location is by the closed bank building in the northeast corner of the Ormond Mall Plaza. Both hard

cover books and paperbacks on various subjects will be available for a donation. This sale will benefit the Ormond by The Sea Lions Foundation, Inc.

Also, the Club will be offering free blood sugar screenings on Saturday, August 13 from 9 AM till 11 AM at Alfie's Restaurant, 1666 Ocean Shore Boulevard in Ormond Beach.

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