



DISTRICT 1A GOVERNOR RICHARD MOY'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

January 2026

Good afternoon Servant Heroes!



Happy New Year 2026 to you all!

Lion Edith and I hope you all enjoyed the wonderful holidays with your loved ones. To be together is a blessing and is always important to remind each other how we're missed and loved over the daily hustle and bustle of life and

servitude.

December resembled just that! Visiting clubs for their holiday celebrations and Governor Nights gave time and purpose to that reminder of family and fellowship. So, thank you for that.



I want to take a moment to talk about the state of our district at the halfway point of this Lions Year. Membership has taken a pretty hard hit. The drops have been heavily sporadic throughout these last 5 months. So as I look at the trends with our GAT (Global Action Team) we look to identify what's happening. I believe we have a very good handle on the where and whys which is a good thing. The next approach is implementing a plan to assist clubs in Retention, you will see that rolled out for January and February via the Zone and Region chairs while supported by the GAT. What my ask of you all is to start working together now on identifying those members that we're losing at an earlier time than last minute, ie when dues come out. This takes a team effort at all levels. We should all be actively seeing where one of our family members may not be actively involved, whether that's attendance to meetings, service projects or maybe just plain uncharacteristically quiet. I know we are all busy, but I can tell you from experience that sometimes a simple phone call or text message can remind someone

that they are valued not only as a Lion but as a friend. This simple gesture can easily turn it around for someone in need of that reminder that they are valued. I didn't want to be long written with this, but I truly care about our family deeply and never want to see anyone feel like the light of their Heart of Service has gone dim or burned out. So, I want you all to know that you have the help and support from everyone in District 1A, we can turn it around! Go Lions Go!

I want to thank the clubs for their wonderful Governor Night visits. Thank you to Chicago Global Lions, Franklin Park Manila Lions and Jose Rizal Lions. You all welcomed me with open arms, and we spent the evenings with laughs and very boisterous celebrations of your award recipients, new members and officers. Memories with my Lions family I won't ever forget. The holiday celebrations with Nurses for Diabetes and Windy City Lions were also so much fun. From the dancing, to listening to a great band, to the fellowship and a relaxing evening filled with holiday cheer, they all made for a wonderful time. The

District 1A Holiday party was so wonderful. I thoroughly enjoy these times because it gives us all a chance to catch up and see each other again. Thank you to all the clubs, leadership and guests in attendance. Thank you to PCT Dawn Grogan, PCC's Gail and Steve Anton for making this event happen for us all. Thank you PDG Joni McMillan for assisting with the service project collection for the Ronald McDonald House. I also want to give one last shout out to Second Vice Governor Karl "Cowboy" Shulz on having the most outstanding holiday outfit of the afternoon. Those members of our CUB Club thoroughly enjoyed the reindeer ring toss!

I also would like to congratulate THE Chicago Ridge Lions Club for their continued sponsorship of the Finley Junior High Leo Club on their returning and new member installation ceremony. Thank you to the leadership from around the district in attendance: District Leo

Coordinator Frank Kirar, PCC (Past Council Chair) Steve Anton, First Lady Lion Edith Rivera-Moy, PP (Past President) of Chicago Ridge Lion Bill Lammel, Club VP (Vice President) Terri McMaster, Club Secretary Bob McHugh and Superintendent Lion Adam Thorns.

Upcoming for January: Mid-Year Forum January 17th hosted by our amazing incoming Governor, FVDG (First Vice District Governor) Lion Ben Zoleta. Please save the date!

Happy New Year to all my Lions Family in District 1A and MD1 (Multiple District 1). May this new year bring you all a new season of prosperity.

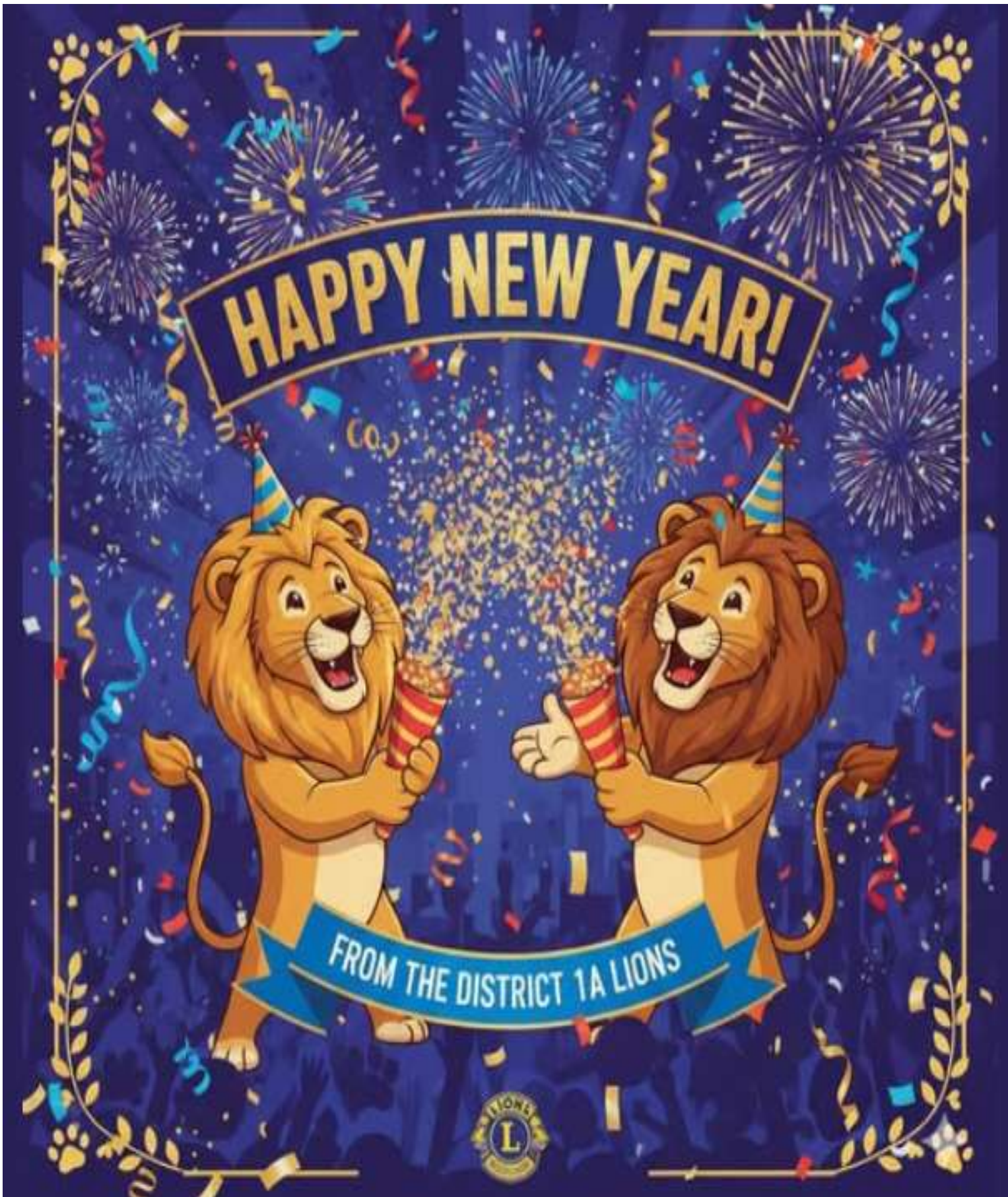
GO LIONS GO!!

Yours Always in Service,

Richard A. Moy

VCC MD1 (Vice Council Chair)

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





**Ronald
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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>  rivera.edith@yahoo.com



Registration Form

District 1- A Mid-Year Forum



ONLINE REGISTRATION

Saturday, January 17, 2026
Registration & Breakfast: 9:00 am
Program: 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Willow Springs Community Center
8156 Archer Ave
Willow Springs IL 60480

Speakers/Program

Leader Dog: Lion Karen Swacker
Efforts Counts: Dale Tippet
Our Friend, The Portal: Lion Valerie Cosmao
Are you Smarter Than a PDG?: 1st VDG Ben Zoleta

Service Project

We will collect non perishable food items for the local food pantry

Additional Information

A table will available for any materials Lions would like to pass out about their club's events.

****Split the Pot Raffle** **Door Prizes****

Please complete and return by January 12, 2026

Club Name _____

Email _____ Phone (____) _____

Member Names:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Cost: \$10.00 per person includes Breakfast and Program

Make checks payable to *District 1-A Lions* and mail to:

Lion Gail Anton, PCC * 17324 Highwood Drive * Orland Park, IL 60467-6051
or Zelle to 1adistricttreas@gmail.com / refer Mid Year Forum in note section

Any Questions contact Lion Gail Anton, PCC @ 708-514-4825



You're Invited

District 1-A Mid-Year Forum

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Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Address: Willow Springs Community Center
8156 Archer Ave Willow Springs IL 60480

To register online please click on the link below

[ONLINE REGISTRATION](#)

OR

Scan the QR Code with your smartphone



About Lions Clubs Intern

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



successful Lions Quest students

9.7 million

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.

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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.



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.



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.



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.

Melvin Jones Birthday Campaign



AUDIENCE:

LCIF fundraising campaign targeting Lions and Leos, with a specific emphasis on encouraging new donors to support the global foundation.

GOAL:

LCIF expects to raise US\$2 Million

CAMPAIGN DATE:

January 11-17, 2026

VOLUNTEERS:

The LCIF volunteer structure will be activated from November 2025 through January 2026 to encourage Lions and Leos to support the global foundation. Volunteers are being encouraged to:

- host a fundraising event
 - ask larger donors to make gifts in honor of Melvin Jones
 - use the limited-edition pin to encourage smaller donations at club meetings and other Lions events
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CAMPAIGN DATE:

The digital campaign will launch on the LCIF Facebook page on January 11th with reels encouraging donations, social posts celebrating LCIF impact, and donor recognition opportunities highlighted.

LAPEL PIN:

Limited-edition lapel pins featuring Melvin Jones will recognize a minimum donation of US\$147

RESOURCES:

LCIF Coordinator Toolkit

Ways to Give



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

Donate online

lionsclubs.org/WaysToGive



Make a Pledge

lionsclubs.jotform.com/90524105483149

Mail

Mail USD checks drawn from a U.S. Bank
and payable to LCIF to:

Lions Clubs International Foundation
Department 4547
Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547 USA

Visit lionsclubs.org/WaysToGive for mailing checks in Canada and India

Wire transfer

JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
ABA Routing Number: 021000021
10 S. Dearborn St.
Account Name: Lions Clubs International Foundation
Chicago, IL 60603 USA
Account Number: 754487312
Swift International Banking number: CHASUS33

Email a copy of your receipt or transfer form – along
with your name, Member ID, club name, and district
name – to donorassistance@lionsclubs.org.

If requesting recognition for someone else, please
include the recipient's name, Member ID, club name,
and district name.

Contact Donor Services

For assistance, contact Donor Services at +1.630.203.3836 or donorassistance@lionsclubs.org.



Lions Clubs International Foundation
300 W. 22nd Street, Oak Brook, IL 60523 USA
www.lcif.org

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Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

YOUR **US\$100 GIFT** CAN HELP LCIF...

- Provide vision screenings for 50 at risk youth through Vision Grants.
- Offer immediate relief to 39 victims of a natural disaster through Emergency Grants.
- House one family during their child's cancer treatment through Childhood Cancer Grants.
- Screen 98 individuals at risk for diabetes through Diabetes Grants.
- Improve access to food for 90 hungry people through Hunger Grants.
- Fund Lions Quest curriculum for one year for an entire classroom through Lions Quest Grants.

100% of your donation supports LCIF grants and programs.



➤ Donate Today | lionsclubs.org/WaysToGive





Celebrate Melvin Jones' 147th Birthday on January 13, 2026

Sample Phone Call Script

(Natural emphasis on Jan 13, with the week as context)

Hi, this is [Your Name]. I'm calling because January 13 is Melvin Jones' 147th birthday, and we're celebrating it as part of LCIF Week, January 11–17, encouraged by LCIF Chairperson Fabricio Oliveira.

This special week is a chance to honor our founder by supporting Lions Clubs International Foundation, which funds grants that allow Lions to serve communities locally and around the world.

Many Lions are choosing to mark Melvin Jones' birthday with a US\$147 donation, which is eligible for a limited-edition Melvin Jones Birthday lapel pin and makes a real, tangible impact.

I wanted to personally invite you to celebrate on January 13—or anytime during LCIF Week—and continue Melvin Jones' legacy of service. I'd be happy to share donation details or answer any questions.

Please email DonorAssistance@lionsclubs.org with receipt of your gift of a minimum of \$147 and request for the birthday pin through Jan 30th, 2026.

Sample Social Media Post

(Birthday-forward, perfect for posting on or near Jan 13)

 **January 13 is Melvin Jones' Birthday!**

We're celebrating our founder during **LCIF Week (Jan 11–17)** by supporting **Lions Clubs International Foundation** and the global impact it makes possible. A **US\$147** gift helps fund vital grants—and qualifies you for a **limited-edition Melvin Jones 147th Birthday pin**.



Celebrate his legacy. Serve with purpose.

👉 Donate: lionsclubs.org/donate and check out some of the ways grant-funding is used here: lcifpride.org/. Email DonorAssistance@lionsclubs.org with receipt of your gift of a minimum of \$147 and request for the birthday pin through Jan 30th, 2026.



Sample Newsletter Blurb

Celebrate Melvin Jones' 147th Birthday on January 13

January 13 is Melvin Jones' birthday, and Lions around the world are celebrating during **LCIF Week (January 11–17)** by honoring our founder's enduring legacy of service.

LCIF Chairperson Fabrício Oliveira encourages Lions and Leos to mark this special occasion by making a gift to **Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)**—strengthening the global foundation that empowers Lions to serve communities and change lives worldwide.

To commemorate Melvin Jones' birthday, donors who make a **minimum gift of US\$147** during the campaign are eligible to receive a **limited-edition Melvin Jones Birthday lapel pin**, created especially for this celebration. Please email DonorAssistance@lionsclubs.org with receipt of your gift of a minimum of \$147 and request for the birthday pin through Jan 30th, 2026.

Celebrate Melvin Jones on January 13—and throughout LCIF Week—by giving in honor of his vision of compassion, generosity, and service.



👉 Donate today at lionsclubs.org/donate and check out some of the ways grant-funding is used here: lcifpride.org/

Lion Lea Agaton & PDG Austin Dsouza

Serving a world in need.

www.lcif.org

GMT Coordinator Report:

PDG Tom Elsey

January 1, 2026



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 Lions International's 1.5MM member goal! 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 can continue serving those in need.

2025-2026 Mission1.5	New Clubs	Members from New Clubs	New Members in Existing Clubs	Members of Transfers and Re-Instates	Total Members in Existing Clubs	Dropped Members	Net Growth
Goals	3	75	225		300	275	100
Actual	1	21	106	13	140	171	-31

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!

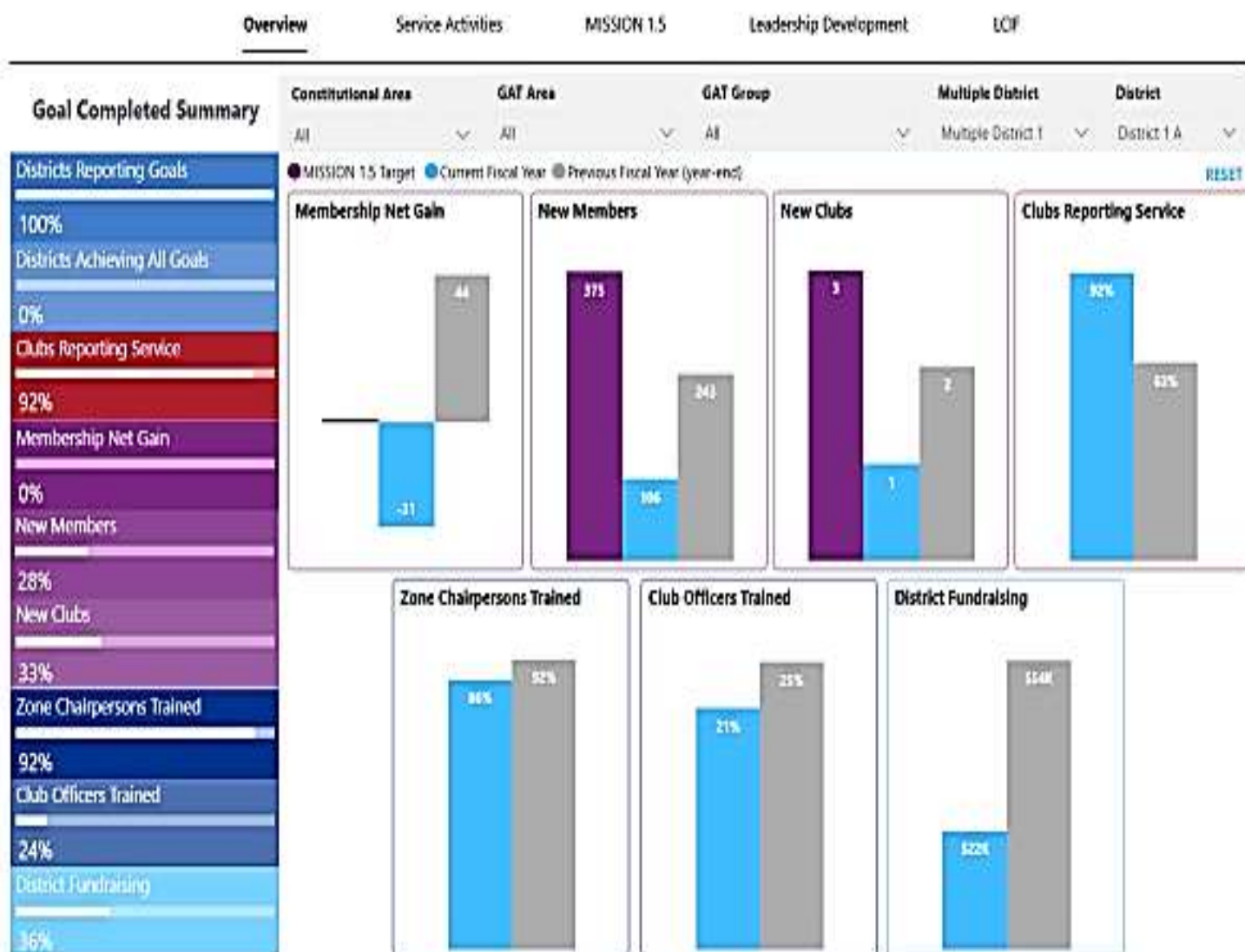
The easiest way to gain members is to have your club visible and provide service to those in need. Visibility will help your prospective member make an easy choice in accepting your invitation to join your club.

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

130 new members were added across existing clubs.

Clubs Adding Members from 07/25 - 12/2025

District 1 A New Members 7/2025 - 12/2025

Club Name	New Members
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE	31
SOUTHLAND CYBER	21
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN	13
CHICAGO DIVERSE INTERGENERATIONAL	10
CHICAGO NURSES FOR DIABETES	7
CHICAGO BAYANIHAN-SAMPAGUITA	5
CHICAGO ENGLEWOOD	5
WILLOW SPRINGS LIONESS	4
CHICAGO ASIAN AMERICAN	3
PALOS	3
CHICAGO ONE WORLD CENTENNIAL	3
WESTCHESTER	2
BELLWOOD	2
CHICAGO ECUADOREAN	2
RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP	2
CHICAGO RIDGE	1
ORLAND PARK	1
CHICAGO ARIRANG	1
RIVER GROVE	1
BROOKFIELD LA GRANGE PARK	1
CALUMET CITY	1
CHICAGO METROPOLITAN	1
CHICAGO WINDY CITY	1
STICKNEY FOREST VIEW	1
LA GRANGE HIGHLANDS	1
WILLOW SPRINGS	1
LANSING	1
CHICAGO MABUHAY CENTENNIAL	1
OAK LAWN	1
Grand Total	127

Four Clubs Sponsored 10 or more members so far this year, including Southland Cyber Lions Club that was newly chartered in October 2025. So far, we have had 26 clubs adding new members.

Members Listed by Sponsor

District 1 A New Members 7/2025 - 12/2025	
Club Name & Sponsor	New Members
SOUTHLAND CYBER - Charter Member	21
CHICAGO DIVERSE INTERGENERATIONAL - GERALDINE GADEN	9
CHICAGO NURSES FOR DIABETES - ANN TEANO	6
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - NICASIO PALLARCA	6
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN - LANI LAGUDAS	6
CHICAGO ONE WORLD CENTENNIAL - MA GEMMA ESMALLA	3
CHICAGO ENGLEWOOD - JOHN CHISUM	3
WILLOW SPRINGS LIONESS - TAMMI PHELAN	3
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - RUBELYN MORES	3
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN - ELIZABETH LEGASPI	3
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - LOUELLA MARIE ENCINA	3
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - JEAN GAVINA	2
BELLWOOD - TED STEISKAL	2
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - LEA AGATON	2
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - DOLORES LIVAS	2
CHICAGO BAYANIHAN-SAMPAGUITA - MARILYN MCLEAN	2
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - HONESTO RODRIGUEZ	2
WESTCHESTER - ANDREAS BRANDT	2
LA GRANGE HIGHLANDS - RICHARD WELGE	1
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - WASE ABDUL	1
RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP - CHARLES COURTNEY	1
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN - JOY RAMIREZ-MARTELL	1
CHICAGO NURSES FOR DIABETES - MARILOU DANGALAN	1
CHICAGO ASIAN AMERICAN - ALFREDA RETTERER	1
PALOS - DENNIS HYKER	1
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN - LAUDELINA LAGUDAS	1
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - ROSETTE TEJADA	1
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN - NANCY LEGASPI	1
CHICAGO METROPOLITAN - DIANE COOK	1
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN - SALVIC SAAVEDRA	1
CHICAGO RIDGE - JANICE FOX THOMPSON	1
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - ALICE ARELLANO	1
OAK LAWN - CAROL SHEAHAN	1

District 1 A New Members

7/2025 - 12/2025

Club Name & Sponsor	New Members
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - AMANDA GIAMBELLUCA	1
PALOS - STEVEN RHODES	1
BROOKFIELD LA GRANGE PARK - PETER HURLEY	1
CHICAGO BAYANIHAN-SAMPAGUITA - LEA TUBAC	1
CHICAGO ECUADOREAN - JOSE RODRIGUEZ	1
CHICAGO ASIAN AMERICAN - JANET REYES-MACARANAS	1
CHICAGO ECUADOREAN - SYLVIA RODRIGUEZ	1
CHICAGO MABUHAY CENTENNIAL - MONA CANETE	1
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - KATRINA STARKS	1
CHICAGO BAYANIHAN-SAMPAGUITA - ENRICO MACARANAS	1
CHICAGO ENGLEWOOD - DERRICK PHILLIPS	1
CHICAGO BAYANIHAN-SAMPAGUITA - IRENE SANGLAY	1
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - LEA DE JESUS	1
CHICAGO WINDY CITY - RICHARD LA JOYE	1
CHICAGO ENGLEWOOD - ELAINE DIXON	1
LANSING - HUMBERTO RIVERA	1
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - MARIE JOY CARINO	1
ORLAND PARK - GAIL CHRISTOFFER-BARUCH	1
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - MARIE VIVIEN GONZALES	1
PALOS - GINA NARCISO	1
STICKNEY FOREST VIEW - DANIEL O'REILLY	1
RIVER GROVE - LISA SCHMIDT	1
WILLOW SPRINGS - RICHARD JOINER	1
RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP - ROBIN MOONEY	1
CALUMET CITY - LIONEL VALENCIA	1
CHICAGO ARIRANG - JULIE SINE	1
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - ROSALINDA KATAYAMA	1
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - MARISSA SALVALEON	1
WILLOW SPRINGS LIONESS - CHERE WALSH	1
CHICAGO HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE - MARY GEM CUBOS	1
CHICAGO DIVERSE INTERGENERATIONAL - EDEN HERRES	1
CHICAGO ASIAN AMERICAN - ERMA BALDERAS	1
Grand Total	127

During the first six months of the year, District 1 A had 63 sponsors in 29 clubs bringing in 1 to 21 new members. Dropped Members by Club, By Reason

District 1 A Drops - 07/2025 - 12/2025

Count of Member Name	Month								
Row Labels	Became A Life Member	Moved	Non-Attendance	Non-Pymt Of Dues	Other	Resigned In Good Standing	Transferred In Good Standing	Deceased	Grand Total
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN				28	1		3		32
CHICAGO DIVERSE INTERGENERATIONAL				10	3	1			14
CHICAGO PHILIPPINE		3	5		2	1	2		13
CHICAGO RIDGE		1			8	2			11
CHICAGO NURSES FOR DIABETES				10					10
CHICAGO MABUHAY CENTENNIAL			9			1			10
CHICAGO FIL USA			5			2	2		9
CHICAGO GLOBAL		2	4	2		1			9
LANSING						5		1	6
CHICAGO ONE WORLD CENTENNIAL		2	4						6
BERWYN CENTENNIAL				4		1			5
STICKNEY FOREST VIEW		1	1		3				5
PALOS				1		3			4
CHICAGO ROGERS PARK			3					1	4
RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP				1		1		1	3
CHICAGO BAYANIHAN-SAMPAGUITA					1	1		1	3
JUSTICE			3						3
LA GRANGE HIGHLANDS			1		1	1			3
THORNTON				1		2			3
CHICAGO JOSE RIZAL		2							2
BELLWOOD								2	2
CHICAGO BEVERLY RIDGE						1		1	2
CHICAGO PUERTO RICO				1		1			2
CHICAGO ARIRANG				1		1			2
CHICAGO MOUNT GREENWOOD	1								1
BRIDGEVIEW								1	1
CHICAGO EAST SIDE								1	1
OAK LAWN						1			1
CALUMET CITY								1	1
ORLAND PARK	1								1
WILLOW SPRINGS							1		1
GLENWOOD			1						1
Grand Total	2	11	36	59	19	26	8	10	171

District 1-A lost 171 members so far this year with 24 clubs losing members. The top 2 reasons for the loss is due to Non Attendance (36) and Non-Payment of Dues(59) for a

total of 95 of those members. We need to work much harder on reducing losses in our district for the second half of the year.

Drops by Month

District 1 A Drops - 07/2025 - 12/2025							
Drops by Club & Reason by month	Month						
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Club/Drop Reason							
BERWYN CENTENNIAL	1				4		5
Non-Pymt Of Dues	1				3		4
Resigned In Good Standing					1		1
CHICAGO ARIRANG						2	2
Non-Pymt Of Dues						1	1
Resigned In Good Standing						1	1
CHICAGO BAYANIHAN-SAMPAGUITA					1	2	3
Other						1	1
Resigned In Good Standing					1		1
Deceased						1	1
CHICAGO BEVERLY RIDGE				1	1		2
Resigned In Good Standing				1			1
Deceased					1		1
CHICAGO DIVERSE INTERGENERATIONAL		9		2	3		14
Non-Pymt Of Dues		6		1	3		10
Other		2		1			3
Resigned In Good Standing		1					1
CHICAGO FIL USA			8			1	9
Non-Attendance			5				5
Resigned In Good Standing			1			1	2
Transferred In Good Standing			2				2
CHICAGO FILIPINO AMERICAN			5	7	1	19	32
Non-Pymt Of Dues			3	6		19	28
Other					1		1
Transferred In Good Standing			2	1			3
CHICAGO GLOBAL	8	1					9
Moved	2						2
Non-Attendance	3	1					4
Non-Pymt Of Dues	2						2
Resigned In Good Standing	1						1
CHICAGO JOSE RIZAL						2	2
Moved						2	2

District 1 A Drops - 07/2025 - 12/2025

Drops by Club & Reason by month	Month						
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Club/Drop Reason							
CHICAGO MABUHAY CENTENNIAL	10						10
Non-Attendance	9						9
Resigned In Good Standing	1						1
CHICAGO MOUNT GREENWOOD					1		1
Became A Life Member					1		1
CHICAGO NURSES FOR DIABETES					3	7	10
Non-Pymt Of Dues					3	7	10
CHICAGO ONE WORLD CENTENNIAL					6		6
Moved					2		2
Non-Attendance					4		4
CHICAGO PHILIPPINE		11			2		13
Moved		3					3
Non-Attendance		5					5
Other					2		2
Resigned In Good Standing		1					1
Transferred In Good Standing		2					2
CHICAGO PUERTO RICO					2		2
Non-Pymt Of Dues					1		1
Resigned In Good Standing					1		1
CHICAGO RIDGE					2	9	11
Moved						1	1
Other					2	6	8
Resigned In Good Standing						2	2
CHICAGO ROGERS PARK	4						4
Non-Attendance	3						3
Deceased	1						1
GLENWOOD		1					1
Non-Attendance		1					1
JUSTICE	3						3
Non-Attendance	3						3
LA GRANGE HIGHLANDS						3	3
Non-Attendance						1	1
Other						1	1
Resigned In Good Standing						1	1

District 1 A Drops - 07/2025 - 12/2025

Drops by Club & Reason by month	Month						
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Club/Drop Reason							
Resigned In Good Standing						5	5
Deceased			1				1
OAK LAWN						1	1
Resigned In Good Standing						1	1
ORLAND PARK	1						1
Became A Life Member	1						1
PALOS		1	1		2		4
Non-Pymt Of Dues					1		1
Resigned In Good Standing		1	1		1		3
RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP					3		3
Non-Pymt Of Dues					1		1
Resigned In Good Standing					1		1
Deceased					1		1
STICKNEY FOREST VIEW						5	5
Moved						1	1
Non-Attendance						1	1
Other						3	3
THORNTON				1		2	3
Non-Pymt Of Dues						1	1
Resigned In Good Standing				1		1	2
WILLOW SPRINGS						1	1
Transferred In Good Standing						1	1
BELLWOOD	2						2
Deceased	2						2
BRIDGEVIEW						1	1
Deceased						1	1
CALUMET CITY				1			1
Deceased				1			1
CHICAGO EAST SIDE			1				1
Deceased			1				1
Grand Total	29	23	16	12	31	60	171

The Table above gives us a view of Drops by each month of our first half of the year By Club and Reason for the drops. The number of drops in December are twice the number of the next highest month so far. We need to work on why we are losing so many members to Non-Attendance and Non-Payment of Dues

District 1 A		
Membership Drops		
By Length of Service		
Row Labels	Average Length of Service	Members
Became A Life Member	26.8	2
Deceased	22.0	10
Moved	10.8	11
Non-Attendance	4.9	36
Non-Pymt Of Dues	3.6	59
Other	5.9	19
Resigned In Good Standing	9.1	26
Transferred In Good Standing	5.6	8
Grand Total	6.9	171

The table above gives us a glimpse of Reason for Member Drops by average length of Service and the number of drops. While the first two reasons and the last reasons are to a certain extent out of our control. Many of the others need more attention by our district si we can help more people in need.

MD-1 Illinois Lions Membership

MD-1 Illinois Membership as of 12/31/2025



MD 1 Club Information

MD-1 Cumulative Report Membership As of 12/31/25						
Row Labels	Total Clubs	New Clubs	Dropped Clubs	Reorganized Clubs	Status Quo Clubs	Charter Members
Multiple District 1	419	2	5	2	0	48
District 1 A	69	1	0	1	0	21
District 1 BK	57	0	1	0	0	0
District 1 CN	28	0	0	0	0	0
District 1 CS	23	0	0	0	0	0
District 1 D	48	0	0	0	0	0
District 1 F	30	1	0	0	0	27
District 1 G	31	0	0	0	0	0
District 1 H	34	0	2	1	0	0
District 1 J	54	0	0	0	0	0
District 1 M	45	0	2	0	0	0
Grand Total	419	2	5	2	0	48

District MD-1 New Chartered Clubs



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL Current Newly Chartered Clubs Multiple District 1

Country	District Name	Club Name	Reason	Date
UNITED STATES	District 1 A	Southland Cyber (196817)		10/09/2025
UNITED STATES	District 1 F	Lake County Dnn (190704)		12/02/2025
Total		2		

District 1A Started a new club on 10/09/25 with 21 members. District 1 F chartered a new club on 12/02/25 with 27 members.

District MD-1 Pending Chartered(New Club Application) Clubs



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL Pending Charter Multiple District 1

Run Date: 11/20/25 12:06:39PM

Country	District Name	Club Name	Original Submission Date	Date of Last Status Change	Status	Missing Information
UNITED STATES	District 1 CS	Care (191345)	11/00/2025	11/26/2025		Guiding Lions, Member Count, Officer Count
UNITED STATES	District 1 F	Whitewing (191048)	12/03/2025	12/03/2025		Guiding Lions, Member Count, Officer Count
Total		2				

The Multiple District has a goal of 12 clubs. So far District 1 F has a new club application with 23 members and District 1 CS has started a new club application in November.

District MD-1 Cancelled Clubs 07/2025 – 12-2025



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

Canceled Clubs for this Fiscal Year

Multiple District 1

Country	District Name	Club Name	Reason	Date
UNITED STATES	District 1 BK	Rockdale (108183)	Financial Suspension	12/29/2025
UNITED STATES	District 1 H	Coal Valley (471)	Financial Suspension	12/29/2025
UNITED STATES	District 1 H	Dallas City (30702)	Financial Suspension	12/29/2025
UNITED STATES	District 1 M	Coffeen (417)	Disbanding	08/29/2025
UNITED STATES	District 1 M	Oconee (326)	Disbanding	08/29/2025
Total		5		

Our Multiple District lost 2 clubs that disbanded on August, 2025 losing 26 members and three Clubs in December, 2025 that lost 14 additional members for a total of 31 members..

MD 1 Member Information

MD-1 Cumulative Report Membership As of 12/31/25								
District	Charter Members	New Members	Transferred Members	Reinstated Members	Total Members Added	Total Members Dropped	Total Membership	Gain Or Loss Fiscal Year Period
Multiple District 1	48	491	23	33	595	669	11,918	(74)
District 1 A	21	106	3	10	140	171	1,772	(31)
District 1 BK	0	64	2	5	71	55	1,765	16
District 1 CN	0	23	4	3	30	59	885	(29)
District 1 CS	0	23	1	2	26	29	495	(3)
District 1 D	0	41	2	3	46	73	1,407	(27)
District 1 F	27	74	5	5	111	68	884	43
District 1 G	0	10	1	2	13	29	648	(16)
District 1 H	0	33	2	0	35	42	855	(7)

District 1 J	0	93	2	2	97	80	2,102	17
District 1 M	0	24	1	1	26	63	1,105	(37)
Grand Total	48	491	23	33	595	669	11,918	(74)

As of December 31, 2025, MD-1 has 3 districts with a plus in membership, and 7 districts with a deficit in membership. Overall MD-1 is a -74 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, take a 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 with 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 with getting new members or updating your social media platforms, please do not hesitate to reach out for assistance

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Elsey

District 1A Global Membership Team Chairperson

thomas.elsey@gmail.com

Westchester Lions Club



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

The VOICES family would like to extend Happy New Year greetings to each and everyone in the coming new year. Every year we (you) make a resolution to change yourself. This year, make a resolution to be yourself.

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

There are currently 18 open requests for hearing aids which are in different steps of the process.

The "Can you Hear Me Now?" fundraiser was launched in mid-September. Our goal is to raise \$7,500. Currently, we have reached 70% of our goal. We are getting so close to our goal. Please help us reach our goal, so we can continue helping those in need.

Children's Vision testing:

December was a slower month for vision screenings due to the holidays. We screened 47 students in December for vision screenings. If you have a pre-school or a church group in your area that would like to have children's eyes screened or hearing test for adults just contact Lion Marlene Chaney at marchaney@sbcglobal.net and she will set the wheels in motion. We can screen children between the ages of 6 months to six years and give hearing tests to anyone over 10 years of age. All free of charge.

Raffle tickets for the **Presidents Raffle** are currently on sale 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 have tickets available for sale soon. If you have any questions, please

contact Lion Dawn Grogan who the chair for this fundraiser is.

Let's not forget our "Run for the Roses" fundraiser which will take place May 2, 2026, at Bourbon Street which is in Merrionette Park.

Stay warm and here's to great 2026 for VOICES!!

PCC Gail Anton President - VOICES

District 1A News



On December 15, 2025, Lion Gail



Christoffer Baruch and Lion Kathy Fenton delivered toys to Silver Cross Hospital for their pediatric patients. The toys were donated by the **Orland Park Lions Club**.

We were honored to donate 96 Butterball turkeys to two incredible community partners — Frank Kirar of the **Oak Lawn Lions Club** and Larry Fetchko of Oak Lawn-



Hometown District 123. These two champions make a difference every single day, and together we're making sure families across our community have That Little Bit of Hope this holiday season.

Thank you, Frank and Larry, for all you do for Oak Lawn and for standing with Stuffed Love to fight hunger and spread kindness.



13 New members were inducted into the **Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions Club** on December 7, 2025, by PDG Dr. Austin Dsouza.





A Christmas tableau by **CHALC** members at their Annual Holiday Celebration on December 7th.



Best Dress Award for PDG Dr. Austin Dsouza at the **Chicago Nurses for Diabetes Lions Club**.



A donation to District 1A VOICES by President Ann Teano.



The **Chicago Nurses for Diabetes Lions Club** celebrated their Annual Christmas Party at the Silver Lakes Golf Course Banquet Hall on December 13, 2025.



Chicago Bayanihan Sampaguita Lions Club's Governor's Nite:



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Lions International participated in Tournament of Roses Parade in California on New Year's Day.







Chicago Ridge Lion Bill Lammel at the Village Christmas Parade as Santa Clause.



Huge congratulations to the 19 new members who took the oath today at **Finley Jr High Leo Club**.



PDG Austin met Chicago Congressman Danny Davis Jr.





Kudos to the winners of the Peace Poster Contest in **School District 127 1/2**. The contest entries will be showcased at the **Chicago Ridge Library** in Jan 2026.



Riverside Township Lions at the village holiday event.



Chicago Jose Rizal Lions Club

Governor's Nite.



Chicago Filipino American Lions Club Christmas Party, jingle bell rock.





Franklin Park - Manila Lions Club during its Christmas Party and honoring Police & Fire Fighters.



Lions' members, families and friends from **Bellwood, Brookfield, Chicago Philippine, La Grange, Westchester and Windy City** participated in the Westchester Food Pantry Holiday distribution of food, clothing and toys to area residents. Over 400 families served!



The Chicago Asian American Lions Club provided uniforms for the St. Bernardine of Sienna Parish Youth Choir - Philippines, supporting youth to perform and efficiently





Chicago Indo-US Lions Club gathered several volunteers to clean up the environment.



Chicago Indo-US Lions team



came together to support community emergency needs—helping elderly individuals, providing essential health supplies for young women, and bringing joy to children through toys.



Some participants gathered after **District 1A Holiday Party** for a group photograph.



Kids full medical check-up and vision screenings. Food for all and toys and gift cards. Thanks to BCBSIL Volunteers. Some RN and BSN. Thank you, INDO-US Lions & Leo's technician, social worker, doctor, and MP, for their free service.

Big thanks to non-Lions and Leos from Illinois.







Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions took part in Operation Christmas Child Toy Wrapping Session in Aurora.





Region 5 Meeting

Thursday, January 22, 2026

Mama Vesuvio's East, 6361 W College Dr, Palos Heights, IL

Time: 6:00 -6:30 pm Social

6:30 Meeting Starts

6:45 Dinner Served

Program (following dinner) includes:

Speaker from the Ronald McDonald House

Club announcements

There will be door prizes and a split the pot raffle.

Cost: \$35.00 per person (checks payable to Oak Lawn Lions Club)

**Please RSVP to Zone Chair Anna Papasideris at 708-935-3470
or annasmail14@gmail.com BY January 12, 2026**



COME and JOIN



The CHICAGO - FILIPINO AMERICAN LIONS CLUB (CFALC)
to an AFTERNOON of



Dance for LOVE

FEBRUARY 21, 2026
SATURDAY
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

ENTRANCE DONATION: \$45

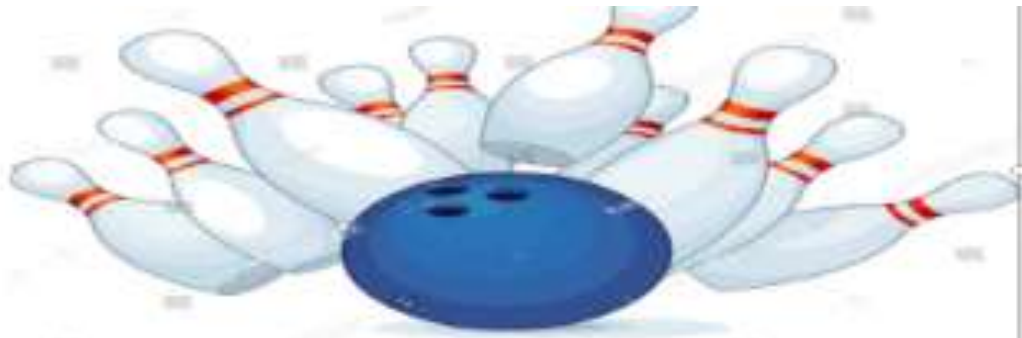
ZELLE Payments Only to
chicago.falc@gmail.com

RSVP - February 10, 2026

SEAFOOD CITY MARKET MIX
5033 N. Elston Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60630

'DANCE for LOVE' RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE DRAWN DURING THE EVENT

Music By: DOMINIC TABLATE



8^{3rd} ANNUAL LIONS DISTRICT 1-A BOWLING TOURNAMENT



DISTRICT 1-A Governor Richard & 1st Lady Edith

INVITE YOU TO JOIN THEM FOR A DAY OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2026 @ 8:30 AM – 1PM

LISLE LANE BOWLING ALLEY 4920 LINCOLN AVE, LISLE, IL 60532

REGISTRATION \$35/BOWLER

5 BOWLERS IN A TEAM

WINE & BASKET

RAFFLE

POT GAME \$5

SURPRISE PRIZES

CARD GAMES

PUT TOGETHER A TEAM & JOIN THE FUN

<p>SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2026</p> <p>LISLE LANES</p> <p>4920 LINCOLN AVENUE, LISLE, IL 60532 Telephone #: (630) 968-1300</p>			<p>83RD ANNUAL LIONS</p> <p>District 1-A Handicap</p> <p>Bowling Tournament</p> 		
<p>\$160</p> <p>PRIZE MONEY:</p> <p>1 OUT OF EVERY 10 ENTRIES</p> <p>MAX. 32 TEAMS FOR TOURNAMENT</p> <p>HANDICAP & SCRATCH CASH PRIZES</p>			<p>MONEY MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY FORM</p> <p>Team # _____</p> <p>Lions Club _____</p> <p>Ladies Entries _____</p> <p>Chairman _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p>		
<p>NOTE:</p> <p>Make all Checks payable to & send to:</p> <p>District 1-A Bowling</p> <p>Lion Lellanie Magana - Chairman</p> <p>6105 N. Central Park Ave., Chicago IL 60659</p>			<p>SEPARATE POT GAMES</p> <p>LADIES AND MENS</p> <p>OPTIONAL \$5 PER PERSON</p> <p>High Game Scratch</p> <p>1 cash prize for each 20 entries</p> <p>FIVE BOWLERS PER TEAM</p> <p>Prize fee per team\$60</p> <p>Bowling fee per team\$115.00</p> <p>TOTAL.....\$175.00</p> <p>Leos (no prizes).....\$10.00</p> <p>OR Call Lion Bob Hoffman</p> <p>AT 312-231-0208</p>		
<p>LIONS CLUBS</p> <p>AND</p> <p>LIONESS CLUBS</p>			<p>For Phone</p> <p>Reservations Call</p> <p>Lion Lellanie Magana</p> <p>C: 773-425-1747</p>		
<p>ENTRY DEADLINE FEBRUARY 22, 2026</p>			<p>STREET ADDRESS</p>		
<p>TEAM LINEUP</p> <p>(PRINT FULL NAME IN THE ORDER THEY WILL BOWL)</p>			<p>\$5.00</p> <p>POT</p>		
<p>1</p>			<p>CITY</p> <p>ZIP</p>		
<p>2</p>					
<p>3</p>					
<p>4</p>					
<p>5</p>					
<p>6 SUB.</p>					
<p>SQUAD TIME:</p> <p>9:00 AM</p>			<p>** \$35.00 per individual bowler & substitute !!!**</p>		
<p>SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR</p> <p>RULES AND REGULATIONS</p>					

TOURNAMENT RULES

LIONS SANCTIONED:

1. This tournament is open to District 1-A Lions and their guests. Professional bowlers and/or employees of the bowling establishment may bowl, but may not participate in the prizes or awards. This includes the Pot Game awards.
2. Upon request, the Bowling Committee will attempt to supply bowlers, if available, to those Lion teams that are not complete, or allowed one blind score of 140 pins, therefore allowing them to compete for prizes. All substitute bowlers must pay the required entry fee to the team they bowl with. All Lions Club teams must contain a minimum of one (1) club member to be eligible to compete for team prizes.
3. All entry forms must be completed showing complete names & addresses of all members of the team.
4. No bowler is allowed to participate in the pot game more than once. The first three games bowled will be the games eligible for prizes.
5. No refunds within 72 hours of tournament play.
6. No averages are needed to participate in the tournament.
7. Handicaps will be based on 75% of the difference of 200 minus your drawn average. Maximum handicap is 60 pins per game per bowler.

Handicaps will be calculated after all teams have completed their games, and then the District Governor will draw a number by lot. The number drawn will be the game score used as the average for all entries.

Example: You bowl 145 (1st game), 185 (2nd game), & 175 (3rd game). Governor draws #1 and then 145 becomes your average.

8. Closing Entry Date – as determined annually but not less than 7 days prior to the event.
9. Prize ratio – at least one for every 10 teams. (Based on 60 team entries)
10. Special Pot Game: \$5.00 option – High Game Scratch – Minimum Cash Prizes: 1 in 20 entries. For Men and Women separately.
11. Team shall report 30 minutes prior to their assigned start time. Changes to the team make-up must be reported to the tournament manager at least 30 minutes prior to bowling. Substitutes may be used.
12. Protests: Any protest affecting the eligibility or general playing rules must be confirmed in writing to the District Chairman within 7 days of the closing of the tournament. If no protest is entered, the game or games shall stand as bowled. Obvious errors in calculation must be corrected within 48 hours.
13. No other raffles or merchandise permitted except those authorized by the District Bowling Chairman.
14. No outside food or beverages allowed.
15. All sign posting to be by permission of the committee chairman only.

Event Partner:



Proud Sponsors:



Care for Soul, Inc.

501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization
chicagoindouslionsclub.com

Indo-US Lions and Pearl Banquets Invite you to:

Business Networking Event

Date: Saturday, Feb 28, 2026
6pm onwards

Location: Pearl Banquet
1490 W Lake St, Roselle, IL 60172

Dinner included with all tickets!

General Ticket: \$50

VIP Ticket: \$100

Booth: \$250

Book full page: \$1,000

1/2 page: \$500

1/4 page: \$250

Businesses card: \$100

VVIP and Presentation: please contact

Funds raised will help the Chicago Indo-US Lions Club purchase essential hearing and vision screening tools, A1C testing devices, and vital medical supplies to serve those in need.

Contact For Sponsorships, Booths, Presentations:
ciusalions@gmail.com

Lion H Trivedi
(630)-951-0012

Lion Kishen
(224)-3121-595

Raj Jayara
(847)-565-1074

Lion Dalsa
(224)-542-0417

Dr. Radhika
(708)-557-0070

Smitha Sakhuja
(312)-927-7467

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Business Networking Event

Date: Saturday, Feb 28, 2026
6pm onwards

Location: Pearl Banquet
1490 W Lake St, Roselle, IL 60172

Booth: \$250
Dinner for 1 person included

Contact Booth Chairperson:
Shabana Rahman
(847)-496-3172, ciusalions@gmail.com

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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



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.



57th Annual District 1-A Convention

Friday, March 20, 2026 - March 22, 2026

The WESTIN Chicago Northwest Hotel * Itasca, Illinois



Registration #1

Name: _____
 First (as desired on badge) Last

Club Name: _____ District: _____ Office: _____

Phone: _____ Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____ Email Address: _____

Lion _____ Leo _____ Guest _____ Over 21 _____ Under 21 _____ If Child-Age _____

Registration #2

Name: _____
 First (as desired on badge) Last

Club Name: _____ District: _____ Office: _____

Phone: _____ Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____ Email Address: _____

Lion _____ Leo _____ Guest _____ Over 21 _____ Under 21 _____ If Child-Age _____

BOTH REGISTRATIONS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE SAME ENVELOPE

		Reg. #1	Reg. #2
Special Meal Package Includes Convention Registration Fee, District Lunch, Governor's Banquet and District Breakfast "Special Meal Package Deal" \$155.00 (\$18.00 savings)		\$155.00	
Convention Registration		\$35.00	
Saturday, March 21, 2026 - District Lunch		\$36.00	
Saturday, March 21, 2026 - Governor's Banquet		\$68.00	
Sunday, March 22, 2026 - District Breakfast		\$34.00	
Onsite Registration		\$40.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED			
NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER MARCH 13, 2026			
Special meal request for religious or health reason:		PLEASE DO NOT STAPLE CHECKS TO FORM	

Make checks payable to: **District 1-A Lions**

Cut-off date for Registration-March 13, 2026

All fees should accompany this form and mail to:

Lion Harold Burkett, PDG

268 Bay Drive, Itasca, Illinois 60143-1298

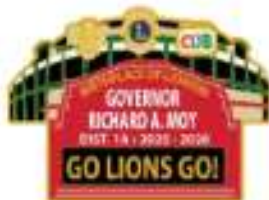
(630) 290-6092 E: haroldburkett@currently.com

Guest Room Reservations

Call the WESTIN Chicago Northwest Hotel
 direct at (630)773-4000

Lions room rate \$130.00 plus taxes

Cut-off date for special rate-March 13, 2026



DISTRICT 1-A CONVENTION

57th ANNUAL DISTRICT CONVENTION AD BOOK

FRIDAY MARCH 20 - SUNDAY MARCH 22, 2026



JOIN US TO SUPPORT GOVERNOR RICHARD A. MOY
WITH YOUR ADVERTISEMENT IN THE CONVENTION AD BOOK

"Hey Lions, Batter Up, Bring your 1A Game"

All ads will be printed in color or black & white.

- ☐ FULL PAGE 5X8 ----- \$100
- ☐ HALF PAGE 5X4 ----- \$75
- ☐ INSIDE COVER (FRONT) ----- \$150-SOLD
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- ☐ CENTERFOLD (4 x) ----- \$125/PAGE
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- ☐ TRACK AD (Business Card Size) ----- \$30

CHANCE TO WIN \$\$\$\$

EVERY HALF PAGE AD PURCHASED QUALIFIES
YOU A CHANCE TO WIN A TICKET TO THE CASH RAFFLE
DRAWING AT THE SUNDAY MORNING BREAKFAST
\$100 VALUE

To all advertisers: Kindly email your camera ready clear printed layout or your individual/group pictures (color or b/w) with your message no later than **February 23, 2026** to Lion Leilanie Magana at hawaii218@gmail.com. *All ads need to be prepaid by the deadline to be included in the ad book.*

Make checks payable to: DISTRICT 1-A LIONS

Mail checks to:

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6105 N. Central Park Ave
Chicago, IL 60659
Hawaii218@gmail.com
773 425-1747

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Skokie, IL 60077
mymam61@gmail.com
847 999-8913

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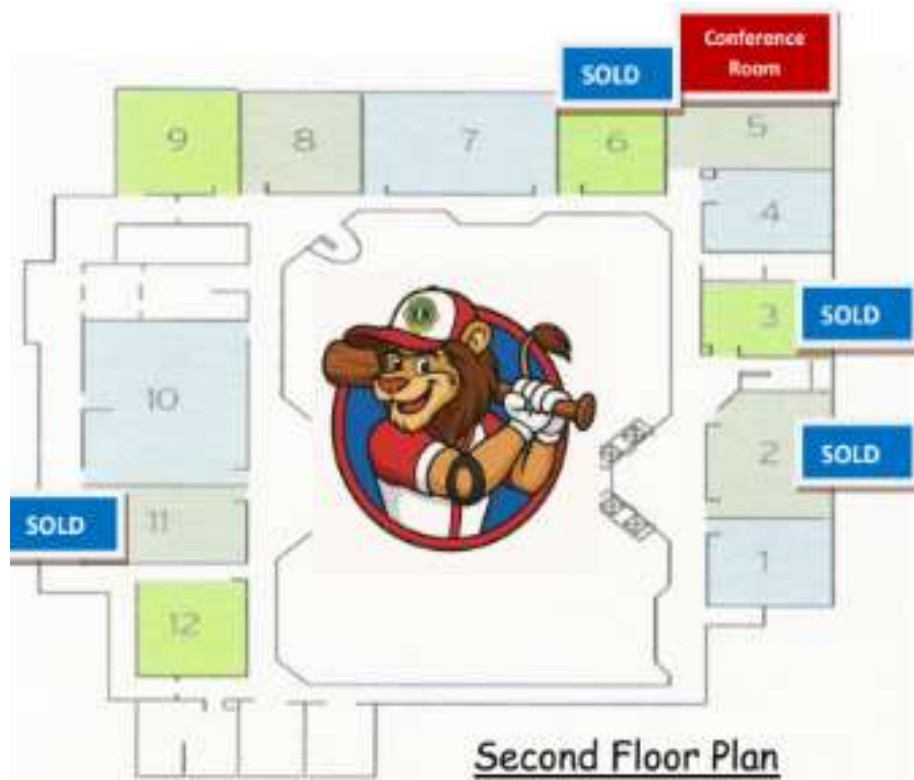
LIONS CLUB CONTACT PERSON:

PHONE#:

EMAIL:

CHECK#:

AMOUNT:



All reservations for the Club Hospitality Room and Parlor Suite to be made directly with

Lion Dawn Grogan
Club Hospitality Room Chairman

7805 Melvina Ave
Burbank, IL 60459
708-860-8909

pcstdawn@gmail.com

Convention Theme:
"Hey Lions..Batter up,
Bring your 1-A Game"

Club Hospitality Rooms are located on the second floor of the hotel

1.	Alton	899 sq. ft.	\$450.00	
2.	Barrington	1,178 sq. ft.	\$550.00	...Chicago Ridge Lions
3.	Carlyle	868 sq. ft.	\$450.00	...Calumet City Lions
4.	Edwardian	713 sq. ft.	\$350.00	
5.	Hampton	874 sq. ft.	N/A	...Hotel Conference Room
6.	Leighton	896 sq. ft.	\$450.00	...Chicago Heights Lions
7.	Marlborough	1,792 sq. ft.	\$850.00	
8.	Prescott	896 sq. ft.	\$450.00	
9.	Radcliffe	896 sq. ft.	\$450.00	
10.	Stanford	2,126 sq. ft.	\$950.00	
11.	Trafagler	1,064 sq. ft.	\$550.00	...CFALC
12.	Windsor	989 sq. ft.	\$475.00	

"Closed" Hospitality Rooms are available on the upper floors

Corner Parlor Suite with a sleeping area	\$695.00
Corner Parlor Suite with one connecting guest room	\$930.00

All Club Hospitality Rooms reserved with a \$250.00 SECURITY DEPOSIT

by DECEMBER 31st and must be PAID IN FULL BY January 31, 2026

We will take \$50.00 off the room rate, if paid in full by January 31, 2026.

This will only be for the "Open" Hospitality Rooms and not for Parlor Suites.

All rooms are reserved on a first come, first serve basis with deposit.

Judging of the "Open" Hospitality Rooms will be on
Friday and Saturday nights by a selected panel

Winners will be announced on Sunday Morning at the District Breakfast



District 1-A Convention

Hospitality Rooms Reservation Form

Club _____ Date _____

Room Requested _____

(if a Suite, number of Bedrooms desired) 1 or 2

Room will be open _____ or closed _____

Security Deposit \$250.00 Date Paid _____

Room Fee \$ _____ Date Paid _____

Club Hospitality Room Chairman

Lion _____

Address _____

City/Zip _____

Daytime Phone No: _____

E-Mail Address _____

Remarks _____

Deposit must be accompanied by this form

Make Checks payable to: *District 1-A Lions*

Send to:

Lion Dawn Grogan
7805 S Melvina Ave
Burbank, IL 60459

708-860-8909 pcstdawn@gmail.com



District 1-A Convention

VENDORS WANTED

March 20th & 21st

The WESTIN Chicago Northwest Hotel, Itasca

Friday, March 20th 4 pm - 8 pm

Set up time - TBD by hotel

Saturday, March 21st 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

\$95.00 per table for 2 days, \$75.00 if paid by 3/1/2026

2nd table \$30.00, no sharing of tables allowed

For more information contact

PCC Gail Anton

antonl73@gmail.com or 708-514-4825





GIFT BASKET AUCTION



Convention time is almost here! We will again be having the Gift Basket Auction at the luncheon on **Saturday, March 21st**. This is always a fun part of the convention and we hope to have a lot of baskets and make a lot of money to help support the cost of the convention.

Remember, we now accept credit cards + a small service charge, as payment.



We would like to have a **VARIETY OF THEMES** for the baskets – not just the theme of the convention.

"Hey Lions, Batter Up...Bring your 1-A Game."

Just use your imagination or here are some suggestions:

PASTA BASKET	CANDY BASKET	SEWING BASKET
CANDLE BASKET	JEWELRY BASKET	TV WATCHERS BASKET
SPORTS THEME BASKET	KITCHEN BASKET	PET LOVERS BASKET
HANDYMAN BASKET	TECHNOLOGY BASKET	SCRAP-BOOKING BASKET
MOVIE THEME BASKET	WINE BASKET	CRAFTS BASKET
STUFFED ANIMAL BASKET	COFFEE/TEA BASKET	CAR BASKET
ETHNIC FOOD BASKET	HOSTESS BASKET	GARDEN BASKET

Each basket should have at least \$50 worth of items. **Please bring three lists of the items in the basket. One is to be attached to the outside of the basket** so everyone knows what is included, **one is for the auctioneer to read and the other is for the committee's records. Please include your club's name on the basket lists.**

If your club would like to participate, please contact the committee no later than **March 14, 2026** and give your club name, a contact person and the type of basket you will be bringing.

Lion Jerrie Abrahamsen – jerriea2003@yahoo.com – 847-542-2654

Lion Sandy Nedza – buzzylion@gmail.com – 847-502-4497

Please join in the fun by submitting and bidding on these gift baskets!



Fellow Lions:

With our convention just around the corner, an opportunity presents itself for all of us to show proper **recognition** for those that are deserving of the honor.

Submit your letter of nomination for:

LION of the Year

CITIZEN of the Year*

LEO of the Year

Letters **must** be submitted **BEFORE FEBRUARY 28, 2026** to:

PCC Dennis McMillan
15230 Hamlin Avenue
Midlothian, IL 60445
liondennismac@gmail.com

Nomination letters should be signed by your Club President and Secretary, unless they are the Lion being nominated, then have the Club Vice President be the second signature.

*The citizen for nomination should exemplify community service, district wide or within a local community that improves the quality of life to the people served.

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.





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.



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meijer



CINEMARK
CENTURY CineArts Audimax F&W



BUFFALO
WILD
WINGS



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: _____