



DISTRICT GOVERNOR

JACQUELINE
"Jacquie" TRIPP



**Happy Holidays to
 you and your family!**

My wish is for your good health, safe travels and many happy memories during this time of year. Cherish the quiet times and make new memories! Life changes-it changes circumstances, people and us. And together as a Lions family, we are strong enough to adapt to it.

As we enjoy this bountiful season, we remember those around the world whose life is not as peaceful or comfortable as ours.

"An international refugee crisis is currently unfolding. Due to recent conflicts in the Middle East and other areas, millions have been displaced from their homes and are seeking safety and new opportunities in other countries, or suffering internal displacement at home. Many of these refugees are traveling with very little and need immediate assistance in acquiring

food, shelter, warm clothing and other necessary items. As Lions, we cannot ignore this need.

While you may or may not live in countries affected by this crisis, there are many Lions responding to the basic humanitarian needs within their community. A Refugee Steering Committee has been formed to assess local needs, current Lions actions, and potential response opportunities. Lions Clubs International will use this information to develop guidance and resources for Lions support and service. Lions Clubs International Foundation is currently collecting donations through our Disaster Relief Fund to assist those affected by this crisis. These funds will go toward grants to Lions clubs and districts that are working to support the immediate needs of refugees. If funding allows, longer-term, large-scale projects may also be considered."

I encourage the Lions and clubs within our district to consider making a donation to these efforts. Please visit www.lcif.org to make a gift to the Disaster Relief Fund, or click [here](#) to learn how to donate by check or wire transfer. The need is vast, but together, we can provide help and hope to those who are suffering.

Lions Day at the UN will be on March 12th. Try to follow this event online. What an exciting public relations event for our

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organization.

Region 4 Chair Helene Thompson led our Certified Guiding Lion class November 21st at the MD office. The District Governor's Team is discussing how best to use our CGLs as a resource to strengthen clubs and retain members in our district. We have many clubs below 12 members that might benefit from a consultation with any one of our CGLs. Just contact any of the team and we will schedule a time to get together.

Every zone has now had at least meeting and some their second. I have attended all ten and if your club was present, your official visit is considered completed. I would like to visit you if possible the second half of the year if the event is a service project or a social celebration. Let's serve together!

May the peace that passes all understanding be with you.

Lion Jacqueline "Jacquie" Tripp
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Dignity. Harmony. Humanity.



wonderful time of the year. Three celebrations for different beliefs. But somehow, in our society, the birth of a baby seems to dominate even against the rampant commercialization. Merry Christmas to all, even to Santa. It is a Happy and Holy time. Where does Lionism fit in? It seems logical that this should be a bumper time for us. Tis the season of giving and almost everyone is willing to make a donation to the disadvantaged. We must be ready with our projects or pair with others, (food banks, shelters etc.) to ensure this bounty is not wasted and that those truly in need get a Christmas bonus. They don't need a feast, just 3 square meals a day. A toy for the kids is good but a full belly is better and nothing is wrong with books as a gift. Relieving hunger is a challenge that can be easily handled at this time so let go at it. Joy to the world. Have a Happy, Holy and Jolly Christmas and May all that you wish for be yours in the New Year. "Winter is Coming" but not in Florida. Ho, Ho, Ho. Together we can make a difference!
Lion Steve Hilaire
1 VDG District 35-0

DECEMBER COMMENTARIES



1st VDG STEVE HILAIRE

Well, we are thankful and stuffed (Is that how the bird gets back at us?). Thankful for all the blessings received and happy that misfortune was minimized. Now we move on to the most

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2nd VDG IRVING "TITO" NAVARRO

Compassion is that mysterious capacity within each of us that makes it possible for suffering that is neither our own nor of our

concern, to affect us as though it were. It is that instinctive and selfless insight that reveals to us the existence of our own true being in every living creature.

Compassion is the tie that binds every human being to each other and to the mystery of creation. It is the common thread of all religions, meditations,



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and community structures. Compassion does not acknowledge the artificial social, economic, and religious barriers we place between ourselves and others. It acknowledges the common cry of human longings, aspirations, and tragedies.

When a reflex reaction causes us to help a stranger, with no motivation other than that person is in need, or maybe in peril of his life, our compassion is in action. The Challenge, if you decide to accept it, is: What would you do if you had to spend one day beaming compassion into the world? It could be something small, like acknowledging a stranger. It could be something big: changing the direction of another person's life.

Furthermore, compassion is also acknowledging the fact that if we as Lions "Ask One" to join our Lion clubs, it is also our responsibility to ensure that all members of our clubs have a fair chance at growth within our clubs. Personal growth is based on the training that the senior Lions provide and the desire of each new Lion to embrace those opportunities. I would like to ask of each club president and secretary to ensure that each of our Lions receive proper training in their areas of expertise. To have a training plan providing the essential training necessary for each Lion to succeed at meeting their challenges.

Training opportunities abound in either online course, downloadable or available literature from LCI by just asking for it. If your club does not have a plan for training your new Lions, I would like to refer you to the online LCI:

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<http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/training-resources/index.php>

Look under the following title and obtain the two files listed:

Lions Mentoring Program – This personal development program established a framework to enable members to learn from each other, reach individual goals, grow in leadership skills, build stronger relationships and provide better service to communities.

- Lions Basic Mentoring Program (pdf)
- Lions Advanced Mentoring Program (pdf)

If all that does not make sense to you, I encourage you to contact our GLT chair Lion Greg Evan (Ormond by the Sea Lions Club) or myself for further assistance. We owe to our Lions the best training possible they can receive, because "We serve".

Lion Tito Navarro,
2nd VDG District 35-O

Cabinet Secretary
Lion Donna Norton



Almost half of this Lions year is gone in what seems the wink of an eye! By now club secretaries have become familiar with their role in the club and have learned their way around MyLCI. So let's look at where we are.

District 35-O has fifty-nine (59) clubs. **Nineteen (19) clubs have not reported service activities this year.**

Forty (40) clubs have reported activities ---over 21,792 hours and over 44,875 people served in District 35-O! Seventeen (17) clubs have not reported membership in the past 60 days. Forty-two (42) clubs have reported membership in the last 60 days! There's plenty of time left for

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those that have been **Naughty** to ask for help reporting membership and service activity if you need it. And, for those that have been **Nice** to keep up the good work and be willing to help any club that requests help with reports.

When entering Service Activity into MyLCI please remember to indicate those activities that fall into the Centennial Service Categories:

International President's Theme
Engaging Our Youth Campaign
Sharing The Vision Campaign
Relieving the Hunger Campaign
Protecting the Environment Campaign

For more details [click here to visit the Centennial Service Challenge](#) on the LCI website. Congratulations to the clubs that received a 2014-2015 Centennial Service Banner Patch at the District Meeting!

Year To Date 35-O Membership Numbers

Opening Balance 1457
Added Members 108
Dropped Members 71
Closing Balance 1494
Net Gain 37

(Change in net gain from last month +5)



Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas!

Lion Donna Norton
Cabinet Secretary
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Social Media Multiple District Chairperson Lion Donna Waag

Hello Lion Friends, this is your Multiple District Social Media Chairman speaking to you straight from the beautiful city of Lake Alfred! I have some great Tips to share with you this month for Posting on Social Media. Get your printer fired up or go "old school" and get your paper and pen out and start writing. Consistently cultivating engagement on social media is



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no easy task—but when done right it can drive a significant amount of traffic to your page and allow you to acquire new members. These tips I am giving you for posting on social media will also help you increase engagement across your social media platforms.

1) Keep Your Social Media Posts Short and Simple

- Twitter: 71 – 100 characters
- Facebook: 40 – 119 characters
- Google+: less than 60 characters per headline

2) Include a Link with Every Social Media Post. Check to be sure the link is relevant

3) Include an Image with Every Social Media Post - (extremely important!)

4) Be Social on Your Social Media Networks

- Respond to mentions
- Follow or like your engaged followers
- Like posts from your engaged followers
- Monitor hashtags
- Participate in relevant conversations

5) Identify and Follow Influencers in Your Industry

6) Reuse and Recycle Your Social Media Posts

- Re-write the post using different messaging
- Include a different hashtag
- Use a different call to action
- Include a different mention
- Experiment with the time of days and days of week you share your post

7) Post Consistently and Diversify Your Posts

- Use the right social media channel for the type of content
- Post a mix of promotional, conversational, and personal posts
- Post regularly and consistently

8) And Most of All - Have Fun and Show It in Your Posts

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Lion Donna Waag
Multiple District Social Media Chair
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GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM
District Coordinator

LION GREG EVANS



Training for emerging
Lions is coming to
Florida this spring!

Lions of Florida
MD-35 RLLI
April 7-10, 2015
Fruitland Park, Fl.

The agenda is included on the registration form and it sounds like a great few Lion learning days. This is not just for current leaders. Actually, it is for up and coming Lions. This is the first Leadership Institute Multiple District 35 has hosted in several years. It is open to all Lions who have not previously attended a Regional Lions Leadership Institute. This is an uncommon opportunity for Lions to participate in Institute quality training; *patterned after the LCI Leadership Institute curriculum*, taught by LCI Institute faculty, and held at a convenient location in central Florida at a reasonable cost. For addition information click on this link: <http://seli2016.com>

Our District needs future leaders. This is a way to get involved. There is limited space so make your reservations early! MD GLT Chairperson Larry Feldhusen is available if you have any questions. Lion Larry's email is qltmd35.larry@gmail.com



DISTRICT MEETING!



DISTRICT 35-O

THIRD DISTRICT MEETING
Saturday January 23rd, 2016
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
WESLEY CENTER
950 7th Street, Clermont, Florida 34711
Click Here For Flyer and Lunch Reservation
Form

*Entities will be featured at this meeting.
If you represent an entity and would like
time on the agenda contact [DG Jacquie!](#)*



**WELCOME
NEW LIONS!**

BEVERLY HILLS
JUDITH A. SOWARDS
HIGH POINT
DAVID A. LAPERLE
HOMOSASSA
RALPH ALBERT DUBALL
RUTH EVELYN DUBALL
WEI WEI RITZHAVPT
LAKE ALFRED
FLORENCE E. GRACE
LAKE SUMTER
MARYANN GIONTA
ORMOND BEACH
RYAN IMHOFF
ORMOND BY THE SEA
PAUL F ALEXANDER
JULIA A SAPIENZA-ALEXANDER
PALM BAY HAPPY
JOSEPH B NAULTY
PONCE INLET
NILOOFAR KAMRAN

MEMBERSHIP

Your club can make a larger impact in your community by inviting new members to join you. New members can increase your service, position your club for ongoing success, and help you and your Lions earn special recognition in the Centennial Celebration Membership Awards. And it all starts by asking one family member, friend or neighbor to join your club. Visit the [Ask One page](#) for tools to energize your membership efforts!

Asking one member to join your club is just the beginning, in order to maintain a healthy club it is vital that your members enjoy their experience as a Lion. The [Membership Satisfaction Guide](#) is a tool that can help you take steps to understand how to maintain a successful club. At the end of the guide there is a Member Questionnaire. Hand this out at your next club meeting to learn how your members feel with their experience. Take time to review the results and use the information to create a plan that will keep your members satisfied so you can continue to provide the best Lions experience.

Lions Club International wants to hear from you! With our Centennial Celebration just around the corner, the Membership Development department wants to know about your sponsor stories and to see your sponsor selfies. Did you recently ask a member to join? Tell all about it and send a picture of you and your new member! You could end up on the Lions Club social media or blog pages. All entries can be submitted to CentennialMembership@lionsclubs.org



FLORIDA LIONS DIABETIC RETINOPATHY FOUNDATION/ LIONS DIABETES AWARENESS FOUNDATION OF MD 35 **Update On The Sight First Grant**

TO ALL LIONS,



We have ordered our 3rd camera and requested our second year of funds! January 1 will be the end of our first year under the Sight First Grant.

We need to get more Lions trained on the camera. We need you to schedule with us a large enough screening to allow us to do 10 retina screening. This can occur in a heavy population of diabetes or where you have experienced a large number of diabetic referrals. We'd rather not go to an event, at this time, with no history unless it happens to be at diabetic clinic or event where many people will be screened because we need statistics for grant reporting.

We expect the 3rd camera to arrive next week and will order the next one in January. Donations are a critical component of the long term success of the new foundation. First formal report just completed. The referral rate on our retina screening is 59.7%. This means we are very success at finding eye problems with our new camera. Important also is that we have had to refer many to Lions clubs as most had no insurance or other type of coverage. We have been training all over the state and have made an impact in getting groups back up and screening. Remember we need two weeks on supplies. Get your forms back ASAP. Please do not ask for more supplies than you need.

We have decided to make chances in our diabetic training program. We will no longer

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serve lunch. Too many Lions sign up and do not show up. Food is very expensive and costly to our foundation. We will also be starting with the recertification first, followed by the demo on the camera and then the full class. Training cost will be reduced to \$15.

Keep up the good work. Proud of all of you. We have several more Lions in process of being trained on the camera. I expect by January we will be up to 12.

How To Schedule A Retina Screening Event And The Requirements.

You must have an event that you will have at least 75-100 Blood Screenings you have done in the past or very high referral rates and/or diabetics. This will give us usually a minimum of 10 retinal exams. We need a dark room or a place to setup with electricity to use our black tent. Blood Screenings must be done at the same time as we do this retina event.

If you don't have a Blood Screening group in your Club and want to start one contact us. We need to have all our cameras out there working in all the districts. Think of an event and how we Lions can take part.

Looking forward to seeing more retina screening events in your area. All forms for putting on an event are on line at both websites in Creole, English, and Spanish at www.dafmd35.org or www.flrdf.org in the "Resources and Forms" section in the websites.

PDG Norma Callahan, Grant Manager
lionnormacallahan@yahoo.com



SARA ELLIS ...THE STORY OF HER DEAFNESS AND HOW THE LIONS ASSISTED HER.



Sara Ellis, 27, of Palm Bay, hears for the first time since she was 14, thanks to new, state-of-the-art hearing aids. (Greg Pallone, Staff)

On September 22, 2014, a referral for a hearing aid was sent to Lion Robert Hughes, Chairman of the Viera Lions Hearing Committee from Sara Ellis. Sara was contacted to see if Lion Hughes could visit her to fill out a Viera Lion Hearing Application. Sara's sister answered the phone and said that, because of her disability, Sara prefers to converse by email and dreads the phone. She then gave Lion Bob Sara's email address.

Sara agreed to meeting on September 26, 2014, and Lion Bob and Lion Pat (Bob's wife) met with Sara. At the time, Sara found herself in a difficult situation. She was living with her sister -- sleeping on the couch. She had hurt her back at work near the end of 2012 and found it difficult to find a job given both disabilities: a hurt back and difficulty hearing. She also had to put school on hold as she struggled to make ends meet.

On that very day, a new light was given to her!

The application for hearing aids was filled out with all of the necessary information. Much of the conversation was carried on by lip reading and a repetition of words. Her impairment was obvious, but her newfound hope became more obvious.

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Her application and the necessary funds were sent to the Lions District “O” Hearing Committee. Sara was approved near the middle of October, 2014, and was directed to a hearing aid store. Hearing Life of Melbourne agreed to run a hearing test on her, free of charge. They said that her hearing loss was significant and that she was profoundly deaf. They then referred her to a pair of hearing aids that had helped her to hear, yet the ability to obtain the pair was out of her reach.

She had been directed to the Miracle Ear Foundation by her coworker, Betty Coates, sometime before this free examination and was waiting for their reply.

After a few months, Lion Bob emailed Sara and asked her if she had received her hearing aids yet. She replied with a ‘No’ and said that she was still waiting on them. Lion Bob sent out a few more emails and eventually got a date set for her hearing aids. However, the date was much too far ahead.

Sara was told that she needed her hearing aids prescribed to her by a doctor. This was a new demand, but Lion Bob did not hesitate to get her an appointment. He referred her to a former Lion and good friend, Dr. Frank Filberto, who is an Ear/Nose/Throat doctor. Bob had asked Dr. Filberto if he would provide the prescription for Sara, and he agreed to do so on July 1, 2015.

Among the mix, Lion Wendy Wilson wrestled many of the emails and phone calls, getting all of Sara’s dates in order. Although it took a long time- through great effort and a heart of dedication- the Lions and the Miracle Ear Foundation teamed up and got it DONE!

[\(To see a video about this incredible young lady click here.\)](#)

A MESSAGE FROM OUR INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT



Courage, strength and wisdom can come from the most unlikely sources. Malala Yousafzai stands five feet tall—tall enough to stand up to the Taliban. As a young girl in Pakistan, she demanded that girls receive an education. A Taliban gunman shot her in the head in 2012, but she survived and received the Nobel Peace Prize in 2014 for continuing to advocate for girls’ education. In accepting the Nobel, she knew she stood for so many others. “I am also Shazia. I am Kainat [two girls who also were shot],” she said in her powerful speech. “I am Mezon [a Syrian refugee]. I am Amina [threatened by Boko Haram in Nigeria]. I am those 66 million girls who are deprived of education. And today I am not raising my voice. It is the voice of those 66 million girls.”

My presidential theme revolves around “dignity, harmony and humanity.” I believe that our essential mission as Lions is to perform service that enables people to live with dignity. We especially need to aid children, our future. We need to help children who are fighting disease, children who are in refugee camps, children who are suffering from hunger. We need to help children escape the vicious cycle of poverty. We need to provide children with education and literacy through the Reading Action Program. We need to do so much more.

Now is the time for each Lion to take action to serve children in need around the world. Our future depends on it. Malala’s passionate call to action to help youths must ring true to Lions in the same way as Helen Keller’s plea to help the blind

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resonated with Lions 90 years ago. As Malala said, "We have already taken many steps. Now is the time to take a leap. ... We must work, not wait. Not just the politicians and world leaders, we all need to contribute. Me. You. We. It is our duty."

Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada
Lions Clubs International President



ENJOY A SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON

HOLIDAY SAFETY is an issue that burns brightest from late November to mid-January, the time when families gather, parties are scheduled and travel spikes. By taking some basic precautions, you can ensure your whole family remains safe and injury-free throughout the season.

FIRE STARTERS - Holidays and candles go together like children and toys. Twelve percent of home candle fires occur in December. The top three days for home-candle fires are Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day (NFPA). About 2,200 deaths were caused by fires, burns and other fire related injuries in 2013, according to Injury Facts 2015. To prevent fire in your home: Never leave burning candles unattended; blow them out when you leave a room. Keep candles out of reach of children and make sure candles are on stable surfaces, where they can't easily be knocked over. Never sleep in a room with a lit candle and extinguish all candles before going to sleep. Don't burn candles near trees, curtains or any other flammable items.

DECORATIONS - Putting up decorations is one of the best ways to get in a holiday

mood, however an estimated 15,000 injuries involving holiday decorating were seen in the emergency room in 2012. Even angel hair can hurt. "Angel hair" is made from spun, glass, and it can irritate your eyes and skin; always wear gloves when handling it, or substitute non-flammable cotton. When spraying artificial snow on windows or other surfaces, be sure to follow directions carefully; these sprays can irritate your lungs if inhaled.

DECORATIVE LIGHTS and other electrical decorations add to the splendor of the season, they can increase the risks of fire and electrical injuries if not used safely. Use lights approved for sale by a nationally recognized testing lab (UL, CSA, ETL) and follow manufacturer's recommendations. Decorate the tree with your kids in mind; move ornaments that are breakable or have metal hooks toward the top. Always use a ladder of proper length to reach the working height that you need and keep walking paths clear to avoid trips and falls.

Source: <http://www.nsc.org/learn/safety-knowledge/Pages/news-and-resources-holiday-safety.aspx>

INVOLVE A US VETERAN PROGRAM

Veterans have made so many contributions and sacrificed so much to serve our



country. With many service members returning home from serving in the military, this is a good time to provide them with an opportunity to get involved. Veterans have a lot to offer, including practical

and leadership skills, a strong sense of dedication and commitment and they know what it means to be part of a team.

Ask now! The Veteran Program runs from July 1, 2013 until June 30, 2016. Join the 700 clubs that have already taken advantage of the program and given veterans the opportunity to continue serving, as a Lion.

[For More Information Click Here!](#)

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MULTIPLE DISTRICT 35 WINTER CONFERENCE

Facebook Contest



Presented by the
2015 2016 Council
of Governors at
the Radisson
Hotel, 2900
Parkway Blvd.
Kissimmee, FL
34747. Request
for Tickets must
be received by
December 10th.
(See [FLYER](#))
Room

The Facebook contest will run from
September 1, 2015 thru March 1, 2016. All
submissions must be received by March 15,
2016. The contest is open to all Lions Clubs
in the District and Multiple District.
Facebook pages will be judged for quality of
content and consistency of current
information throughout 2015 - 2016 as well
as quantity of points received by the
Facebook Rating System.

[\(Click Here for Contest Rules\)](#)

Reservations must be made directly with the
hotel by December 23rd. (See [Flyer for
phone numbers and group rate
code](#)). Guest Speaker: International Director
Linda Tincher. Lions Training / Informational
Sessions Friday or Saturday: Awards &
Recognition. Conflict Resolution, Club
Quality Initiative Overview, Goal Setting,
Legal – 990 & 501c3 & 501c4 & 10-100,
Recruiting Younger Members, Secretary –
Live Reporting M & A & C, Zone & Region
Chair Round Table, The order form can also
be found in the Sept/Oct MD 35 Magazine.



DISTRICT 35-0's

CLUB BULLETIN CONTEST

The contest has begun! Be sure to send
your club bulletin (newsletter) to Lion Rita
Fawcett. (Either email to HWEARL@aol.com
or U.S. mail to 450 West Orange Street, Lake
Alfred, FL 33850) Single Page (back to back)
or Multi-Page must be sent for each month
September through March.



BUY TICKETS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS NOW!



**The Homosassa Lions Club
Presents:**



Starring: Billy Lindsey
Saturday, January 30, 2016
Dinner & Show
Baked Chicken - Cash Bar
Cocktails 6:00 PM - Dinner 7:00
Show 8:00 PM

Tickets \$20
For Tickets Call 352-628-2461
To fund the charitable works of the
Homosassa Lions Club.

Last year was a sell-out! Get your tickets early!



**The LIONS STORE can
help with your holiday
shopping! [Click Here
for Holiday Items](#)**

Do you like the Lions 100 pin
in the Lions Store? The high

quality *CENT Pierced Lapel Emblem* ([gold](#) or
[silver](#)) is offered for sale through Club
Supplies Sales as a commemorative item for
the Centennial. *This is not the pin used for
the Centennial Membership Award Program.*
The Lions Store is releasing saleable
products over the next two years to
commemorate Lions 100th Anniversary.

Oviedo Winter Springs Lions 4th ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Jan. 31, 2016



The **Oviedo Winter Springs Lions** in
conjunction with the Central Florida
Chapter of the Professional Opticians of
Florida proudly presents the **4th**
ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF
TOURNAMENT To Benefit the LIONS'
ENTITIES OF CENTRAL FLORIDA
January 31, 2016 at Lake Nona's EAGLE
CREEK GOLF CLUB, 10350 Emerson
Lakes Blvd, Orlando, Florida 32832.

The success of the OWSLC Golf Tournament,
that hugely supports our Lions Entities, is
dependent upon players, gift donations used for
drawings among players and sponsors!

Registration: \$99.00 per golfer,
Registration includes: Greens fees, cart
fee, pre-round range balls and Awards
Luncheon. SCRAMBLE START 8:00AM.
HOLE IN ONE PRIZE: 2016 Chevrolet (if
over 60 players) Prizes for 1st, 2nd and
3rd place and more Call Doreen 407-
765-5600 or Lion Ted 407-366-0761 Or
email MollyMistyAngel@yahoo.com or
wstuartldo@gmail.com, for more
information. Please share the attached
flier(s) as appropriate and reach out to
Lion Dennis Dulniak
(owslions@gmail.com), Lion Ted Erion
(tederion@yahoo.com), or Lion Pat
Stamm (patsnpans@yahoo.com) with
any questions, prospects for
sponsorship and prizes.

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Southeastern
Guide Dogs

Life Unleashed

*A behind the scenes look at the
making of superheroes at
Southeastern Guide Dogs*

Welcome to Life Unleashed, where you can see all of the magic happening behind the scenes on Southeastern Guide Dogs' 33-acre Palmetto, Florida campus.

Transforming a playful puppy into a superhero requires extraordinary dogs, dedicated staff and volunteers, generous supporters, unparalleled veterinary care, and an amazing training team.

Today we take a closer look into the construction of The Barpal - Hirst Student Center and learn about all its exciting new features and how they will enhance the experience of our students. [Click here to watch.](#)

[For the 2016 Southeastern Guide Dogs Walk-a-thon Schedule Click Here.](#)

NEED TO ORDER AWARDS?

For Golden Chain, Governors Achievement and Anchor Awards send your order with a check made out to *Florida Lions District 35-O* to the District 35-O Awards Chair – Lion Bobbie Cheh at 36 Kathy Drive, Ormond Beach, FL 32176. If you have questions please contact Lion Bobbie at ormondbob@aol.com or call 386-441-0955. (Please do not send requests for these awards to the MD office.)



**99th LIONS CLUB
INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION
Konnichiwa Lions!
Register for
LCIcon Today**

The [99th Lions Clubs International Convention](#) is in the city of Fukuoka, Japan, June 24–28, 2016. Fukuoka is in the southwest part of Japan and is home to the oldest Zen temple in Japan. Fukuoka is well known for its gourmet food, with an abundance of fresh seafood and the most yatai (street food stalls) in all of Japan.

The convention will include festivities that showcase our own culturally diverse membership, such as the International Parade of Nations in the heart of Fukuoka City. For up-to-date information about the convention, [visit the LCIcon website](#). [Register today for the convention](#) to receive the \$130 early registration fee. Also, [book your hotel room with LCI](#) and stay with your delegation.

Fight Hunger and Poverty in January

More than 800 million people live in poverty. You can help make a difference by organizing a special service project in your community for the Worldwide Week of Service to Fight Hunger and Poverty on January 10-16. Visit the [Worldwide Week of Service to Fight Hunger and Poverty](#) page for planning resources for this special Centennial Service Challenge event. Start planning your project today to bring dignity and hope to those who need us most.



For those of you who wish to "cruise" to Freeport, Grand Bahama Island for their anniversary activities, click on the links below for flyers and info about a 4-night cruise—two nights at sea (March 17 & 20) onboard MV Grand Celebration, and two nights (March 18 & 19) at the Grand Lucayan Beach Resort.

[FLYER 1](#) [FLYER 2](#)

[MORE INFORMATION](#)

A NOTE ABOUT TAXES FROM LIONS INTERNATIONAL..... (e-Postcard)

Last Notice ----Club Presidents, If you club has not taken care of this important tax requirement, please do so immediately.

All Lions Clubs, Districts and Multiple Districts that have annual gross receipts less than \$50,000 and do not have to file Form 990 or 990-EZ, **MUST** file the [e-Postcard](#) (also known as 990-N). Please note that this is an IRS requirement. Please refer to the following chart regarding annual filing requirements: The e-Postcard is due by the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of your tax year. Lions Clubs operate on a fiscal year, July 1 – June 30, and the e-Postcard will be due by **November 15th** each year. Please note that *an organization cannot request an extension for filing the Form 990-N*. For more information click here [<INFO>](#)

NEWS FROM THE SATELLITE BEACH LIONS CLUB

From Lion Julie Boleware

The Satellite Beach Lions Club bought and delivered 100 Webster's All-in-One Dictionaries/Thesauruses to third grade classrooms at a local elementary school. The third grade teachers at Ocean Breeze Elementary have been working to update their current collection of dictionaries and thesauruses for two years. Teacher Alicia McIntosh, who spearheaded the effort, said the teachers wanted updated books with more current words. The books they already have are old, worn out, and missing pages. Teachers also wanted enough copies to allow every student their own book, instead of having to "buddy up." The four

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classes needed 100 dictionaries and 100 thesauruses, 25 for each class to have a complete set.

A request for assistance was sent to Lions Club International and then forwarded to the Satellite Beach Lions. The Satellite Beach Lions voted to take action on the project immediately. The books were located from a wholesale distributor online and paid for by the Satellite Beach Lions from their Community Betterment fund. The books were ordered within 10 days of the original contact. The Lions made delivery of the books on October 7th to excited third graders.

"This is the best day of my life," said third grade student McKenzie.

Teachers say the books will be used to teach students how to use the dictionary and thesaurus. Students say they'll use them to look up the spelling, meaning, and pronunciation of words.



Satellite Beach Lions and third grade class at Ocean Breeze Elementary School in Indian Harbour Beach, FL.



Pictured from left to right: Jacki Simpson, Assistant Principal Elizabeth Brodigan, Bill Mazyck, Curt Black, Alan Boleware, Ed Farnsworth, Gini Black, Joe Hauser, Frank Armitage, Principal Laurie Hering.



Satellite Beach Lions, Frank Armitage and Ed Farnworth deliver dictionaries to Ocean Breeze Elementary classrooms.

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DISTRICT DIRECTORY UPDATES

Auburndale-Polk County

The correct email for President Wanda Wiggs is wandawiggs83@gmail.com.

Region Chair HeleneThompson

Change address on page 16 to 230 Ocean Ridge Dr, Melbourne Beach, FL

Rockledge Lions - change club meetings from 2nd and 4th Tuesday afternoon to 2nd and 4th Wed **EVENING** 6:00 PM; same location.



Please send the name of your Business Partners to [DG Jacque](#) to receive their Lions Decal.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Essential's Hair Salon
Edward Jones (Mark Wagner)
Special Olympics Florida

COCOA BEACH

Brano's Restaurant

CRYSTAL RIVER KING'S BAY

Brannen Bank
Highlanders Café
Oyster's Restaurant

DELAND

Big Rig2 Restaurant
Congressman John Mica
Discount Glasses
H.E.L.P. Animals Inc.
Hearing Aids Direct
Hometown News

National Federation of the Blind Newsline
Northend Pizza

State Representative David Santiago
The Property Place Real Estate
Timothy W. Golding Acupuncturist/Physician
VW Gould Insurance

HIGH POINT

Golden Insurance (Ultimate Health)

HOMOSASSA

Brannen Bank
Dan's Clam Stand-Crystal River
Dan's Clam Stand-Homosassa
Family Barber
Father and Son Hearing Center
Homosassa
Father and Son Hearing Center
Firestone Tire
First Presbyterian Church Food Pantry
Homosassa Eye Care
Kim's Restaurant
Luigi's Restaurant

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Sugarmill Restaurant
The Homosassa Library
United Methodist Thrift Shop
Wilder Funeral Home

INVERNESS

Mama's Kuntry Kafe
Lecanto 4-H Club
Save Our Waters Week

KISSIMMEE

Kissimmee Elementary School

LAKE ALFRED

Optical Outlet
Haines City Assisted Living
Lake Alfred Assisted Living
Lake Alfred Diner
Ron's Tackle Box

ORLANDO HISPANIC

Ayurbeauty Wellness Center
Orlando Business Center
R F Woodworks

ORMOND BEACH

State Farm Ryan Ochipa

ORMOND BY THE SEA

Alfie's Restaurant
OBTS Fire Department
Community Thrift Store
Klip and Kurl Beauty Salon
Publix (Ocean Shore Blvd)

Regions Bank

Walgreens

PONCE INLET

Conklin Center
Crabby Joe's
Crittter Fleet
Daytona Symphony
Dr. Vanessa Jackson
Hidden Treasures
Inlet Harbor Restaurant
Long Street Elementary
McKenna's
Mercedes (Jan Gregory)
North Turn Down The Hatch
Oceans Racquet Club
Olive Garden
PI Garden Club
PI Women's Club
PI Veteran's Club
Publix- Daytona Beach
Publix - Port Orange
Randy McDonald-Memphis and Me Band
SEGD

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Splash Car Wash
 Total Wine
 Walgreens South Daytona
PORT ORANGE
 Taylor Hearing Center
ROCKLEDGE
 Basket of Love Florist
 Brevard Vision Center
 Golfview Magnet Elementary School
 Hans Christian Anderson Elementary
 Hearing Life
 John F. Kennedy Middle School
 ReMax Aerospace Realty
 Rockledge Country Club
 Rockledge Gardens
 Rockledge Roses and Wine
 Ronald McNair Magnet Middle School
 Publix
 Walgreens
SATELLITE BEACH
 Banana River Café
 Complete Air and Heat, Inc.
 JC's BBQ
VIERA
 Personal Hearing Solutions
 Simpler Times Deli
VOLUSIA
 FL Diabetic Camp
 Dr. Frank Diamond

Upcoming Events:

(Includes Diabetes Certification & Recertification Dates in other Districts)

Send your Club & Entity Events and flyers to donnanorton@tampabay.rr.com for quick posting to the District 35-O Website. The Event list from the website is pulled for this Newsletter on a monthly basis.

SCHEDULED ZONE MEETINGS FOR 2015-2016

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DISTRICT EVENTS

Saturday December 5th, 2015 Orlando Hispanic Lions Club Christmas Ball Dinner & Dance 7pm to 1am. Live Music, Raffles, etc. <<[FLYER](#)>>

Dec. 9, 2015 (Wed) - The Lions of District 35-O Hearing Program is having their Christmas Party/ meeting. Venue: Logan's Roadhouse grill 3060 W. Sand Lake Rd. Orlando, FL. .Date: Wednesday December 09, 2015. Time: 6PM We are ordering off the menu. The only donation we are asking is a toy, food or other items for families in need for the holidays. Why not join us to find out how your hearing program is operated. Please RSVP. Lion Ray "Rocky Siracusa President 386-756-1274 Lion Wendy Wilson Secretary 386-738-1020

Jan 8 - 10, 2016 MD 35 Winter Conference - Presented by the 2015 2016 Council of Governors. Radisson Hotel, 2900 Parkway Blvd. Kissimmee, FL 34747 Request for Tickets must be received by December 10th. (See [FLYER](#)) Room Reservations must be made directly with the hotel by December 23rd. (See Flyer for phone numbers and group rate code). Lions Training / Informational Sessions Friday or Saturday :Awards & Recognition. Conflict Resolution, Club Quality Initiative Overview, Goal Setting, Legal – 990 & 501c3 & 501c4 & 10-100, Recruiting Younger Members, Secretary – Live Reporting M & A & C, Zone & Region Chair Round Table.

Jan. 23, 2016 -DISTRICT MEETING 35-O, [FLYER](#) and [REGISTRATION FORM](#)
 Clermont, Florida.

Jan. 30th, 2016 - ELVIS Dinner and Show - Homosassa Lions Club Cocktails 6:00 PM - Dinner 7:00 - Show 8:00 PM Tickets \$20 For Tickets Call 352-628-2461
 Last year this event sold out -- get your tickets early! <[FLYER](#)>

Jan. 31, 2016 - The Oviedo Winter Springs Lions in conjunction with the Central Florida Chapter of the Professional Opticians of Florida proudly presents the **4th ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT** To Benefit the **LIONS' ENTITIES OF CENTRAL FLORIDA** January 31, 2016 Lake Nona's EAGLE CREEK GOLF CLUB, 10350 Emerson Lakes Blvd, Orlando, Florida 32832. Registration: \$99.00 per golfer, Registration

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includes: Greens fees, cart fee, pre-round range balls and Awards Luncheon. SCRAMBLE START 8:00AM. HOLE IN ONE PRIZE: 2016 Chevrolet (if over 60 players) Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place and more Call Doreen 407-765-5600 or Lion Ted 407-366-0761 Or email MollyMistyAngel@yahoo.com or wstuartldo@gmail.com, for more information. Please share the attached flier(s) as appropriate and reach out to Lion Dennis Dulniak (owslions@gmail.com), Lion Ted Erion (tederion@yahoo.com), or Lion Pat Stamm (patsnpans@yahoo.com) with any questions, prospects for sponsorship and prizes. [FLYER \(Page 1\)](#) [FLYER \(Page 2\)](#)

SOUTHEASTERN GUIDE DOGS 2016 WALKATHON SCHEDULE (Click Here)

Feb. 6, 2016 Potential Leaders Seminar, MD Office, Orlando

Feb. 6, 2016 (Saturday) --Diabetes Training - Bonita Springs Lions Club (District I) , Certification and recertification. Retina will be included. [Lion Norma Callahan](#) needs a count by Tuesday Feb. 2nd. Cost of the full Certification class is \$25. If you download both manuals and bring them the cost is reduced to \$15. Recertification, if you have screened in the last six months and returned your forms, is free. Otherwise, recertification is \$15.00. Manuals can be found under "Resources and Forms" at this webpage: <http://www.dafmd35.org/>

Feb. 15th, 2016 - ZONE 10- Zone Meeting Satellite Beach Lions Club - Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 6:30pm

Feb 18, 2016 ZONE 1 - Zone Meeting Homosassa Lions Club

Mar. 4-6, 2016 Spring CoG-Executive, MD Office, Orlando

Mar. 12, 2016 - DISTRICT MEETING 35-O, Lake Alfred (Save the date!)

Mar 17 -21, 2016 Freeport Lions Club, Bahamas, will be celebrating its 50th Charter Anniversary, and official visit of the District 35-N Governor, March 18-20, 2016. [FLYER 1](#) [FLYER 2](#) [< More Info About the Cruise >](#)

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APRIL 7 - 10, 2016 - SOUTHEASTERN LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (Lions of Florida MD-35 RLLI). Life Enrichment Center, 4991 Picciola Rd., Fruitland Park, FL 34731
[FLYER / REGISTRATION FORM](#)

April 28, 2016 - May 1, 2016 MULTIPLE DISTRICT CONVENTION - Jacksonville, FL, "On the River" - Save the date!

For Updated or New Information Visit the District 35-O Website

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

Newsletter contributions are accepted and encouraged! Please send Newsletter submissions by the 25th of the month for the following months publication to

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REMEMBER TO VISIT THE DISTRICT 35-O FACEBOOK PAGE



For club activities, announcements, photos and more! Something new every day!

Also please remember to  (like) the posts and leave a comment!

<https://www.facebook.com/FloridaLionsDistrict35O>

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Wishing you and yours a very happy and safe holiday season.

"THE END"