

# DISTRICT 35-O NEWSLETTER



## Message from District Governor Tito



### The Single Most Critical Skill to Successful Meetings

The capacity to be an excellent listener is fundamental to effective communication, which is a must for leading great meetings. Managing a meeting's flow and its content hinges on the capability of the meeting leader to be fully attentive. Have you ever attended a meeting where the meeting leader is noticeably distracted and mentally absent? This person might be physically present but his/her mind is in a faraway place. Like riding a bus with a texting bus driver, a distracted meeting leader is a danger to meeting effectiveness.

When most people think of listening, they think of an instinctive human function (such as breathing or blinking) that requires little conscious thought or training. But nothing could be further from the truth. With hectic professional lives filled by enormous levels of distraction, the quality of our listening is inversely related to the amount of distraction we are experiencing at any point in time. Fortunately, listening is an active process that can be strengthened and conditioned. And it is essential for great meeting leadership. As a meeting leader one must be prepared to minimize distractions and fully listen in any meeting that you are leading.

There are two listening "zones" that meeting leaders find themselves in during the course of a meeting, the zone of distraction and the zone of focus.

**The zone of distraction**, is when we are physically present in the meeting, but mentally is in a different place. This zone occurs anytime your attention drifts to anything other than; meeting attendees, meeting objectives and agenda, meeting process, and content of the meeting. Some meeting leaders might fall into this distraction zone for just a few moments, others might spend an entire meeting in this space. This zone results from our focus being diverted to another external stimulus or our own internal dialogue.

Examples of external stimulus include email, texts, phone calls or sidebar meeting conversations. These are things in the environment that draw our attention away from the content of the meeting. We all get the urge to check our phones every now and again to see if we've received an important email, text or phone call. That might just be a way of life for

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most of us, but a meeting leader cannot succumb to the lures of this external distraction.

We can also get caught up on our own internal conversation. This is a preoccupation with our thoughts or emotions. In this instance one might actually be looking directly at a meeting attendee who is speaking while nodding your head. But in reality, we're not really "hearing" a word that he/she is saying. You might be thinking about a personal matter, other work that you need to perform, or just

considering what you want to say next. In either case, it is easy for our attention to wander away from the content of the meeting if we are not actively listening.

**The zone of focus** means that we are fully engaged in the meeting dialogue. Our focus and attention is on the meeting objectives, attendees, process and the corresponding discussion. We are listening to what attendees are saying and how they are saying it. We are interpreting their body language, hearing their tones and consciously soaking it all in. While you are listening, you are also acutely aware of the group dynamic. You can sense when others are paying attention and assess if attendees are confused, have a question or want to comment.

When you are in this zone of focus, you are able to effectively sift important content from extraneous dialogue. You can more clearly perform your role and clarify essential assets generated throughout the meeting. Further, your attentiveness in this zone influences attendees to maintain their focus and engagement. When meeting leaders check out of the discussion others are sure to follow. Fortunately, the opposite is also true.

In this space you resist the temptation to respond to the external or internal distractions that are sure to present themselves throughout the meeting.

Simply stated, maintaining attentive listening is a critical responsibility of the meeting leader. With focused listening a meeting leader is in a powerful position to impact the quality of meeting results, especially when listening is supplemented with the skill of asking questions. We Serve.

In friendship and lionism,

DG Irving E. "Tito" Navarro.



## *Hello from 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Helene*



### Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind

“The Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind, Inc. was founded in 1958 to provide sight care to the needy through the Lions of Florida (Multiple District-35). Later, the Foundation's scope of operations was expanded to include grants to aid Lions-sponsored or Lions-associated sight care related agencies within MD-35. Often times, a club's members hear of an individual who needs eye surgery but has no insurance and insufficient funds to pay for the surgery. Our project chairs work with local doctors and hospitals to hold down medical costs and stretch our dollars. Many times, we are able to negotiate the price down to the point that the Foundation pays less than the Medicaid rate paid by the federal government.”

### My fellow Lions

This is the description of our entity taken right from its website. Many of our Clubs have had the opportunity to refer a client to our Foundation and experienced their service first hand. The Foundation has accomplished incredible goals with the help and generosity of our Clubs through copayments and donations. The backbone of this organization is the MD-35 Projects Chairperson. The Projects Chair receives the grants, submits them for approval, finds a medical team when necessary, negotiates a very reduced rate for services and submits the bills for payment. With hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of surgeries and procedures every year, this position is crucial.

For many years, the MD-35 Projects Chairperson has been Lion Beverly Kruger. Her tireless efforts and genuine enthusiasm for the work were a tremendous asset to the Foundation and our Multiple District.

We lost Lion Beverly on January 25<sup>th</sup> after a battle with cancer. There are few words that can adequately describe the sense of loss for those of us who served on the Board with Lion Beverly. Her smile and laugh will be greatly missed.

Respectfully

Lion Helene Thompson, FVDG

<http://floridalionsfoundation.org/>





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



I was so happy to start the new year. While I appreciate the Christmas season, as it gives us time to slow down and recognize what is really important to us, I also appreciate our Lions family and mission. By now we have set some goals (resolutions) and have set in place a plan to achieve them. If you read my article last month you know I have set a goal to lose some weight. My other goal was to help the District Governors Team visit and touch our District Lions Clubs. I am happy to report I have done both, and continue to do so. I have lost 25 pounds while visiting 15 Lions clubs and attending the Council of Governors Spring

Conference. I will continue to do both in February, as it is important for me to be healthier and get to know your Lions Club and your Lions members.

As Lions International has asked us to increase our acts of service by improving the lives of 200,000,000 per year by 2020-2021 through LCI Forward, I have been learning about the great service your clubs are doing by visiting and attending Zone and District meetings. I have found some items that we can help each other with. First, club reporting on service activities on the LCI website can be improved so clubs get credit for the wonderful things you are doing. I have listened to several clubs' report service verbally at meetings but when I check to get details in MY LCI, it is not listed. DG Tito has been presenting "Centennial Service Patches" and Legacy Patches to Clubs based on last year's reporting. The patches come in Emerald, Sapphire, Ruby and Diamond.



Each club has or will receive the correct patch based on *how many areas of the service challenge have been completed and reported*. Reported being the key word. When I was Zone chair one of our District goals was to improve the number of clubs that report on My LCI. Back then we were under 50% of clubs reporting. I am happy to report that we have 70% of our District Clubs reporting, that's a great increase and has been done because *club Secretary's and Presidents have made an effort to get it done*. Clubs that are still not, have given great feedback as to why. That is where we as the DG Team can help. I am working with clubs that agree, to get them help with reporting. Another item to be improved on is attaching a service activity to your item. Was it Hunger related? Was it Environment related? or maybe youth. The drop downs are important and you can attach your activity to more than one area. For instance, if you were involved with a youth group and helped them plant trees, that would qualify for youth and environment.

I have included a link to help club secretaries with reporting but if you would like a Secretary Mentor, we have volunteers. Just send me an e-mail or call and we will connect you with the right Lion.

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/lions100/steps-to-reporting-centennial-activities.pdf>

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/faq-csc.pdf>

Legacy project ideas and reporting information is the next link.

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/lions100/centennial-legacy-faq.pdf>

One other thing I have learned, is that it is important when we enter NEW lions that we ask if they have ever been a Lion before? If they have been we want to enter them as such so all their Lion years show up, and when Chevrons are sent, these Lions are properly recognized. This year over 150 District Lions will receive Chevrons from the District Governor and his team. I have included a link to a “Membership History Update” form that can also be used by your club to correct your members years of service. In my visits I have found 2 Lions this week that are listed as less than 2 years but have been Lions for over 30 years. Quite a difference.

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/mh101.pdf>



## *Notes from Donna (Cabinet Secretary)*



Dear Lions,

Donna Norton needs our thoughts and prayers. She has been hospitalized with pneumonia. Please keep her and Steve in your thoughts.

DG Tito

Lions we are now into February, can you believe we have only 4 more months until this Lions year is over. Now is the time for some Club housekeeping to be done.

Check out your club goals to see which ones have been completed and which ones do you need to finish.

Have all members paid their dues, has your service activity hours been put into LCI?

Are you ready for club elections? Your PU101 will be due soon.

Register for MD Convention online.

Have all officers have been given the opportunity for training?

These are just a few things to think about as we get ready for the remainder of the year.

Please let the district team know how that can help you finish out your club's goals. We are here to serve along with you.

## *Cabinet Treasurer Rita Talks Money*



Your District Team has many responsibilities to be an effective team.

**They provide good leadership by understanding its role and responsibilities. The team will be open, responsive and accountable, acting at all times with integrity, in the interest of MD 35 District O Lions and its beneficiaries.**

The team will act according to high ethical standards; identify, understand and manage conflicts of interest and loyalty; maintain independence of decision making; ensure open communication by informing and consulting people about the organization and its work; listen and respond to the views of beneficiaries, service users, funders and supporters with an interest in the Lions' work; handle complaints constructively, impartially and efficiently; consider organizational responsibilities to the wider community, society and the environment; and consider organizational responsibility in promoting equality and good relations.

**They will provide good leadership by working well both as individuals and as a team.**

The team will have a range of appropriate policies and procedures, knowledge, attitudes and behaviors to enable both individuals and the team to work effectively. The team will plan for its own development and renewal by providing suitable induction for new team members; providing all team members with opportunities for training and development according to their needs; periodically reviewing their performance both as individuals and as a team.

**They will provide good leadership by ensuring delivery of organizational purpose.**

The team has the ultimate responsibility for directing the activity of the organization and delivering its stated purposes. It will do this by ensuring organizational purposes remain relevant and valid; providing public benefit; developing and agreeing a long term strategy; developing operational plans and budgets; monitoring progress and spending against agreed plans and budgets; amending plans and budgets as appropriate; evaluating results, assessing outcomes and impact; and maintaining a positive working relationship with all Lions.

**An effective team will provide good leadership by exercising appropriate control.**

As the accountable body, the team will maintain and regularly review the team's system of internal controls, performance, and policies and procedures, to ensure that the team understands and complies with all legal and regulatory requirements that apply to it; the team has appropriate up to date internal financial and management controls; it regularly identifies and reviews the major risks to which the team is exposed and has systems to manage those risks; delegation to committees, the team works effectively and the use of delegated authority is properly supervised; all members of the team are managed and supported.

**They will provide good leadership by behaving with integrity and by being open and accountable.**

The team will be open, responsive and accountable, acting at all times with integrity, in the interest of the organization and its beneficiaries. The team will act according to high ethical standards; identify, understand and manage conflicts of interest and loyalty; maintain independence of decision making; ensure open communication by informing and consulting people about Lions and its work; listen and respond to the views of beneficiaries, service users, funders and supporters with an interest in the Lions' work; handle complaints constructively, impartially and efficiently; consider organizational responsibilities to the wider community, society and the environment; and consider organizational responsibility in promoting equality and good relations.

## *from your Global Membership Team*

The strength of our organization is determined by the strength of our clubs and our members. Just imagine how much greater our impact would be if every one of our 1,364 MD 35-O Lions would Ask One. Membership growth is key to the future of our Lions Clubs. But we need to do more than just invite new members. We need to engage them in club life and make sure they feel the Power of Service. Check out the Club Quality Initiative Plan on the LCI website.

PDG Al Becker  
GMT 35-O



February	3	Chartered 1987	Wildwood Sumer County 44 31 yrs
February	3	Chartered 2009	Osceola Latin American Lions Club 9 yrs
February	12	Chartered 1924	Daytona Beach Lions Club 94 yrs

## *DIABETES AWARENESS & RETINOPATHY*

We will be holding train the trainer in the MD office February 10, 2018 from 10-2 lunch will be provided.

Please review and bring with you the newest manual to the training. You will be asked to present a part of manual.

I need a count by the Tuesday February 6, 2018.

Norma Callahan, PDG



*Serving with your GST Coordinator Jacquie Tripp Spencer*

## **GST Zone Meeting Visitation Dates**

Zone 1      2-21-18 Inglis-Yankeetown



## ***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.

Elections will be held during the MD 35 Convention May 3-6, 2018 at the Wyndham in Orlando.

## **The GLT's Corner**

Even though it is only the beginning of February, it is time to make plans for the future – especially plans for training your clubs 2018-2019 officers.

An east coast and a west coast training session is being planned for late April or May so that on July 1 all club officers will be off to an excellent start of their new term. These classes are beneficial for all officers even those who have served in that capacity before. One reason is that things change rapidly at Lions Clubs International and we need to keep up with these changes. Lions who might be interested in serving in a leadership position later are also welcome to attend.

A training class for those who wish to become a certified Guiding Lion are going to be held in April at the multiple district office. The date is not yet set in stone. Current Guiding Lions may want to check the expiration date on their certificate.

If you are interested in learning more about Lions, there are a number of recorded webinars and lots of classes in the Lions Learning Center. These can be completed on your own time schedule as time permits.

**JOIN THE TEAM IN COLUMBUS**

**TAILGATE PARTY**  
Thursday, September 20th

Show your team spirit at Thursday Night's Tailgate Party by wearing your favorite team gear...jerseys, hats, shirts, etc.

**JOHN PINERO**

**MICHELLE RAY**

**GUDRUN YNGVADOTTIR**

**JON PETZ**

**USA/Canada LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM**

**September 20-22, 2018**

The graphic features a collage of four individuals (John Pinero, Michelle Ray, Gudrun Yngvadottir, and Jon Petz) against a background of the Columbus skyline. On the left is a graphic of a football with the Lions logo. On the right is the Lions Leadership Forum logo. The bottom of the graphic has a blue banner with the dates 'September 20-22, 2018'.

# Directory Updates

Page 67 email update Wayne A Gile from [cgile1@cfl.rr.com](mailto:cgile1@cfl.rr.com) to [cgile123@gmail.com](mailto:cgile123@gmail.com)

Page 145 email update Wayne A Gile from [cgile1@cfl.rr.com](mailto:cgile1@cfl.rr.com) to [cgile123@gmail.com](mailto:cgile123@gmail.com)

Page 143 Janet Fonseca delete phone number **386-951-4458**

Page 132 email update Yocasta Becker from [nightingales2@earthlink.net](mailto:nightingales2@earthlink.net) to [jobecker1747@yahoo.com](mailto:jobecker1747@yahoo.com)

Page 88 Crusader Award delete all information concerning Joe Hauser (last year's winner) and replace with this year's winner Fred Holden 3206 Hanging Moss Cir Kissimmee FL 34741 (407) 343-6285 [fjhseh@aol.com](mailto:fjhseh@aol.com)

Be sure to send corrections to Lion Rita Fawcett or Lion Donna Norton to be placed in the next newsletter.  
Your club secretary needs to make corrections to Lions Clubs International.

## International Convention



### The Centennial Celebration Continues in Las Vegas!

Let's close the Centennial in style as Lions take the stage, June 29-July 3, 2018, in Las Vegas for the 101<sup>st</sup> Annual International Convention! Join Lion and Leo leaders from more than 100 countries as they gather in the

entertainment capital of the world to celebrate service and friendship in grand style. Registration information is now available.

**Register online:** <http://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/EN/attendees/registration-information.php>

VIVA Las Vegas!

Join PCC Geoff Wade & Lion Nancy as he becomes our representative as International Director & your incoming and outgoing District Governors and Council Chairs!



## LIONS DAY WITH THE UNITED NATIONS



Be one of the first Lions to **reserve your spot** to two of the biggest events of the year.

### **Lions Day with the United Nations in Nairobi, Kenya** Tuesday, February 27, 2018

**REGISTER FOR LDUN KENYA**

To make a hotel reservation, please contact:  
**reservations@trademark-hotel.com**

### **Lions Day with the United Nations in New York, USA** Saturday, March 24, 2018

**REGISTER FOR LDUN NEW YORK**

Lions Day with the United Nations in Nairobi and New York will invite Lions, Leos and dignitaries from around the world to continue the conversation about the global fight against the diabetes epidemic. Both events feature prestigious speakers and will be attended by Lions Clubs International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal.



LDUN 2017

COME AND  
JOIN US!  


CYPRESS GARDENS LIONS CLUB  
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF  
SERVICE

Third zone 5 meeting  
THURSDAY FEB. 8, 2018

**6: 00 PM SOCIAL**

**6:30 PM DINNER \$12.00**

**CHOPPED STEAK WITH GRAVY AND ONIONS, MASHED POTATOES,  
GREEN BEANS, SALAD AND DESERT. ICED TEA & COFFEE  
MEETING TO FOLLOW- ZONE 5 CHAIR LION TINA REECE AND GUEST  
SPEAKER**

**ABIDING SAINTS CHURCH  
HAVENDALE BLVD.**





**DISTRICT 35-O, ZONE 6 LIONS MEETING**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018 at 6:30 PM**  
**HOSTED BY: ORLANDO HISPANIC LIONS CLUB**  
**INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF DOMINO USA**  
**615 HERNDON AVENUE, SUITE F**  
**ORLANDO, FL 32803**  
**SPEAKER: PDG Norma Callahan**  
**DINNER MENU: Lasagna (Puerto Rican Style)**

**Ripe Plantain, Salad, Dessert, etc.**

**COST: \$12.00**

**Mail Reservation and Check by: January 31, 2018 to:**  
**Lion Awilda Camacho, Orlando Hispanic Lions Club,**  
**P. O. Box 560482, Orlando, FL 32856**

**If you cannot meet the reservation due date:**  
**Call Lion Awilda – 407 443-7674 to RSVP**

**Names:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Club Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_



## **Zone 1 Meeting**

**INGLIS-YANKEETOWN CLUB HOUSE  
59th Street Yankeetown, FL**

**FEBRUARY 21, 2018**

**SOCIAL 6 PM**

**DINNER/MEETING 7 PM**

**Spaghetti with Marinara Sauce, Sausage on side  
Salad, Garlic Bread, Desert Coffee/Tea**

**COST \$12**

**RSVP: [stevenorton@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:stevenorton@tampabay.rr.com)  
by February 16, 2018**

**All Lions are welcome to meet**

**DG Tito**

**2VDG Greg PDG Jacquie**

**Remember Lions Presidents and Secretaries you must attend and bring your club with you. New member induction tonight. As your Zone chair I need your club report as well.**

# Club News

## Spring Hill Nature Coast Charter Night





## Ormond By the Sea Lions

Ormond By the Sea Lions Club would like to wish everyone a Happy, Healthy New Year!

Santa and Mrs. Claus (OBTS Lions Club Members Les Walter and Gwen Dean) were available for photos and breakfast on December 2 at Alfies Restaurant. Diamond Jim, the balloon artist, stayed busy making Christmas balloon hats for all and the Firefighters from Volusia County Fire Services gave the children fire information and photos in their fire truck.

December 4 OBTS Lions Club President Bobbie Cheh welcomed over 100 to their Community Holiday party at Alfies. Santa visited and distributed hand-made ornaments and the Acafellas, an all-male Acapella group from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University provided the wonderful holiday entertainment. Highlight of the evening were the following holiday contributions the OBTS Lions Foundation distributed: \$250.00 to the Ormond By the Sea Firefighters, \$500.00 to the Conklin Center, \$250.00 to Halifax Urban Ministries, \$200.00 to St. Brendan's Catholic Church Outreach, \$100.00 for Lions Project Right to Sight and \$300.00 to Riverview United Methodist Church.

December 16 had Club members taking two hour shifts to ring the bell for the Salvation Army In front of the Publix in the Ormond Mall. 2018 is going to be just as busy! Join us to help your community.



Volusia County Firefighters, Ormond By the Sea Lions Club Elves and Santa and Mrs. Claus at Breakfast with Santa



Conklin Center Director Robert Kelly accepting \$500 donation from OBTS Lions Foundation President Bobbie Cheh



Diamond Jim the Balloon Artist making balloon hats for the children



Lions Gerry Bandola and John Thomas ringing the bell for the Salvation Army Red Kettle

## Winter Garden Lions

A visit by DG Tito to Winter Garden Lions presenting a centennial patch to Past President Ray Grimes







## PIERSON LIONS CLUB

international event, 50 years of service to the Pierson's Lions Club and the local Pierson community is being celebrated by Lion Robert and his Club. When you ask him how he feels about his accomplishment in Lions, he states *"I am proud of all the people I have been able to help and bring joy to."*



During his 50-year tenure with the Club, Lion Robert has been a catalyst for keeping events going such as the "Old Timers Day", Duval Home visits, the Pierson Rodeo including the food and drinks for the Duval residents at special events, some of which are going on over 35 years.

He currently is Club Treasurer and serves on many committees, including the Rodeo committee. The Pierson Lions Club was chartered on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 1950 and recently celebrated its 68<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. They perform many service activities in their local community including "Old Timers" Day in April and Christmas for the residents of the Duval Homes in Deland.

Pierson's Lions Club celebrated Roberts's milestone anniversary on January 15 at their meeting by having their District Governor Tito Navarro present Lion Bob with his 50 Year Chevron pin.

## Oviedo Winter Springs Lions

The club: Oviedo Winter Springs Lions Club, Florida MD35-O

This month, our focus was on Worldwide Week of Service for Hunger.

Here's the plot:

At our first meeting of the month (we meet the first and third Tuesdays), the LCIF Club Coordinator passed out quart baggies with a white label announcing the Worldwide Week of Service in January as Feeding the Hungry. We asked our club members to save their loose change for two weeks and to bring it to the meeting. We collected the baggies (17 out of 34 members remembered) and we raised \$104.75 from the loose change collected by Lions over the past two weeks. If you brought a baggy, your name went into a drawing for one of the President's pins. It was a real hit!

Next month, we are going to collect with a focus on Vision. In March, it will be for diabetes. In April, it will be for the Environment. In May, we'll collect for youth; and in June we'll collect for childhood cancer prevention. Each month, the names of the givers are listed with their donated amounts. In June, we'll add up the cumulative total and submit the donation to LCIF in the names of those who gave.

We plan to give gold, silver, and bronze awards to those who reach certain dollar amounts in June. If someone donates a total of over \$100 US dollars, it's gold! Over \$75 US dollars, it's silver! Over \$50 US dollars, it's bronze. We'll also recognize those who averaged at least \$2 US dollars per week. If that habit were to continue, the Lion would donate over \$100 and reach what is expected for the LCIF capital campaign.

I hope this is enough information for a quick story about an easy fundraiser. Our goal is to raise over \$100/month. When this is done, we'll have donated \$1,000 to LCIF from personal contributions of club members. This will help build the habit of giving.

Don't hesitate to ask questions or request additional information. Hope to see this on the website!

PID Robert Littlefield

Photos taken at our first of six "Time for Change" LCIF Fundraiser.





## Volusia County Lions Clubs

### Spring Break Children's Food Drive February 2018

In 2015 and 2016 Volusia County Lions Clubs were able to collect for and Gift Cards that were used to feed disadvantaged children who are currently getting food items each week end during school. This Food Drive is designed to get food for them during their "Spring Break" which Lions learned was an un attended need. This year Region 3 Lions are asking participating Lions Clubs to again be involved in this. The Collections will take place February 1<sup>st</sup> through February 28<sup>th</sup>. To be distributed from March 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> to the schools. For more information on this please contact Lion Mary Yochum at (386) 295-5489 or Region Chair Jeff Follmer at (386) 322-6045. Below is a list of suggested Non-Perishable items. Any help is appreciated.



**Child Friendly Snacks**

**Granola Bars**  
**Applesauce and Fruit Cups**  
**Fruit Snacks**  
**Canned Pasta and Beefaroni**  
**Pop Tarts**



**Non-Perishable items**

**Canned Tuna & Chicken**  
**Canned Beef Stew & Chili**  
**Peanut Butter**  
**Breakfast Cereal**  
**Canned Corn & Green Beans**  
**Canned Pasta Sauce**  
**Canned Pork & Beans**  
**Canned Fruit**  
**Canned Beans: Pinto, Navy, Kidney**  
**Boxed Macaroni & Cheese**  
**Dry Pasta-Stuffing-Potatoes-Rice**

## Kissimmee Lions



Kissimmee Lions Club President Steve Hilaire making the Clubs donation of foodstuff and a check to the Hope Community Center in Kissimmee as part of Worldwide Hunger Drive



# PROJECT RIGHT TO SIGHT

Project Right to Sight glass sorting with over 22 Lions & volunteers sorting 15,000 pairs today. PID Robert Littlefield, District Governor Tito, First Lady Miriam, SVDG Greg, Orlando Knights Lions, Oviedo Winter Springs Lions, Orlando Hispanic, Ormond by the Sea and PRTS President Ted all done in under 3 hours. ROAR





## The 50th Anniversary Celebration Continues: Enter the *Together We Can* Contest: Measles Edition

This month, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) celebrates its 50th anniversary and the completion of its commitment to Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance. Through the generosity of Lions, LCIF has donated US\$30 million to fight the spread of measles around the world. Matching funds from the Bill & Melinda Gates foundation and the UK Department for International Development doubled the impact of that investment. Millions of children around the world will benefit, and that's truly something to celebrate.

The Together We Can Contest: Measles Edition gives you exciting ways to enter and learn about LCIF's fight to eradicate this deadly disease.

[ENTER THIS MONTH'S](#)

[CONTEST NOW »](#)

This month, more lucky winners from around the globe will win an exclusive LCIF 50th Anniversary medal, plus an invitation to LCIF recognition events at the Lions Clubs International Convention in Las Vegas (travel and convention registration not included). [See who won last month's contest.](#)

We'll be running a new contest every month through April 2018, so [enter now.](#) Keep coming back for more chances to win, and to learn how LCIF supports your service.

Thank you.

## REST IN PEACE

**Milton N Johnson, Sr.**

**Dec 21, 1937 – Dec 28, 2017**



**Milton Nelson Johnson, Sr., 80 of Inglis, Florida, passed away December 28, 2017. He was a retired Florida Highway Trooper.**

**His greatest interest was any and everything that involved family, especially his grandchildren. He was a charter member of the Inglis Yankeetown Lions Club and a member of the Gulf Hammock Church of God. Lion Milton joined the Inglis Yankeetown Lions Oct. 1, 1977. Albeit Lion Milton has been unable to attend regular meetings for a number of years, due to a prolonged illness, he maintained his membership in the club and continued to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees.**

**Services were held on Tuesday January 2, 2018 at the Crystal River Church of God.**

**Luis R. Centeno**

**December 28, 1931 – January 2, 2018**



**Luis R. Centeno, 86, of East Hartford, CT passed away peacefully on January 2, 2018. He was born on December 28, 1931 in Vega Baja, Puerto Rico. Luis was pre-deceased by his parents Martino Centeno and Eladia Sanchez along with his brother Martin Centeno Sanchez. Luis is survived by his wife, Lillian Centeno, his children Luis R. Centeno Jr. and wife Mirna, Ivonne Centeno, and Jacqueline Centeno, his seven grandchildren Hector Torres, Luis R. Centeno III, Yecenia DeJesus-Soto and husband Alfredo Soto, Barbara Centeno, Fernando C. DeJesus Centeno, Niobe Mulero, Lillian Mulero and three great-grandchildren Adonis A. Soto and Sarah and Alyssia Centeno; as well as his siblings Anibal, Victor, Migdalia, Norma, Martino Jr. and Humberto Centeno. Luis was a retired**

**public school teacher for over 40 years in the states of New York, Puerto Rico, Massachusetts, and Connecticut. He was a Korean War Veteran serving alongside the 65th Infantry Regiment "Borinqueneers." He received the Congressional Gold Medal signed by President Obama in 2016. He was an active member of the Hartford Evening Lions Club (40 years) and as a member received the highest honor Melvin Jones award. He was a member of the Saint Rose Catholic Church in East Hartford and belonged to many community organizations. He was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather. He was devoted to his family and friends. He was loved by all who knew him and his devotion to the education of children made him a role model for future generations. His family would like to express their deepest gratitude to the staff at Amberwoods of Farmington for their care and devotion to the well-being of their father. Special thanks to Yvonne, Luz, and Don Andres for his constant companionship.**

**Beverly A. Kruger**

September 18, 1935 - January 25, 2018

Beverly A. Kruger, 82, of Venice, FL, formerly of Milton, MA, passed away on January 25, 2018. Beverly spent her career as a medical secretary in a hospital. She was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, Lion's Club of Venice, and the Lion's Foundation for the Blind.

There are no local services planned at this time.

## **Lions Blood Bank**

On September 19, 2014, the Blood Bank in Orlando including our Lions account merged with the blood banks in Tampa and Miami to create the largest blood bank in Florida called "One Blood". They can be contacted at; [oneblood.org](http://oneblood.org) or call 1 888 936 6283 for locations and blood drives. This is now become a Lions/Community project which the clubs should post on their M&A reports for credit and is an alternate requirement for the Golden Chain Award. For anyone in need of blood, it will be there for you. For any assistance, call Ed Werner at [407 920 5401](tel:4079205401) or [ed247@aol.com](mailto:ed247@aol.com).







## **Congratulations on Doubling Our Service Goal!**

When we began our Centennial Celebration, Lions accepted the challenge to serve 100 million people. You not only met the challenge, you went above and beyond—and *doubled* our Centennial Service Challenge goal! Lions have now served 200 million people around the world, and we're not done yet. [Watch the video](#) congratulations, and be encouraged to keep serving and changing lives. Let's set a new goal to see how many more people we can serve by June!



## **LCIF: Celebrating 50 Years of Extraordinary Service**

Lions serve, and for 50 years, Lions Clubs International Foundation



(LCIF) has been supporting that service. We launched [LCIF50.org](http://LCIF50.org) to celebrate LCIF's 50th Anniversary. Here you'll find videos, photos, stories and a series of online contests that focus on the Foundation's important work. Get in on the fun and enter the Together We Can Contest at [LCIF50.org](http://LCIF50.org). And don't forget that your [LCIF donations](#) count towards the Centennial Service Challenge. If your club wants to earn a higher-level patch, plan to add a donation to your activities!

## The Centennial Celebration Continues in Las Vegas

Let's close our Centennial in style as Lions take the stage at the [101st Annual International Convention](#), June 29-July 3, 2018, in Las Vegas. Join Lion and Leo leaders from more than 100 countries as they gather in the entertainment capital of the world to celebrate service and friendship. Be a part of history as we celebrate our Centennial highlights and look forward to our future. [Registration](#) information is now available!

### Centennial Highlights:

- **New Presidential Videos Just Released** – Lion leaders share our service legacy in a new series of inspirational [presidential videos](#). Enjoy them today!
- **Has Your Club Completed a Legacy Project?** – Every club can complete a [Legacy Project](#) by the end of the Centennial. This is your last chance to be a part of this historical event! Make sure to report your project so you can be counted.
- **Centennial Grant Program Closing** – [Centennial grants](#) have assisted numerous multiple and single districts in promoting Lions clubs through Centennial activities. Download a [Centennial Grant application](#) today, as the final deadline is March 31, 2018.

# HEARING PROGRAM

Fellow Lions,

Liberty was finally chosen for a name by the votes. L is the first letter in Lions and stands for freedom and independence which is offered by service animals... Although this partnership is not in our district, they are the next in line for Florida. I hope we all agree that a woman that is a veteran and a young mother deserves our support in the way of sponsoring a hearing dog.

Also, we approached Florida Medical Hearing in Orange City. The new manager (Ashley) is from the Putnam County Store and has worked with the Lions. Unless it is a case where our used aids are unable to be refurbished due to severity of hearing loss or lack of aids to work properly, they provide this service for free. Even when an expense is on us, it will not be a large one. Ashley is excited to be working with us in her new location. I understand that there are over 240 Florida Medical Hearing Centers in Florida. Check out one in your area and contact them. We have heard no before and it doesn't hurt physically. We just may get a few more centers to work with.

We have received the first report on our hearing dog we are sponsoring:

Yes! Liberty is assigned to Delvenia, a woman in Pensacola. She lost her hearing in 2013 due to Meniere's disease, which also causes her to have vertigo spells. She is completely deaf in her left ear and her right has good and bad days. Delvenia is a veteran and lives with her husband and nine-year-old son. She is alone all day and has trouble hearing if someone is at the door or calling. She believes a hearing dog can greatly help her and could possibly save her life if the smoke alarm goes off.

Liberty is an absolute doll! She LOVES attention, cuddling, and meeting new volunteers. Though she is a bigger dog, she calms right down around new people - with the staff she pushes her limits (haha!). We just think she loves having our eyes on her. She knows and responds well to the door and the smoke alarm, so next she will start on the telephone.

We don't have a placement date scheduled quite yet.

Thank you so much for your support!

Aspen Matthews  
Director of Development  
International Hearing Dog, Inc.

Lion Wendy Wilson  
MD 35 Hearing and Speech Chair 2017-2018

*Recycle your used Hearing Aids*





# **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!

**Register Today!**



## ***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 **making a donation** today!



*For more  
information or to become a  
Sponsor:*

Visit our **website** or contact Jamie  
Farrell at (813) 289-1200 or **send Jamie  
an email!**

# *South Eastern Guide Dogs*

## WALKATHON DATES TO REMEMBER

February 24, 2018 – St. Petersburg Walkathon at Vinoy Park

March 10, 2018 – Bradenton Walkathon at Rossi Park

March 17, 2018 – Polk County Walkathon at Lake Hollingsworth

March 24, 2018 – Lakewood Ranch Walkathon at Benderson Park

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 Location

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.





Florida Lions

# Conklin Center



for the blind

## NEWEST CONKLIN GRADUATE

Cheyenne first came to the Center in 2015, having recently graduated from high school. Blind since birth, she had no experience traveling in the community, for things like shopping or recreation, without supervision. She had never managed her own money, had a personal bank account, or held a job. She told her instructors that she would like one day to live on her own and have a job.

With instructional support, Cheyenne began to gain the skills of independence. She began to cook her own meals, worked on cleaning, learned to do laundry and other personal management skills. With all that she's learned in the program, Cheyenne has been able to begin working at her very first job at **Stonewood Grill!**

As her confidence grew, she was able to move into her first apartment in Daytona Beach. Today, she's proud that she has been able to take control of her life. She travels to and from work, shopping destinations, and visits with her friends entirely on her own!

## NIGHT FOR SIGHT 2018

April 5, 2018 - The Shores Resort & Spa

Our 2018 Sponsorship information as well as our Silent Auction information has been released! If you are interested in participating in this fantastic annual event, please feel free to download the packets from our website ( <http://www.conklincenter.org/sponsorship/> ). You can also contact Ciara Ocasio in our Development department at (386) 258-3441 or email [cocasio@conklincenter.org](mailto:cocasio@conklincenter.org)

## OUR NEWEST INSTRUCTOR

We'd like to introduce to you, **Justin Cooper** the newest addition to our staff!

Originally an Orientation & Mobility intern across the street at the Division of Blind Services Center, Justin is now our full-time Orientation and Mobility Instructor who will be working with students to develop and maintain travel skills.

*"...I am looking forward to the endless opportunities I will have to work with unique and passionate individuals who come from all walks of life, and who truly work hard to improve themselves and the lives of those around them."*

## **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'.





## Ponce Inlet Lions Club

(The Ponce Inlet Lions Foundation is a non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization. ID number: 17053149001041)

### The Lion Jay Thompson Memorial Golf Tournament

Saturday, March 24, 2018

Spruce Creek Country Club

Spruce Creek Country Club  
1900 Country Club Drive  
Port Orange, FL 32128

Registration 7:30 AM  
8:30 Shot Gun Scramble  
Lunch to follow

Includes: Lunch, Prizes, Complimentary Beverages on the course, Money Holes, Raffle Prizes, Driving Range, and morning coffee. We welcome men and women to participate in this fun event.

Proceeds to benefit: **RJ Longstreet Elementary School** indigent families/children

Implemented by **Food Brings Hope** ([www.foodbringshome.com](http://www.foodbringshome.com))

Sponsored by **Ponce Inlet Lions Club**

Tee Sponsors: \$100 (Please attach tee sign information)

Sign Wording : \_\_\_\_\_ Contact : \_\_\_\_\_  
Address : \_\_\_\_\_ Phone : \_\_\_\_\_  
City : \_\_\_\_\_ State : \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Player fee: \$85/person (event fees must be received by March 17, 2018)

Lunch Only: \$20/person

Make checks payable to "Ponce Inlet Lion Foundation"

4670 S. Peninsula Drive  
Ponce Inlet, FL 32127

Players in your foursome:

Name : _____	Email : _____
Name : _____	Email : _____
Name : _____	Email : _____
Name : _____	Email : _____

Contacts: Bob Pesare (386) 682-2564  
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# Understanding Childhood Hunger

## Childhood Hunger is the Invisible Contagion in Our Community

Children who go without meals due to personal/family hardship are the most vulnerable and underserved of our community's citizens. The reasons for hunger in a community that values its comparably attractive quality of life, are complex and challenging. The impact of poor childhood nutrition has an insidious effect on the overall health of a community, well out of proportion to the resources needed and available to prevent the problem.

### *THE FACTS*

- The percent of children living in single parent households is over 41% of total family households in Volusia/Flagler Counties, compared to 36% in the state of Florida. (These families are statistically more likely to be low-income.)
- The population of homeless children under the age of 18 identified in Volusia/Flagler Counties school systems was 1,700 in 2006, a nearly 300% increase since 2004. (The following situations are which a child is considered homeless: sharing housing of others due to loss of housing and economic hardship, living in motels, hotels, FEMA trailers, campgrounds, transitional shelters, awaiting foster care placement, living in cars, parks, public places, bus or train stations or similar settings.)
- Percent of total homeless population under the age of 18 was 16% in 2007, a 400% increase since 2004.
- Percent of all ages living in poverty in Volusia/Flagler Counties is 11%.
- Percent of children under 18 living in poverty is 17%.

In this regard, **The Ponce Inlet Lions Club** sponsors the disadvantaged families and children from **RJ Longstreet** elementary in a weekend food pantry partnership that utilizes the services of **Food Brings Hope, Inc.** and **Halifax Urban Ministries**. This weekend program provides eligible families a food bag that contains enough food to feed a family of four for 3-4 days. Our golf tournament last year that supported this partnership raised over \$10,000. Because we are a tax-exempt organization, 100% of the money raised by this golf tournament was used to support the weekend food pantry at **RJ Longstreet**. This money has also allowed us to increase our support from 12 families in 2017 to 18 families in 2018. This year's tournament has been named as a memorial to Lion Jay Thompson, who was a passionate supporter for helping the needy children of RJ Longstreet elementary school.







## 7th Annual Car Show 2018

SUNDAY • 11 • FEBRUARY

10AM - 2PM

DRS Community Center  
1089 South Patrick Drive  
Satellite Beach, Florida

Open to all Cars and Trucks

## 7th Annual Satellite Beach Lions Club Car Show

SUNDAY - February 11, 2018  
10AM - 2PM

DRS Community Center  
1089 South Patrick Drive  
Satellite Beach, Florida

\$20 Registration (Pre-registration or  
day of show)

Registration: 9am - 12pm

100% of all proceeds benefit local charities

50/50 - Raffle and Door Prizes - Vendors -  
Music - Food

For more information contact Lance  
Smith (321)-403-3971 or email  
lalink84@aol.com or Alicia Busch at  
ylwpny@gmail.com





## Lions Clubs International Florida Regional Lions Leadership Institute

Life Enrichment Center  
4991 Picciola Rd.  
Fruitland Park, FL 34731

March 22nd -25th, 2018  
(Check in after 3:30 pm Thursday - Depart noon Sunday)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Badge Name: (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest office held \_\_\_\_\_

Current office (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever attended a RLLI? Y\_\_\_ N\_\_\_

Registration Online: <http://rlli2018.com/>  
Or by snail mail

### Registration Fee \$140 Includes:

- Lodging 3 nights
- Seven Meals (bkfst Fri - bkfst Sun)
- Instructional Materials

Checks payable to: "Lions of Florida MD-35 RLLI"

Mail to: Lion Larry Feldhusen

11 Magnolia Ave  
Yankeetown, FL 34498

Tel: 352-447-0809

Email: [glmd35.larry@gmail.com](mailto:glmd35.larry@gmail.com)

### Institute Topics:

- Working in Teams
- Diversity
- Public Speaking
- Time Management
- Member Motivation
- Lions Fundamentals
- Personal Mission Statement
- Setting & Reaching Club Goals

### Accommodations

Motel Accommodations

Double Occupancy

(Single Occupancy available - add \$60)

Roommate (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Check in at the Lobby/Dining Hall  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Bldg. on Right, Inside the Gate)



[www.lecretreat.org](http://www.lecretreat.org)



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

**Orlando Wyndham Resort  
8100 International Drive  
Orlando, FL 32819  
\$109.00 per night  
Call for Reservations to:  
1-800-421-8001  
Identify yourself as:  
2018 MD 35 Convention  
Reservation cutoff date:  
April 11, 2018**



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

Remit to:  
Lions of Florida & Bahamas  
7200 Lake Ellenor Drive Suite 109  
Orlando, FL 32809-5786





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



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

Register online at:

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



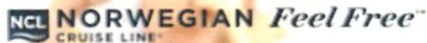
**KEMBRA L. SMITH INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR SPECIAL GUEST**

**FOR 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. In addition to her Lions activities, Director Smith is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including the American Immigration Lawyers' Association, the American Bar Association's Appellate Judges Conference ("AJC"), Council of Appellate Lawyers and the Federal Bar Association. She previously served as president of the AJC's Appellate Staff Attorneys.

# FEEL FREE TO TRAVEL WITH FRIENDS.



## Ocoee Lions Club 1st Annual Cruise aboard the Norwegian Dawn

Each cabin gets to choose from one of the following complimentary amenities!

- Ultimate Beverage Package (incl. gratuities)
- Pre-Paid Service Charges
- 4 Meal Specialty Dining Package (incl. gratuities)
- 250 Minute Wi-Fi Package (per stateroom)
- \$50 Shore Excursion Credit per stateroom (up to 4 ports)
- Complimentary Photo Package (20 Photos per stateroom)
- \$75 Onboard Credit per stateroom

### NORWEGIAN DAWN

Mar 18, 2018 - Mar 25, 2018

7-DAY WESTERN CARIBBEAN FROM TAMPA



**BALCONY STATEROOMS FROM \$1352.07 per person\***

**INSIDE STATEROOMS FROM \$832.07 per person\***

\$50 deposit due 09/14/2017, Final Payment Due 12/18/2017



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# Calendar of Events

Dates are subject to change

Month	Date	Description	Place or Club
February	2	Groundhog Day	United States of America
February	3	Chartered 1987	Wildwood Sumer County 44 31 yrs
February	3	Chartered 2009	Osceola Latin American Lions Club 9 yrs
February	5	Zone 6 Meeting	Orlando Hispanic Lions Club
February	8	Zone 5 Meeting	Cypress Gardens Lions Club
February	12	Chartered 1924	Daytona Beach Lions Club 94 yrs
February	13	Mardi Gras	United States of America
February	14	Valentine's Day	United States of America
February	21	Zone 1 Meeting	Inglis Yankeetown Lions Club
March	2	Chartered 1987	Lady Lake Orange Blossom Gardens 31 yrs
March	4	Chartered 1953	Crystal River Lions Club 65 yrs
March	10	Council of Governor's Meeting	Executive Session
March	11	Daylight Savings Time	United States of America
March	12	Chartered 1953	Kathleen Lions Club 65 yrs
March	15	Facebook Contest Deadline	Send to ormondbob@aol.com
March	17	Cabinet Meeting	Beverly Hills Lions Club – Beverly Hills
March	17	St Patrick's Day	United States of America
March	18-25	Cruise to Western Caribbean	Ocoee Lions Club
March	21	Chartered 1939	Kissimmee Lions Club 79 yrs
March	29	Chartered 1960	Satellite Beach Lions Club 58 yrs
March	29	Chartered 1949	Clermont-Mineola Lions Club 69 yrs
March	30	Chartered 1939	Mount Dora Lions Club 79 yrs
March	30	Chartered 1976	Inverness Lions Club 42 yrs
March	31	Club Bulletin Contest Deadline	Send to Stevefawcett2003@gmail.com
March	31	Bob Lastinger Award Deadline	Club president nominations send to ?
March	31	Passover begins	United States of America
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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