



DISTRICT 1A GOVERNOR RICHARD MOY'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

November 2025

Good afternoon, lions!



What a cold rush that we've been presented with! We go from weeks of 80 degrees during Fall to immediate 60 degrees 😂 I mean talk about the winds of change! Welcome to Chicago aka District 1A weather!

October has been an extremely busy month for our clubs. We entered October holding hands and embracing the International Months

of Service. October saw us recognizing Mental Health Awareness.

Our clubs took on this challenge and got to serve! I have seen many of our club's setup projects and events to recognize how important shining a light on Mental Health Awareness truly is. I want to congratulate you all on your efforts. I want to applaud you all for taking the reins to put your stamp on the importance of Mental Health this month. Servant Heroes don't always

move in the public eye, we often and majority move in silence because our impression and effect come to fruition when nobody is watching and I see many of you doing just that. Thank you!

I am truly happy that I was able to be a part of many Region meetings this month. It's outstanding that our district had 4 out of 6 region meetings this month alone and I was able to partake in them. Listening to our leadership at the Region and Zone chair level present their clubs in such a warming fellowship fashion is exactly the expectation of Lions Family in District 1A. The club celebrating their victories during these meetings is the PILAR of our district. And I'm so grateful to have been a part of those celebrations.

During my excursions for the month, I spent time with the Chicago Asian American Lions Club and had the pleasure of "Casually" installing the new officers of this Lions year. The presentation was led by me wearing a Chicago Cubs jacket with approval from the club president Lion Janet Reyes. The

afternoon was capped off by sharing a happy birthday celebration for the members of her club as well as Cub Logan Moy from the Windy City Lions Club.

Moving on in the month, what better way to celebrate Lions in need than with some Nurses...For Diabetes! I had absolute pleasure in spending a beautiful Friday night with the Nurses for Diabetes Lions Club and installing their incoming officers. The highlight of this installation was installing THE youngest President of a club in our district! A true momentous moment for the club, our district and lions club international.

When I jumped back on the plane I headed over to Brookfield, IL and spent time with the Windy City Lions Club to give Love to our elderly with my family. The day was spent doing Bingo, Manicures and Makeovers. Thank you to Windy City for providing the day to give LOVE to our elderly.

After we were done with Windy City Lions, I took out my bus pass and I told our First Lady, "hey, it's time to

go, I have a taste for some Corned Beef and Cabbage!" So we made our way over to the 100 Year celebration with the Argo-Summit Lions Club!

I want to congratulate this club. Not only did you quench my hunger for Corned Beef and Cabbage, but you took the day and exemplified what it means to never give up on your heart of service. All my horrible humor aside, Lion Tula Beene, Madame President, thank you for showing me and showing our family in district 1A how important service is. Thank you for reminding us what community means. Thank you for taking my hand in this life we call service and choosing not to give up! Congratulations to your club!

LIONS!!

Many of you have done and are

planning on doing amazing servant projects. I see many flyers of your events. I want you all to know that I couldn't be prouder as your brother in Lionism for all that you're doing. The mere fact that my schedule with you all is full makes my heart full. This isn't commercial. Please keep filling my months with service activities and keep being excited and happy about that service.

Like I said at the Jamboree, I'm not a title or a sport coat, I am and always will be just Lion Richard. So let's make our mark and lead to serve and serve to lead together!

GO LIONS GO!!

Yours Always in Service,

Richard A. Moy

VCC (Vice Council Chair)

District Governor

Dear Lions: Send your news and pictures to Lion Austin if you want to see them here on this newsletter. Email to: govaustin@gmail.com



Lions Clubs International
LCIF Club Coordinators
Training Session

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH

**FOREST VIEW
COMMUNITY ROOM**

7000 W 46TH STREET

FOREST VIEW

9:00AM – NOON

**PLEASE JOIN US TO LEARN YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES
OF YOUR ROLE YOU ACCEPTED AS
LCIF CLUB COORDINATOR**

*THE CLUB COORDINATOR SERVES AS AN
AMBASSADOR FOR LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION*

You will learn about Training, PR, Grant Opportunities,
Fundraising Events, Identify potential partners for your clubs,
you'll leave with a better understanding of LCIF, and you
will receive the latest version of the Club Coordinators Manual

PLEASE RSVP BY NOV. 5TH

jointhelionstoday@gmail.com

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST SERVED

About Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)

Our mission

Our mission is to empower Lions clubs, volunteers and partners to improve health and wellbeing, strengthen communities, and support those in need through humanitarian service and grants that impact lives globally, and encourage peace and international understanding.

Changing lives since 1968



Stories of service

Watch

 Watch Change a life LCIF's impact is measured by individual lives transformed through your support. Since 1968, LCIF grants have empowered Lions globally, creating profound change. See how your generosity can make a difference, one life at a time.	 Watch Empowering youth across the globe Over four decades, Lions Quest has transformed youth, expanded globally and formed key partnerships. See how Lions Quest's 40-year journey has shaped young lives.	 Watch Support after disaster When wildfires ravaged Texas, LCIF provided grants, enabling Lions to deliver immediate relief, and we're still supporting these efforts. See the powerful impact we're making together.	 Watch Responding and rebuilding together When a magnitude 7.4 earthquake struck Hualien City, China Taiwan in April 2024, LCIF acted quickly to empower Lions on the ground. Lions delivered vital food, water and supplies to those affected by this crisis.
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EMPTY HEADING

Our partners:



Collaboration is key. And we keep good company. LCIF works with leading organizations and companies to amplify our service impact. Discover how our global partnerships make us stronger.

Your District 1A LCIF Coordinators:

Lion Lea Agaton

PDG Austin Dsouza

Giving empowers service. When you support LCIF, 100% of your

donation benefits the very grants and programs that empower the compassionate service of Lions and Leos, and those who need our help. Your generosity makes a powerful impact.



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Support our service

\$7,500. Currently, we have reached 27% of our goal. Emails have been sent to all the clubs (Presidents & Secretaries) asking for a donation so that we can continue to provide hearing aids for those in need. I have also been attending our Region meetings to talk about this campaign and have received favorable responses. Please note that when we receive requests for open areas, we do reach out to the clubs closest to the area for donations. We also receive donations throughout the year from Lions and Lions Clubs within District 1-A.

Hello District, 1-A Lions, Greetings from the VOICES team, the Charitable Arm of District 1-A.

The VOICES team continued to be busy during the month of October.

We continue to receive many hearings aid request for the open areas in District 1-A. In October we received 3 requests bringing our total to \$12,986.00 for 3 months (16-month total \$20,486.00).

The "**Can you Hear Me Now?**" fundraiser was launched in mid-September. Our goal is to raise

VOICES will be sponsoring a Christmas at Brookfield Zoo on Sunday November 9th. The tree will be decorated with crafty handmade ornaments made by Lion Director Cindy Meyer. We will have a table to provide information about VOICES to the public.

When we receive a request for eyeglasses in the open areas, we initially reach out to the closest club. Recently we received another request near the Worth Lions Club area, who are currently working with the client to provide glasses. Again, another club has stepped up to help those in need.

Children Vision testing, we had a busy October for vision screenings. We screened 86 children in October.

Raffle tickets for the Presidents Raffle will go on sale in November for \$20 a ticket (Only 300 tickets will be sold). The drawing will be held daily on Facebook live at 12 Noon. The drawing will begin on Thursday February 12th and end on Sunday February 22nd. There will be 1 winning ticket drawn per day for \$200.00 and the ticket will be put back in the drum for future drawings. On February 12th and 22nd there will be 2 winning tickets pulled for \$200.00 each. VOICES members will have tickets available for sale soon.

GOALS FOR 2025-2026

1. Continue to partner with LIF on Vision screening and hearing tests (for ages 6 and over) within our District 1-A boundaries.
 - a. Update: The hearing laptop has been upgraded, and we will finish some training in November. Contact Lion Marlene Chaney at 708 275-6316 or email at marchaney@sbcglobal.net to schedule a hearing screening.
 - b. We have started doing hearing screenings for children aged 6 and up and adults. If interested contact Lion Marlene Chaney at the above phone and/or email address.
2. Increase number of Vision screenings within the District. Contact Lion Marlene Chaney at 708 275-6316 or email at

marchaney@sbcglobal.net to schedule a screening.

3. Identify additional Day Care centers that we can add to our list of customers and plan re-occurring screening visits.
 - a. A committee will be created to work on this initiative.
4. Review and update the VOICES CBL. **COMPLETED**
 - a. Update: CBL has been updated and approved by the VOICES Directors.

Can you believe it's almost Thanksgiving? On behalf of the VOICES team, we would like to wish you and your families a beautiful Thanksgiving.

See you around the District. Thank you for all you do to help those in need. We couldn't do it without all of you.

PCC Gail Anton President - VOICES
Gail Anton
President – VOICES

Send your club news and pictures to:
govaustin@gmail.com



GMT Coordinator Report:

PDG Tom Elsey

November 1, 2025



Mission 1.5

As stated on the international website "We're on a mission to grow. And social media is one of the best tools we have for spreading our message, sharing success stories, and inspiring fellow Lions to join the drive to reach 1.5 million members worldwide. *MISSION 1.5* starts with you. So, get active with other Lions on social media now! #MissionToGrow"

Let's see what we can do to help reach 1.5 members! We can reach and exceed our goal if every lion adds one or more new members.

As a district, we need to continue improving work on retaining our members and getting new members. International A. P. Singh attended the Council of Governors Meeting on Saturday, September 27 and encouraged MD-1 Illinois to continue working hard to help achieve our Mission 1.5 Goals as outlined in the Table below. He is passionate about the need for us to continue increasing membership, so we are able to continue serving those in need.

2025-2026 Mission1.5	New Clubs	Members from New Clubs	New members in Existing Clubs	Dropped Members	Net Growth
Goals	3	75	300	275	100
Actual	1	21	93	79	20

As you can see, we are behind our membership goals and we all need to continue working hard to show the world that District 1 A, MD-1 Illinois and

Constitutional Area 1 that we have what it takes. Thank you for all that hard work you do!

The easiest way to gain members is to have your club visible and provide service to those in need. Visibility will help your prospective member make an easy choice in accepting your invitation to join your club.

Overview of Mission 1.5

Mission 1.5, Lions International’s global membership growth initiative, set an ambitious target: to grow Lions Clubs International to **1.5 million members worldwide**. The campaign focused on:

- Recruiting new members with passion and purpose.
- Strengthening club retention and engagement.
- Work to assist where needed to help clubs meet community needs or causes for service.

As GMT Coordinator, I will work closely with our district’s leadership, Global Action Team, and clubs to align our efforts with Mission 1.5. While we’ve made significant gains in awareness and training, our year-end membership data reveals key challenges—particularly around retention and club vitality.



District 1-A Membership Summary – 2025-2026 Lion Year (Through 10/30/2025)

Total New Members Added

93 new members were added across existing clubs.

13 clubs had a net loss in the year so far

41 clubs had no change in membership

15 clubs had a net increase in membership

Top Five Clubs with New members – 2025 -2026

Club Name	New Members
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE LIONS CLUB	27
SOUTHLAND CYBER LIONS CLUB (New Club)	21
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN LIONS CLUB	13
CHICAGO DIVERSE INTERGENERATIONAL LIONS CLUB	10
CHICAGO ENGLEWOOD LIONS CLUB	5

New Members 2025-2026		
Row Labels	New Members All Year	New Members in October
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE	27	15
SOUTHLAND CYBER	21	21
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN	13	4
CHICAGO DIVERSE INTERGENERATIONAL	10	

CHICAGO ENGLEWOOD	5	
CHICAGO NURSES FOR DIABETES	3	
WILLOW SPRINGS LIONESSE	2	2
BELLWOOD	2	
CHICAGO MABUHAY CENTENNIAL	1	
STICKNEY FOREST VIEW	1	1
ORLAND PARK	1	
PALOS	1	
BROOKFIELD LA GRANGE PARK	1	
CHICAGO WINDY CITY	1	1
WESTCHESTER	1	1
LA GRANGE HIGHLANDS	1	
CALUMET CITY	1	1
LANSING	1	
Grand Total	93	46



2025-2026 Newly Chartered Clubs

Southland Cyber lions Club was newly chartered on October 9, 2025. Let us welcome the **21** members that have joined our new club.



Total Dropped Members – July 1, 2025 – October 30, 2025

Total Membership Drops 79 **Members**

Reason for Drop	Dropped Members in Entire Year	Dropped Members in October
Became A Life Member	1	0
Deceased	5	1
Moved	5	0
Non-Attendance	30	0
Non-Pymt Of Dues	19	7
Other	3	1
Resigned In Good Standing	9	2
Transferred In Good Standing	7	1
Grand Total	79	12

The breakdown by category is as follows:

- 17 Clubs Lost Members so far this year
- 6 Clubs lost Members in October

MD-1 Illinois Lions Membership as os 09/30/2025 at 3:00pm.
Members



MD 1 Club Information

Multiple District	District	State or Country	Total Clubs	New Clubs	Dropped Clubs	Reorganized Clubs	Status Quo Clubs	Charter Members
MD 1	District 1 A	ILLINOIS	69	1	0	0	0	21
MD 1	District 1 BK	ILLINOIS	58	0	0	0	0	0
MD 1	District 1 CN	ILLINOIS	28	0	0	0	0	0
MD 1	District 1 CS	ILLINOIS	23	0	0	0	0	0
MD 1	District 1 D	ILLINOIS	48	0	0	0	0	0
MD 1	District 1 F	ILLINOIS	29	0	0	0	0	0
MD 1	District 1 G	ILLINOIS	31	0	0	0	0	0
MD 1	District 1 H	ILLINOIS	36	0	0	0	0	0
MD 1	District 1 J	ILLINOIS	54	0	0	0	0	0
MD 1	District 1 M	ILLINOIS	45	0	2	0	0	0

District 1A the only district in MD-1(Illinois) to start a new club in October. The club so far has chartered with 21 members. Our goal for the year is to start three new clubs with 75 members. The Multiple District has a goal of 12 clubs.

MD 1 Member Information

District	New Members	Transferred Members	Reinstated Members	Total Members Added	Total Members Dropped	Total Members
District 1 A	72	2	4	99	79	1,823
District 1 BK	42	1	4	47	26	1,770
District 1 CN	19	1	1	21	24	911
District 1 CS	22	1	2	25	14	509
District 1 D	36	2	2	40	49	1,425

District 1 F	62	4	4	70	22	889
District 1 G	9	1	2	12	24	652
District 1 H	27	2	0	29	29	862
District 1 J	63	1	2	66	44	2,107
District 1 M	22	1	0	23	44	1,121

As of October 30, 2025, MD-1 has 5 districts with a plus in membership, 1 district even in membership and 4 districts with a deficit in membership. Overall MD-1 is +77 members.

Tips for Improving Membership in Your Clubs

Here are 10 ways to jumpstart your club's recruiting efforts.

This is taken from LCI's Mission 1.5 Website resources:

1. **Do a member satisfaction check.**

Before going out to recruit, look inside. How's your club doing? Are your members happy? Do you have a positive club culture? Happy members who enjoy being a Lion are more likely to successfully recruit friends, family and others to your club.

Tools for success: [Membership Satisfaction Guide](#)

2. **Connect your club membership and marketing chairpersons.**

Does your club have a membership chairperson? How about a marketing chairperson? If not, you'll want to fill these roles because marketing and membership growth go hand in hand. If you already have these

chairpersons in place, make sure they're working together to promote your club and recruit new members.

Tools for success: [Marketing Matters webpage](#), [Club Membership Chairperson webpage](#)

3. **Get social.**

Social media is one of the most powerful tools you have for recruiting members. The more you promote your club's incredible work, the more visible you'll be and the more opportunities you'll have to connect with people looking to serve. So, use social media to invite people to join your club for a service project or attend one of your events, and be sure everyone in your club is sharing, tagging and reposting stories about your club. Is your clubs

Tools for success: [Social Media Kit](#)

4. **Don't forget traditional media.**

Social media isn't the only way to get your club noticed. Local newspapers, magazines and newsletters are also great ways to promote your club. Make connections with your local media and other organizations and community groups to discover opportunities to get the word out.

Tools for success: [Lions Press Center](#), [Brand Advance Kit](#)

5. **Apply for the Lions International Marketing Award.**

Marketing is critical for recruitment, but it's also a fun way to collaborate with your club and be creative. So why not embrace a little friendly competition by taking your shot at global recognition and great prizes? Your club can apply for the Lions International Marketing Award by creating a marketing campaign focused on member recruitment. Gather your team, plan your marketing campaign, and go out and get some new members.

Tools for success: [Lions International Marketing Award webpage](#), [Marketing Matters webpage](#)

6. **Recruit while you serve.**

One of the best ways to recruit is by doing what you do best — serving. So

invite people to serve you and see what it's like to be a Lion. Wear Lions-branded clothing to your service projects for visibility and bring promotional materials to hand out to people you meet while out in the community.

Tools for success: [Brand Advance Kit](#), [Lions Shop](#)

7. **Host a member recruitment event.**

Service is our focus, but bonding and having a good time is also a big part of the Lion experience — so don't be afraid to show off that side to potential members! Consider hosting a member recruitment event that's more of a social gathering. It could be a happy hour, picnic, ice cream social, game night or whatever works for your club. Promote the event on social media and encourage everyone in your club to invite at least five people.

Tools for success: [Social Media Kit](#), [Brand Advance Kit](#)

8. **Write and share your Lion stories.**

Every Lion has a story to tell about their member experience. But is every Lion in your club ready to share theirs? Consider a club activity where everyone writes their story. It doesn't have to be long — it can be as simple as jotting down why you joined or why you love being a Lion. Once your stories are ready, find creative ways to share them on social media or your club's website. Or, simply use them while talking with prospective members.

Tools for success: [Lions Get Social webinar](#), [Lions Blog](#)

9. **Make connections in your community.**

It's not always what you know, but who you know. Consider ways you can expand your network, like meeting local business owners or getting involved in community events. Participate in a golf outing, volunteer at a hospital or school, or even attend another group's pancake breakfast. The more you're out and about, the more people you'll meet — so think of creative ways to make new connections. These connections just may become new partners, supporters or even new members.

Tools for success: [Developing Local Partnerships](#)

10. **Just Ask!**

There are lots of different ways to find new members. But at the end of the day, one of the easiest and most effective ways to recruit is to simply ask people to join. Imagine if every Lion brought one new member to your club — think of how many more people you could serve. All it takes is asking one family member, friend or neighbor.

Tools for success: [Just Ask Guide](#)

Take some time to look over some of the resources we have available to us that will help us serve more of our friends in need!

[Application for Membership](#)

An application for membership can be downloaded using the link shown below. It is a fillable pdf file that can be either printed to be given to prospective new members or sent electronically for a new member to fill-in online and email back to you.

The file can be accessed using the following link:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/79863797>

Pre-printed Applications are available from Lions International.

If your club would like some assistance on getting new members or updating your social media platforms, please do not hesitate to reach out for assistance

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Elsey, PDG

District 1A Global Membership Team Chairperson

thomas.elsey@gmail.com Westchester Lions Club

District 1A Lions & Leos:

I have been asked to send an email to the cabinet asking everyone to pray for PCC Dennis McMillan as he is hospitalized for

health issues following surgery. Please keep him and PDG Joni in your prayers.

Lion Brenda Block
District 1A Cabinet Secretary

District 1A Service Activities:

Congratulations to the **Chicago Fil-USA Lions Club** on their 21st Anniversary celebration! It's always such a beautiful and memorable time with you all.



Chicago Global Lions Fundraiser



Region 3 Meeting last was a GRAND SLAM!!





At the **Chicago Nurses for Diabetes Lions Club's** Installation of Officers and Induction of New Members 2025.





Chicago Windy City Lions Club at their Glow with the Elders Day at Cantata Adult Services in Brookfield.

-Argo Summit Lions for their **100 Year Anniversary** and huge welcome back to their ever so missed Corn Beef & Cabbage dinner. I think 260+ in attendance today spoke to how much the community,



Region 5 Meeting:





Governor's Community outing with the kids.

Send your photos and news to appear in this Governor's Newsletter. Email them to: govaustin@gmail.com

Vision & Hearing Screenings,
Mental Health Awareness by
Chicago Indo-US Lions Club,
Kidney Foundation, and BCBS in
Will County.



Chicago Asian American Lions Club's installation of new officers
and plain old Lions Fellowship.





Berwyn Lions at their monthly meeting



A successful zumba glow party just happened! A great partnership of the [Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions Club](#) and the Philippine Nurses Association of Wisconsin



Region 4 Meeting:





Chicago Healthcare Alliance

Lions in Prevent Alzheimers walk.



Five Star Lions Club and Club Excellence Award to The **Forest Kala Sampath Lions Club.**



Five Star Lions Club and Club Excellence Award to **Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions Club.**



Five Star Lions Club and Club Excellence **Award to Asian American Lions Club.**



Receiving International President's Appreciation Certificate to Lion



Austin for bringing in 20 new members for the year 2024-2025



for **Forest Kala Sampath Lions Club.**



Receiving International President's Appreciation Certificate to Lion Lea Agaton for bringing in 20 new members for the year 2024-2025 for **Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions Club.**



District 1A Charitable Arm VOICES briefing at the Region 3 Meeting by PCC Gail Anton.



District 1A Convention briefing by PCC Steve Anton



Presentation on LCIF



The Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions Club extends heartfelt gratitude to Lion Yvette Ponce for leading this beautiful initiative in Abra, Philippines. Through the generosity of our members and donors, we were able to share joy and hope with children by

providing school supplies, shoes, and other essentials.

We continue to live out the true spirit of Lionism which serves with compassion, kindness, and unity. Thank you to everyone who made this act of giving possible. You have brought smiles that reach far beyond miles.



Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions Club member and the Trustee of Village of Glendale

Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions Club was awarded



Best Humanitarian Association award.



Heights Lion John David Bican was the chief guest for the Philippine American Cultural Association's Annual Day in which

Oasi Di Gioa Per Bambini by
Chicago Healthcare Alliance



Lions Club.



Chicago Global Lions event



Sayawit at Disenyo, with thesesm
Global Cultural Dances. Double
Tree Hotel, Grand Ballroom by
Chicago Global Lions Club.



Lion Lea Agaton received Nurse

Excellent Award 2025 from **PNAGC**



Region 1 Meeting




Want to buy I Love LCIF Fund raiser pin? Only \$10 donation. Contact:
Lea Agaton: 847-912-3354 or
Lion Austin Dsouza: 708-623-4764



LCIF Presentation to **Chicago Global Lions Club**

Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions Mental Health Presentation Day.



**District 1A Convention
Committee Meeting.**

Oak lawn Lions donated cards for soldiers to send to their families.



Send your articles, news with pictures to Lion Austin before every 25th of the month.

Email: govaustin@gmail.com



Peace Poster Contest Notice & Deadlines

This year, LCI's Peace Poster Contest theme is "Together As One." When we come together, we can do amazing things. This year, we're inviting students around the world to envision what can happen when a diverse group of people unites around a common cause or goal. Imagine a world where we all come together as one!

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

- **January 15:** Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **October 1:** Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a district governor not belonging to a multiple district to send one winning poster to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.
- **December 15:** Postmark deadline for the multiple district council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.
- **February 1:** International winners notified on or before this date

Visit the following link for more information including how to order your Peace Poster Contest kit. [Lions Peace Poster Contest](#)

Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

**To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only).*

LIONS & LEOS WEEKS OF SERVICE 2025-2026



The Weeks of Service centers around significant international days, highlighting the impact of Lions through the world. Lions are encouraged to do service that greatly impacts their communities while also finding sustainable ways to increase service impact, visibility of the Lions brand through consistent periods of service.

THE 3 FOCUS AREAS FOR THIS FY INCLUDE:



MENTAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING

LIONS SERVICE WEEK WILL BE ON
OCTOBER 4-12, 2025



HUNGER

LIONS SERVICE WEEK WILL BE FROM
JANUARY 3-11, 2026



ENVIRONMENT

LIONS SERVICE WEEK WILL BE FROM
APRIL 18-26, 2026

Lion Rex Nyquist, Peace Poster Chair

historytennis@yahoo.com



July 28, 2025

Dear Lions Club President or Secretary,

It is time to think about the Peace Poster and Essay contest. This year's theme is "Together as One". I hope your club will consider sponsoring a contest. Also, know that contests do not necessarily have to be organized through schools. An organization such as the Boy or Girls Scouts can have a contest, or a youth organization or a church group.

If you are interested in sponsoring a contest, order a Peace Poster contest kit online from Lions International. With shipping, the cost is a little over \$24.00. Then, conduct your contest. The winner must be selected, and his or her poster be given to District Governor Richard by November 15. After that, Governor Richard will bring the poster to the State Contest. The contest is open to children who will be 11, 12, or 13 on November 15, 2024.

I hope your club will consider having a contest. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 224-532-7366, or at historytennis@yahoo.com.

Yours in Lionism,

Rex D. Nyquist

District 1-A Peace Poster Chair

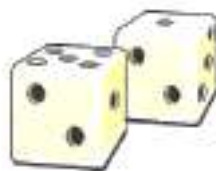


WILLOW SPRINGS LIONS CLUB



P R E S E N T S

LAS VEGAS NIGHT



♠ RAFFLE ♥ BIG WHEEL ♣ POKER ♦ BANG ♠
♦ BLACK JACK ♣ TEXAS HOLD-EM ♥ CHUCK-O-LUCK ♠

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7th
7:00 PM TO 12:00 AM

1st Prize: \$250.00 CASH 2nd Prize: \$200.00 CASH
3rd Prize: \$150.00 CASH 4th Prize: \$100.00 CASH

Refreshments

ROYALTY WEST

8675 S. Archer Avenue ♦ Willow Springs, Illinois

Donation: \$10.00

License CG-276



First Lady Lion Edith Moy Special Project

♥ MEALS FROM THE HEART ♥

This event brings together District 1-A lions to kickstart our service week for HUNGER and support those in need, making a positive difference along side Ronald McDonald House. We'll have the opportunity to bring the flavors of home and prepare a meal for the families to eat together!

Choose between two locations and two weekends, Ronald McDonald House: Loyola and Ronald McDonald House: Advocate Children's, January 3rd & January 10th for **Dinner** and January 4th & January 11th for **Brunch**. Click on the link below to see exact time and location, you have to register to allow our group to have a quick check-in process. Please note the number of volunteers is limited but there is other ways to give thru monetary donations or the families amazon [Wishlist](#), you can purchase items from, and they will be sent to that House or Family Room. (Click on wishlist link to view list per location)

FIRST TWO WEEKENDS OF 2026

DATE: JANUARY 3 & 4, 2026 - JANUARY 10 & 11, 2026

TIME: CLICK LINK FOR EXACT TIME AND LOCATION
PREFERENCE <https://vhub.at/LionsClubDistrict1A>

LOCATION: RMH OAK LAWN & RMH (NEAR LOYOLA)
4410 W 93RD STREET 1 AIRMAIL ROAD
OAK LAWN, IL 60453 HINES, IL 60141

How You Can Help: → [Volunteer Your Time](#) → [Make a Donation](#) → [Wishlist](#)

More Information: <https://vhub.at/LionsClubDistrict1A> ✉ riversa.edith@yahoo.com



Please Join Governor Richard & First Lady Edith
at the

District 1 - A Holiday Party

Sunday, December 14, 2025

Chateau Orleans

8025 Cass Ave ~ Darien

12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Dinner ~ Cash Bar \$45 Per Person

Wear Your Favorite Holiday Attire
Enjoy Live Music & Dancing

First Lady Edith's Charity is the
Ronald McDonald House

We will be collecting items from their attached Wish List



Please RSVP by December 3, 2025 to
Lion Dawn at pcstdawn@gmail.com or 708-860-8909

Oak Lawn – Hometown School District
Feed 6 Community Event
Saturday, December 13, 2025

This is an international award winning program coordinating a day-long event with 200 volunteers packaging 30,000 meal equivalents (350,000 over 9 years) of pasta product which will be distributed to 28 local food agencies (pantries and other) and further promote our broader Family + Community Resource Network delivering a complete array of vital services and supports to hundreds of families in the greater Oak Lawn area.

- This year's Feed 6 Mega event on December 13th is targeted to exceed completion of 350,000 meal equivalents (over a 9-year period) of an enhanced macaroni and cheese product.
- This entails a day-long community packaging event at the Oak Lawn - Hometown Middle School including 200+ volunteers working in two-hour shifts.
- This year's goal of 30,000 meals (2-and-a-half tons of packaged product) will be packaged and delivered to approximately 28 organizations including food pantries, churches, schools, veteran's groups, homeless shelters and a variety of service organizations. (see attached list)
- These organizations support thousands of food challenged families well beyond the Oak Lawn area. 90% of the completed food is distributed within one week following the event, before Christmas and at a time when food pantries are severely depleted.
- Because many of the food agencies also provide other community services including emergency support, clothing, utility bill assistance, senior support, homelessness prevention, temporary housing and many other services, Feed 6 plays a critical strategic role in our Family + Community Resource Network (FCRN) aiding ALL families in our community, not just D123 families.
- The D123 Feed 6 program has garnered International award recognition for the school district.

All that we are asking initially is a pledge, checks can be received up to the date of the event Dec 13, 2025. Checks should be made payable to: Outreach Inc. Thank you so much for your consideration.



Kids & Community Helping Kids.

You can make a difference in the life of a child. Join with the students and teachers of Oak Lawn - Hometown Middle School in **creating tens of thousands of nutritious meals of hope** for hungry children and their families in our communities.

DATE: Saturday, December 13th, 2025

LOCATION: Oak Lawn Hometown Middle School | Gymnasium
5345 W. 99th Street, Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453

TIMES: One Shift: 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM

DRESS: Relaxed, comfortable attire & footwear.

CONTACTS: Larry Fitchko, Community Liaison Officer
PH: 708.203.7280 | lffitchko@d123.org

Bill Kanatas, Outreach, Chicago | PH: 708.310.5578
BKanatas@Feed6.org | www.feed6.org

Partners in Hope

Oak Lawn Hometown Middle School is partnering with Outreach, an international 501(c)(3) non-profit, which has packaged and distributed nearly a billion meals to hungry children and their families since 2004, and its Chicago area associate, Feed6, which has produced nearly 9 million nutritious meals for our local hungry and food-insecure. Through its innovative mobile food packaging program, Outreach and Feed6 bring together hundreds of volunteers for an extraordinary spirit-enriching event of giving and caring in which anyone of any age or background can participate.

Packed with Love

Volunteers are organized into small group assembly lines, preparing delicious, nutritious meals of Pasta in Tomato Basil Sauce- all fortified with soy protein, nutrients, and vitamins - and bagged, labeled, weighed, and boxed employing safety and hygienic precautions. It's a work of joy - with music, entertainment, and the opportunity to share an extraordinary experience.

We Care

This year we are appealing to the entire community - organizations and businesses - for both financial and volunteer support. All efforts are made to meet local organizational needs for the packaged food product. In previous years this included over a dozen local church food pantries, PADS shelters, women's shelters and other organizations supporting the needy in the Oak Lawn - Hometown area. We look to add another group of organizations to the distribution process and to complete distribution in time for the holidays.



Serving Neighbors in Need.

Chicago

Sampaguita

Bayanihan

Lions Club



Cordially Invites You To It's
Governor's Night
Installation of New Officers
& New Members 2025 -2026
November 15, 2025
(Saturday)

Venue

6:00 Pm till Midnight



Mazzini-Verdi Club

9230 Belmont Ave., Franklin Park IL, 60131

Contact Persons

Please Reserved

PDG Marilyn McLean

Melanie Woodworth

Lea Tubac

Annie Basa

Manuel Escalona

Evelyn Salazar

Norma Manankil

Diane Higley

Remedios Huszar

Edna Pavel

(630) 202-5576

(847) 983-8663

(847) 606-0597

(773)344-0465

(847) 736-4867

(224) 436-9360

(630) 319-7949

(331) 271-4097

(773) 517-7258

(708) 655-6125

Donations

\$80.00

Raffles

Cash Bar

**SEMI FORMAL
ATTIRE**

SAVE THE DATE..... *"VIRTUAL EVENT"*
November 16, 2025

Beverly Ridge Lions Club



You are invited to participate in our 2025 Annual Bears Square Charity Event sponsored by the Beverly Ridge Lions Club. The event will be held "VIRTUALLY" November 16, 2025

This annual event is conducted as a fundraiser to support various Lions charities in our community with special focus on causes for the vision and hearing impaired children and adults. The donation of a ticket to this community charity event is \$150.00
Possibility of winning some "big bucks".

**Bears "BASH" is a GREAT way we support local people in need.
We need your help to continue our community donations!**

Order form to be sent to: Beverly Ridge Lions Clubs c/o Marilyn Cesaro
6248 El Morro Ln, Oak Forest, IL 60452
Mitziac@aol.com

Checks are to be made out to "Beverly Ridge Lions Club"

**\$10 PER PERSON
CHILDREN UNDER 5 FREE**



**STICKNEY-FOREST VIEW
LIONS CLUB**



IT'S BACK! SAVE THE DATE!

Ham & Eggs Breakfast

Saturday, November 23, 2025

7:00am

**Forest View Village
7000 46th St, Berwyn, IL**



Last year we brought back our Ham & Eggs Breakfast fundraiser. This will be our fall fundraiser instead of the pork chop sandwich event. Tickets will be \$10 per person, and you can buy them from any of our Club members or online at our Square store. Click the Tickets link. Children under 5 are free. The Village of Forest View is graciously letting us use their community room again.

And, just in time for Thanksgiving, we are also bringing back our "Wheel of Meat" raffle. We will have frozen turkeys and hams to raffle off that day for \$2 a chance.

Bring any non-perishable food item for the Club's food pantry and receive an entry into the Door Prize Raffle.



The VOICES organization (Charitable Arm of District 1-A) is embarking on a new fundraising campaign titled **“Can You Hear Me Now”**. Over the last 15 months, VOICES has spent **\$12,500** on hearing aids for clients in the District 1-A Open Areas, which is within our District where there are no Lions Clubs available to those in need.

We have 8 additional requests under review. Each pair of hearing aids average cost is \$718. We work with your foundation (Lions of Illinois) to purchase the hearing aids and also with UIC (University of Chicago/LIERI (Lions Illinois Eye Research Institute) for when additional testing is needed.

All applicants are vetted to make sure they qualify for hearing aid assistance.

The requests have significantly increased due to government funding being cut, which causes people to look at other avenues for help.

A club donation to **VOICES**, your District 501(c)(3) Organization, will support the funding that we need to purchase the much-needed hearing aids for those in need. If you are making a personal donation, it is tax deductible.

Please consider donating to VOICES. Any amount will help the cause. See information below on how to donate. Our goal is to raise **\$7500**.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to me at anton173@comcast.net. Or call me [708 514-4825](tel:7085144825).

Checks should be sent to VOICES Treasurer and include the Club name, phone number and amount of donation.

PDG Joni McMillan

15230 S. Hamlin Ave

Midlothian, IL 60455

ZELLE donations should be sent to lion1avoices@gmail.com please include in the memo who the donation is from.





WORTH LIONS CLUB PRESENTS
Twelve Days of Christmas Raffle!

Drawings held Dec. 1 thru Dec. 12 at noon!

11605 Harlem Ave.

View drawings at Lions Tree Lot or
on Facebook Live @ Worth Lions Club - Public
\$50 per ticket! Winning tickets placed back in raffle,
win more than once!

\$500 awarded daily 12/1 thru 12/12.

Only 200 tickets will be sold!

Daily prize amount based on the sale of 200 tickets.

Good Luck and Thank you for your support!

No. 200



Oak Lawn Lions Club
SANTA'S SECRET CASH
December 1-31, 2025

"30 to 60" CHANCES to WIN

Monday thru Saturday Winners Receive \$40

Sunday Winners Receive \$50

CHRISTMAS DAY Winner Receives \$150

You MUST MATCH your numbered ticket to the Pick 3

Number drawn by Illinois Lottery

DONATION: \$5-choose ___ Midday ___ Evening \$10 ___ Both

Contact Lion Joni McMillan

If you wish to purchase a ticket

(708) 539-3297

GovJoniMac@gmail.com



Hurricane Helene is currently impacting the southeastern coastline of the United States, particularly affecting Florida. Many homes have been damaged, and numerous families are displaced. In the face of this humanitarian crisis, we, as Lions, are prepared to step in and help. Your generous donation to LCIF enables us to

continue our vital work in these challenging times. Please consider donating to our Disaster Relief Fund: bit.ly/3XFfxrP [#LCIFLions](https://twitter.com/LCIFLions)

When the Desplaines River flooded our community, the Village of Forest View back in 2013. LCIF was there for us,



CARDS FOR CAMP

Stocking Stuffer Ideas For the Holidays



**OVER
750
RETAILERS**

A percentage of each gift card purchased will help fund Camp Lions. Give the gift that gives back to youth and adults with vision and hearing needs.



STARBUCKS



Go to **RaiseRight.com** and place your order TODAY!



Lions of Illinois Foundation

Gift Card Campaign Presents:



With the Holidays just around the corner, you can shop from over 750 brands, there is a brand for every household need or Holiday wish list!

Greetings Camp Families,

Did you know that we have a **GIFT CARD PROGRAM** go directly to support Camp Lion

Lions of Illinois Foundation has partnered with RaiseRight **PROGRAM** to support **CAMP LIONS**.

Read more to learn about how your everyday shopping can support Camps. The "**CARDS FOR CAMP**" gift card program through RaiseRight is simple and easy to use.

1. The first step is to create an account by contacting the office for an enrollment email. Contact us at LIFoffice@lifnd.org
2. Follow the prompts to complete your account.
3. Start shopping!

You can choose from:

- eGift cards
- physical gift cards

***Gift cards from RaiseRight have no activation fee**

Live Auction

May 18, 2024

Basket Ideas

- ✓ Pasta Dinner
- ✓ Chocolate
- ✓ Microbrew Beers
- ✓ Gaming
- ✓ Lottery Trees
- ✓ Outdoors
- ✓ Party Package
- ✓ Sports
- ✓ Liquor
- ✓ Coffee or Tea
- ✓ Wine & Cheese
- ✓ Car Wash
- ✓ Australian Theme

Contact Lion Bonnie Bradbury for Live Auction questions or donations at bonnie@lionbonnie@aol.com

When you purchase gift cards through the RaiseRight gift card program, the retailers give back a percentage that goes to support Camp Lions, it's instant earning with every purchase. Enroll with us today to take advantage of the bonus percentages given back during the holidays! Be sure to check out the participating vendors on the enclosed list.

Camp Lions Summer Camp
Lions of Illinois Foundation

700 N Peace Road, Suite B, DeKalb, IL 60115 Phone: 815-756-5633 Fax: 815-748-9087
Lionsofillinoisfoundation.org facebook.com/Lionsofillinoisfoundation



2025 MD-1 International Convention

Mexico City Orlando, FL

State Pin - Stick Pin - Charm



Not Actual Pin Size shown

The pins here are the design for the 2025 Lions International Convention - Mexico City, Mexico & now in Orlando, FL. These items are sold separately or you can purchase a complete set at a lower price. Ask about pins or charms that are earlier than 2024. Some years are still available.

Fill out the Order Form Below



Make Check payable to: **DISTRICT 1-A LIONS**

Mail to: **Lion Bob Block**
615 205th Place
Dyer, IN 46311

Lion Ben Zoleta, SVDG
3507 Lakewood Drive
Crystal Lake, IL 60012

Or contact:
 (219) 671-0287
 lionbobbblock@gmail.com

(815) 546-5777
 zeltravel@gmail.com



Order Form

	Australia		Mexico City		Orlando, FL		
Item	Number of Item	2024 cost per Item	Number of Item	2025 cost per Item	Number of Item	2025 cost per Item	Amount Owed
State Pin		\$2.75		\$3.00		\$4.00	
State Charm		\$1.25		\$1.50		\$2.00	
State Stick Pin		\$1.25		\$1.50		\$2.00	
Set of all three		\$3.75		\$4.75		\$5.75	
Handling / Shipping (If required)							
1 to 5 pin	\$5.50						
6 to 10 pins	\$8.50						
Over 20 pins	\$10.00						
Total Amount Enclosed							

Shipping Information

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____