



**District 1A Governor
Howard Swacker's
Monthly e-Newsletter
June 2018**

Message from Governor Howard Swacker:

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We the Lions of the World celebrated our new year the day we complete our III Plenary Session at the Lions International Convention. This year it was July 3rd in Las Vegas. When all World Governors were inducted, I was thrilled with joy to be the Governor of Mother District of Lionism, District 1A where it all started in the year 1917.

We celebrated our 101st International Convention and stepped into Lions' Second Century of Service to the needy. Also we celebrated Lion Guðrún Yngvadóttir as our first woman president of Lions Clubs International. Lions are coming out of the box and it is high time for all the clubs in our district to do so with new thoughts,



innovative ideas, new projects and of course, new members

Membership is still # 1 priority in Lionism to grow further so that we have enough hands to join in our community affairs.

Diabetes is our new global service focus and a key addition to the Centennial Service Challenge. Consider hosting awareness campaigns, screening programs and helping expand treatment to stop this devastating disease. Your club has one more year to serve in honor of the Lions Centennial. Make a difference in your community by planning a diabetes project today and be sure to report it on MyLCI.

Raise the visibility of your club and honor your legacy of service by planning a Centennial Legacy Project in your community. Legacy Projects commemorate our Centennial by making a lasting gift that will benefit your community for years to come.

Start building your Lion legacy today!

Explore the possibilities of bringing in new clubs in your neighboring communities where there are no lions to serve. Extension is the only way for solid growth in our district. # 2 should be retaining of existing members.

Get them involved in service projects. Ask members to bring their family and friends when you hold an event. It will be their first-hand experience to see what we do and how serve our community. Lastly, if you have any ideas, please let me know so that we can make it happen in our District 1A. God bless you and your service projects.

-Howard Swacker,

District 1A Governor

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News Release / Lighthouses on The Mag Mile

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 18, 2018

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dominic.calabrese@chicagolighthouse.org

Chicago Lighthouse Calls the Public to Action for Access and Inclusion on The Magnificent Mile

CHICAGO –Fifty-one 6 foot lighthouse sculptures on famed North Michigan Avenue will catch the public’s eye and capture their hearts this summer. Millions of visitors will see diverse art displays that asks the same question: “How can I be part of access and inclusion for people with disabilities?”

Lighthouses on the Mag Mile is being conducted by The Chicago Lighthouse in partnership with Huber Financial Advisors, LLC; and many other visionary businesses and individuals, including The Magnificent Mile® Association.

From June 19 through August 11, this world class, free exhibition will include lighthouse sculptures created by national and local Chicago artists, many with disabilities. These inspired artists along with more than 40 sponsoring business leaders have risen to the challenge put forward by Chicago Lighthouse CEO, Dr. Janet Szlyk: “We all have a powerful role to play to make inclusion possible for people with disabilities. The challenge is to find your own sphere of influence and use it!”

Self-guided tours of the lighthouses which includes the artists speaking about their access and inclusion concept will be available by downloading OTOCAST. For enhanced audible wayfinding, download AWARE. To learn more, please contact Angela D’Antonio, Marketing Director, at (312) 447-3246 or visit lighthousesonmagmile.com

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We Serve

District 1-A Lions 2018-2019



The First Cabinet Meeting for the 2018-2019 year will be held on Saturday, July 28, 2018 at Connie's Restaurant, 3271 Harlem Avenue, Berwyn, IL. Fellowship/Social Time will be from 8:30 AM with call to order/breakfast at 9:00 AM. RSVP to Lion Brenda Block, CS, at csblock1a@aol.com or 219-865-8939 by July 21st. Breakfast charges are \$10 per person made payable to: District 1A Lions. Please remember if you indicate your attendance and do not attend, you will be billed for your breakfast.

AGENDA

Fellowship from 8:30 a.m. and CALL TO ORDER AT 9:00 a.m.	Governor Howard Swacker
PLEDGE	1 st VDG Joan McMillan
NATIONAL ANTHEM	District Song Leader PDG Lion John Coleman
INVOCATION	Chaplain Lion Deranz Brown
WELCOME REMARKS	Governor Howard Swacker
TAIL TWISTER	Lion Linda Nilsson

BREAKFAST – 9:10 a.m.

RECALL TO ORDER	Governor Howard Swacker
ESTABLISHMENT OF VOTING MEMBERS	Governor Howard Swacker
RATIFICATION OF DEPOSITORY (Approval of cabinet for bank selected by Governor for funds)	
PRESENTATION OF THE BUDGET	CT Dawn Grogan
MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	CS Brenda Block
FINANCIAL REPORT PENDING AUDIT OF 2017-2018	PCT Ron Schammert/CT Dawn Grogan

AGENDA ITEMS

SWEARING IN OF NEW CABINET MEMBERS	PDG Jerry Novak
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STANDING REPORTS

INTERNATIONAL UPDATE – 2018 International Convention	PID Dan O'Reilly
FOUNDATION REPORT	Trustee Steve Anton, PCC and Trustee Austin D'Souza, PDG
GLT/GMT/GST REPORT	Lion Gail Anton, PDG Harold Burkett, Jr., Lion Janice Wiggins
V.O.I.C.E.S.	Lion Bob Hoffmann

COMMITTEE REPORTS – All Committee reports should be 3 minutes or less

HELEN KELLER 5K WALK/RUN	Lion Chris Coleman
L.C.I.F.	PDG Wes Salisbury
GOLF	Lion Frank Kirar
PEACE POSTER	Lion Rex Nyquist
LONG RANGE PLANNING	PDG Jerry Novak
LCI READING ACTION PROGRAM	PCST Lion Judy Toft
DISTRICT CONVENTION	PCC Lion Steve Anton
GOVERNOR'S INSTALLATION AND AWARDS (FINAL REPORT)	Lion Maryanne O'Reilly

NEW BUSINESS

USA CANADA FORUM	PDG Terry D'Souza
MD-1 FALL RALLY (FORUM)	Lion Gail Anton
MID-YEAR FORUM	1 st VDG Joan McMillan

OLD BUSINESS

TAIL TWISTER	Lion Linda Nilsson
ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEXT CABINET MEETING	CS Brenda Block
REMARKS:	PID Lion Dan O'Reilly, IPDG Pat Duda, 1st VDG Joan McMillan, 2 nd VDG Marilyn McLean
GOVERNOR'S REMARKS	Governor Howard Swacker
BENEDICTION	Lion Deranz Brown
GOD BLESS AMERICA	District Song Leader PDG Lion John Coleman

All individuals giving a report are requested to provide a written copy for the records to CS Lion Brenda Block.



July 11, 2018

Dear Fellow Lion,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that District 1-A will once again be sponsoring a Peace Poster contest. We hope your club will participate.

The theme of this year's contest is "Kindness Matters." If your club wishes to have a Peace Poster Contest – and I hope you do – appoint a Peace Poster Chair and have him or her order a Contest Kit from Lions International at 630-203-3812. Costs of the kit are \$11.95 plus tax and delivery. You can also order from LCI online.

The Contest needs to be held in September and October, with the winning Poster given to Governor Howard by November 15. He (or a committee appointed by him) will choose a winner, which will then be entered in the State Contest. The International Winner, his or her parents, and the sponsoring Club President will receive a trip to the United Nations, where the winner will be honored. Please know that participants must have reached their 11th birthday, and be 11, 12, or 13 on November 15, 2018.

The Contest Kit also includes information about an essay contest.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 224-532-7366, or at historytennis@yahoo.com.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Rex D. Nyquist, Peace Poster Chair

P.S. If you are no longer an officer of your club, please forward this letter to the Club President or Secretary. Thank You.



Oak Lawn Lions Club - Miniature Golf Outing
20th Annual William "Bill" Strickfaden Memorial

Sunday, July 15th, 2018

Stony Creek Golf Course, 103rd & Central (2 blocks west of Central), Oak Lawn

Dear Friend,

We are asking for your help by being a hole sponsor and/or raffle donor for our golf outing. Monies raised will be used for youth activities in the community such as: Richards H.S. Leo Club, Oak Lawn Baseball, Peace Poster Contest, Scholarships to local High School students and other programs. Camp Lions is another sponsored program involving summer camp for blind, visually impaired and deaf children from Oak Lawn and surrounding communities.

Our club would like to thank you for your support as a hole sponsor and/or raffle donor. Without your support, we could not help the youth in our community. *Your help shapes today's youth into tomorrow's future!* **ALL HELP IS GREATLY APPRECIATED, and THANK YOU!**

If you would like to golf, the cost is \$20.00 adults, \$15.00 children which includes 18 holes of miniature golf, buffet luncheon with raffles and split the pot.

Bring out your family and enjoy the afternoon with us. Shotgun start is at **12:00 noon**.

For more information, please contact the following:

Chairperson:

Lion Frank Kirar
 5129 Oak Center Dr.
 Oak Lawn, IL 60453
 708-636-2165

Hole Sponsorships:

Lion Dale Purdy
 25210 S. Schoolhouse Rd.
 Manhattan, IL 60442
 708-308-9687

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR YOUTH and complete the form below by July 9, 2017.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

THE OAK LAWN LIONS CLUB.

[Signature] -----cut here and send sponsorship form to Dale Purdy-----

 Hole Sponsor \$75.00 Donation (raffle prize) Golf \$20.00 adults
 Placemat \$30.00 Hole/ Placemat \$90.00 \$15.00 kids

Please make check payable to the Oak Lawn Lions Club

Name _____ Contact _____

Address _____ Telephone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

E-Mail Address _____



**71ST ANNUAL
PDG HARRY BARBER MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018
7:45AM SHOTGUN START**

NEW GOLF COURSE



Silver Lakes Country Club
14700 S 82nd Avenue
Orland Park, IL
(708) 349-6940

\$90 per golfer!
BEST BALL SCRAMBLE
No more shots than
DOUBLE BOGEY
Peoria Handicap System
INCLUDES: Golf Cart; Hot
Dog & Drink on Course;
Foursome Photos; **STEAK
DINNER;** Goodie Bag



Hole in One - \$5,000 Prize
On 4 Par-3 Holes
Straightest Drive Contest for
Men & Women
Cash Raffle



Breakfast Available
Off the Menu
6:00am

Only 144 Golfers, Reserve Your Spot NOW!!!!
NO CANCELLATIONS AFTER AUGUST 1, 2018

MAIL RESERVATIONS TO:
Lion Robin Kirar
5129 Oak Center Drive
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 636-2165

**ONLY 4
GOLFERS ON
A TEAM**

TO GUARANTEE YOUR SPOT,
Checks and Reservations MUST be made by
July 23, 2018
Make check payable to:
District 1-A Golf

Lions Club _____
Players Name:
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
Contact: _____
Phone: _____

Lions Club _____
Players Name:
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
Contact: _____
Phone: _____



Special Olympics Unified Games presented by Toyota

Preliminary Matches July 17-19, 2018

Location: CIBC Fire Pitch

3626 North Talman Avenue, Chicago, IL

Start Time: 8 am CT

Cost: Free / **Capacity:** 1500

Final Matches July 20

Location Toyota Park, Bridgeview, IL

Start Time: 5 pm CT

Broadcast: Live on ESPN2

Cost: Free / **Capacity:** 18,000



**Tickets available for all matches on line at the
Special Olympic Site for all games**

Lions Night on Thursday, July 19th

You will have a chance to host the visiting special athletes that have come from around the globe to participate. Special Olympics & the Lions have contact various locations located in Chicago, who are able to host this event. The Special Olympic Committee will provide the transportation as well as funds to help defray the cost.

**Each location will host about 80 athletes and coaches. We are looking for
Lions Clubs that will host this event. There are three locations still available.**

For more information please contact

PDG Bob Block at (219) 671-0287 or by email at gov8990@aol.com

Please contact as soon as possible if interested



If you are interested in VOLUNTEERING, go directly to the Special Olympics link for Volunteers at

<https://soill.volunteerhub.com/lp/lionsclubs/>

or fill out the form and return it to



Officer Training
"Excellence through Education"



District 1-A Lions Officer Training

Saturday 7-21-18

8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

8:30 AM Coffee and Sweet Rolls

Willow Springs School

8345 Archer Ave Willow Springs Il

Governors Welcome and Goals

Presidents, Secretaries & Treasurers Training

Global Action Team Review

Leadership, Service - My Lion and Membership

RC/ZC Round Table

Complete and return reservation form

by July 14, 2018

Questions Contact Gail Anton anton173@comcast.net

708.514.4825



Registration Form

2018-2019 District 1A Officers Training



Saturday July 21, 2018
 Willow Springs School
 8345 S. Archer Avenue, Willow Springs, IL

Registration and Continental Breakfast: 8:30–9:00 a.m.

Workshop: 9:00–11:30 a.m.

All District 1A Lions are encouraged to attend the **2018-2019 District 1A Officers Training**. In addition to informative general sessions, there will be break-out sessions designed for specific leadership positions. Every session will be open to any Lion interested in attending.

If you're interested in learning about these positions or would just like to catch up on what's new, please plan to join us! Just enter/print your name and indicate which session you/your members of your club will be attending.

Club name: _____

Names of attendees (indicate which session each Lion will be attending):

Lion Name	President, VP, Director	Secretary	Treasurer	Region/Zone Chair

Return the completed form to:
 Lion Gail Anton
 17324 Highwood Drive
 Orland Park, IL 60467
 Or send by email to anton173@comcast.net

So that we know how many people to expect, please register by **July 14, 2018**.
 Contact Lion Gail Anton (anton173@comcast.net) if you have any questions.



***Chicago Fil-USA Lions Club
invites everyone to their annual
Family Picnic & 2018-2019 Installation of Officers***

July 28, 2018

Saturday

12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

at

Harms Woods (Harms Grove #5 Shelter)

Golf Road and Harms Road

Morton Grove, Illinois 60053

This annual festivity is in appreciation of your overwhelming support to our club's humanitarian services and we look forward to seeing you and join the fun.

Bring your family and friends to join us and enjoy this Lions fellowships, entertainment, great food, music, dancing and games (for kids and adults)



**Enjoy the Asian & American Cuisines
prepared by the Fil-USA Lions Club members**

**TO MAKE THIS OUTDOOR FESTIVITY A SUCCESS,
WE REQUEST YOUR RSVP TO THE FOLLOWING:**

Club President Lion Perry Patiu 630-309-0564

FVP Lion Dr. Gigi Dawis 847-995-0722

SVP Chris Briones - chrisvi48@gmail.com,

Lion Leilanie Magana 773-425-1747, Lion Myrna Cordero 847-999-8913

Lion Lindy Tan 847-691-8220, Lion Joy Vargas 847-814-6222

Lion Andy Liamaga 773-539-7341 or flipbanker@aol.com