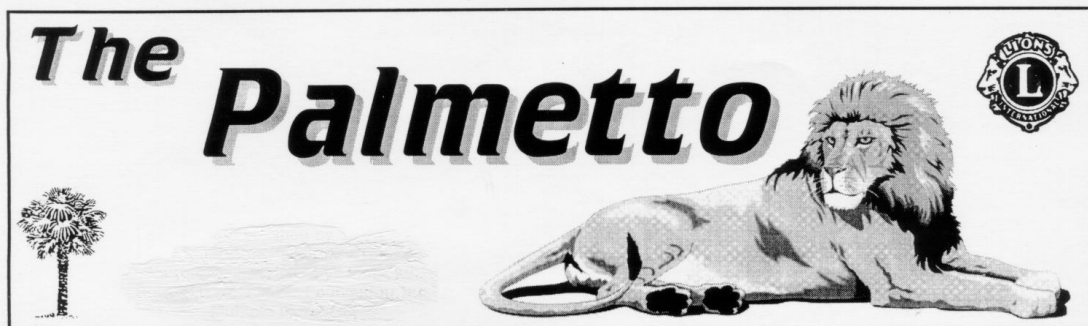




MD32

New Member

Orientation
Information
Guide





The Governor's and cabinet of MD32

Welcomes you as a New Lion!

This Orientation guide will help you understand the levels
of how Lions carry out their “We Serve” way of thinking:

Lions Clubs International

Multiple District

Sub-District

Your Local club and community

If you have any questions, your first contact should be your sponsor. Does your club membership team have someone or see if your District is having an Orientation session you could attend. You can go to the following -

www.lionsclubs.org

and download the “Membership Orientation Guide” me13.pdf, this should help answer most of your questions. However, a group orientation would be the best; besides you’ll meet new lions and find out more about other clubs and what they are doing in their communities.



Please make a copy of this page and the next for you and your Sponsor. Fill in the blanks as you complete them. Have your club Secretary sign the form and mail it to your District Governor. If you like make extra copies for your clubs Membership chair, for those sponsoring new members in the near future.

The Sponsor's Responsibilities

Be certain the new member's induction ceremony is impressive so he/she may take justifiable pride in joining the Club.

Ensure that he/she receives a New Member kit.

Make him / her feel welcome once he/she dons the Lions lapel pin.

Introduce him/her to all Club members and make certain he/she knows the post each officer holds.

Remind officers to provide him/her with assignments, which will enable him/her to immediately become an active Lion.

Arrange for Orientation Sessions on Lionism at Club, District and International level.

Coach him/her on the Club's Constitution and by-laws.

Answer any questions he/she might have on the operation of the Club, as well as on any other subject of Lionism.

Call him/her prior to the first few meetings and offer to accompany him/her.

Encourage him/her to feel free to let you know of any problems he/she may have so a solution for them is found.

Assist him/her in developing his/her Lionistic potential

Please, take a look at the 4 levels of the Mentoring Program that LCI has on line at –

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/mtr11.pdf>

Remember, to print the Mentorship Guide. This will truly lead you on journey into and through the “WE SERVE” as a Lion; for yourself, your Club and mainly your community!



SPONSOR'S RECORD **of the** **NEW MEMBER**

Name of New Member _____
Club Name _____
Sponsor's Name _____

Induction Ceremony:

When Conducted _____
By Whom _____

Club Project:

Date of Project _____
Project Name _____

Assigned to a Committee:

Date of Assignment _____
What Committee _____

Visited Another Club:

Date of Visit _____
Name of Club _____

Orientation Session:

Date of Session _____
Conducted by Whom _____

Sponsored a Member:

Date _____
Whom _____

Board Meeting:

When Attended _____

Sponsor's Signature

Attested by: _____ Date: _____
Club Secretary's Signature

To be completed and mailed to the District Governor



Lions Clubs International

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LCIF- Lions Clubs International Foundation



History Timeline

1917: Association founded in Chicago on June 7 by businessman Melvin Jones

1920: Association became international with the formation of the first club in Canada

1925: Helen Keller challenges the Lions to become her “knights of the blind in the crusade against blindness.”

1931: First club in Latin America Chartered

1945: Association helps form the Non-Governmental Organizations section of the United Nations.

1968: Lions Clubs International Foundation is established.

1987: Lions Clubs International becomes the first service club to admit women as members.

1988: Lions Clubs International Peace Poster Contest is introduced.

1989: First Lions Clubs organized in the former “Eastern Bloc” countries.

1990: SightFirst, a major blindness prevention initiative, is launched.

1997: Phase I of SightFirst China Action, a program to confront cataract blindness and establish eye clinics in China, is launched.

2002: Phase II of SightFirst China Action is launched.

2002: Lions clubs chartered in China.



Fact Sheet

Membership:

1.3+ million - largest service club organization in the world.

46,168 clubs and 743 districts in 206 countries.

Motto:

The Lions motto is “*We Serve.*” It was adopted at the 1954 International Convention from over 600 suggestion.

Slogan:

LIONS - Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation Safety. It was Adopted at the 1919 International Convention

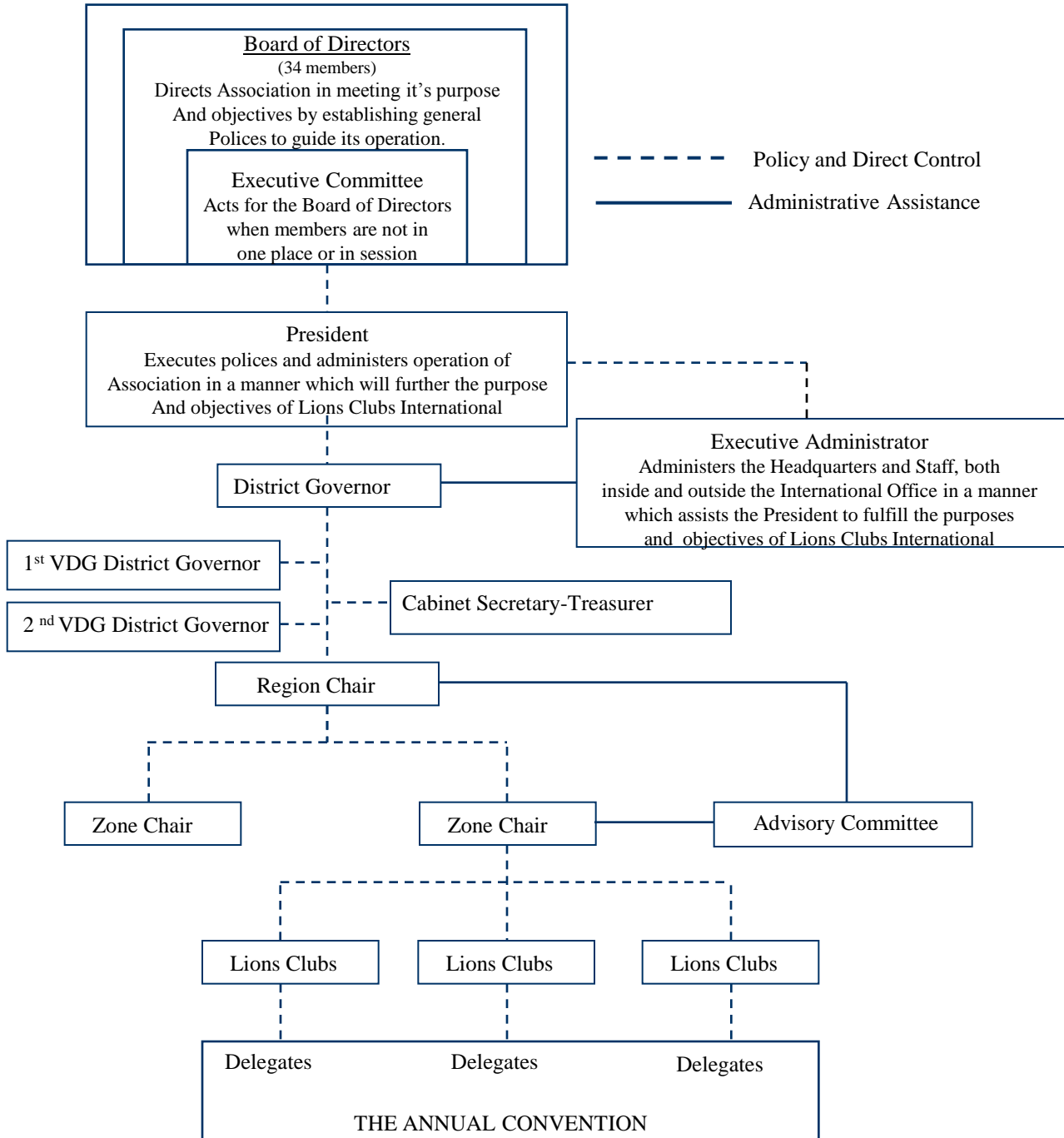
Official Colors:

Purple and Gold were chosen when the association was founded in 1917. The purple represents loyalty to country, friends, to one’s self and to the integrity of mind and heart. It is the color of strength, courage and dedication to a cause. Gold symbolizes sincerity of purpose, liberality in judgment, purity in life and generosity in mind, heart and commitment to mankind. Often a dark blue issued in place of purple.

Official Emblem:

The current Lions emblem (or logo) was adopted at the 1919 convention. Today, Lions worldwide are recognized by it. It consists of a gold letter “L” on a circular purple field. Boarding this is a circular gold area with two Lion profiles facing away from center. The Lions face both past and future – showing both pride of heritage and confidence in the future. The words “Lions” appears at the top and “International” at the bottom.

The International Association of Lions Clubs Organizational Chart





Mission Statement:

To create and foster a spirit of understanding
among all people for humanitarian needs by
providing voluntary services through community
involvement and international cooperation.



Lions Clubs International Objects: *The Lions Clubs Objects outline the aims and goals of Lions. It is up to the individual clubs to use the general objects for specific purposes.*

TO CREATE and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

TO PROMOTE the principles of good government and good citizenship.

TO TAKE an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

TO UNITE the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

TO PROVIDE a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.

TO ENCOURAGE service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors.



Lions Code of Ethics: *The Lions Code of Ethics is a guideline for the personal values that each Lion should exemplify.*

1. TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.
2. TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.
3. TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.
4. WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.
5. TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.
6. ALWAYS bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in work, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.
7. TO AID others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.
8. TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.



International Projects and Programs:

Lions clubs are recognized world wide for their service to the blind and visually impaired. Today, lions extend their commitment to sight conservation through countless local efforts, as well as through their international SightFirst program. Also, we make a strong commitment to young people and are instrumental in youth outreach programs.

SightFirst program:

- > Funded eye clinics and hospitals.
- > Provided more than 2,500,000 cataract surgeries
- > Treated more than 4.3 million people with ivermectin to prevent river blindness.
- > Allowed more than 6 million plus patients to be screened for eye disease.

Others:

- > Used eye glasses,
- > Eye banks,
- > Work with the Deaf and Hearing Impaired,
- > Lions Youth Outreach,
- > Leo Club Programs,
- > Environmental Projects,
- > Diabetes Awareness,
- > International Youth Camps,
- > International Youth Exchange,
- > International Peace Poster Contest, ...etc.



LCIF: ***Lions Clubs International Foundation***

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International (LCI). The foundation's mission is to support the efforts of Lions clubs around the world in serving their local and global communities by finding humanitarian service projects.

SightFirst program – responds to worldwide needs for the prevention of blindness, 80% of all blindness in the world is preventable.

Newest LCIF grant program – Core 4 – these grants are limited to a list of specific types of projects consistent with the top four humanitarian concerns of Lions: preserving eyesight, combating disability, promoting health and serving youth.

LCIF honors donors with a variety of awards and forms of recognition. The highest form of recognition is the Melvin Jones Fellowship. Other recognitions include Honor Roll and Contributing Membership.

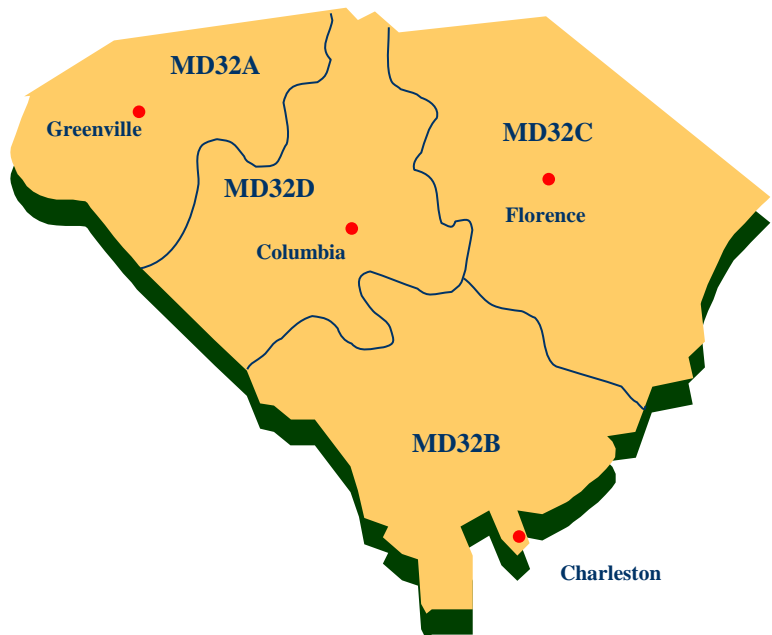


Multiple District 32

History Timeline

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History Timeline

- 1922: District 32 was established with 5 clubs State wide;
Columbia, Spartanburg, Orangeburg, Anderson and Greenville.
- 1940: District 32 became Multiple Districts 32S and 32C with 57 clubs.
- 1948: MD 32 reorganized into 3 Multiple Districts 32A, 32B and 32C
with 92 clubs.
- 1968: Study committee formed to look at organizing a charitable
organization for the Lions of South Carolina.
- 1969: At our State Convention in Myrtle Beach, The South Carolina Lions
Sight Conservation Association, SCLSCA, was voted into existence.
- 1973: We moved into the South Carolina Lions Building at
110 Medical Circle, West Columbia, 29169.
- 1974: MD 32 reorganized again into where we are today, 4 Multiple
Districts - 32A, 32B, 32C and 32D with 176 clubs.
- 1974: The South Carolina Foundation was formed and has continued
to operate as an arm of the now South Carolina Lions Charitable
Service organization.
- 1990: The "Partnership in Service Campaign" was voted on at the State
Convention to help with the 3 story expansion of the Storm Eye
Institute at MUSC in Charleston. The Lions of South Carolina
are represented on the Board of Directors of the Storm Eye Institute.
- 1994: SCLSCA changed it's name to South Carolina Lions, Inc.
- 2003: In January the South Carolina Lions Eye Bank
merged with LifePoint.
- 2003: In July, South Carolina Lions, Inc changed it's name to South Carolina
Lions Charitable Services. or SCLCS.
- 2011: In July, South Carolina Lions Charitable Service Foundation, SCLCSF,
changed it's name to South Carolina Lions Foundation or SCLF.



Fact Sheet

Presently, the Lions of South Carolina have established 159 clubs, in four (4) Districts with more than 4450 plus members

Programs supported by the Lions of South Carolina and with the help of their South Carolina Lions Charitable Services, SCLCS;

Mobile Health Screening Unit – screened over 270,000 since 1974.

Collection of used Eye Glasses – collect on average per year 96,000 pairs of used eye glasses. Since the early 90's we've collected 2 million pairs of glasses

Hearing Aid Bank –the 'Loan for Life' has fitted over 9,200 with 12,500 hearing aids since 1981.

Health Services Fund – helped provide over 500 people with cataract, cornea and related eye surgeries, since 1978.

International Youth Exchange program – with an average of 20 students coming to South Carolina each year, since 1990.

Youth Camps for the Blind and for those with impaired vision - more than 300 children have been given the opportunity for a summer camp experience.

Leader Dog For the Blind in Rochester, Michigan – Cost per guide dog is \$34,000. Since we became involved, 143 Guide Dogs have been trained for those who now have obtained their independence and become an asset to our communities.

SCLSC's Mission Statement –

The mission of SCLS is to be the service arm of the Multiple District and to provide the day to day services and support to the Lions and Lions Clubs of South Carolina through programs established and approved by the Multiple District. This will include but not be limited to:

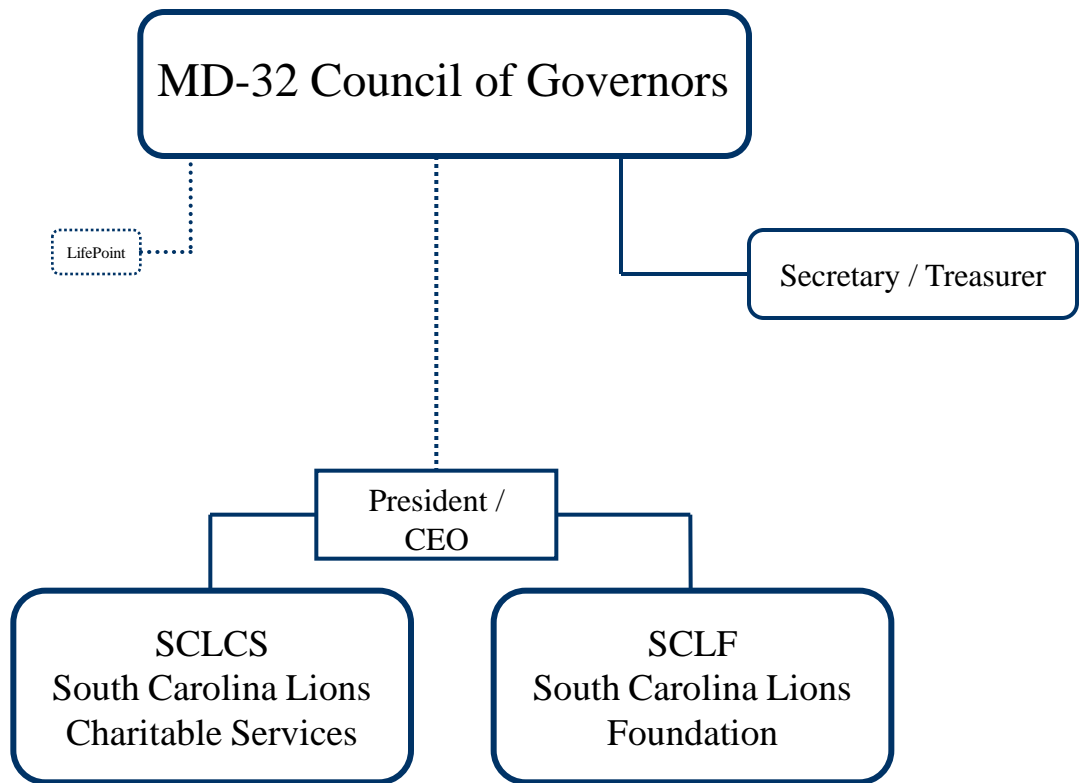
a) Provide, collect, invest and account for funds donated under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

b) Serve as the umbrella services for statewide programs recommended by the MD 32 Council and approved by the South Carolina Lions.

c) Coordinating input, editing, and publishing of the Palmetto Lion.



Organization Chart MD32



Council of Governors Committees



MD-32 Council of Governors
Consisting of:
Council Chair, 4 DG's, Sec./Treas.,
VCC, 4-1stVDG's & 4-2nd VDG's

LCI Committees

Diabetes Education
Information Technology
International Relations
LCIF
Leo Clubs
Protocol
Sight Conservation & Work for the Blind
Youth, Lions Opportunities for Youth
Youth Exchange
Youth Outreach

MD32 Convention Committees

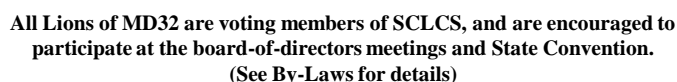
Credentials
Resolutions
Nominations
Elections
Constitution & By-Laws
Rules
International Convention
MD32 Convention
Long Range Site Selection

MD32 Advisory Committees (PDG's)

Advisory Board Nominating
Council Chairman Nominating
International Liaison Advisory

Council Projects & Programs

Membership	Activities
Extension	Lioness Clubs
Retention	Leader Dog
Leadership	SC Lions Eye Research
Orientation	Long Range Planning
Women	Lion of the Year Selection
Auditing	Lions Hall of Fame Selection
LifePoint	AD-Hoc History

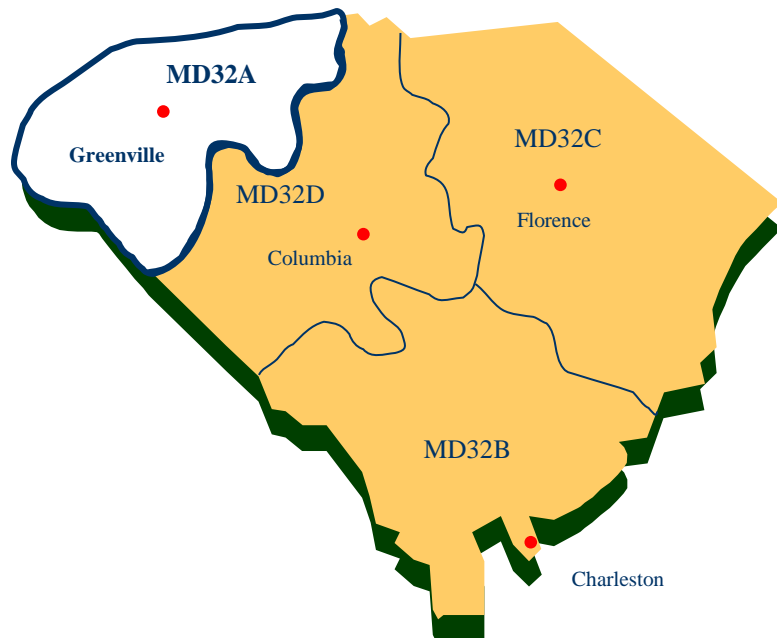




Typical Sub District in MD 32

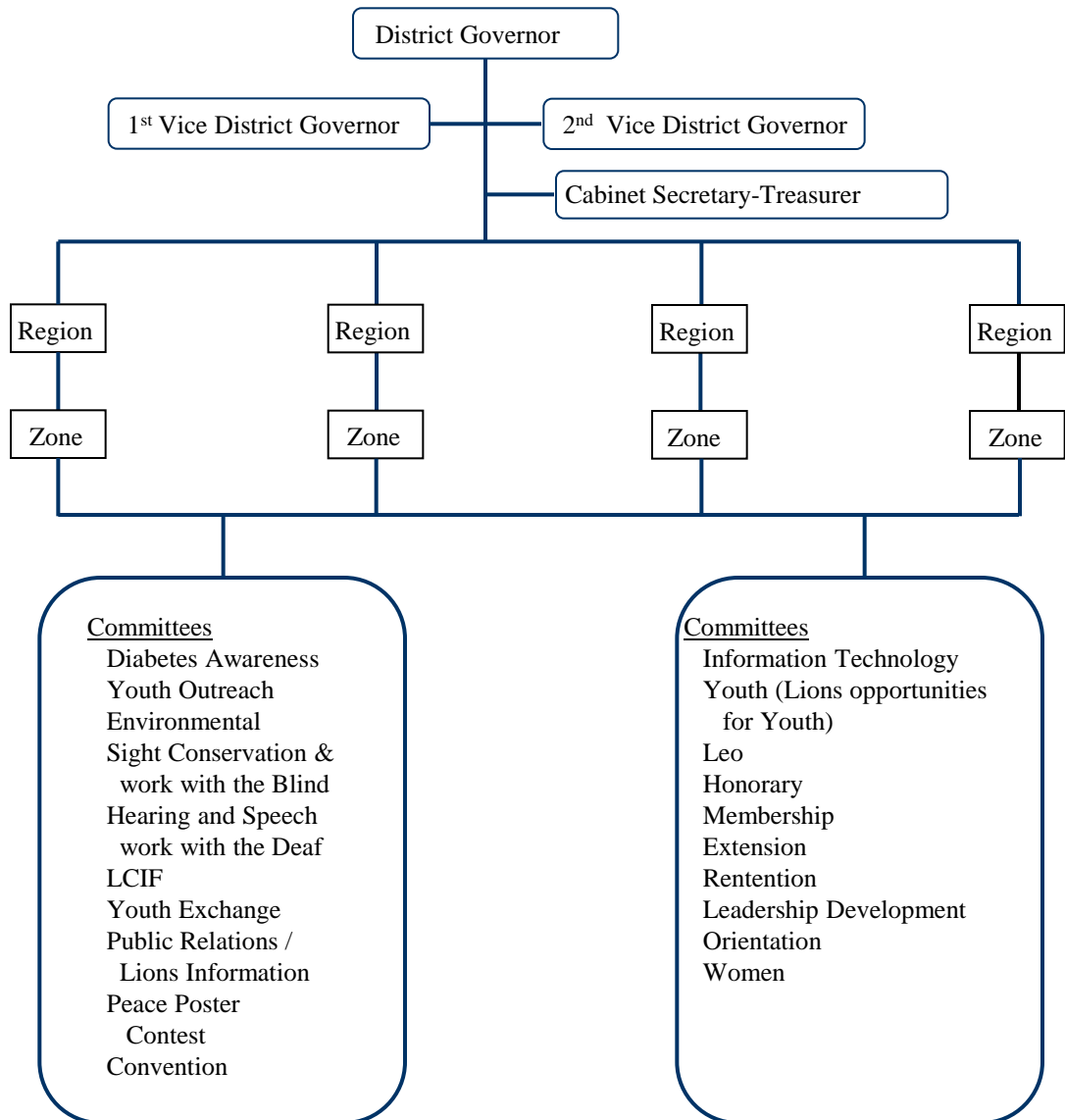
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Sub District MD 32A, B, C, D *Organizational Chart*



Region and Zone chairmen assignments
may vary by District and committees



Fact Sheet

With the reorganization in 1974
to 4 Sub-Districts, we had:
176 Clubs with ~7100 Members

We presently have:
150 Clubs with ~ 4300 Members

Each Sub-District sponsors the same charitable services as LCI and MD32

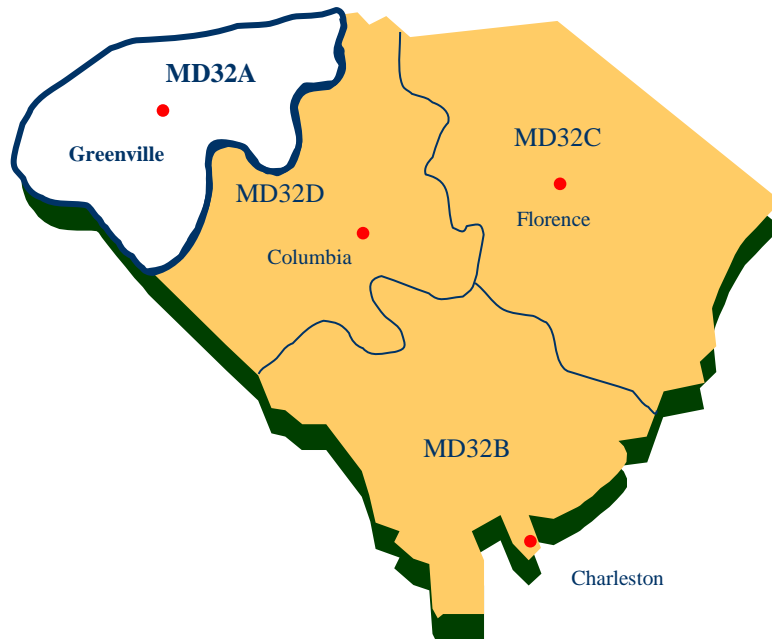
Sight Conservation
Hearing Impaired
Youth Camps for the blind
International Youth Exchange
Leader Dog for the Blind
Habitat for Humanity
LCI Foundation
SCLF Foundation



Local Lions Club **within a District**

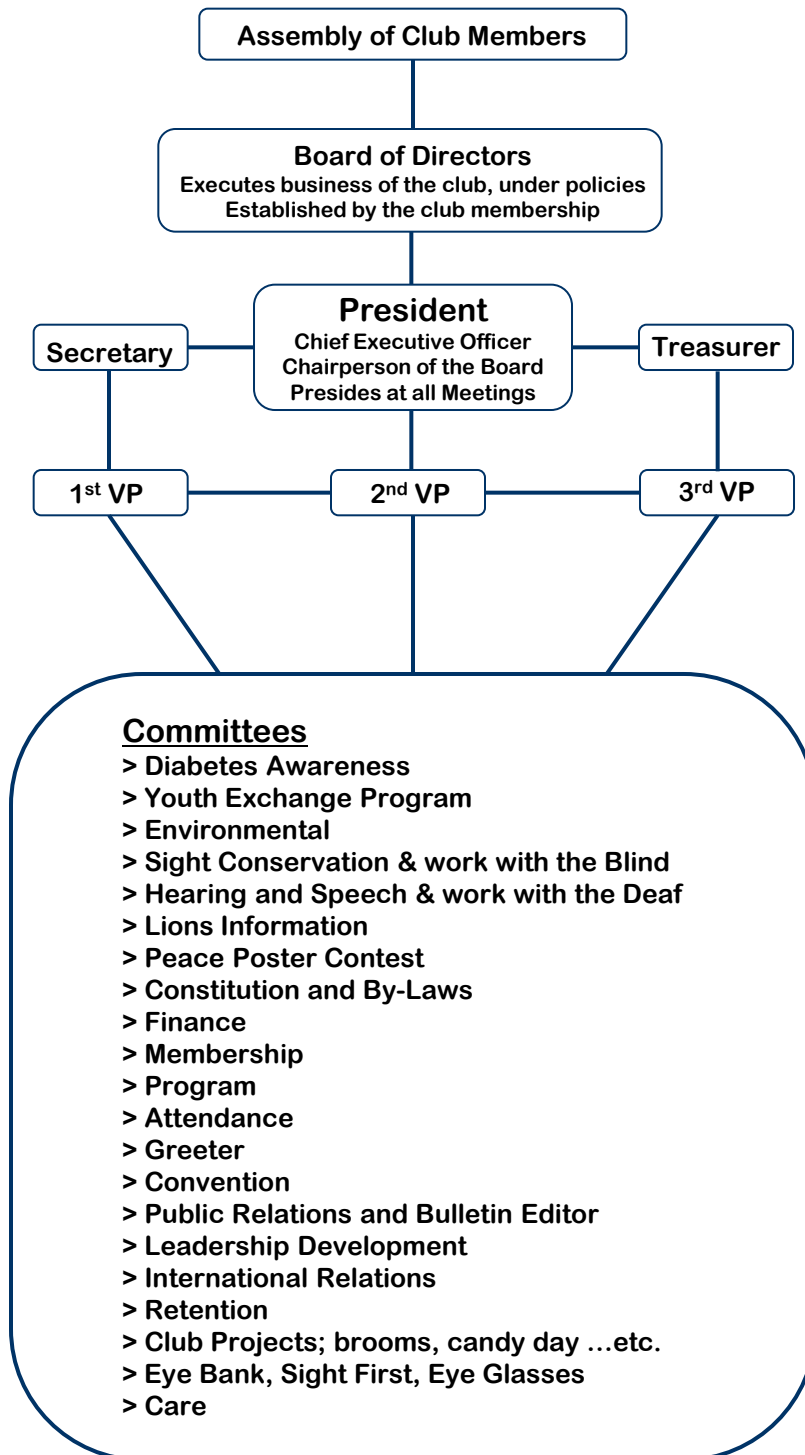
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Organizational Chart **Local Club**





General Fact Sheet

To organize a new club you will need 20 prospective members and a sponsoring Lions club, contact the district Extension chairperson or District Governor

Attendance Requirements-

Clubs should meet regularly and is recommended at least twice each month. Members who maintain perfect attendance during the fiscal year may be given an annual 100% perfect attendance award. If a member misses a meeting, he or she has the opportunity to make up the meeting by attending a club board meeting, a region or zone meeting, the meeting of another club or a committee meeting. The club secretary has complete details regarding your make-up policies.

Membership Categories:

Active, Member-at-large, Honorary, Privileged, Life Member, Associate Member, and Affiliate Member. See your club secretary for complete descriptions of each category.

Club Budgets:

Clubs maintain two separate budgets: activities and administrative. The activities funds of a Lions club, consisting of funds raised from the public through club projects, may only be expended to satisfy a community or public need. The administrative budget is what finances club operations. It's income comes mostly from club dues.

Membership Dues (annually):

International	=	\$ 41.00 (additional \$1.00 added in 2013-2014)
Multiple District MD32	=	9.30
Sub-District MD32A,B,C or D	=	???
Your Club Dues	=	???
Total	=	\$50.30 + Sub Dist. + your club dues

General Information for LCI, MD32

LCI: Web site - www.lionsclubs.org phone: 1-630-571-5466
MD32: Web site - www.sclions.org phone: 1-866-325-4667
SCLCS Pres./CEO. Lion Gregg Turner e-mail: gturner@sclions.org



Lions Clubs International **New Member Orientation Quiz**

What is Your Lions I.Q.?

1. What are three benefits a new member receives from attending an orientation session?
a) _____ b) _____ c) _____
2. Lions began in the United States in:
a) 1912 b) 1917 c) 1922
3. The basic ideals of Lions have not been related to a person's politics, religion or race.
a) True b) False
4. Symbolically the two lions on our emblem face both _____ and _____
5. The "L" in the Lion emblem is purple in a gold circle.
a) True b) False
6. Fill in the missing word from our slogan, "Liberty, _____, Our Nation's Safety."
7. Lions' purple and gold colors stand for several qualities. List one for purple and one for Gold.
Purple: _____ Gold: _____
8. Circle the statistic which you believe comes closest to the current figures of Lions.
a) 29,000 clubs with 1,100,000 members in over 130 countries and geographical areas.
b) 39,000 clubs with 1,250,000 members in over 165 countries and geographical areas.
c) 46,000 clubs with 1,350,000 members in over 207 countries and geographical areas.
9. The Association's headquarters is located in _____, U.S.A.
10. The International Board of Directors includes:
a) 14 Directors b) 34 Directors c) 42 Directors



11. A Lion may transfer to any club in the world providing the new club accepts him or her.
a) True b) False
12. The essential qualifications a prospective member must have before he/she is granted membership are _____.
13. Since a club follows the principles of the Association and the international Constitution, it may not adopt its own Club Constitution to suit its particular requirements.
a) True b) False
14. What was the major international service commitment of Lions through June 30, 2000?
a) SightFirst b) Youth Exchange c) Lions-Quest
15. There are many rewards which come to you for being a Lion. Name three.
a) b) c)
16. A Lion is encouraged to serve on a club committee or any club project when asked.
a) True b) False
17. A Lion is also encouraged to bring new members into their club.
a) True b) False
18. A Life member is exempted from paying International but not necessarily club dues
a) True b) False
19. The name of our current International president is _____
20. The name of my district governor is _____
21. The name of my region chairman is _____
22. The name of my zone chairman is _____
23. As a rule, most district governors are appointed while most zone chairmen and region chairmen are elected.
a) True b) False
24. Term of club officers is for one year, which begins:
a) January 1 b) June 1 c) July 1
25. In operating the district, the district governor usually gets most of the needed assistance from:

a) the cabinet b) various club presidents c) international headquarters



26. A majority of districts are composed of a minimum of 35 clubs with a total of 1,250 members.
a) True b) False
27. Zones are broken down into regions.
a) True b) False
28. A multiple district is:
a) an unusually large district.
b) a district which extends into several states or countries.
c) made up of two or more sub-districts.
29. One of the major annual service projects of my club is _____
30. My club was chartered in the year _____
31. Surrounding towns which I know have Lions clubs include:
a) _____ b) _____ c) _____
32. One of these clubs meets at (place) _____, at (hour) _____,
(day of week) _____, (monthly frequency) _____.
33. One of the things my club has been doing for several years is _____
34. This year's International Convention will be held in
a) Seattle b) Busan c) Hamburg d) Toronto e) Honolulu
35. Funds raised from the general public at a fund-raising activity can be used to fund a club member to the international convention.
a) True b) False
36. All expenditures for materials and services made by a Lions club must be approved by its board of directors.
a) True b) False
37. Prospective new members' names should be submitted to the board of directors by the membership committee before they are invited to join the club.
a) True b) False
38. Absence from a regular Club meeting can be made up, either before or after the missed meeting, if you attend another club meeting, committee meeting or other Lions function within:
a) ten days b) five days c) one week d) thirteen days
39. The Lions organization that accumulates and distributes contributions received from Lions for worldwide humanitarian efforts is called:
a) CARE b) UNESCO c) LCIF d) International Red Cross



40. Only club officers can attend a board of directors meeting.
a) True b) False
41. If I want something changed in my club the best way for me to go about it is:
a) complain about it at the next dinner or luncheon meeting.
b) write a letter to my club president.
c) attend a board of directors meeting and present my proposal.
42. Leos throughout the world number:
a) nearly 1/2 million
b) nearly 100,000
c) over 140,000
43. The basic concept of a Leo club is:
a) to develop youth as responsible citizens of both community and the world.
b) to support Lions clubs projects.
c) to provide a social and recreational outlet for youth.
44. THE LION magazine is printed in how many languages?
a) 9 b) 12 c) 21
45. Name two things which your international dues pay for:
a) b)
46. The International President is appointed by the International Board of Director.
a) True b) False
47. The International Board and the Executive Officers receive a small monetary compensation for their services.
a) True b) False
48. Two of the most important things a Tail Twister should provide in fining their club members are _____ and _____.
49. The Association's motto is ____.
50. How many official languages does the Association use?
a) 4 b) 8 c) 12

Lions Clubs International
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Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842, U.S.A.

ANSWERS



1. You might have listed: Factual knowledge about Lions, appreciation of Lions, the feeling that somebody cares about their future in Lions, knowledge of how a Lion can serve the needy, knowledge of what is expected of a Lion and what can be expected from Lions.
2. b) 1917
3. True
4. Past and future.
5. False. it is gold in a purple circle.
6. Intelligence.
7. Purple: Loyalty to country and friends and one's self, integrity of mind and heart, strength and courage.
Gold: Sincerity of purpose, morality and judgment, purity in life, generosity in mind, heart and peace toward mankind.
8. c. The actual numbers are 47,000 clubs with 1,400,000 members in 206 countries and geographical areas (Sept. 23, 2010). - - - - See current Lions magazine for latest numbers. - - - -
9. Oak Brook, Illinois U.S.A.
10. b) 33 Directors
11. True
12. The member must be of legal age, good moral character and of good reputation in their community,
13. False
14. a) SightFirst
15. Some rewards include the opportunity to serve others, a good feeling of having been helpful, self-development and Opportunities for learning interpersonal skills, traveling opportunities and fellowship.
16. True
17. True
18. True. The club can still charge its own dues as it deems proper.
- 19.-22. Answers can be provided by instructor or Lions themselves,
23. False. Most district governors are elected and most other district officers are appointed.
24. c) July 1
25. a) the cabinet
26. True
27. False. Regions are comprised of zones.
28. c) Made up of two or more sub-districts.
- 29-33. Answers can be provided by instructor or Lions themselves.
34. Yes to all, in the year of the orientation session a) 2011 b) 2012 c) 2013 d) 2014 e) 2015
35. False
36. True
37. True
38. d) Thirteen days before or after the meeting.
39. c) LCIF: Lions Clubs International Foundation
40. False. Any member can, but only board members can vote,
41. Any one might be appropriate, depending on the situation of the club.
42. b) over 140,000 (April 30, 2004). - - - - See current Lions magazine for latest numbers. - - - -
43. a) To develop youth as responsible citizens of both their community and the world.
44. c) 21
45. Dues pay for the international convention, maintenance and operation of international headquarters and THE LION Magazine.
46. False. The international president is elected by the delegates to the international convention.
47. False. They are volunteers and receive no monetary compensation.
48. Humor and fellowship.
49. "We Serve"
50. c) 12 languages
How to Score Your I.Q.
Give yourself two points for each correct answer. Score yourself this way:
100: makes you a Lion genius.
90-98: If you haven't been a club president yet, you soon will.
80-88: not bad for a new member!
70-78: not too bad if you joined only a few months ago, but you better do some homework.
68 or less: you either arrived a half hour late or your instructor is a Rotarian.



'We Serve' *in* *MD32*

This New Member Orientation Information guide was compiled by PCC Terry Trnavsky, MD32 Orientation Chairperson, along with the help and guidance of many Lions within MD32A and throughout our Lions family.

(to be approved) by the Council of Governors.

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