

# **DISTRICT 1A GOVERNOR RICHARD MOY'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

**March 2026**

**Good afternoon Servant Heroes!**



Good afternoon, Servant Heroes!

We saw some great improvements over the month of February, and I want to thank you all for your efforts. We are currently sitting at a negative 21 for membership, but on the positive side we have brought in 132 new members to our Lions

Family and that's an important piece when it comes to membership. Bringing in new members allows us to nurture and inspire those new members to attract more members. I encourage those sponsors of these new members to assist them in finding their place in the club where their voices can be heard and their

presence actively engaged. This is our opportunity to help them attract others that have the same heart of service that they found in them. Moving onto Service, we are currently reporting 100% of our clubs reporting service! This is outstanding and I want you to give yourselves a round of applause for those efforts. Reporting service allows your clubs to shine and tell the story of who you are to this world in need. We have some work to do with officers trained, we are sitting at 21% of our club officers reported trained, but that metric is an easy fix. The online classes in the Lions Portal are very easy to take and don't take much time to complete. If you need help with this, please reach out to GLT Gail Anton for assistance. She can help you with getting started and completing those training sessions. Our goal for new clubs is 3 for this year, we currently have 1 new club chartered and are working on the last 2 which should be completed by this month thanks to the great GAT Team that's been working hard to finalize details with our new and returning Lions Family. For the month of March, we are running a membership drive

challenge for all clubs. The challenge is for each club to bring in 2 new members, BUT the club that brings in the most new members for the month of March will receive an award ,recognition at our awards banquet in June along with recognition in our state magazine letter and a special lunch get together with the Governor, FVDG Ben, SVDG Karl and the GAT Team as a thank you for all of your efforts on this Membership Challenge. To qualify for the award and recognition, your club must have brought in 10 new members minimum. I know many of you love a good challenge, so let's have FUN with this and good luck to you all!

Okay, now that I bored you with shop talk let's get into the FUN stuff. CONVENTION SEASON IS HERE! Our District Convention will be here before you know it. The convention dates are March 20th-22nd. As you all know this is a great time to celebrate each other and reflect on a wonderful year of beautiful memories made together. On behalf of First Vice Governor Ben Zoleta and Second Vice Governor Karl "Cowboy" Shchulz, I want to

encourage you all to register as soon as you can and invite out those new members to experience a weekend where they can meet their family from not only across the district but across the state. These two leaders are so excited to lead us into the future and it's important to show them all the love and support this convention weekend. I remember my first district convention very fondly; it was Lion Frank Kirar that spent so much time encouraging the attendance and I'm so glad I did. Those that I met and talked to help shape my passion for this Lions Family. You truly meet

some remarkable Lions that have a wealth of experience.

That's all I have, I hope you're still awake, and don't forget to wash your hands. lol

As always, lets continue to have FUN  
GO LIONS GO!!

Yours Always in Service,

**Richard A. Moy**

VCC MD1 (Vice Council Chair)

District Governor 1AGO LIONS GO!!

**MARCH MEMBERSHIP MADNESS!**  
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One Goal, Every Club, Two Members, \* Timeline: March 1st – March 31st, 2026.

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- An Invitation for up to three club members of the winning club to join the district for a paid celebration lunch.
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- ☑ Make the Ask, Step 2
- ☑ Report Immediately, Step 3

**TOGETHER, WE RISE!**  
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Questions? Contact your Zone Chair or GMT Coordinator today!  
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## Membership Initiative – March Madness

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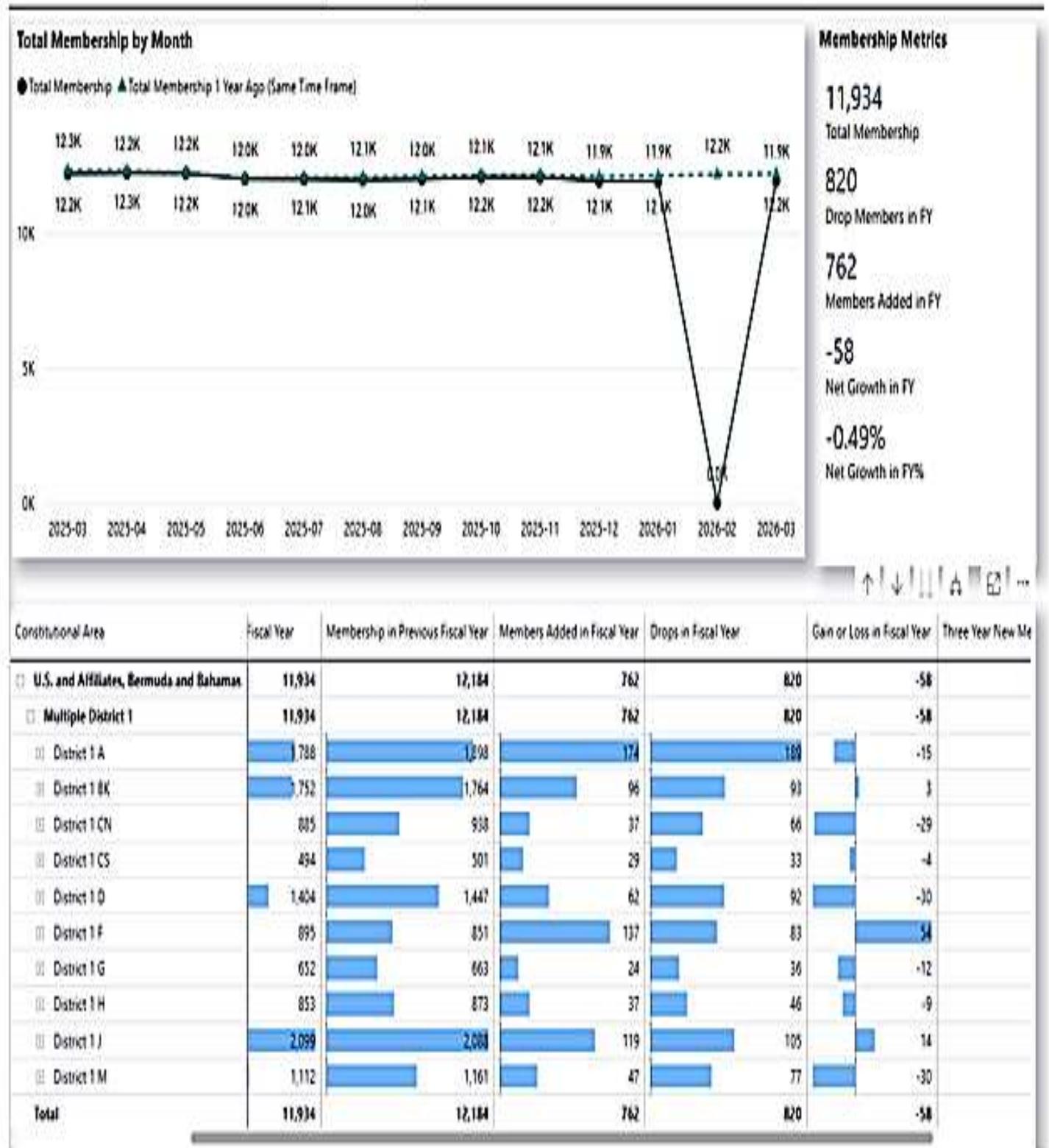
On behalf of Governor Richard Moy, I have been asked to Introduce this program to all the clubs in the district. This is an opportunity for fun in your club along with a challenge to be the club who brings in the most members in March. Keep in mind, new members are a win, win opportunity. Let's see who ends up winning! Good Luck to all clubs!

# Mission 1.5

## MD-1 Illinois Lions Membership

MD-1 Illinois Membership as of 01/31/2026

- Overview
- Lions Clubs
- Leo Clubs
- Lions Membership**
- Leo Membership
- Service Activities
- Lions Donations



## MD-1 Club Information

<b>Cumulative Club Report</b>					
<b>thru February 2026</b>					
<b>MD &amp; State/District</b>	<b>Total Clubs</b>	<b>Dropped Clubs</b>	<b>Reorganized Clubs</b>	<b>Status Quo Clubs</b>	<b>Charter Members</b>
<b>Multiple District 1 - ILLINOIS</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>
District 1 A	69	0	1	0	21
District 1 BK	57	1	0	0	0
District 1 CN	28	0	0	0	0
District 1 CS	23	0	0	0	0
District 1 D	48	0	0	0	0
District 1 F	30	0	0	0	27
District 1 G	31	0	0	0	0
District 1 H	34	2	1	0	0
District 1 J	54	0	0	0	0
District 1 M	45	2	0	0	0

## MD-1 Membership Information

<b>District 1 A Cumulative Report - Membership</b>							
<b>as of March 1, 2026</b>							
<b>MD/District</b>	<b>Charter Members</b>	<b>New Members</b>	<b>Transferred Members</b>	<b>Reinstated Members</b>	<b>Total Members Added</b>	<b>Total Members Dropped</b>	<b>Total Membership</b>
<b>Multiple District 1 - ILLINOIS</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>644</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>11,934</b>
District 1 A	21	138	4	11	174	189	1,788
District 1 BK	0	88	2	6	96	93	1,752
District 1 CN	0	29	4	4	37	66	885
District 1 CS	0	24	3	2	29	33	494
District 1 D	0	57	2	3	62	92	1,404
District 1 F	27	97	8	5	137	83	895
District 1 G	0	20	1	3	24	36	652
District 1 H	0	35	2	0	37	46	853
District 1 J	0	112	3	4	119	105	2,099
District 1 M	0	44	1	2	47	77	1,112

## District MD-1 New Chartered Clubs



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Current Newly Chartered Clubs  
Multiple District 1

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# District MD-1 Cancelled Clubs 07/2025 – 01-2026



## 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 (108163)	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 in August, 2025 losing 26 members and three Clubs in December, 2025 that lost 14 additional members for a total of 31 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.

**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 to not hesitate to reach out for assistance

## Going Forward

A detailed program to help revive/reinvigorate clubs struggling is available to all clubs willing to commit to evaluating and attempting to improve those clubs with retention issues and attracting new members. The program attempts to evaluate the current clubs, mission, demographics, opportunities and impediments in its path to improving the club. We also have a rejuvenation plan utilizing Asset Based Community Planning as discussed at the last Growth Workshop Series held recently.

We would like to help any club in our district by scheduling a meeting to discuss how we might be able to help your club. Our GAT team would love to help you out.

Good Luck to all clubs with the March Madness Membership challenge!

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Elsey

District 1A Global Membership Team (GMT) Chairperson

thomas.elsey@gmail.com

Westchester Lions Club

# Support LCIF. Win Big. Watch the Cubs in Style.



Don't miss the chance to win while making a difference. Winner need not be present to win. The winning ticket will be drawn on March 22, 2026 morning

## PRIZE: Brand New 55" TCL TV

Donation:  
\$10.00/ticket

Payment: Cash or  
by Zelle: Austin D' Souza  
(708) 623-4764

March 20- 21, 2026



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 February.

The Presidents Raffle which was held from February 12<sup>th</sup> thru the 22<sup>nd</sup> was a big success. All winners have been contacted, and checks have been written and mailed to the winners. Thank you to all who have participated in this fundraiser, which will help us purchase Hearing Aids for those in need in District 1-A Open Areas.

There are currently 7 open requests for hearing aids which are in different stages of the process. Our oldest date is 8-4-25.

As far as identifying vendors for eyeglasses for those in the open areas is concerned, that process is moving along. LIF is currently working with a location in the Chicago area to handle these requests and is finalizing pricing. We currently have 2 requests for eyeglasses which were received in January & February of 2026.

The "**Can you Hear Me Now?**" fundraiser was launched in mid-September. Our goal is to raise \$7,500. Currently, we have reached 85% 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. A big Thank You to everyone who has made donations to VOICES.

**Children's Vision Testing** - 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](mailto: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. We tested 105 children in February

of which 5 children received a refer status.

Let's not forget our "Run for the Roses" fundraiser which will take place May 2, 2026, at Bourbon Street which is in Marionette Park. This is really a fun event, contact PCC Steve Anton for reservations ([santonlions@comcast.net](mailto:santonlions@comcast.net) or 708-514-4215.

At our annual VOICES meeting at the District 1-A convention (Saturday 3-21-26 at 8:45 am), VOICES will be acknowledging those individuals and clubs that

have supported VOICES at the Bronze, Silver and Gold levels, \$500.00, \$750.00 and \$1000.00 Dollars. We have 7 Patron Awards to distribute this year. We also will have a table in the Vendor room during the District 1-A convention. Stop by and check out the District map.

Can you believe spring is right around the corner?

**"Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love"**

PCC Gail Anton President - VOICES

## District 1A Services:



Here is the photo of the presentation of \$1,200. in gift cards to **Orland Township** at the OPLC meeting on February 24, 2026.

2 Lions from District 1A took part in the Forum are PCC's Steve and Gail Anton from **Orland Park** on

February 28, 2026.



Voices, District 1A doing vision screening in Orland Park at the day care center. Screening kids 3,4 & 5.



Drawing of Presidents' Day Raffle for **Voices** and there were 2 winners of \$200 each. Lion Barbara Harrison and Lion Glen Christine.



Stickney Forest View Lions Queen of Hearts Raffle draw by PID Dan O'reilly;

Lions Gail and Joni at the District **1A Cabinet Meeting** on 2-14-26.



**Region 4 Meeting** held on 2-4-26 with **Stickney-Forest View Lions Club Governor's Night** dinner..

Also thank you, **Region 4/Zone 4A** Chair Lion Lavetta Beauzile and Lion Philippe Beauzile, for taking part in the evening's festivities





Chicago Ridge Lions 'Cookbook' winners announced.



Induction of 3 New Members



A productive, interactive and fun general meeting, birthday and post-valentine celebration. Thank you for a well-attended event by Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions.

An engaging educational session by **Chicago Healthcare Alliance Lions Club** on staying safe and independent was successfully conducted for our elderly community at **Frisbie Senior Center**, led by Lion Sharon Perez, BSN, RN, OCN, together with two other nurses Lions **Lea Agaton** and Marie Vivien Gonzales **John Vivien Siatong Gonzales**.The



lecture focused on real-life situations relevant to the daily experiences of seniors, making the discussion highly relatable and meaningful. Participants showed great interest, actively shared their insights, and expressed deep appreciation for the interactive and informative session that empowered them with practical knowledge for everyday living.

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Celebrating **Southland Cyber Lions Club's Charter Night** on









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**Region 6 Meeting** held in Hazel Crest  
on February 26, 2026.



**New member** was inducted by  
Governor Rich Moy.





LCIF Progress Report at the **Cabinet Meeting** in Burbank.







**District 1A Convention Committee Meeting at Papa Joe's at Orland Park**







**District 1A Bowling** Event at Lisle Lanes on 3-1-2026



**From MD1- Illinois**





**Lion Ben Zoleta**  
for  
**DISTRICT 1-A**  
*District Governor*  
2026-2027





Ronald McDonald House for the Meals From the Heart Service Project. We delivered a final check as well as checks written directly to RMH.

I want to personally thank all the clubs that have donated their time to prepare and serve meals, that made monetary donations as well as donated toys, food and toiletries. You all did a tremendous job coming together to Serve Families in Need. I also want to thank the great ladies that did all this work. Cabinet Treasurer Barb Elsey, Cabinet Service Chair Joan McMillan, Lion Bonnie Price, Region Chair Robin Kirar and First Lady Lion Edith Rivera-Moy. You all did a great service representing our District.



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# Chicago Ridge Lions

## CHILI COOK-OFF

Saturday  
February 21, 2026  
3 PM to 7 PM

Elks Lodge  
10720 Central Ave  
Chicago Ridge, IL 60415

Wearing of Hats are NOT allowed in the building

Make your Favorite Chili  
Recipe & Join the competition  
Registration Fee \$25  
Limited to 15 entries

Prizes : 1st Place: \$ 100.00  
2nd Place: \$ 75.00  
3rd Place: \$ 50.00

\$5 Per-person for Chili Tasting and a bottle of water  
Cash Bar will be available

Register by 2/15/2026  
Registration fee must be prepaid and is Non-Refundable

For Info and to Register  
CALL: 708 203 5130

Message us at [www.facebook.com/chicagoridgelions.com](https://www.facebook.com/chicagoridgelions.com)

We will be collecting Non-perishable food items for the Blessing Box

Split the Pot Raffle



**District 1A Convention  
March 20-22 2025**



**Hey Lions Batter Up**



# FIRE DISASTER RELIEF FUND

## 99th & Sayer Community Response

**OUR NEIGHBORS NEED US NOW**

Families affected by the recent 99th & Sayer fire have experienced devastating loss and displacement.

The Chicago Ridge Lions Club is stepping forward to provide immediate emergency assistance.

**CASH DONATIONS ONLY**



### 100% OF DONATIONS SUPPORT

- ✓ Temporary Housing Assistance
- ✓ Essential Daily Necessities
- ✓ Immediate Emergency Relief

### DONATION COLLECTION DETAILS

- During the Chili Cook-Off
- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2026
- 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM
- Elks Lodge  
10720 Central Ave,  
Chicago Ridge, IL

Accepted Forms of Payment:

- Zelle** 1cridgelionsadmin@gmail.com
- Checks Payable to Chicago Ridge Lions
- Cash, Gift Cards



Chicago Ridge Lions Club Follow

Nick Gallant GO THE NEWS FACEBOOK TWITTER INSTAGRAM

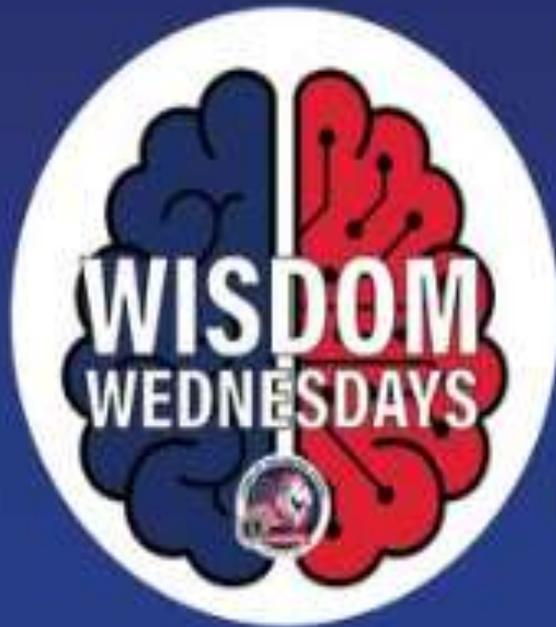
**TOGETHER WE REBUILD.**



Zelle

F... See more  
GONNA NEED A LITTLE HELP

*Stay curious. Stay growing.*



# WISDOM WEDNESDAYS

Wednesday, February 6th

8 pm EDT / 7 pm CDT / 6 pm MDT / 5 pm PDT

## Onboarding New Lions

Ready for a quick refresher? Want to help your new Lions get registered and plugged in? This session is the perfect place to start.

Join Lions Denise Laudenbach & Sue Hurlburt to get a clearer picture of how Lions International, Multiple Districts, Districts, and Clubs all connect – and how we work together as one global team.

Whether you're new or just need an update, you'll walk away with a better understanding of how we operate as the largest service organization in the world.



Register once. Join every month.

<https://bit.ly/LUSAWisdom>

Questions? [info@lionsusa.org](mailto:info@lionsusa.org)

Sponsored by Chicago Windy City Lions Club and Berwyn Lions Club



**Sunday March 8, 2026**  
**1:00 - 3:00PM**

**Location:**

**FITZGERALD'S Sidebar, 6615 Roosevelt Rd, Berwyn**

**From Awareness to Action:**  
**10 Years Advancing Period Equity**

Suggested donation of \$5 or a package of menstrual products.

**Our menstrual hygiene product collection will benefit:**  
Youth Crossroads, Night Ministry and Crib, Sarah's Inn  
and other homeless and women's shelters.

Use the QR Code to purchase items  
from our Amazon wish list.



Visit Berwyn Lions and Chicago Windy City Lions  
Facebook pages to learn more!



Berwyn  
Lions Club



Chicago Windy City  
Lions Club

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River Grove Lions

The River Grove Lions Club presents  
**St. Patricks Dinner & Raffle**

**Saturday, March 14, 2026**

**12:00pm - 6:00pm**

**Underpass Lounge**

9400 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131

**\$30 Includes**

A Traditional Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner and entry in our door prize raffle (\$250 Amazon gift card)

Reserve your table NOW!  
rglionlisa@gmail.com

\$\$ Sponsorship Opportunities Available  
Please contact Lion Dave Guerin  
(847) 455-7277

**Get Tickets Now!**

Pre-sale tickets available for purchase.  
Zelle the Lions Club treasurer at Lionkristyrg@gmail.com



*Tickets available for purchase at Underpass.*

**Thank you to our sponsor, Leyden Township!**

Contact Lion Ron for more information at: rgionron@gmail.com or (847) 366-7526



BRIDGEVIEW  
ARGO-SUMMIT  
JUSTICE

*You're Invited*

**SUNDAY**

The Lions Clubs of Bridgeview, Argo-Summit & Justice invite you to join us at our annual celebration of individuals and businesses who strengthen our community. Please join us in celebrating:

*Educator* OF THE YEAR

*Veteran* OF THE YEAR

*Business* OF THE YEAR

*Community Impact* AWARDS

To attend this event, please RSVP to Dawn Grogan by March 6th. You may submit your RSVP via email to [bridgeviewlions@gmail.com](mailto:bridgeviewlions@gmail.com) or by phone at 708.860.8909.

**SUN | MARCH 15 | 12PM**  
**BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**7902 SOUTH OKETO AVENUE**



*Palos Lions Club Proudly Presents*

# **First Responders Appreciation Dinner**

*Honoring the Palos Park, Palos Heights &  
North Palos Fire Departments*



**Wednesday, March 18, 2026**

**Reception: 6:00PM & Dinner: 7:00PM**

**Palos Country Club**

**13100 SW Hwy, Orland Park, IL 60462**

**\$50 per person - Cash Bar**



*Scan this QR code to purchase tickets  
or Call Herb Schumann at 708-420-0120*



**Chicago Ridge Lions**

**CHILI  
COOK-OFF**

**Saturday  
February 21, 2026  
3 PM to 7 PM**

**Elks Lodge  
10720 Central Ave  
Chicago Ridge, IL 60415**

**Wearing of Hats are NOT allowed in the building**

**Make your Favorite Chili  
Recipe & Join the competition  
Registration Fee \$25  
Limited to 15 entries**

**Prizes : 1st Place: \$ 100.00  
2nd Place: \$ 75.00  
3rd Place: \$ 50.00**

**\$5 Per-person for Chili Tasting and a bottle of water  
Cash Bar will be available**

**Register by 2/15/2026  
Registration fee must be prepaid and is Non-Refundable**

**For Info and to Register  
CALL: 708 203 5130**

**Message us at [www.facebook.com/chicagoridgelions.com](https://www.facebook.com/chicagoridgelions.com)**

**We will be collecting Non-perishable food items for the Blessing Box**

*Split the Pot Raffle*





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](mailto: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

We  
Serve



ANNUAL HAWAIIAN &  
GOVERNOR'S LUNCHEON

May 3, 2026  
Sunday

11:00 AM  
3:00 PM

ONE TREE MANOR

7730 N. Milwaukee Avenue  
Niles, Illinois 60714

Cover Charge  
\$50.00

RSVP BY:  
April 22

CONTACTS

Marissa Crome 847. 867. 0109  
Myrna Cordero 847. 999. 8913  
Melody Angstadt 630. 696. 7152  
Marv Alberto 773. 307. 2772

Andy Liamaga 773. 370. 0222  
Rhey Adriano 224. 391. 4461  
Lindy Tan 847. 691. 8220

Music by Chit Cruz

Attire:  
Strictly Hawaiian

**DISTRICT 1-A**  
**SERVICE PROJECT**  
**WILL YOU BE OUR VALENTINE?**  
**SPREADING LOVE TO:**



 Advocate Children's Hospital

**Making donations to the Child Life program at  
Advocate Children's Hospital in Oak Lawn, IL**

Charitable gifts bring joy and healing to children at Advocate Children's Hospital. Your generous donations support our Child Life team in providing therapeutic activities like medical play, art and music therapy, and animal-assisted therapy.

These activities help children cope with their hospital experience and promote emotional well-being. From aquatic relaxation tanks to bedside games and toys, every contribution makes a meaningful difference. Thank you for helping us nurture the spirits of our young patients!

Please note the following guidelines when planning your donation:

- All items must be brand new, in original packaging and not gift wrapped.
- Gift card denominations of \$15 or less are preferred.
- Items we cannot accept:
  - Stuffed animals, blankets, clothing, and handmade items due to infection prevention protocols.
  - Toys, games, books, etc. with religious or violent themes, including Nerf guns.
  - Any electronics including gaming systems, televisions and computers.

**What is needed most?**

Here is the link for the Wish List for Advocate Children's Hospital-Oak Lawn:

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/3L3EW12L6EMPC>

**Bring these items to our Cabinet Meeting on  
Saturday, February 14, 2026 or  
have your items delivered to my home:  
15230 Hamlin Avenue, Midlothian, IL 60445**

PDG Joni McMillan  
District 1-A Service Chairperson  
GovJoniMac@gmail.com



Westchester  
Lions Club

# WINTERFEST FUNDRAISER

Saturday, February 21, 2026

8:00 to 11:00 pm

JOE'S SALOON

9220 47th Street • Brookfield

**\$40 donation includes**

Appetizers • Beer  
Well Drinks • Wine

***RAFFLE PRIZES!***

Purchase your ticket from a  
Lions Club member

For more information, contact  
Don Prignano at 708 / 207 - 3004  
or [donp63@sbcglobal.net](mailto:donp63@sbcglobal.net)

Net proceeds benefit the needs of local communities



## Winter Celebration

Raising funds to help our residents and communities.

**Date: February 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
2026**

Time: 12:30 – 4:30

Alpine Banquets House Lunch at 1:30

11141 Roosevelt Rd Westchester 60154

**\$60 Per-person**

Bag Raffle/Sweet Table/Music

RSVP: Ted Steiskal 708/426-6603

Lavetta Beauzile 708/404-2962

Checks payable to: Bellwood Lions Club

P.O Box 261 Bellwood IL 60104





**VOICES**

# **3rd Annual Run for the Roses**

*"The Most Exciting Two Minutes in Sports"*

*Saturday, May 2, 2026 \* 2:30 pm to 6:00 pm*

***\$35 per person***

*includes buffet, beer, wine and soft drinks*



**Bourbon Street \* 3359 W 115th Street \* Merrionette Park, IL**

*Advanced ticket sales only...No tickets available at the door*

*For tickets contact Lion Bill Lammel@ ditrfp73@gmail.com or 708-289-3438*

*Make checks payable to **VOICES** or pay by Zelle @ lions1voices@gmail.com*

***Split the Pot***

***Raffles***

***Best Hat Contest***



***Basket Raffle***

***Watch Race direct from  
Churchill Downs***

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

Event Partner:



Proud Sponsors:



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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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	Dr. Radhika (708)-557-0070	Smitha Sakhuja (312)-927-7467	

# 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**

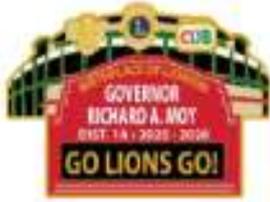
		<u>Reg. #1</u>	<u>Reg. #2</u>
<b>Special Meal Package</b> Includes Convention Registration Fee, District Lunch, Governor's Banquet and District Breakfast <b>"Special Meal Package Deal" \$155.00 (\$18.00 savings)</b>	<b>\$155.00</b>		
Convention Registration	\$35.00		
Saturday, March 21, 2026 - District Lunch	\$36.00		
Saturday, March 21, 2026 - Governor's Banquet	\$68.00		
Sunday, March 22, 2026 - District Breakfast	\$34.00		
Onsite Registration	\$40.00		
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED</b>			
<b>**NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER MARCH 13, 2026**</b>			
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@currentfly.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

## 57<sup>th</sup> 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
- INSIDE COVER (BACK) ----- \$150-SOLD
- CENTERFOLD (4 x) ----- \$125/PAGE
- BACK COVER ----- \$200-SOLD
- 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](mailto: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:

LION LEILANIE MAGANA  
 6105 N. Central Park Ave  
 Chicago, IL 60659  
[Hawaii218@gmail.com](mailto:Hawaii218@gmail.com)  
 773 425-1747

LION MYRNA CORDERO  
 8659 N. Gross Pt. Rd.  
 Skokie, IL 60077  
[mymam61@gmail.com](mailto:mymam61@gmail.com)  
 847 999-8913

NAME OF ADVERTISER:

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](mailto: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 31<sup>st</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup>**. 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](mailto:jerriea2003@yahoo.com) - 847-542-2654

Lion Sandy Nedza - [buzzylion@gmail.com](mailto: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

Nomination letters must be submitted to the Secretary, unless they are to be the second secretary.



**CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?**

Secretary,  
President

\*The citizen for wide or within a people served.

district  
to the



JOIN US FOR OUR  
2ND ANNUAL WALK

Stickney-Forest View Lions Club

**Walk for Diabetes Awareness**

Forest View Park District

**Saturday, April 11, 2026**



8:30 AM Onsite  
Registration  
9:00 AM Walk Starts



1 MILE WALK

**Forest View Park**

**46th & Home-Forest View**



**Free Health Screening Available**

**LIF Bus screening for Retinal Eye Diseases – Hearing Screening**

**Blood Pressure Checks – Pulse Oximeter Checks**

**SAVE THE DATE**

# 57th Annual District 1-A Convention



## Hey Lions, Batter Up & Bring Us Your Recycling!

Recycling Will Be Collected at the District 1-A Convention  
on **FRIDAY & SATURDAY ONLY**, During **REGISTRATION**.

Friday, March 20 and Saturday, March 21.

The Westin Chicago Northwest Hotel | 400 Park Blvd. Itasca, IL



**Eyeglasses**



**Hearing Aids**



**Sneakers**



**Keys/Key Fobs**



**Cell Phones**



**Pop Tabs**



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](https://bit.ly/3XFfxrP) #LCIFLions

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

# Student Low Vision Program



## Dear Lions Members & Friends,

The Lions of Illinois Foundation partners with Spectrios Institute for Low Vision, the Illinois College of Optometry, and the Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind to provide a FREE comprehensive visual evaluation to Illinois students in grades K-12.



Students are referred by special education staff employed by the Illinois Board of Education. The exams are performed by licensed optometrists that travel to the different screening locations throughout the state.

The LIF **Student Low Vision Program** provides a child who has low vision with the optical tools and training necessary to help prevent further vision loss or even blindness. But more importantly, these are the children we have promised to help by preserving what sight they have left. Their future is in our hands.

Since 1976, Lions have honored a pledge to the children of Illinois.  
**We Believe that No Child Needs to Face Blindness as their Future.**  
Please help to preserve that pledge with your donation.

Enclosed is our check/money order to sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ student(s) at a cost of \$290 each.

Amount of donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Club Name or Individual Donor Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Phone number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit Form & Donation to:  
Lions of Illinois Foundation  
700 N Peace Road, Suite B  
DeKalb, IL 60115

**Please Support this Program  
With Your Donation Today.**



Lionsofillinoisfoundation.org  
(815) 756-5633

**Please make your  
check payable to: LIF  
We also accept online  
donations; please visit  
our website.**

**Remember, we are not just  
asking for a donation, we  
are asking for the  
opportunity to provide a  
student with low vision a  
chance to excel in school,  
in society, in job placement  
and in their future.**

# MOBILE SCREENING UNIT ROTATION SCHEDULE 2026

The Mobile Screening Unit program will be focusing on joining existing Annual Health Fairs and creating new Annual Health Fairs in your communities. Check with your county for Health Fair listings near you.



**LIF will utilize a monthly rotation schedule for Mobile Unit Screenings, if your screening falls outside of the month the Mobile Unit will be in your district, submit your form and we will try to accommodate your request.**

Please remember, weekends fill up fast, you will be allowed ONE weekend date either Saturday or Sunday for your club event, this will allow everyone to benefit from the Mobile Unit. Please keep this in mind when planning your event.

Month	District
March 2026	Health Fairs Events
April	1-J, 1-D
May	1-A, 1-F
June	1-H, 1-G
July	1-BK, 1-M
August	1-CS, 1-CN, 1-M
September	1-A, 1-F
October	1-BK, 1-J

Hearing screenings are now conducted using the *AMTAS-Flex Audiometry Screening Tablet*.



### PLEASE REMEMBER...

At least one of the Volunteer Lions that are assisting at your Screening Event must be trained ON-SITE on the AMTAS-Flex tablet to ensure that the hearing screenings are done correctly and efficiently. (Have them arrive one hour early for training.)

### Please Note:

You will need to receive a confirmation e-mail, in order for your event to be confirmed and placed on the website calendar.



# LIONS OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION is looking for a HEARING/VISION SCREENING TECHNICIAN



**YOU could be our  
next Mobile Screening Unit  
Technician!**



**Enjoy Traveling**



**Safe Driver**



**Friendly**



**Serving Others Brings You Joy**

**APPLY ONLINE!**

For Complete Job Description  
Please Visit Our Website  
[www.lionsofillinoisfoundation.org](http://www.lionsofillinoisfoundation.org)



Have Questions?

Contact LIF Associate Director Trish Fisher

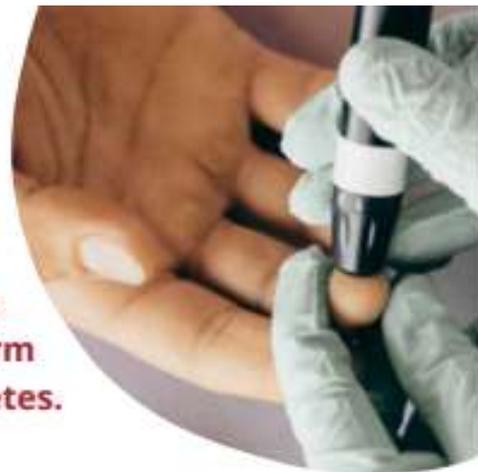
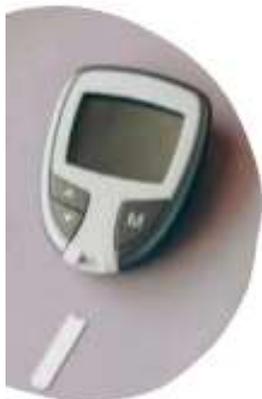


(815) 756-5633



[tfisher@lifnd.org](mailto:tfisher@lifnd.org)

# Lions of Illinois Foundation **DIABETES AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**



The Lions of Illinois Foundation Diabetes Awareness Campaign's mission is to inform the public of the hidden dangers of Diabetes.

## From March 1st to May 31st

Lions will be seen in communities throughout Illinois passing out what we call "Risk Strips." These paper slips contain a list of the warning signs of diabetes and related referral information.

## **Thank You for Your Support on Bringing Awareness to the Silent Risk of Blindness From Diabetes.**

According to the Center for Disease Control, 38.4 million people in the United States have Diabetes and 1 in 5 are unaware they have it. Help us raise awareness and bring this valuable information to those at risk.



## Early Detection is Key to the Prevention and Treatment of Diabetes.

### Your Contribution also supports:

- **FREE Retinal Screenings, to detect Diabetic Retinopathy and Macular Degeneration, performed through our Mobile Screening Unit**
- **FREE Children's Vision Screenings**
- **LIF Support of ADA Specialized Programs**

Enclosed is our check/money order to contribute towards Diabetes Awareness.

Amount of donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name or Individual Donor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to: LIF  
For Credit Card Donations visit us at:  
[LionsofillinoisFoundation.org](http://LionsofillinoisFoundation.org)  
or phone us at 815-756-5633



Submit Form & Donation to:  
Lions of Illinois Foundation  
700 N Peace Road, Suite B  
DeKalb, IL 60115

Thank You for Your Donation



# How Can Our Club Help ?



## Host a Lunch or Dinner

Each weekday there is an opportunity to host a Lunch or Dinner at Camp Lions.

By providing food for the campers, and counselors , you could be absorbing up to \$900 in food costs for that one meal (*averaging 50 campers and 15 counselors*).

If your club would like to provide a meal during the week or at our Friday Open House Event, Please Sign Up Online.

### Have Questions?

Contact Max Kruse at [camplions@lifnd.org](mailto:camplions@lifnd.org)

### JUNE 7th - JUNE 13th

Youth Week

Camp Red Leaf Village

26710 W Nippersink Road, Ingleside, IL 60041

### JUNE 14th - JUNE 18th

Helen Keller Week

Camp Red Leaf Village

26710 W Nippersink Road, Ingleside, IL 60041

**\*Camp This Year Sunday - Thursday\***

### JULY 5th - JULY 11th

Youth Week

Camp DuBois Center

2651 Quarry Road, DuBois, IL 62831

### JULY 12th - JULY 18th

HoH/Deaf Week

East Bay Camp

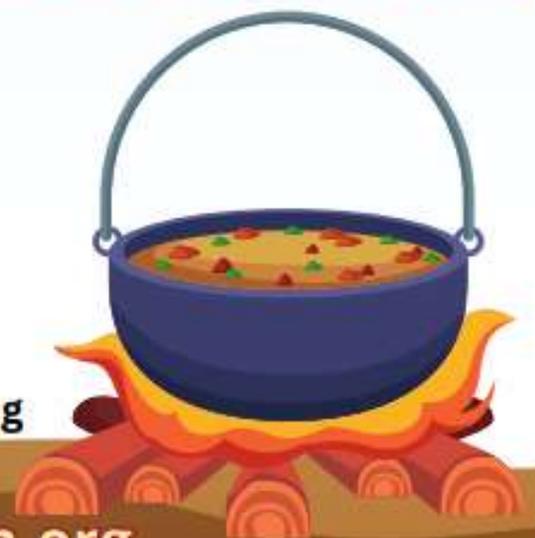
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### JULY 19th - JULY 25th

LV/Blind Week

East Bay Camp

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# Adopt-A-Camper

**\* Please Note Updated Donation \***

Children and adults who are deaf/hard of hearing, or blind/partially sighted, share in the fun of swimming, boating, nature walks, archery, crafts, music, campfires, and more fun camp activities with friends at Camp Lions.

In 69 years, one thing that has *never* changed at Camp Lions is the idea of providing a safe, positive place for youth and adults to enjoy summer camp with their peers. This philosophy has given thousands of campers a chance to grow self-confidence, build lasting friendships and enjoy all the fun this safe and enriching program provides each summer.

## **Please Adopt a Camper to attend Camp Lions this Summer!**

By adopting a camper you ensure that all deserving children and adults can experience what Camp Lions can offer them. Your Lions of Illinois Foundation is asking every Lion and Leo Club to help by "adopting" at least one camper to attend Camp Lions with a **Donation of \$550 or more.**

These donations will help to defer some of the total costs associated with our Camp Lions program including lodging, food, and qualified staff, including a nurse, to care for and inspire the attending campers.

A Thank You note with a picture of your camper, will be sent to your club along with our gratitude.

Mail Form To:

**Lions of Illinois Foundation  
Camp Lions Adopt-A-Camper  
700 N Peace Road, Suite B  
DeKalb, IL 60115**

**OR E-mail Form to [camplions@lifnd.org](mailto:camplions@lifnd.org)**



*If you have a specific camper you would like to adopt please include their name.*

## **Camp Lions Adopt-a-Camper**

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

Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt \_\_\_\_\_ Camper (s) to Camp Lions Summer Camps

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Camper's Name (not required) \_\_\_\_\_



For Credit Card Donations please visit our website at: [www.lionsofillinoisfoundation.org](http://www.lionsofillinoisfoundation.org)

Questions, please call: (815) 756-5633



# Lions of Illinois Foundation

## SIGHT AND SOUND SWEEPSTAKES

### 2026 Early Bird Drawing Dates



**Final drawing at State Convention  
MAY 17, 2026**

Send completed books and monies in by 3 PM the Tuesday before each Wednesday drawing to have them entered into the Early Bird Drawing each month. *Remember these drawings benefit the Club & Seller!*

### Individual Seller Cash Prizes

**Fourteen (14) Individual Seller Prizes will be awarded to Lions that meet these qualifications:**

- A minimum of twenty-five (25) complete books of three Sweepstakes tickets must be sold by the individual and listed on the bottom of the seller form to qualify for an award.
- All completed Sweepstakes ticket stubs, related money and the complete "Individual Seller Form" must be returned together to the Foundation Office no later than May 1st.

**Prizes are:**

- Four (4) **Top State Sweepstakes Seller** prizes of: **\$500, \$350, \$250, and \$200.**
- If a tie results among any of the Top State Seller prizes, those individuals involved will split the associated prizes.
- There will also be one (1) **Top District Seller** prize of **\$100** for each District in MD-1.
- The winner in each District will be the Top Seller of sweepstakes tickets not receiving a Top State Seller prize.



If you need additional Sweepstakes Tickets please contact  
Dianne Ortega: [dortega@lifnd.org](mailto:dortega@lifnd.org)





# 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](http://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](mailto: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 fees!**

[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](mailto:bonnie@lionbonnie@aol.com)

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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.

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# 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**

Mail to: **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	
<b>Set of all three</b>		<b>\$3.75</b>		<b>\$4.75</b>		<b>\$5.75</b>	
Handling / Shipping (If required)							
1 to 5 pin	\$5.50						
6 to 10 pins	\$8.50						
Over 20 pins	\$10.00						
<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>							

### Shipping Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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