

DISTRICT 35-O NEWSLETTER



Message from District Governor Tito



Growing Club and Our Association Membership

Membership recruitment is a never-ending project. Every year, members leave our association; they retire, change jobs or professions, go out of business, lose their professional development budget, or just vanish for *unknown* reasons. As members go out the back door, we must keep new ones coming in the front. What strategies will guide our

plans for recruiting these new members? And what tactics will we use to achieve your recruitment goals?

With spring lurking in the air, the prospect of cleaning house in our clubs has always been to let many potentially good lions out because of the prospect of paying fees at the new year. Yet we do so without realizing that clubs stay strong with strong membership. February and March are membership growth month, it is time to roll up our sleeves and generate ideas to recruit new members for our clubs.

The easy way out is recycling membership recruitment tactics of the past. But the most successful associations do it differently. They encourage staff and volunteers to bring their creativity to the planning table. Are we willing to try out new ideas and experiment with new tactics? The world is changing, people are changing, and our membership tactics must change too.

Are you looking for even more ways to bring in new members and delight your current ones? Under-utilized member

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recruitment tactics will result in faster membership growth for our association. The practices and mindset we develop by implementing savvy tactics will improve the association experience for our existing members.

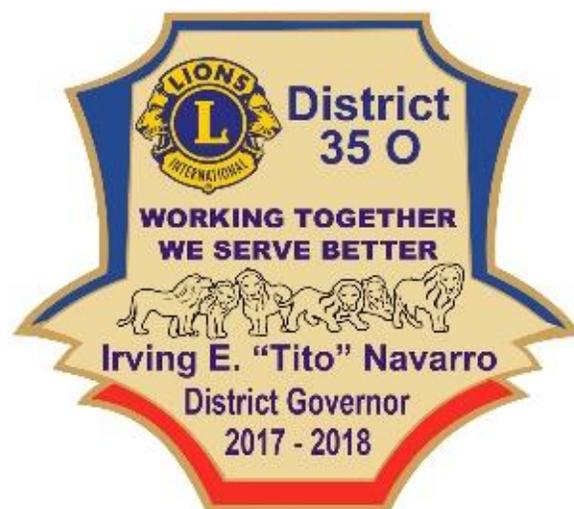
Target association membership instead of relying on membership promotions; provide content that helps you develop relationships with membership prospects. What's the first thing to do in any relationship? Get to know the other person. Identify and research the different segments of your target membership market, for example, students, early career, mid-career, executives, and professionals in transition. I have always been a proponent of keeping lions busy by giving them a battle they can win.

By providing valuable content for prospects, they'll keep coming back to us for more. They'll begin to think of us as a reliable source of information and a partner who helps them reach their goals. By adding inbound marketing to our recruitment strategy, our content provides meaning to their roles. Our content becomes the catalyst for converting club visitors into prospects (leads), and, then, converting prospects into new members.

Simplify the path to membership, when a prospect is ready to join, no barriers should stand in their way. Make sure the joining process is quick, intuitive, and frictionless. Make joining as brainless and painless as possible. If you are ready to brainstorm new ideas, let's get together. We Serve.

In friendship and lionism,

DG Irving E. "Tito" Navarro



Hello from 1st Vice District Governor Helene



Fellow Lions,

As part of my ongoing training to be your District Governor, I have to submit goals to Lions Club International for their review and approval. These goals encompass all the important areas of our organization; membership, service and leadership. These goals are each submitted with an action plan, who is responsible for the action, a time frame for completion and a way to measure if the goal was achieved. These are known as S.M.A.R.T. goals.

I wanted to share the rough draft of these goals with you because they are not my goals, they are our goals. Goals that will hopefully help us have a successful year.

My service goal is to increase the number of Clubs that have appointed a Service Chair. This new position added by Lions Club International this year is intended to ensure that your Club conducts and reports meaningful service projects. A full description of the position can be found at <http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/GST-Club-Service-Chairperson.pdf>

My membership goal is to increase retention by promoting the Governor's Achievement Award to all new Lions that join in our District, whether they are a new Lion or a transfer. The completion of the Award Application ensures that every new Lion has experienced not only their Club, but other Clubs, our District and our entities. An example of the Governor's Achievement Award Application (new) can be found at <http://e-district.org/userfiles/238/file/Governors%20Achievement%20New%20Lion%20Affidavit%20Good%20for%20all%20years.pdf>

My leadership goal is to have all the 2018-2019 Zone Chairs trained prior to their first Zone Meeting. A well-trained Zone Chair is an asset to your Club and our District. A good Zone Chair is a resource, a mentor and the liaison between the Clubs and the District Governor. Properly run meeting and complete and accurate reporting are essential to a healthy District.

I look forward to these goals enhancing our Lion experience.

Respectfully,

Lion Helene Thompson, FVDG

Greetings from 2nd Vice District Governor Greg Evans



February was a busy month with your District, but I am happy to say March will be even busier as Clubs, your District and your Multiple District put on events and serve the community. Read through this newsletter to see all the events coming up. Our Newsletter Editors Lion Rita and Lion Donna do a great job keeping our upcoming calendar dates. I hope you will come to tell the District Lions about your end of year plans as District Governor Tito and First Lady Miriam put on a great St. Patrick's Day themed District meeting on March 17th with the host, Beverly Hills Lions Club.

As your upcoming slate of Officers is formulated please make plans to attend your Districts Club Officer training. GLT Lion Vivian is working to have multiple opportunities for you. As I visit clubs, and learn their challenges I see items that proper training could help with. I encourage anyone to take ANY officer training they would like. The more people in your club familiar with an office, the better it will be for your club.

Our District is at a point where there are lots of opportunities for leaders. In Lions we talk about giving Lions the opportunity to move up. Please consider this and call or e-mail your FVDG Helene, she is working hard to put Lions into leadership roles. I never realized how hard your District Governors work to prepare for a Lions year, but now I realize what a great job the Past District Governors have done. There is so much opportunity to grow yourself, which in turn will grow your Club and District.

Lions is not all work, it can be fun also. Bring your completed word puzzle to the District meeting on March 17th and trade it in for a free 50/50 TICKET. See me before the drawing.



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March District 35-O

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Notes from Donna (Cabinet Secretary)



GUESS WHAT TIME IT IS?

Your 2018-2019 Lions Clubs Officer Reporting deadline is May 15, 2018

Reporting newly elected club officers is extremely important to ensure that the new officers receive the information and materials they will need for the coming year. You may report the new officers using the MyLCI website or by sending the printed form to the International Headquarters.

Changes in club officers can be made during the year by entering into the MyLCI website.

Cabinet Treasurer Rita Talks Money



I found this article online and thought I would share with you.

Responsibilities

More than half of the nonprofits in the United States are estimated to be all-volunteer organizations. Here is a wonderful, succinct guide for the 600,000 + treasurers of such organizations:

Because most All Volunteer Organizations have an informal air about them, it's easy for finances to be treated in a casual way. But when money matters are treated casually, it can become too easy for money to get lost, or for some people to question how money has been spent, or even for individuals to take advantage of the informality and pilfer cash or other assets.



So as treasurer, what accountability and transparency issues should you be most concerned with?

1. Handle the money with high standards and set a tone of integrity

Close treasurer oversight of cash, checks, and deposits is vital. If you can't always be present when money is changing hands, be visible enough that others know that you're engaged. Be especially scrupulous about keeping personal funds (yours and others') completely separate from organizational funds.

A few essential rules should be followed:

**Integrity is
what we do,
what we say,
and what we
say we do.**

—Don Galer

- The Treasurer should receive and reconcile the bank statements, OR write checks, but not both.
- Incoming checks should receive immediate restrictive endorsement (preferably a bank stamp, or handwritten "For deposit only, ABC Bank, Account # 123445") and be deposited within a week, with no cash back.
- Outgoing checks must be supported by an approved invoice, receipt, or a voucher. If a fellow LION asks for a reimbursement but doesn't have a receipt, respond "I wouldn't be doing my job as Treasurer if I didn't insist on receipts from everyone."
- Checks should require two signatures and never be signed in advance. Alternatively, the board might set a policy that permits one signature for small checks below a certain amount, say \$50, in order to help discourage checks from being signed in advance.

2. Manage the filings

- Keep a calendar of filing requirements and assign responsibility. Late fees and penalties can be very costly and diminish stakeholder confidence.
 - File Form 990 - Except for churches and certain religious organizations, all nonprofits must file an IRS Form 990 annually. For fiscal years beginning in 2010, organizations with income less than \$50,000 (\$25,000 for 2009) need only file the online "e-Postcard," Form 990-N.
 - File Form 1099 - Obtain an IRS Form W-9 from those providing paid services who are not your employees.
 - File Form 1099-MISC to report payments totaling more than \$600 per calendar year to such persons. Forms and related instructions are available at the IRS website. Otherwise, if the individual is an employee be sure to contact an accountant or other person experienced in employment matters and take all steps required for a new hire.
 - Register with charitable solicitation agencies - Register, when required, with the charitable solicitation office in your home state as well as any state in which you regularly fundraise, including by email. Go to the Unified Registration Statement (URS) website for a summary of state by state requirements to determine if you must register as a charity, provide a copy of IRS Form 990, have a CPA audit or review, and whether the state accepts the streamlined URS application.
 - Obtain permits and Licenses - Check on regulatory requirements before undertaking activities such as serving liquor at a special event, conducting a raffle, or starting a bingo night. Such laws vary from state to state. It may be helpful as a starting point to talk to another nonprofit leader whose organization is engaged in the same activity. Most state nonprofit associations have helplines or publish FAQs and other guides covering these types of issues. If you're uncomfortable asking for help, get over it quickly!

3. Identify and manage risk

Take the lead in safeguarding your organization's assets, data, and personal information. Risks associated with volunteer screening, vehicle use, and special events are often of particular concern.

4. Confirm contributions

A prompt thank you letter that includes what donors need for tax purposes is an effective way to keep your contributors up to date on the great work you're doing. The IRS says it's okay to send this information by email. When different financial duties are assigned to a variety of people, the chances increase that any misappropriated donations will be detected more readily.

Here's a sample of the essential information to include in your thank you letter:

"Date

"Name and address of Lions Club

"Donor name and address

"We wish to thank you for your 2018 contribution of cash in the amount of \$500.00. We did not provide any goods or services in exchange for this contribution. Your Lions Club Name is an organization exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and contributions are deductible to the extent allowed by law."

Remember to separately list any single contribution of \$250 or more. If the donation is other than cash, describe the property but do not indicate a value.

If you provided the donor with goods or services as part of the contribution, you could delete the second sentence in the above example and substitute the following:

"We provided you with two theater tickets with a fair market value of \$50. Your tax deduction is limited to the amount of cash and value of any property contributed, reduced by the value of any goods or services received in return. Accordingly, the amount eligible for a federal income tax deduction is \$450."

There are exceptions for items of minimal value such as pens and mugs. See the discussion regarding "quid pro quo" donations in [IRS Publication 1771](#).

5. Track all volunteer time

Tracking volunteer time can help protect volunteers and the Lions Clubs from certain forms of liability and provide helpful data for planning future programs and events. And if you intend to seek grants you'll want to reflect the value of your volunteers in your budget and grant proposals.

6. Plan and evaluate with a budget

Expressed in financial terms, a budget is a map that shows what you plan to do and how you plan to get there. It's a key tool for getting everyone to agree on what your group will and won't do in the coming year. The budget is your canary in the coal mine. An unexplained variance between a budgeted and actual line item of revenue or expense, for example, may be the first red flag signaling a more serious problem.

Preparing an effective budget starts with asking leaders to estimate what they'll need and to provide specific proposals for financing it. Reviewing last year's budget is a key part of the process. Cost and revenue estimates need to be reasonable and attainable. Avoid the temptation to 'wing' estimates or to be overly optimistic about contribution increases. At the same time, don't act like a watchdog at the gate of the treasury, opposing all new funding proposals with knee-jerk resistance.

7. Prepare timely financial reports

Timely and reliable financial information is the underpinning of good stewardship and sound financial decision making. Without this information there's no way to track budget performance.

For Lions Clubs with minimal cash flow or whose finances revolve around a single event, paper-based record keeping may be acceptable. A template treasurer's report with blanks for handwritten amounts can be just as effective as a computer-based system if the figures can be easily traced to supporting documents and are presented clearly. For such organizations, a simple monthly reconciliation of bank account activity classifying receipts and disbursements and reconciling beginning to ending cash balances may be enough to form the basis for a summarized quarterly financial report to the board.

As the organization grows, a switch to commercial accounting software such as QuickBooks(r) may be the best next step. It is vital at this juncture that you get set up with a proper chart of accounts and get the necessary training from someone with nonprofit accounting experience.

8. Recruit the next treasurer

Like other volunteers, the treasurer will not serve indefinitely. Unfortunately, some treasurers entrench themselves and resist transfer of control. Throughout their term of service, effective treasurers encourage and equip fellow volunteers to participate in financial management duties. When it's time for the treasurer to pass the baton, these Lions Clubs will enjoy the least disruption.

Indeed, all board members share equal responsibility for the financial health of your organization. Officer titles like President, Vice President, and Secretary form a core board leadership group alongside the Treasurer. The Secretary should be diligent in taking complete and concise minutes that reflect filing of the treasurer's report and all board decisions.

Lions Clubs constitute a huge economic and social force, helping communities of all types work better. As a front-line Lion, the treasurer plays a critical role in sustaining the organization, maintaining essential stakeholder confidence and supporting overall mission effectiveness.

Dennis Walsh, *a certified public accountant who lives in Jamestown, North Carolina.*

from your Global Membership Team



March	2	Chartered 1987	Lady Lake Orange Blossom Gardens 31 yrs
March	3	Chartered 1939	Mount Dora Lions Club 79 yrs
March	4	Chartered 1953	Crystal River Lions Club 65 yrs
March	12	Chartered 1953	Kathleen Lions Club 65 yrs
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 1976	Inverness Lions Club 42 yrs

Serving with your GST Coordinator Jacquie Tripp Spencer

Energize Your Club with the Global Action Team

It takes the right tools to innovate. The Global Action Team can provide resources, tips and support that can help take your club to the next level. Learn more about what this global network can do for your club by visiting the [Global Action Team webpage](#) today.

Innovate Your Service

Want to amplify your service impact? Then consider these great ways to do it:

- **Download MyLion** to mobilize and share your service. Now available in more countries!
- Learn how **LCIF grants** can support life-changing service projects in your district.
- **Engage youth** in service to get fresh ideas and more help for projects.
- **Create local partnerships** to increase your visibility and impact.

Remember, innovation starts with you!

APPROVED CANDIDATES FOR 2018-2019 OFFICE

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

2nd 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.

DIABETES AWARENESS & RETINOPATHY

Greetings Lions and Lion leaders,

Your service and our commitment to diabetes were on display at the 2018 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl in Atlanta. We had a great in-game advertising campaign, including a new video showcasing Lions.



For the past two years, Lions Clubs International has been partnering with the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl. This partnership provides the opportunity to team local Lions with college athletes to work on service projects in their communities.

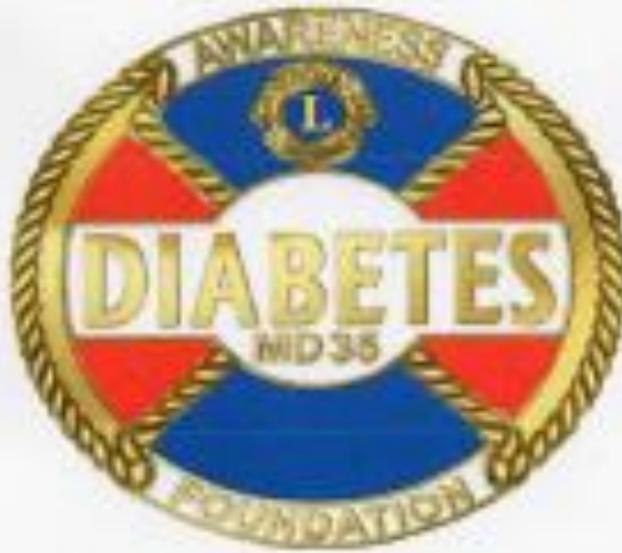
It also gives the Association a platform at the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl and the Chick-fil-A Kickoff Game to market our causes. This year, we worked with Auburn University, University of Central Florida, University of Tennessee, and the University of Alabama.

Our 2018 Peach Bowl service projects and messaging were focused on our primary new global service cause, diabetes. We effectively highlighted the urgency surrounding the disease—**nearly 1 in 4 people with diabetes don't know it**—and then informed them that Lions are ready to “tackle” the problem.

The campaign was a huge success, and a great way to kick off our global causes to the general public. We're proud to participate in events like the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl and look forward to another great showing next year. Be sure to visit our website for more information on our new global causes.

Sincerely,

Jim Ervin
Past International President



LIONS DIABETES AWARENESS FOUNDATION OF MD 35, INC.

Diabetes Life Membership

Mission Statement

To raise public awareness of the problems associated with diabetes.

To work with Lions Clubs in MD 35 to screen for diabetes to facilitate early diagnosis and treatment to prevent blindness.

To obtain grants and donations in order to further these purposes.

The Lions Diabetes Foundation of MD 35 provides FREE diabetes screening and education material in the prevention of the leading cause of blindness in adults by identifying and referring potential diabetics. We also support the Florida Diabetic Kids Camps.

Lions and Lions Clubs can support the Foundation with a Life Membership for \$100 which goes toward the Foundation mission. This Life Membership includes an award certificate and a pin. These funds go toward continued support of Free Diabetes Screening and education on prevention of the complications of diabetes.

Club or Person: _____ Name of Recipient: _____

Address to send to: _____

Date required: _____

Please Print

Make \$100.00 check out to: Lions Diabetes Awareness Foundation of MD 35

Send check to: Norma Callahan, PO Box 1407, Deland, FL 32721 www.dafmd35.org



Life Membership Pin



FLORIDA LIONS DIABETIC RETINOPATHY FOUNDATION

We have received all of our grant monies and now need to fundraise in our Multiple District to support Retinopathy Screening. It is mission critical that we have enough funds to continue the good work in this important area. Please remember the Florida Lions Diabetic Retinopathy Foundation when developing your club's giving budget for 2017-2018. Life and Progressive Life Memberships are available for a donation of \$100. Included with the Life Membership is the newly designed Life Member pin.

Please Print

Club or Person: _____ Name of Recipient: _____

Address to send to: _____

Date required: _____

For more information on how to become a certified screener or to purchase a Life Membership for yourself or as a gift please contact:

LION NORMA CALLAHAN, PDG
PO Box 1407, Deland, FL 32721
Cell: 386-479-8896
lionnormacallahan@yahoo.com

Make \$100.00 check out to: Florida Lions Diabetic Retinopathy Foundation
Send checks to: Norma Callahan, PO Box 1407, Deland, Fl. 32721

SHOW YOUR PRIDE

HELP YOUR FOUNDATION

**Help Central Florida Lions
Support the Juvenile Diabetes
Research Foundation to fight
Type 1 Diabetes!**



**JDRF ONE WALK, ORLANDO
SAT, MARCH 10, 2018**

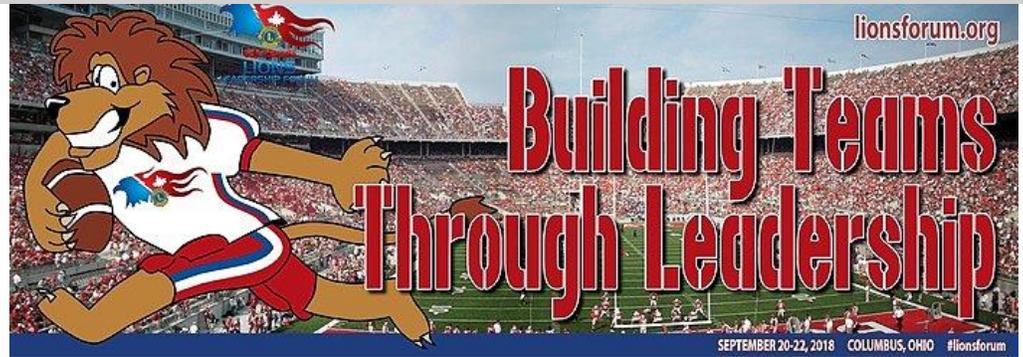
TO SUPPORT A WALKER GO TO:

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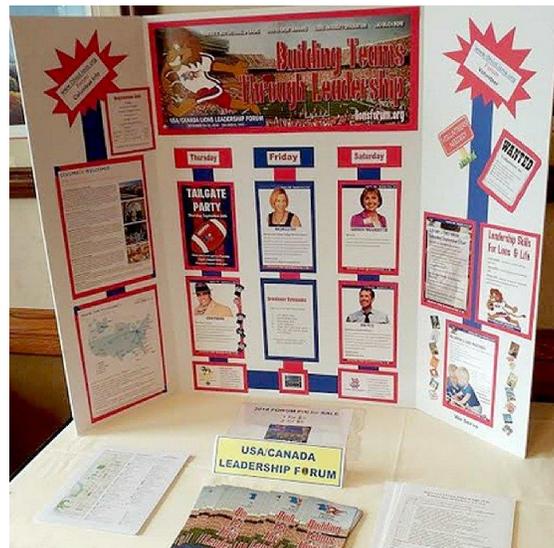
OR

**DONATE CASH/CHECK TO
OVIEDO-WINTER SPRINGS LIONS CLUB**

Mail Checks to One Walk Co-Chair: 218 Chippendale Terrace Oviedo, FL 32765



Bring a book & help create 2,000 Children's Care Packages



PROMOTE THE FORUM AT YOUR UPCOMING CONVENTIONS & MID-WINTERS - Great leaders are always learning. Make sure your current & upcoming leaders know about the 2018 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum by creating your own Forum display with materials available at lionsforum.org.

This display was seen at the 2018 West Virginia Lions Leadership Training.

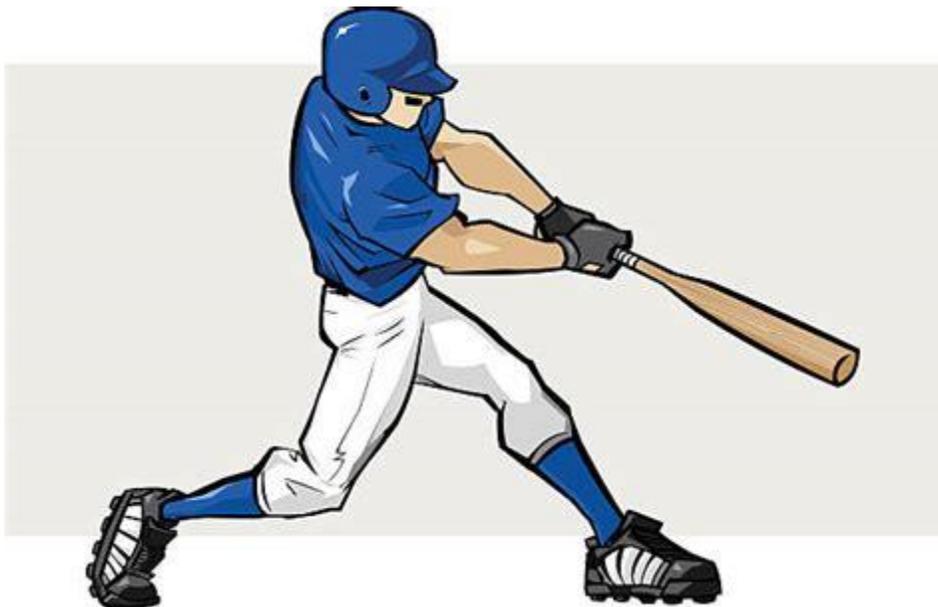
REGISTER TODAY

Playing to Win

I heard a story the other day about a young softball player who learned the lesson of a lifetime from an older player on a competing team. As they played, he watched in awe as the older player showed true passion in everything he did. He slid headfirst into bases, crashed into the wall chasing fly balls, and hustled faster than any other player during the tournament.

After the game, he approached the older player and said, "Wow, I'm impressed how you really came to play today!" The older player simply replied, "Everybody came to play today. I came to WIN!"

Take a moment to think about your life. Are you simply playing the game of life, or are you winning the game?



Directory Updates

PG 31 and pg 129 CHANGE FOSTER AMELL ADDRESS
FROM 6384 N MISTY OAK, BEVERLY HILLS FL 34465
TO 655 W BARRYMORE DR, BEVERLY HILLS FL 34465

Add new lions club SPRING HILL NATURE COAST

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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.

New District Directory Information

Instructions for placing an Advertisement in the 2018-19 Directory

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

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

**Ads and other content plus payment must be received
no later than May 31, 2018.**

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

E-mail: helenevt63@aol.com

Ad Sizes

Full page (5 1/2 x 8 1/2) Half page (5 1/2 x 4 1/4) Business card (2 1/8 x 1 3/8)

Ad Prices

Front Inside Cover (Color) \$200-----\$175 for Lions club or entity!
Back Inside Cover (Color) \$250-----\$200 for Lions club or entity!
Back Outside Cover (Color) \$300-----\$300 **sold already!**
Full Page (Color) \$125-----\$100 for Lions club or entity!
Full Page (B/W) \$100-----\$75 for Lions club or entity!
1/2 Page (Color) \$75-----\$65 for Lions club or entity!
1/2 Page (B/W) \$30-----\$25 for Lions club or entity!
Business Card (Color) \$45-----\$30 for Lions club or entity!

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



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



International Convention



President's Message

Dear Club Leader,

There are no easy solutions to the challenges facing our communities. That's why there are Lions. We know that it takes commitment and kindness to make a difference. We know it takes heart. It also requires that we look for innovative ways to serve.

Fellow Lion, innovation is deep within our DNA. For 100 years, innovation has driven us to not simply identify problems—it has driven us to find solutions. When obstacles block our paths, we do not stop. We find the way forward. Because so many people are depending on you as a Lion.

You, my friend, are not alone. The Global Action Team is ready to help innovate your leadership, membership and service so your club can take on new challenges and achieve greater service outcomes. Our revolutionary MyLion app provides new and innovative ways to connect and serve.

And remember that Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), *our* foundation, has been powering the service of Lions for 50 years, providing life-changing grants and proving that together we can do more.

True innovation is a state of mind. It's about working together to find new solutions to old problems. When we adopt this mindset, we can—no, *we will*—serve more people than ever before.

Sincerely,

Dr. Naresh Aggarwal
Your International President

To follow my travels around the world and see our global service in

action, [follow me on Facebook.](#)

Recycle your used Hearing Aids



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 101st 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://lcon.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!



Keep celebrating LCIF's 50th—
[Enter the *Together We Can* Contest: Lions Quest Edition](#)

In 1975, a teenager named Rick Little set out on a quest to help other young people develop the skills and strength of character needed to succeed as adults. His unique mission was so successful, the program he created eventually grew into one of the most widely-used life skills programs in the world.

LCIF began supporting the program now known as Lions Quest in 1984, and took over the program in 2002. Since then—together with individual donors, dedicated educators, caring parents, and engaged students—LCIF has awarded more than \$25 million to expand or establish Lions Quest programs across the United States and around the world.

[ENTER THIS MONTH'S CONTEST NOW »](#)

The *Together We Can* Contest: Lions Quest Edition gives you exciting ways to enter and learn about LCIF's efforts to help students gain self-confidence and make responsible decisions.

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.

DISTRICT 35 0 SPRING ADVISORY MEETING

Saint Patrick's Day
Saturday, March 17, 2018



Hosted By

Beverly Hills Lions Club

72 CIVIC CIRCLE
BEVERLY HILLS, FL 34465

10:00 am - 11:30 am District Meeting - General Session
11:30 am - 12:30 pm Lunch
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm District Meeting - General Session Continued (If needed)
1:30 pm forward time permitting St. Patrick's Celebration

RSVP To: Beverly Hills Lions Club
Tom Mize = (352) 228-0450

Mail checks to:
Beverly Hills Lions Club
P.O. Box 640122
Beverly Hills, FL 34464

NLT: March 10, 2018
Call: Tom Mize's cell # (352) 228-0450
E-mail: tjmize@outlook.com
Reservations only.
No tickets will be sold at the door.

Menu: Chicken Parmesan,
Salad, Tea, and
Dessert

Only: \$10.00

Raffle Prizes After The Meeting.

* Live Music Performance By: Lion Eddy Rivers *





Palm Coast Lions Club Presents



Dining In The Dark Fundraiser



Saturday, March 10, 2018 from 6 - 10 pm at the
Columbian Club 51 Old Kings Rd, Palm Coast

Are you blind to what the Lions do?

Did you know the Lions are the largest service organization in the world with over 46,000 clubs in 200 countries working to help the blind and preserving the vision and hearing of those in need?

The evening begins with a fun Blindfolded Taste Testing Contest
Then Feast on Penne with Meatballs or Sausage Quiche, salad,
bread, ice tea, dessert and coffee
while enjoying music by the Flagler Youth Orchestra

Price \$25

Seating is limited - Reservations required by March 5th

100% of the money raised at the event is donated to Lions Charities that help those with sight and hearing disabilities. Please join us for this fun filled evening while supporting the Lions Charities.

For reservations please call Lion Jill (610) 730-8538 or visit the website:

<https://pclions.wixsite.com/dininginthedark>

Club News



Homosassa Newest Member

More Eternal than the Fountain of Youth, Ponce Inlet Lions Club Erects Memorial Fountain to Commemorate Founder



The founder and guiding light of the Lions club in Ponce Inlet, Florida—the late Constance D. Hunter—was a remarkable, generous woman. To honor her larger-than-life legacy, club members constructed a magnificent fountain dedicated to her memory in Timucuan Oaks Garden.

“When our town was developing a new park along the Halifax River,” explained Ponce Inlet Lions Club president Shirley Okhovatian, “they asked us if we would like to help fund the initiative or install a Lions monument. We jumped at the opportunity to provide a memorial to honor Connie, who gave so much of her time and money to get our club up and running, and beyond. We decided to remember her with a beautiful fountain, which actually accomplished three things: we celebrated her life, celebrated the Lions Centennial *and* completed a Legacy Project.”

The Ponce Inlet Lions Club was not only the major donor for the park and provider of the decorative fountain, it also dedicated two concrete memorial benches to honor charter Lions Hazel Dauksis and her husband, now deceased. These contributions established a proud and permanent Lions legacy and awareness in the town that will endure for generations to come.

The official opening and dedication ceremony of the park was in January of 2016. The Lions hope that the park will eventually feature memorials to future Lions who provide equally outstanding service to the community.

“It’s our responsibility to remember these early leaders and share their enormous contributions with the next generation of Lions, so that they can experience what we’re all about and want to be a part of it,” said Okhovatian. “It’s easy to carry a torch that’s already burning. Connie Hunter was the one who lit the fire.”

Ormond By The Sea Lions Club Wins Award

Lions Club International has presented the Ormond By The Sea Lions Club with the 2016-2017 Club Excellence Award. This prestigious award is given to strong Clubs that excel in community service, membership growth, communications and organizational operations. OBTS President Bobbie Cheh accepted the Award from District Governor Tito Navarro at the District 35-0 Advisory Meeting attended by five members of the Club in Lake Alfred, FL on January 20.



Earlier in January, five members also attended the Winter Council of Governor’s meeting held at the Ocala Hilton. At that meeting’s banquet, OBTS Lions Club member Colleen O’Connor received her Governor’s Achievement Award from International Director Joyce Middleton from Bridgewater, Massachusetts and District Governor Tito Navarro. This award is designed to assist the new Lion member to become thoroughly familiar and fully involved in the activities and purposes of Lionism and is only given to new members in their first year of membership.

Eight members of the Club also attended the Zone Meeting held in Deland on January 22 listening to speakers from Project Right to Sight and the District Youth Exchange Scholarship. The Club also collected, and donated to a local food bank, 87 cans of soup for Souper Bowl.



OBTS Lions Club members who attended Council of Governor's meeting in Ocala. (left to right) Lions Mary Yochum, Colleen O'Connor, Katie Hamlin, Greg Evans and Bobbie Cheh.

Lake Alfred Lions Club

Edward Hill and Michele Tighe of Lake Alfred Lions Club started a project last year for the All Children's Hospital in St FI. This project was to bring new stuffed animals to children who are undergoing treatment for cancer and bring them joy in their lives. This was the second delivery on January 23rd, 2018. Lion Maggi Williams had some yarn left from another project, and donated it to Micki Cove. Lion Micki then made 24 beautiful crochet hats for the children.



Pete,
some
over
Lion

OVIEDO-WINTER SPRINGS





Zone 3 meeting: Seated President Lion Pat Casson, Paul Holland Zone Chair, and Ivan Richmond Region Chair
Standing: Jean McCarthy Secretary/Treasurer and Ruth Levin District Chaplin

Fun at Council of Governors Meeting







District Advisory Meeting in Lake Alfred



LAKE SUMTER LIONS



Hello from the Lake Sumter Lions Club in The Villages, Florida. Well, we have started the year with a very busy schedule. We held an Open House in January to introduce new and existing residents in our area to Lions and to our club. Diabetes screening and retinopathy screening were offered, as well as light refreshment and smiling faces.

Also, in January, we held a fundraiser called “Burgers, Beverages and Baskets,” a Chinese auction. This was our third year for this event and the community looks forward to it. We had a terrific turnout, raised a good deal of money, and had a good time. This particular event funds our KidSight program where we travel to schools, daycare centers, nursery schools, community events, etc. in various counties screening the vision of children from age 6 months.

In February and in March we have the first of our White Cane Days for 2 days at each of 4 locations in The Villages. The public are very generous and supportive and we are grateful. We are fortunate in having several “puppies in training” who come out to help us.

Further, in March we have an event planned called “Re-Sell It Day,” where we resell gently-used donated items. We have as much fun at this event as the community does, and the proceeds help us carry out our charitable work.

In addition, we have on-going our Golfing for the Visually Impaired; volunteering with Deliver the Difference for the packaging of food for the hungry; diabetes and retinopathy screenings, to name a few.

We would like to invite any Lion(s) who would like to come visit us at our regular monthly meetings at 9 am on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays to contact our Membership Chairman Lion Ed Mello at gevellido@comcast.net or 410-937-1531 for more information and directions. Please check out our website at lakesumterlions.org for a more comprehensive look at our club.

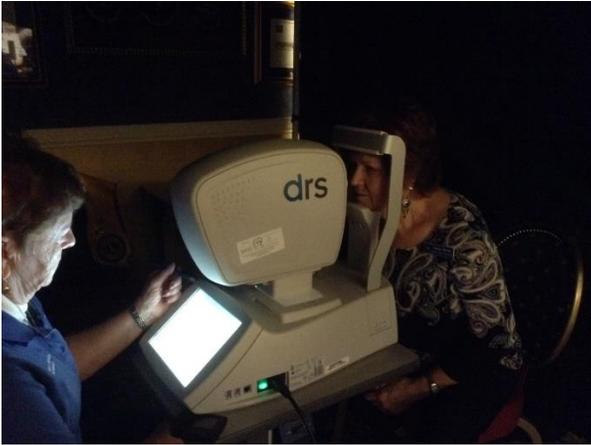
Open House



Open House - Lion Gary Nelson



Retinopathy screening at Open House



KidSight Screening - Lions Jon Joel and Bob Bassett



KidSight Screening - Lions Doris Brennan, John Hanna

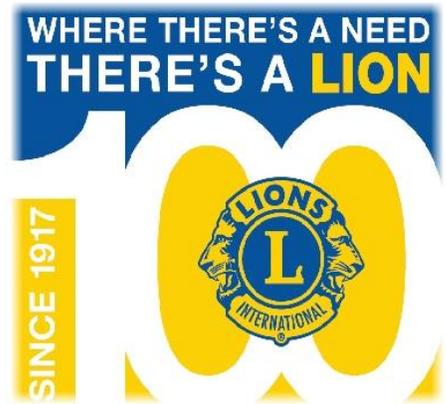


KidSight Screening - Lions Chuck LeGare and Connie Gutto



White Cane Days - Lions Gary and Sharon Nelson, Lion Esther Tranby

Eddy Rivers's **Just For You** Magnetic Jewelry and More! **Jewelry Class**



The Auburndale Polk County Lions Club invites you to attend the first Eddy River's Just For You Jewelry Class!
Monday March 12, 2018 9-11am
Brunch will be available



SAMPLES ONLY



SAMPLES ONLY



Contact Eddy Rivers at: **(863) 937-2627**

or email at eddyrivers@yahoo.com

Please RSVP no later than March 5

226 Bennett St, Auburndale, FL

Price ranges for making jewelry are \$12 - \$32 depending on what you would like to make.

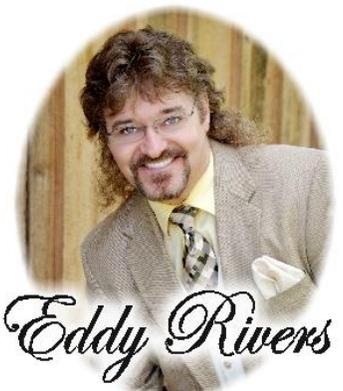
Eddy has plenty of samples for you to choose from.

Portion of proceeds to benefit the The Auburndale Polk County Lions Club (to be used to provide for the needy)

Brunch menu as follows:

Pancakes, juice and coffee (\$4.50)

Soup, sandwich, beverage, and chips (\$5.50)





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

EYE CARE

Assisting the needy with eye care surgeries in Florida and the Bahamas since 1958

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MAIL APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL with ALL completed PAPERWORK*

including \$200 check to:

Lion Norma Callahan, PDG

P. O. Box 1113

Deland, FL 32721-1113

***PAPERWORK includes the following:**

- Project Form, which can be found on Foundation's website: **floridalionsfoundation.org**
- Financial assessment
- If the person is under 65: DBS or Division of rehab denial.
- If the person has insurance denial of coverage.
- \$200 check

You can scan and email lionnormacallahan@yahoo.com the above to me, but check must be mailed. No approvals made until check is received.

Request for Payments are made by VDG Joel Levenston and he receives all bills and the payment then go to Juan Tejera, PCC who makes the payment.

Directions for Completing and Submitting

Application Requesting Assistance for Surgery

Attention: When completing and submitting the Application Requesting Assistance for Surgery, the Projects Form must also be completed at the same time.

1. No after-the-fact cases will be accepted.
2. The sponsoring club pays for examination(s), if possible.

3. The Foundation only pays amounts approved on surgical cases.
4. The Medical Agencies bills MD-35 Projects Chairperson. This information is provided to them on the Authorization Form when the case is approved.
5. When you receive a request for financial assistance for surgery, **complete in full** both the Projects Form and the Financial Eligibility Application form with necessary signatures using the Poverty Level Schedule as a guideline. Both forms must be completed!
6. All clients must apply for assistance from the Division of Blind Services (DBS) and Vocational Rehab before coming to the Foundation. If they are denied assistance from DBS or Voc Rehab, have them get a letter stating reason for denial and submit it with the application. The Foundation does not get involved with clients who have Medicare, Medicaid, or any other form of insurance.
7. Your club's co-payment must accompany the required forms when submitting a request for assistance. Please make the check payable to: The Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind, Inc. The requested amount is \$200.00 per surgical case for either **one or two eyes**.
8. Please attach a copy of the patient's social security card or a copy of their Green Card if applicable to the forms.
9. **EMERGENCY CASES:**
 - A. Clubs with emergency cases must immediately notify District Projects Chairperson.
 - B. One-eye cataract cases are not emergency cases.
 - C. Esotropia, exotropia, and lazy eye are emergencies only for ages 5 and under.
10. If a case is not completed within 6 months following approval, it will be cancelled.

Note: Your assistance in making sure all information needed is provided on the forms will greatly expedite the process. Please remember that it is not the responsibility of the Projects Chairperson to acquire the client's information. It is our responsibility to try to negotiate costs with medical agencies once we receive the precise procedure to be done with the code numbers and the estimated costs.

The Foundation is here to assist all Lions Clubs in Florida and The Bahamas.



Southeastern Guide Dogs
GuideDogs.org

Your Personal Puppy Cam

Did you know that the first few months of a puppy's life determine who they will be as an adult dog? To create our elite guide and service dogs, our early education program stimulates puppies' five senses through interactive play-with-purpose. We also incorporate passive environmental education with music and interesting objects placed near our youngest puppies to pique their interest and stimulate their curiosity.

Want to see? Here's your Personal Puppy Cam showcasing the cutest preschool on the planet for your Feel Good Friday!



WALKATHON DATES TO REMEMBER

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

UPCYCLED FASHION SHOW

Join us the evening of **March 2, 2018** at the beautiful Hilton Daytona Beach Oceanfront Resort for the first-ever Upcycled Fashion Show in Daytona Beach!

You will never look at these items the same way again: plastic bags, water bottles, bicycle tubes, paper, window screen, neckties, woven tarps, string, wire, and so many more items that were all destined for the landfill. One person's trash is another person's couture gown in this one-of-a-kind, high fashion evening of fun, function, and everything fabulous.

Proceeds from this show will benefit Conklin Center for the Blind's Early Intervention Program, which serves infants, toddlers and children who are blind or severely visually impaired.

Tickets are **\$35** a person and can be purchased by calling: 270-898-7903

NIGHT FOR SIGHT 2018

April 5, 2018 - The Shores Resort & Spa

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

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

Purchase tickets today at nightforsight.eventbrite.com

DUPLEX RENOVATION

We recently received a grant in the amount of \$47,000 from the Lions Clubs International Foundation to match the \$47,000 we have already raised for renovation of our Ormond Beach Duplex which we will use as a training site for our advanced students. We thank the Council for its endorsement, and International Director Candidate Geoff Wade for his encouragement and advice as we developed this proposal!

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)
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 bob40110@yahoo.com
Tom Bahleda (386) 492-5280 tbahleda@woh.rr.com
Jeff Follmer (386) 322-6045 pi_lions_jeff@yahoo.com

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.



SATURDAY
MARCH 10, 2018
3 - 8 PM
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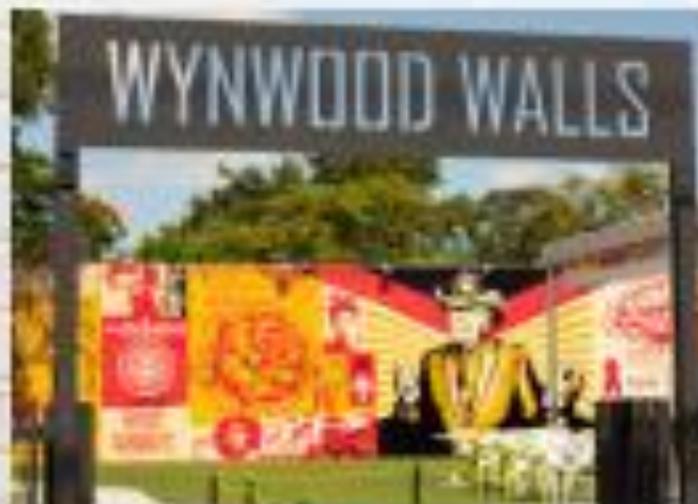
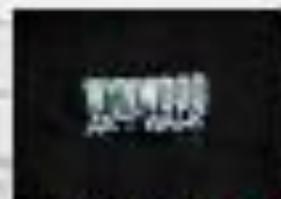
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APPRECIATION

NIGHT

TOUR THE EYE BANK, PATHOLOGY LABORATORY, AND RESEARCH FACILITIES +
ENJOY DINNER & DRINKS ON THE PATIO + BOARD THE COMPLIMENTARY BUS TO
NEARBY WYNWOOD ART DISTRICT + EXPLORE GALLERIES, VISIT THE FAMOUS
WYNWOOD WALLS, AND CONTINUE THE CELEBRATION!

RSVP BY FEBRUARY 23, 2018
(305) 326-6359 OR EMAIL INFO@FLEB.ORG



Global Leadership
Team



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

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
(3rd Bldg. on Right, Inside the Gate)





**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					TOTAL
		REGISTRATION FEE	\$ 10.00	\$ 15.00	x	
		LEO REGISTRATION FEE	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	x	
		EVENT				
		(Please Specify Meal Choice where Noted)				
		FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION BREAKFAST Friday May 4th	\$ 25.00	\$ 30.00	x	
		DISTRICT LUNCHEON Friday May 4th	\$ 30.00	\$ 35.00	x	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad <input type="checkbox"/> Sirloin Caesar Salad				
		"ROLLING INTO VEGAS" FUN NIGHT Friday May 4th Dinner Buffet, & Fun	\$ 45.00	\$ 50.00	x	
		RECOGNITION BREAKFAST Saturday May 5th	\$ 25.00	\$ 30.00	x	
		FLORIDA LIONS LUNCHEON Saturday May 5th	\$ 30.00	\$ 35.00	x	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Roasted Vegetable Wrap <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Salad Croissant				
		TARNISHED BRASS Saturday May 5th 12:00 Noon	\$ 30.00	\$ 35.00	x	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Roasted Vegetable Wrap <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Salad Croissant				
		VIP LUNCHEON Saturday May 5th	XXXXXXXX XXX	XXXXXXXX XXX	x	XXXXXXXX
		<input type="checkbox"/> Roasted Vegetable Wrap <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Salad Croissant				
		GOVERNORS BANQUET Saturday May 5th	\$ 45.00	\$ 50.00	x	
		<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				
		FOUNDATION BREAKFAST Sunday May 6th	\$ 25.00	\$ 30.00	x	
		Register online at: https://conference.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?eventcode=GDC				Total

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.

May 4 – 6, 2018

Wyndham I-Drive. Room rates \$109.00

Register online at:

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

Certification – Will be on Friday May 4th Saturday May 3rd

Voting – Saturday May 3rd .

Friday Night Fun Night will be *Rollin' Into Vegas* – Casino Night where we will have Roulette, Black Jack, Craps and Texas Holdem.

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

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



Ocece 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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mark.rollins@cruiseplanners.com
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Calendar of Events

Dates are subject to change

Month	Date	Description	Place or Club
March	2	Chartered 1987	Lady Lake Orange Blossom Gardens 31 yrs
March	3	Chartered 1939	Mount Dora Lions Club 79 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 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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