

The Lion's Spirit

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District Governor's Message

Fellow Lions and Leos,

Welcome to our District Fall Conference! Ever since the beginning of the lionistic year, our team has been working hard to prepare for today. We are honored to have International Director Howard Hudson and his Partner in Service Lynn as our special guests. They will share valuable information about our International Organization and we all will have the opportunity to speak to them.

I invite you all to embrace our International President Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada's them "dignity, harmony and humanity" with Commitment, Leadership and Passion and support our Centennial Celebration. Since July this year, clubs in our District have served over 10,000 people in the four areas of the Centennial Challenge. About 20 of our clubs have already received recognition for their centennial services. I encourage all clubs to send their service activity reports to LCI and make their activities count.

My heart felt thank you to 1st. Vice District Governor Peter Pergolis, Fall Conference Chair, for stepping up to the plate and working hard to make this event a success. My gratitude to all the members of the District Cabinet, Committee Chairs and all lions that have committed their time effort to support the District.

We will continue to work with our GLT coordinator, PDG Charlie Gonzalez and the leadership team to prepare more leaders. I'm excited and optimistic about the growth of our District. Our GMT coordinator IPDG Mike Bhuiyan and the membership team are working together to help us reach our membership growth and retention goals for this year. I thank our PDG Loretta Wu for her love, dedication and great job as the District New Members Orientations chair.

Let's support each other; together we can continue to be strong.

"As Lions we have a unique opportunity to help advance the dignity of mankind through service,"

Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada

Yours in Lionism,

Guillermo A. Perez

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DISTRICT 20-R2 FALL CONFERENCE 2015 MORNING PROGRAM

Guest registration / Breakfast	8:30 - 9:30 am
Meeting Call to Order	CS Gabriela Remigio
Pledge of Allegiance	Miriam Gutloff
Invocation	2 nd VDG Norma Mendez Cruz
Opening Remarks	1 st VDG Peter Pergolis, Fall Conference Chair
District Governor Remarks	DG Guillermo A. Perez
9:45 am – 12:30 pm	Presentations/Seminars
“Go from Stuck to Unstoppable”	Edward Muñoz, Motivational Speaker
Centennial Celebration	PDG Maria Sierra
Lions Clubs Foundation	PDG Kwang Suk Kim
Global Leadership Team	PDG Charlie Gonzalez
Global Membership Team	PDG Mike Bhuiyan
NYS & Bermuda Foundation	PDG Gilbert Prince/ PDG Amado Sy
Peace Poster/New Clubs	PDG Loretta Wu
Environmental Photo Contest	Lion Jimmy S. Chu
Navigating MyLCI	CS Gabriela Remigio
IRS – Tax Information	1 st . VDG Peter Pergolis
Lion See Program	Lion Silvia Estebañez, Committee Chair
Camp Badger	Lion Amanda Cintron, Committee Chair
Environmental Program	Lion Mohamed Motiur Rahman
Leo Clubs	Lion Maria Sanchez, Coordinator
UNICEF	Lions Mercedes Regalado, Committee Chair
Lions Alert Program	Lion Deyanira Rodriguez
LCI Information and News /	Sidney Baumgarten, Committee Chair
Q & A with District Lions	ID Howard Hudson and PIS Lynn

LUNCHEON PROGRAM

Parade of Dignitaries	PDG Maria Sierra
Pledge of Allegiance	PDG Juana Alejo
National Anthem	Audience
Invocation	PDG Lretta Wu
Lions Toast	IPDG Mike Bhuiyan
Flags Parade	RC Rafael Espinal
Introduction of Keynote Speaker	DG Guillermo A. Perez
Guest Speaker Address	ID Howard Hudson and PIS Lynn
Response	PDG Aurora Nazareno Ocampo
Voting Results Announcement	PDG Gilbert Prince
Musical Performance	Ms. Rahmi Khan
Music by	DJ Raymond
Raffle	Ln. Joan Pergolis
Benediction and Adjournment	CS Gabriela Remigio



**HOWARD HUDSON
INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

Howard Hudson from Santa Barbara, California was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawaii, June 26 through 30, 2015.

Director Hudson is a certified public accountant.

A member of the Santa Barbara Host Lions Club since 1981, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, club secretary, club treasurer, district governor, cabinet secretary, cabinet treasurer, and multiple district extension chairperson.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including the Lions Canine Companions for Independence Life Membership and Fellowship, Builder Key Award, the Senior Builder Key Award, five International President's Certificates of Appreciation and two International President's Awards. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Hudson is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including Bugles Across America, Brookmore Apartment Corp., Front Porch Communities & Services, Surgical Eye Expeditions International and the First United Methodist Church of Santa Barbara.

Director Hudson and his wife, Lynn, also a Lion and Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons and two grandsons.



Members of our District Cabinet , Past District Governors and several Club Presidents hosted a welcome diner for International Director Howard Hudson and his Partner In Service, Lynn at Dia y Noche Restaurant in Yonkers.



November 3rd we had a combined district 20-R2 and 20-K1 Lions Quest Training Program at upper Manhattan. 46 teachers attended that training program. Facilitator was Penny Willis from Lions Clubs International. DG Guillermo Perez, IPDG Mike Bhuiyan and Lions Quest Chair Gabriela R. Attended the training.



DG Guillermo Perez and 20-R2 Leadership Institute new graduates 1st. VDG Peter Pergolis, 2nd. VDG Norma Mendez, Lions Joan Pergolis and Constance Louie.



Our District Global Membership Coordinator, IPDG Mike Bhuiyan, during the semi-final working meeting for New York Global Leaders Lions Club at Incognito Italian Bistro, Midtown Manhattan. This is our first Centennial Lions Club. They already recruited 27 members. Congratulations Jim Luce and his global advisory board!