

DISTRICT 1-A GOVERNOR'S NEWSLE

October 2013

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We're off to see the Wizard" Not the Wizard of Oz, but the many wizards of Lionism—and we did see and hear them.

'Lady Di" and I just returned from the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Overland Park, Kansas, where we had a great time attending Lions related seminars, hooking up with many old friends and making new ones. We had the opportunity of meeting all of the top leaders of our great organization and hearing many great inspirational speakers. We heard the young girl who won the "Brail Speed Reading Contest", heard a retired Ma-

jor League ball player speak about Serving Others. Then there was the young man born without eyes or the use of his arms and legs who became a talented pianist and singer with a tremendous positive attitude. The Forum always provides the opportunity to renew our Lionistic enthusiasm to serve others.

We have a very busy October ahead of us, five of our six Regions are having their meetings, this is a great chance to share what your club is planning, to meet the other clubs in your Region and learn from them -don't miss out.

On October 5th Lions Open University is planning a session on "PR, Flyers, Facebook and S.M.I.L.E.", be there at the Bridgeview Community Center.

Our "Candy Day" fund raiser is the week-end of October 11th and 12th; I hope your club is participating.

During the week of October 21st through October 25th, we will again be conducting our Vision First eye clinic and adding even more to the 60,000 plus pairs of glasses we have provided to Chicago school kids. This is a great chance to serve and introduce potential new members to our passion of service to others. Volunteer for this clinic, it will warm your heart.

On October 26th PCC Georg Toft will be conducting "Certified Guiding Lion Training" this is an opportunity to learn how we can help strengthen and support our ailing clubs - call him or GLT coordinator Lion Herb Zimmermann to reserve your spot -join us.

On a personal note on October 4th, my partner in service Lion Lady Di will be having knee surgery so she won't be by my side for awhile, please keep her in your prayers.

Remember all of the chances you will have this month to bring potential new Lions to your service events, show them how WE SERVE.

Yours in Lionism DG Dave



1st VDG Lion Terry D'Souza Night At The Races

2nd VDG Lion Ralph Zarada

IPDG Lion Austin D'Souza Fil-USA New Members

CST Lion Andy Liamaga

Editor & Webmaster's Message Sympathy Convention Lion Janice Wiggins

Lion Gail Anton Social Media

Lion Joan McMillan Ronald McDonald







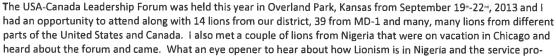




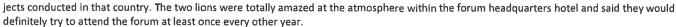
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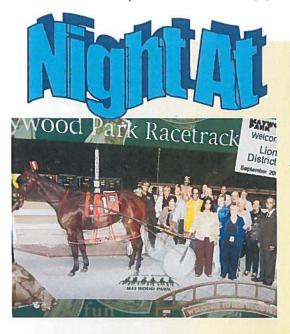


rectly from professional and seasoned lion leaders. Whether you attended or not, there is a online website at

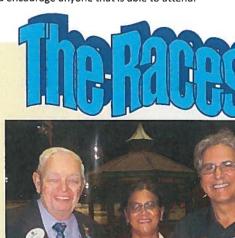


The main mission of the USA-Canada Lions Leadership Forum is to develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas, network with other lions from the US and Canada, make and renew friendships and support programs and goals of Lions Clubs International. There are many other reasons to attend but mostly is to prepare YOU as a lion member for specific roles within your club, your community, and our association. The Forum enhances leadership capabilities in an atmosphere that is non-stop learning and fun. This year there were 63 seminars to choose from that is covered in two and a half days. At the leadership forum you will find seminars and workshops that necessary to whatever line of work or interests you may have. It will help you obtain the skills with an hands on approach that is necessary di-

www.members.lionsforum.org where you can download seminar videos and materials. The next September 2014 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is in San Juan, Puerto Rico. I have attended many USA/Canada Forums and I would encourage anyone that is able to attend.



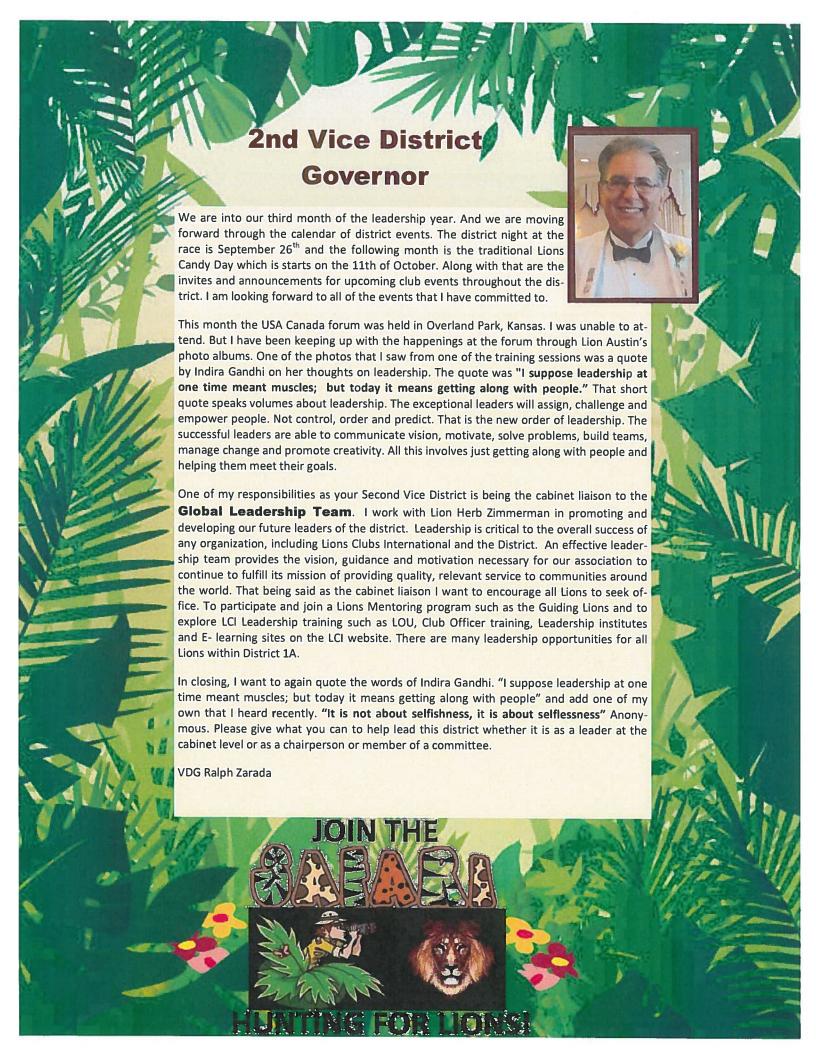








To see more photos from this event, click here...









Austin D'Souza, Immediate Past District Governor

Let us all Dream!

International President Barry Palmer asked world lions to dream and take Lionism to higher heights. He asked all governors worldwide to work on increasing membership and grow. His dream is to have 50% of women members in Lionism by 2017.

Right now we have around 26% lady lions worldwide. This number is increasing as more lady lions joining Lionism to serve in their communities. Even in our District, women are joining lions clubs in large numbers.

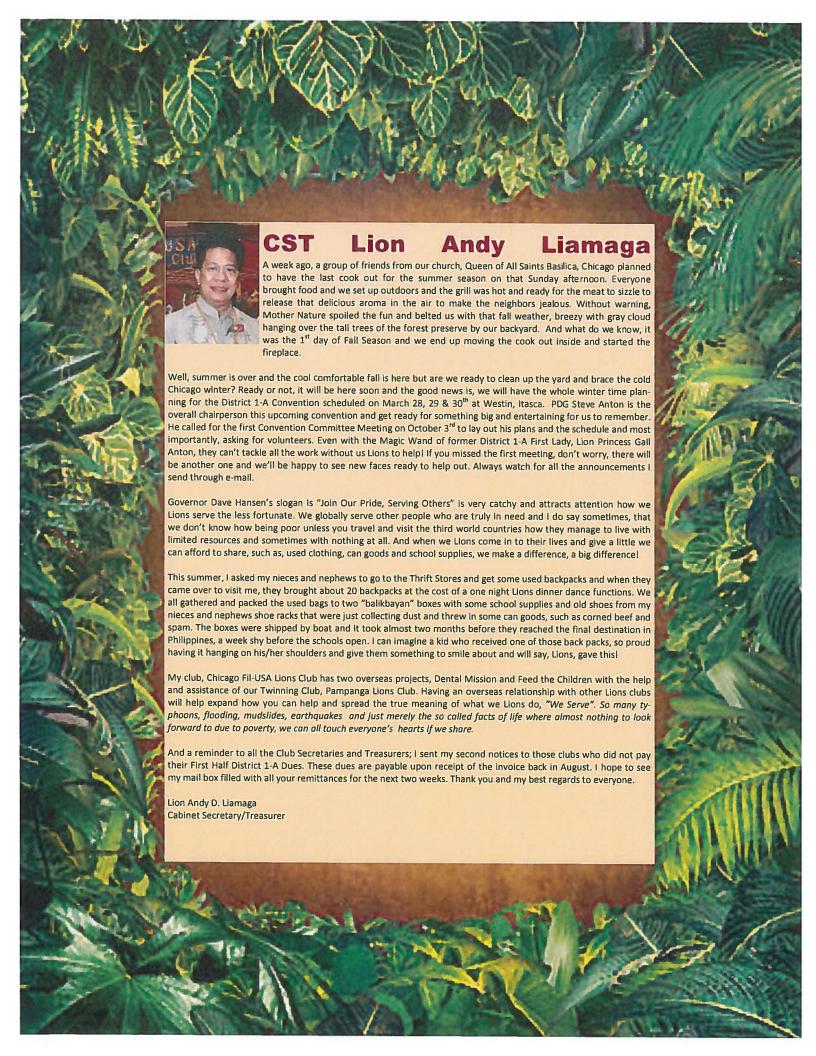
Even God knew when he created Adam that he alone cannot grow humanity in this beautiful world He created for us. So he created Eve to give him help and love so that world will grow with more human beings. Once any club brings lady lions, immediately within 6 months they take leadership positions to help our clubs. This is the only way we can grow our lions clubs in our communities.

Ladies know how to attract people and grow. It is God given talent in them which makes them trees which bear fruits and multiply. Next year we are going to have a woman Governor for the second time in the history of District 1A. This will encourage more women to climb leadership ladder and show their talents. Let us all encourage them and lend our hand to help and brighten their leadership. I can foresee that in the next 5 years, we will definitely have two more woman governors to showcase their leadership and talents, Amen.

-Austin D'Souza, IPDG

(PS: Please send your articles, news items and photographs to publish on MD1 Lions State Magazine.





Editors Message

Webmasters Message



<u>Please note</u>: **Deadline** will be on or before the **20th of each month** for

any news items or articles you

want put into the Governor's Newsletter. You may send me pictures, articles and upcoming events. Also....because of space & memory, please submit paragraphs only of any of your upcoming Events. If you have any fliers, please send them to Lion Dawn Grogan who is the Webmaster and will post your flyer there where everyone can see. Please go to our District Website to see these fliers.

My Email Is...

lionjoann@gmail.com



You may contact our Webmaster, if you have any club fliers, pictures or information to...

Lion Dawn Grogan at: pcstdawn@gmail.com

To see all District Information,

Fliers, etc...

www.lions1a-us.or



With Warmest Condolences

Lion Lawrence E. Bult, Sr. passed August 26, 1914 – September 23, 2013 Lion Lawrence was a Charter and Life member of Thornton Lions Club

Lion Vivian Jarosh passed away, July 2nd. Her husband Lion Fred, proceeded her. He was, also, a Northwest Lion for many years.



Countdown to Convention!

Hi District 1-A Lions – mark your calendars for the 46th Annual District 1-A Convention, which will be held March 28-30, 2014 at the Westin Chicago Northwest Hotel. This year's theme: Join the Safari... Hunting for Lions!

Even though the main purpose of the convention is to take care of District business, it is a great time to connect and spend time with your fellow Lions. The hospitality rooms, which are open on Friday and Saturday evenings, are the perfect place to share a laugh, do a little dancing, possibly get talked into singing karaoke, and take a chance on winning some interesting raffle prizes.

Last year, I attended the convention for the first time. I was a little nervous because I was going to be attending alone and I didn't really know many Lions outside of my Club. Well, my worries were soon put to rest – I was welcomed with open arms and never once felt alone! I came out of the weekend with some wonderful new friends and a renewed sense of what it means to be a Lion!

So plan to join Governor Dave Hansen and first lady Lion Diane Hansen for a weekend full of fun and fellowship!

Lion Janice Wiggins
District 1-A Public Relations Chair
Zone Chair, 4B
President, Cook County Lions





District 1A Facebook Challenge continues......



i'm happy to report that we have added 2 more clubs to the challenge, Chicago Mayfair (Governor Dave's Club) & Park Forest. This brings the number to 27, not bad for the second month of this Challenge.

I have had a lot of Lions ask me what is Social Media?

Think of regular media as a one-way street where you can read a newspaper or listen to a report on television, but you have very limited ability to give your thoughts on the matter.

Social media, on the other hand, is a two-way street that gives you the ability to communicate also.

How are clubs going to benefit from Social Media (i.e. Facebook)?

- · Promote your club.
- Communicate with Lion Clubs from all over the world.
- . Get ideas for Service Projects.

I have included some easy steps on how to setup your clubs Facebook page.

Facebook 101: How to get started on Facebook

These nine points are meant to be a starting point for you to get your club on Facebook and into the social networking world.

1. Sign up and create a Facebook Account

To get started, go to Facebook.com, click "Register" and fill out a short online registration form. Once you're signed up, you'll need to have a profile to share information and photos about your organization with others. What to include in your organization's profile? Photos, links to your website and videos can all be added.

2. Find friends and connect with your community

Now that you have a Facebook account, connecting to people in your community is easy. Start by using the search feature to find friends who are already using Facebook and request to be their friend. You can add just about anyone you can think of including your members, supporters, volunteers, staff and even your board members. Don't worry if you don't have a big list right away. Once you have two or more contacts, you'll be able to expand your social network by locating mutual friends and contacting them.

3. Send and receive messages

Facebook offers a message board feature called "The Wall" that displays member profile pages. You can use it to post all kinds of messages to your network.

4. Create a group for your organization or event

Just Like every other social networking site, you can create and join groups on Facebook. There are a growing number of groups dedicated to social change. Why create a group? Creating groups allows you to share information about pretty much anything. You can create groups for your organization or event to make announcements, join discussion groups or even to share pictures. There are two kinds of groups on Facebook – open and closed groups. So be sure to create open groups so that people can find it and your members can invite others to join.

5. Upload and share pictures

One of Facebook's most popular features has been the ability to upload and share pictures. Facebook also offers an unlimited quota with their only restriction being a 60-photos-per-album limit. The process is very simple. Start by creating an album, which you can then assign limitations to (e.g. visible to my members only) and upload photos within them. The album is then put into your profile, and other users can see and comment on them. You can also "tag" your photos with the names of people you mention and share the photos via a web link or by e-mail. What's more is that you can order prints online!

6. Promote your events

Facebook is a great place to promote your organization's events. Simply create the event, add pictures and invite your contacts to join. In addition to groups, you can post details of events in your profile so people can RSVP for an event. You also have the option to leave the event open to people in your network or open for everyone.

7. Promote your newsletter

Facebook also helps you to promote your newsletter. This feature allows you to share information beyond what's in your profile in two ways. You can either post a note on your page or import your newsletter. It is a nice way to communicate with your constituents and update them on your organization.

8. Keep in touch with your members

Facebook has a feature called "News Feed" that allows you to see all kinds of activity within your network, in that when you log in to Facebook you immediately receive an update of all of the actions your contacts have taken. And if someone posted a new photo album or RSVP'd to an event, you'll be notified right away.

9. Maintain some privacy

On Facebook, you are in control of what information is out there about your organization and who can see it. You can retain some privacy by blocking certain people from viewing your profile or by creating a limited profile to hide information you might not want to share with your contacts.

I soon will be attending the Region 3 and Region 5 meetings to speak on the Facebook Challenge. If you would like to have me attend your club or region meeting to speak about the Facebook Challenge just contact me at: 708-479-4779 or (cell) 708-514-4825.

I have a goal of 50 clubs in District 1-A starting a Facebook page by June 30, 2014. It should be easy as we are already more than half way there.

Thank you, Lion Gail Anton Facebook Challenge Chairman

twitter

In the "Full name" box type your club name

In the "Email" box type your club's email address

Type a password

Click "Sign up for Twitter"



On the next screen "Choose your username" will become how everyone will know your club (e.g., @LionsClubs or @Lions Smile). It is a maximum of 15 characters and can only contain letters and underscores (no special [national] characters). We suggest mixed case, and if possible no underscores.

Examples: MiamiLionsClub, Lions3008, LCHamburg. LionsMaritime.

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On the "Welcome" page click "Next".



On the "Build your timeline" page you can search for LionsClubs, Lions_Smile and LionsQuest. Even though it tells you to follow more than three you can click "Next".



On the "See who's here" page you're asked to select five more. Follow anyone, you can unfollow them later.

On the "Find people you know" page, click the light gray word "Slip" in the bottom left corner.

On the "Add character" page, click the "Upload image" button. If you need a Lions Clubs logo, go to http://lionsclubs.org/logo and save the following image to your computer: "2 Color Indexed small GIF".

Type a short "Bio" about your club.

Finally, check you're the email account for a confirmation and click "verify" within the message.



Clubs/Districts **Getting Started on**







Do not set up a personal Facebook page. Go directly to http://facebook.com/pages/create.php and click "Company, Organization or Institution".



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In the "Choose a category" drop down select "Non-Profit Organization".

In the "Company Name" box type in your full club

Click the checkbox "I agree to Facebook Pages

Click the "Get Started" button.

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Join You "susperters on Facebook.

Check you're the email account for a message with the subject "Action Required: Confirm Your Facebook Account" and click the link within the message

On the "Create a Facebook Account" page do NOT click "I already have a Facebook account".

Enter your club's email address.

Type a password.

For "Date of Birth" enter the date your club was founded; if you don't know you can enter Jan. 1, 1917.

Type the two "Security Check" words in the "Text in the

Click the checkbox "I have read and agree to the Terms of Use and Privacy Policy".

Click "Sign Up Now!"



Under "Step 1: Build your Facebook Page" click "Create a Page". You will be taken to the "Create a Page screen again.

On the "Create a Page" screen click "Company, Organization or Institution" again.



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DISTRICT 1-A LION SERVICE YEAR PROJECT

Lion Joan McMillan World Service Chairperson 2013-2014





Fellow Lions,

I am the new World Service Chairperson for the 2013-2014 year. I have chosen to make this year's service project to the RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES.

The mission of RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES is to care for families of children with complex medical needs by providing comfort, compassion and community. They keep families of hospitalized children together in a 'home away from home'. In the Chicagoland area, they are located near Advocate Children's Hospital, Loyola University Medical Center, University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital, and the new Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago. The Houses allow families to eat, sleep and find the emotional support they need - just blocks from where their child is being treated. This year they provided over 30,000 nights to families, offering them care and comfort during their hours of greatest need. While they suggest a donation of \$10 per night, no family is ever turned away if they are unable to pay.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES is always seeking a variety of new and unused household goods like: Cleaning products (Lysol spray, soft scrub, scrubbing bubbles, Windex, furniture polish); Paper products (c-fold towels, paper plates, toilet paper, paper towels, cube Kleenex, napkins); Individual snacks (chips, cookies, fruit snacks, granola bars, pudding); Drawstring Garbage Bags (kitchen and 33 gallon); WHITE wash cloths, bath and hand towels; Queen Size WHITE sheets and pillowcases; Gift cards to Target/Sam's Club/Walmart/Jewel/Costco.

I am asking that you and your club support this event and the families that are in need of the Ronald McDonald House Charities. Please bring your items that you are donating or your checks written to District 1-A (write Ronald McDonald House in memo section) to either your Region Meeting, the Cabinet Meeting or District Holiday Party. I will be there to collect the items.

Yours in Lionism, Lion Joan McMillan District 1-A World Service Chairperson







As I was putting this newsletter together, I noticed Lion Joan had chosen the Ronald McDonald House Charities for Lions to help families & children in need. You may be wondering why I'm putting in my personal contribution to this great charity. When my son was just a young 12 year old, our local Dr. sent us to Johns Hopkins in Baltimore where he needed a surgery that turned into two surgeries & a couple other trips. During this time, we stayed at The Children's House which is the very same as a Ronald McDonald House. I cannot say enough great things about what these organizations provide for families in need. We stayed right next to the hospital in comfort, had a community kitchen with food, anything you needed, they accommodated! We checked in our first time there and within two hours my son & I were sitting in Camden Yards watching a professional ball game with great seats! The Baseball Card Companies had donated cards for boys in brand new boxes. Hundreds of cards to look at for hours! This entertained my son for weeks during his recovery period. I have a picture here showing you what just a small donation can do for a family or child. Just look at the "SMILES" And it's really true that if a family cannot afford the stay, there is no pressure. My cousin (sadly passed) had also stayed at Ronald McDonald House in Chicago. So I can attest first hand as a Lion in this wonderful District that all the money & donations go for

good cause.
I commend Lion Joan for choosing such a fabulous organization for the Chicago District Lions Family to be a part of!
Respectfully yours,
Lion Jo Ann Maloney
Governors' Newsletter Editor







DISTRICT 1-A REGION 1 MEETING

We would like to invite District 1-A Lions to attend The First Region 1 Meeting Please join us as we meet the Members of all the Clubs in Region 1

Our Guest Speaker will be Mr. David Tabak **Executive Director, Second Sense**

"Second Sense provides client-centered vision rehabilitation services. Since 1947 this organization has served people with vision loss and with long history of developing unique programs that address the unmet needs of the people they serve."

DATE:

Thursday, October 10th, 2013

TIME:

6:30pm Social Time - 7:00pm Dinner

PLACE:

Connie's Restaurant

(Newly Expanded and Remodeled Room!)

3269 S. Harlem Avenue

(Corner of Harlem and Metra Tracks)

Berwyn, IL 60402

Donation: \$15.00 Per Person

Please RSVP by Thursday, Oct. 3rd to:

Lion Jerrie Abrahamsen, Zone 1A Chairperson Lion Darlene Hrankai.

Zone 1B Chairperson Lion Cathie Wilkerson, Zone 1C Chairperson 847-678-7099 708-452-5715 773-238-9048

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