



The District 1A NewZ

DISTRICT 1A GOVERNOR
TONY ZARTLER'S
MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



JANUARY 2023



Greetings Lions

Happy New Year District 1A Lions, Lion Bonnie and I wish you all a very healthy and happy 2023. I hope you were able to enjoy time with your family and friends.

I attended the Council of Governors meeting on December 2 & 3. It was nice seeing all the other governors.

Region Chair Richard Moy planned a nice get together at Krapils for his zone chairs. Thank you Richard for doing this we had a great time. Tony and I enjoyed seeing everyone at the District 1A Christmas Party. We need to thank Cabinet Secretary Dawn Grogan, Lion John and Sue Dellorto and Lion Brian and Ginger Wilson. Your help was much appreciated.

We were invited to the Beverly Ridge Christmas Party Meeting. We celebrated Lion Eugene Infelise 50 year membership as a lion. I was able to pass out some chevrons to other lions. It was a great time and we want to thank President Joann Maloney for a wonderful time.

District 1A has some upcoming events, mark your calendars:

January 14 Mid Year Forum, please RSVP to 1VDG Tom Elsey.

February 25 District 1A Bowling more information will be coming.

March 24, 24, and 26 District 1A Convention Reving it up in District 1A is the theme for the convention.

To see other events or if you need more information visit District 1A

we page at www.lions1a-us.org.

It is a new year and we need to continue to recruit new member and contact members that you have not seen in a while.

Together we can. Governor Tony

Editorial:

Hope it was a wonderful Holiday Season you all enjoyed it with your friends and family. I too had lots of fun with our newborn grandbaby. It's the season of love and peace, exchanging gifts of love and sharing joy.

Our first program of the year is Mid Year Leadership Forum to be held on January 14, 2023. I request all lion leaders in your club to attend this training event. When we learn from experienced leaders, we get knowledge and experience to run our clubs successfully. You can learn more about Global Membership Initiatives in our district and in our clubs to see the positive growth of membership.

You all also learn about New Digital Platform at Lions International in 2023-2024. This will be something new to learn so that you can write about your club monthly membership and activities with pictures. Let us start this new year with new knowledge and experience.

Soon our District Convention will come on March 24 to 26 at the Chicago Northwest Westin Hotel in Itasca. Registration has begun. Register early and reserve your rooms. Friday night will be a fun day for all lions, leos and guest. There will be several Hospitality Rooms with the sound of music and all you can drink your favorites. Bring your family members and friends along with your club members.



Global Membership Approach

GMA Goal: Check in

	New Clubs	New Members From New Clubs	New Members In Existing Clubs	Member Losses	Net Growth
Goal	1	20	100	80	40
Actual	0	0	191	122	+69

We continue our new year a plus in membership. We added 171 new members to clubs, while losing 122 members from clubs. We added 20 by transferring or reinstating members, we also lost 8 to deaths. We sit at a plus 69 for January 1st. All clubs are in good standing with Lions International. Thank You!

Membership Development & Club Rebuilding:

We have started some community outreach to leaders in the Garfield Ridge, Archer Heights and Clearing communities of Chicago. If you have any family or friends in that area that you think would make good Lions please send their contact information to: jointhelionstoday@gmail.com. But as always, we will follow any leads that might help us develop an area. Don't hesitate to pass on any information you might have about starting a club.

For the clubs, not meeting yet. What can we do to assist you to engage again?

Member Satisfaction:

We should all be working together on membership satisfaction! You can see above we have 122 members dropped this year. Five clubs make up over 50% of these drops. We dropped 34 members in December, lets spend these next months trying to reinstate or Replace these on your club rosters. Sometimes a little call or reminder is all you need to get them back.

71% of our clubs are active in membership. 29 clubs added members this year, 20 are a plus. 28 clubs dropped members this year, 17 of those are a minus.

Together we can strengthen our clubs. Stronger clubs provide more service. Clubs growing and providing more service, Strengthens our District and Lions International. **Together We Can!**

**SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 12TH 2023**

**CHICAGO RIDGE LIONS
PRESENTS**

**NFC VS AFC
SUPER
BOWL**

PARTY

**EVENT STARTS AT
KICKOFF**

**\$40 PER PERSON
TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE**

FOOD SERVED

**Steak, Sausage & Peppers, Mostaccioli, Potatoes,
Crab Stuffed Mushrooms, Salads, Green Beans and Desserts**

SPLIT THE POT FUNDRAISER / RAFFLES / FOOD & FUN

ROSA'S PIZZA

9909 Harlem Ave, Chicago Ridge





2023 Mid-Year Forum Information & Registration Form



Saturday, January 14, 2023	
Registration: 8:00 am – 9:00 am	Willow Springs Community Center
Breakfast: 8:30 am – 9:00 am	8156 Archer Ave
Session: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Willow Springs, IL 60480

Forum Topics

GMA (Global Membership Approach) in District 1-A

Starting with the 2023-2024 Lion Year, Lions International is encouraging every Multiple District, District and all clubs to begin implementing the Global Membership Approach process. The four steps are: Build A Team, Build A Vision, Build a Plan and Build Success. The Global Membership Approach equips districts to develop membership through a strategic process focused on: • Rejuvenating districts with new clubs • Revitalizing clubs with new members • Re-motivating existing members with fellowship and exciting service. The approach has universal applicability, allows customization based on regional needs and circumstances, and is supported by a growing collection of material resources.

New Digital Platform at Lions International in 2023-2024

A new Digital Lions Platform is tentatively scheduled to be implemented mid-2023(07/01/23) and will be combining MyLion, MyLCI and Insights, along with some additional tools and functionality, into a unified experience called the Lion Portal. The new portal is built on Salesforce, a commercially available platform used by over 150,000 organizations, including 40,000 nonprofits. Salesforce is the recognized industry leader in relationship management systems and will allow us to offer a rich and continually improving digital experience.

Service Project

The Service Project will be for Park Lawn. We will be collecting new adult socks for Men and Women

Additional Information

A table will be set up for any materials Lions would like to pass out about district or club events. This will include GAT (Global Membership, Global Leadership, Global Service) and LCIF.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete one form for each person attending

Name: _____

Club name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Cost is \$15.00 per person includes Breakfast and Program

Registration due by: Friday, 01/06/23

No onsite registration will be available

Mail Registration Form to:

Lion Tom Elsey, FVDS
2101 Newcastle Avenue
Westchester, IL 60154

For more information call FVDS Tom @ 708-865-7042



GIFT BASKET AUCTION



Convention time is almost here! We will again be having the Gift Basket Auction at the luncheon on Saturday, March 25. 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 additional charge, as payment.



We would like to have a **VARIETY OF THEMES** for the baskets – not just the theme of the convention. Just use your imagination or here are some suggestions:

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| 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 or the list.

If your club would like to participate, please contact the committee no later than **March 18, 2023** and give your club name, a contact person and the type of basket you will be bringing.

Lion Jerrie Abrahamsen – jerriea2003@yahoo.com – 847-678-7099

Lion Sandy Nedza – huzzylion@gmail.com – 847-502-4497

Please join in the fun by submitting and bidding on these gift baskets!



DISTRICT 1-A CONVENTION
54th DISTRICT CONVENTION AD BOOK



FRIDAY MARCH 24 - SUNDAY MARCH 26, 2023

"Revving it up in District 1-A"

JOIN US TO SUPPORT GOV TONY ZARTLER
 WITH YOUR ADVERTISEMENT IN THE
 CONVENTION AD BOOK



All ads will be printed in color or black & white.

- FULL PAGE 5X8 -----\$75
- HALF PAGE 5X4-----\$50
- INSIDE COVER (FRONT) -----\$100
- INSIDE COVER (BACK) -----\$100
- CENTERFOLD (4 x)-----\$100/PAGE
- BACK COVER -----\$200
- FAST TRACK AD (business card size)-\$25

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 **March 10, 2023** to Lion Leilanie Magana at 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
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 Chicago, IL 60659
Hawaii218@gmail.com
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 Crystal Lake, IL 60012
yolyzoleta@gmail.com
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54th District 1-A Convention
VIDEO
PRESENTATION OF BANNERS
FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023

**If interested in participating in the Presentation of Banners
send in a picture of your club's banner and or your PDG
Banner along with the form below**

*****PLEASE NOTE*** If your club participated in the Banner Presentation
last year that does not mean they will be automatically in this years
presentation. You must submit a new form to be included in this years
Banner Presentation.**

CLUB NAME: _____

CHARTER DATE: _____

CLUB PDG'S: _____ YEARS SERVED AS DG: _____

**It is EXTREMELY important that you return this form and the picture of your banner
NO LATER THAN MARCH 20, 2023 so that the VIDEO presentation can be put together**

Please send to:
Lion Dawn Grogan
7805 S Melvina Avenue
Burbank, IL 60459
dgrogan498@aol.com



ALL PARTICIPATING CLUBS WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL BANNER PATCH
(patches will NOT be given for the PDG Banner)

54th Annual District 1-A Convention
 Friday, March 24, 2023 - March 26, 2023
 The WESTIN Chicago Northwest Hotel * Itasca, Illinois
 Online Registration Available @ www.lions1a-us.org

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>
Special Meal Package Includes Convention Registration Fee, District Lunch, Governor's Banquet and District Breakfast \$120.00 "Special Package Deal" (\$11.80 savings)	\$120.00		
Convention Registration WITH any meal	\$20.00		
Convention Registration WITHOUT any meal	\$30.00		
Convention Registration On-Site	\$35.00		
Saturday, March 25, 2023 - District Lunch	\$28.00		
Saturday, March 25, 2023 - Governor's Banquet	\$55.00		
Sunday, March 26, 2023 - District Breakfast	\$28.00		
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED			
NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER MARCH 17, 2023			
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 17, 2023
 All fees should accompany this form and mail to:
Lion Harold Burkett, PDG
 258 Bay Dr., Itasca, Illinois 60143-1298
 (630) 290-6092 Email: harold.burkett@att.net



Guest Room Reservations

Call the WESTIN Chicago Northwest Hotel
 direct at (630)773-4000
 Lions room rate \$105.00 plus taxes
Cut-off date for special rate-March 17, 2023



**54th Annual District 1-A
Convention**
The Westin
Chicago Northwest Hotel
Itasca, Illinois



December 17, 2022

PIT CREW

Chairman

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2nd Vice District Governor

Lion Brenda Stevens
Chgo Philippine Lions Club
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Fellow Lions,

The time for our District 1-A Convention is quickly approaching and of this date there has been no resolutions presented to our Cabinet Secretary Lion Dawn Grogan. I know that there are Lions within our District who are willing to step forward and take on a leadership position. We currently are seeking Lions for the following positions; Second Vice District Governor, a Lions of Illinois Trustee (2-year term) and 3 VOICES Directors (3-year term). The election will take place on Sunday March 26, 2023. Each of these positions come with certain criteria for the election to that office. The criteria can be found on the District 1-A website.

If you are considering one of these positions, simply have your resolution signed by your club President and Secretary stating your intentions and mail it to Cabinet Secretary Dawn Grogan before February 6, 2023, so that it can be presented to the full Cabinet on February 11, 2023.

Thank you,

Lion Robin Kirar

*Lion Robin Kirar
District 1-A
Leadership Chairman*

Convention Theme... "Revving it up in District 1-A"



New Members in BURBNK Lions Club: 1

MARY ANN LENNON

New Members in Chicago MABUHAY CENTENNIAL: 2

FRANCISCO CHANG

PATTI CHAN

New Members in PALOS Lions Club: 1

FRANK SCHULTZ

New Members in RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP Lions Club: 4

BRIAN C BRENNAN

STEVEN LIFKA

JERRY E OWEN

BEN SELLS

TOTAL NEW MEMBERS IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER: 8



Deaths this month: ARGO

SUMMIT: 1

MARVIN H JUERGENS

Deaths this month: BELLWOOD: 1

LINDA L MARTIN

Deaths this month: LAGRANGE

HILANDS: 1

CRAIG A. MICHALAK

----- **Governor's District**

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[**govaustin@gmail.com**](mailto:govaustin@gmail.com)

MD1 State e-Magazine:
ILStateEditor@gmail.com





Chicago Nurses for Diabetes Lions Club - Winter Clothing and Food Drive 2022 We collected gently used winter clothing, gloves, scarves, and hats plus non-perishable foods on 12/26/2022. We donated them to the St Paul Lutheran Church in Skokie IL through Vicky Schiewe (office manager) on 12/28/2022.



Here are the pictures from our post Holiday Celebration. **-Chicago Nurses for Diabetes Lions Club.**

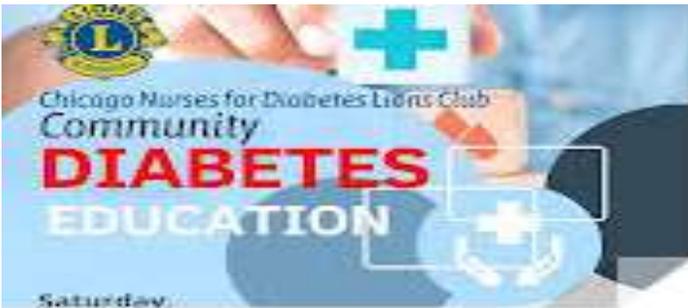


The sponsors got their awards from **Chicago Nurses for Diabetes Lions Club** President Lea:



Infection of New Members to Chicago Nurses for Diabetes Lions Club.

Chicago Nurses for Diabetes Lions Club - Diabetes Education and Health Screening on 11/19/2022;







SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023

FOR A FUN TIME AT

OUR ANNUAL CORN BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

VENUE (Elmcrest Banquets)

SAME DELICIOUS CORN BEEF

DANCING

GAMES & RAFFLES

GREAT FELLOWSHIP

MORE INFORMATION IN JANUARY



MD-1 State Convention

May 19-21, 2023



Follow the yellow brick road to the

President Abraham Lincoln Hotel

701 E. Adams St., Springfield, IL
(217) 544-8800

Rooms are \$102 plus tax per night

To reserve your room and to get this rate by May 3, 2023:

Call the hotel and mention the special "Lions of IL" group rate

OR

Online at www.my-event.hilton.com/lionsofillinoismd1convention/

HANDICAP ASSESSIBLE ROOMS: There are only a limited number of these rooms available in our block and are on a first come, first serve basis. You will need to CALL the hotel to reserve one of these rooms!

SAVE THE DATE!



Follow the yellow brick road to the
President Abraham Lincoln Hotel
Springfield, IL

**MORE DETAILS
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2022 MDI State Pin, Charm & Stick Pin

New Delhi, India & Montreal, Canada



Each year our MDI Lions of Illinois has a Friendship Pin made for the International Convention. Here is the 2022 MDI State Pin, Stick Pin and Charm that are available for purchase.

You can purchase each item separate or get all three for \$4.00 per set.

USA Postage

1 to 5 Pins Add \$3.50
 6 to 10 Pins Add \$5.00
 Over 10 Pins Add \$7.50

Along with the 2022 State Pin, there are a number of pins that are remaining from past International Conventions. I have a limited stock, so the availability of the older pins could be limited to the year requested. Please contact me direct as to the specific year that you are looking for. As of now, I have pins and sets for Minneapolis, Minnesota (2009), Japan (2016), Chicago (2017), Las Vegas (2018), Singapore (2020) and Montreal (2021) to name a few. These pins are \$2.00 each or the set (if available) for \$3.00 each.

If you are interested in any of the past year's pins, please contact Lion Bob Block prior to placing your order for older pins and sets.

ORDER FORM	New Delhi, India	Montreal, Canada	Amount
2022 State Pin _____ @ \$2.50 each			\$
2022 State Charm _____ @ \$1.25 each			\$
2022 State Stick Pin _____ @ \$1.25 each			\$
2022 State Set _____ @ \$4.00 each			\$
	Handling / Shipping (if needed)		\$
	Total Amount Enclosed		\$

Make Check payable to: **DISTRICT 1-A LIONS**

Send this form and check to:

Lion Bob Block
 615 205th Place
 Dyer, Indiana 46311
 (219) 671-0287

Lion Ben Zoleta
 3507 Lakewood Drive
 Crystal Lake, IL 60012
 (815) 546-5777

Call or email either Lion Bob at lionbobbblock@gmail.com or Lion Ben at zeltravel@gmail.com to arrange the delivery of your order if you do not want to receive them by mail