

"CONNECTED AND ENGAGED" District 1~A Governor's Newsletter



My message...

With the month of July behind us, I look forward to a busy August. The 1-A golf committee is putting its last touches on this years' outing. (August 17th at Carriage Greens). I am knee deep involved with the Strickfadden Vision Van Project with the Chicago Lighthouse and will present the grant to LCIF this week. FYI, the 1-A cabinet approved the 50/50 grant request to fund a program to expand the Strickfadden Adaptive Technologies Store at the Lighthouse. The Lighthouse Summer-Fest is Tuesday, August 9th.

Later in the week I travel downstate to Bloomington where

our MD-1 council of governors meets to discuss statewide Lions business. It is also a chance to spend time with the good folks from around the state. Then, I will hustle back to Chicago for a charter celebration.

While in Seattle for the International Convention in early July, I made a pledge to Dr. Tam (our International President) that our district would help with his goal of planting one million trees. I have talked with our Environmental chairman, Bob Hoffman and we are in the planning stages of this project for 1-A. (BTW, I pledged 76 trees). The Chicago Uptown Club has al-

ready committed to planting one tree for each of its 20 members. Can I count on you to join? Let Lion Bob Hoffman know (847-966-1266).

Best wishes to all the newly elected and installed officers.

Gov. Wes Salsbury and First Lady Marcia



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Governor Wes Salsbury

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DISTRICT 1-A

Birthplace of Lionism



INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS



SUPER LOW FOODS

District 1-A Lions "Grocery Da\$h"

Dear Fellow Lions,

The District 1-A LIP (Leadership Initiative Program) Committee is pleased to present the Grocery Dash. The Grocery Dash was a notion conceived from a project. LIP participants have worked collaboratively to advance our motto "We Serve" by coordinating the talents and resources of each Lion dedicated to the success of the Dash. After several months of preparation we have met the challenge and have orchestrated a project that will highlight how Lions make an impact on the lives of those in need.

The Dash will reward three winners with an opportunity to grab as many groceries as possible given a finite length of time. The chance for such an opportunity is \$10. A maximum of 1,000 tickets are available. Proceeds will benefit three food pantries within our service area (selected by the contest winners) as well as to the various philanthropic activities of your District 1-A Lions organization.

This activity is calling upon our fellow Lions to sell or purchase these Grocery Dash tickets. Another option of reaching our goal of selling 1,000 tickets would be for individual clubs to purchase tickets in the club's name. In the event that an individual club wins, they will then have the opportunity to name a proxy to represent their club. This proxy may be a volunteer representing a local food pantry or a local resident in need of such assistance. Remember each winning ticket will also include a cash prize for a local food pantry.

Please act on this request in your next business meeting as the Dash is scheduled to occur on October 1, at the Super Low Grocery Store in Elmwood Park. Tickets will be mailed to club presidents/secretaries. Thank you for your time and attention to this request. If you need more information please contact Lion Ralph Zarada at 773-294-3872 or Lion John Gawel at 708-307-9068.

Yours in Lionism,



LIP Committee

Lion Ralph Zarada, River Grove Lions Club

Lion Diane Hansen, Montclare Elmwood Park Lions Club

Lion Gilbert Parent, Willow Springs Lions Club

Lion Joe Corra, Montclare Elmwood Park Lions Club

Lion John Gawel, Burbank Lions Club

Lion Joe Palazzolo, Oak Lawn Lions Club



"CONNECTED AND ENGAGED"

AUGUST CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Central	2	1917
Oak Park River Forest	1	1920
Chatham	19	1929
South Holland	22	1946
East Side	30	1948
Hillside	18	1949
River Grove	29	1949
Stickney Forestview	27	1952
Burbank	23	1955
Countryside	25	1961
Fil-USA	27	2004



1st Vice District Governor

Picnics everywhere!

It is summer and people want to have picnics, visits to the beaches, fishing, etc., etc. Recently I did attend quite a few picnics invited by my lion friends. Picnics are the best way to keep Connected and Engaged with friends and family members. It is also the best thing to exhibit our lionistic work to the public along with our friends and family members. Some clubs have their New Officers' installation during picnics and some clubs induct New Members during picnics. This becomes an added attraction to picnics to spread lionism.

Just last Sunday I inducted three new

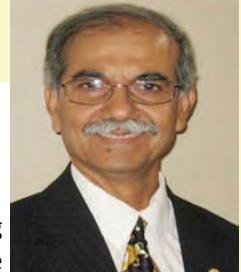
members to Chicago Bayanihan-Sampaguita Lions Club at the North Park Lake, Des Plaines. It was a golden moment to talk about Lions History while many non lion picnic attendees listening. After the induction, some non lions started asking several questions about lions and I was thrilled to answer their questions and talk about World Lionism and our motto We Serve. I asked some people to join lionism and the answer was – I will definitely think about it. I was happy to hear this as I was able to place some thoughts about lionism in their minds.

This is how we grow in our communities by talking about lionism to non

lions. Telling them more about our worldwide activities, telling them Lions have been voted as the #1 Charitable Organization in the world in 2007, we are all over the world with almost 1.3 million members and getting connected and engaged with these future lions.

Let us spread the Faith of Lionism which we believe in to our friends and family members and picnics are the best events to spread lionistic word as all participants relax and enjoy the summer weather.

-PDG Lion Austin D'Souza, 1 VDG



Message from CST Lion Judy Toft

HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR EIN NUMBER TODAY - DO YOU ONLY HAVE ONE????



An Employer Identification Number, or EIN, is a unique, nine-digit identification number that the IRS assigns to organizations in order to track their tax accounts and annual returns, much like a Social Security Number is used for individuals. EINs are also called Federal Tax Identification Numbers or Federal Employer Identification Numbers. Many types of organizations have EINs, including corporations, partnerships, nonprofits, trusts, estates, government agencies, and other business entities.

Information provided by the IRS states in pertinent part....once an EIN number is assigned to a business entity, it becomes a permanent Federal taxpayer identifi-

cation number for that entity. Regardless of whether the EIN is used to file Federal tax returns, the EIN is never reused or reassigned to another business entity. The IRS cannot cancel your EIN. However, if you receive an EIN but later determine you do not need the number (the new business never started, up, etc.) the IRS can close your business account. The EIN will still belong to the business entity and can be used at a later date, should the need arise.....

Have you checked your Lions Club EIN numbers recently? Do you have the same EIN number for your checking account? Do you use the same EIN number on your annual tax filing documents? Did you provide the same EIN number to LCI for their records so that when their annual filing is sent to the IRS, your club is properly listed? Did you provide the same EIN number when you filed with the AG's office? Is

the name of your club exactly the same on all documents and records? If your club has been in existence for a number of years, and club officers often change on a yearly basis, did someone in the past, perhaps get a different EIN number, for filing purposes to cover a fund raiser and then forgot about it?

Now is the time to review all your club's financial records to be sure there is a match all the way across the board! Take the time and check back as far as you can go! Each club should only have one EIN number.

Lion Judy Toft
District 1A CST



Message from 2nd VDG Lion Dave Hansen

2nd Vice District Governor's Report
August 2011

Fellow Lions we are already into the second month of our 2011/2012 Lionistic year and things are moving along very well. This year I will be working with the new "GMT" or Global Membership Team. Our dynamic team members are: Chairman PCC/PDG Dennis McMillian; Lion ZC Dennis Maloney; Lions Gene Tambellini; Ralph Zarada and myself. During our first meeting we discussed the vital need for all of our clubs to have a strong "Membership Program" and toward that end we are planning a Membership Workshop for latter this year. We see this new GMT program strengthening ALL of our Clubs. I look for great things from this

team; and working together, with the clubs, I feel that the Lions of District 1A will again lead the way in service to others. Our new international Presi-

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dent Wing-Kun Tam believes (on P24 of this issue of "The Lion") that our clubs should be more like family. He shares a simple formula: **Involvement + Sense of Worth + Member Care + Family Atmosphere = Club Success.** President Tam further states: "A successful club combines several elements, no

one of which is more important than the rest". These are: Effective orientation--Member involvement from day one Club leaders who listen more, and speak less. Nurturing lasting bonds through community service. Treating each other like family. We should all remember that it is Lion President Tam that was very influential in bringing the "We Serve Spirit of Lionism" to mainland China. We will be contacting all of the District 1-A Clubs in the near future; we need your input and your help. Membership is every Lions job. Let's keep having as fun "we serve". Let's all take great pride in being Lions Yours in Lionism; Lion Dave Hansen: 2nd VDG

Message from IPDG Steve

Fellow Lions,

Well the new Lion year is off and running and we all have received our duties from the Governor. Now is the time for all of us to start to work on completing our given task. Each year we elect new leaders in our district but the goal remains the same, To Serve. As hard as we all work and strive to make a difference it does not seem that we are making any headway. This is not necessarily true. It's just that those in need, especially in these times, just continue to grow. It seems like we are not gaining on anything, but this is not true. As I traveled around the district I witnessed first hand some of the achievements that the clubs have had.

They do wonderful things for those in need and certainly it's done with limited funds. We can not allow ourselves to become discouraged, we still need to serve. As your club meets, try and stimulate your members into trying a new fundraising event. or perhaps tweaking a tried and true event. You never know how successful an event can be unless you try. Sometimes the results are for the better and sometimes not but at least you tried. Remember, if you always do what you have always done, you will always get the same results. Dare to be different, trust in your gut feelings and reap the rewards. I recently attended a meeting with the Lions of Illinois Foundation in Bloomington



Illinois. I was happy to hear that Lion PDG Ralph Koller was elected by the Foundation to serve as its Vice President. Congratulations Lion Ralph. It just proves again that our District, 1-A, has talented individuals who serve outside of their district.

Thank you for your service,

Editor's Message

Please note:

Deadline is the **FIRST 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.
pcstdawn@gmail.com



My Email is:

lionjoann@gmail.com

PDG Ken Accola, District Coordinator

Thank you for your efforts during 2010-2011 which completed year three of a four year plan. The year 2008-2009 was the coordinator recruitment & training. 2009-2010 was the year of education & promotion. 2010-2011 was motivating Lions & setting goals. This year, 2011-2012, is achieving success. Lets review the last 2 years. In 2009-2010, 36 clubs made contributions totaling \$28,213.50 and in 2010-2011, 33 clubs made contributions totaling \$31,993.50. It was also a year of serious disasters requiring an increase funding the outcome. Thanks to those clubs worldwide who contributed over 18 million for Japan disaster relief. Our district was given 2 grants totaling \$56,500.00 to assist those less fortunate. Along with Governor Wes and the VDG's we are setting goals for the 2011-2012 year. We are asking each of our clubs and members to be an active partner to further the goals of our international foundation. You might consider a fund raiser with the proceeds going to our foundation, becoming a Melvin Jones fellow or being a contributing member. The contributing member donation pin has been redesigned and comes in three finishes – Gold for a \$100.00 donation, Silver for a donation of \$50.00 and Bronze for a donation of \$20.00. I should have these available yet this month.

Together, we can make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate. 100% of every donation to LCIF goes to help those in desperate need worldwide. Since only \$6.00 is needed to save someone's sight, every dollar raised is precious. You do not need to be a major donor to be a hero. Please contact me at [708-579-0345](tel:708-579-0345) or dkaccola@att.net if you have any questions, suggestions or ideas.

Lions Supply Store Website....www2.lionsclubs.org



NORTH SECTOR COORDINATOR Lion Terry D'Souza

The 35th Annual USA-Canada Lions Leadership Forum was developed as an answer to individuals who want to enhance their leadership skills development. The Forum, which will be held from September 22-24,2011 in beautiful Anchorage, Alaska, has 64 seminars, workshops and special interest programs planned. Anchorage, with its breathtaking scenery may be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for many of us to visit Alaska, the largest state in the union. Not only will you have the opportunity to experience the Land of the Midnight Sun.. Alaska , but you will be able to attend the best leadership conference in all of North America. Exceptional speakers will be presenting more than 60 seminars in which you can choose to attend. There are topics scheduled for all levels of service.

Whether you have been a Lion for 30 years, or 30 days, attended a dozen Forums, or none at all, there will be something for everyone. In fact, we have a seminar specifically geared for our First-Time Attendees of a Forum. Everyone attending the Forum will leave Anchorage with better leadership skills which will not only help improve your Lions service back in your clubs/communities but also personally . In addition, our four main speakers featured during the meals, will capture your attention and entertain you at the same time. Please visit our website at usacanadalionsforum.org to learn more about each of them. You may laugh...you may cry...you may be amazed...and you'll have a good time either way! If you have already registered for the Forum, come see me in Anchorage and we will have lots of fun attending seminars or just having

good fellowship. Hotels begin to fill up about this time of year and if you want to get into a particular Forum hotel, your chances are still good at this point. But don't wait too long. The Forum's Planning and Host Committees have been working very hard since last September to bring you the most memorable Forum ever. If you have any other questions, please feel free to email me (Lion Terry D'Souza, District 1-A Chairperson of the USA/Canada Leadership Forum) at teamterry@gmail.com or call me at **708-771-3177** . Please join in for the BIG ADVENTURE this September 22-24.



Chicago Bayanihan-Sampaguita Lions Club inducted their 3 new members during their annual picnic at the North Park Lake, Des Plaines. PDG Austin D'Souza, I VDG conducted induction ceremony. 3 new members are - Charlie Angderson, Jerry Masangcay and Victoria P. Alegre.



This is the picture of Chicago African Lions Club at the Parade in Seattle 2011 Convention. From left is: Lion Osagie Igbinosun, Joy Indid, Folasade Ayodele, Rume Siebere, Mandis Edokpa, and Paul Oleghe.



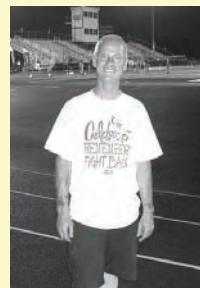
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Pictures of Lions having fun!

Oak Lawn Lions Club 15th Annual William "Bill" Strickfaden Memorial Miniature Golf Outing



Lion Andy – attached are photos from the referenced Oak Lawn Golf Outing held on Sunday July 17 at the Stony Creek Golf Club. The cost for the day was \$20.00 which included 18 holes of Miniature Golf, Buffet Luncheon, Raffles and Split the Pot along with a lot of fun for the 80 some people in attendance. The day was extremely hot but it did not deter those who came out to meet, greet and have fun. Picture #10 was the star of the golf course. As you can see the event was for the young and the more senior players. Photo 15 is the chair of the event Lion Frank Kirar and wife Lion Robin.



Lion Larry Zucker
getting ready to
walk the track

Pictures from Montclare/Elmwood Park



Lions Larry Zucker, Julie Plucinski
Maureen Stenson and Rich Polanek taking a short break before
heading back out.



The cancer walk was held at the Elmwood Park High School starting Friday evening and continuing on through the NITE into Saturday Morning



Lion Nick Sposato has been
a member of the Chicago
Fire Department for 17

Lion Dennis McMillan~District 1-A GMT Coordinator

Global Membership Team Overview

The **Global Membership Team (GMT)** provides a global structure for membership development which is continuous, focused, and integrated. Effective July 1, 2011, a [Global Leadership Team](#) counterpart was established. Additionally, newly expanded [GMT-MD/District/Single District](#) teams and [GLT MD/District](#) and [Single District](#) teams were established to replace the MERL program. This new structure was created to work in a highly interdependent manner from the international level, to the constitutional area level, the multiple district level, and to the



district level for the benefit and success of the club. Members of the GMT and GLT work together to identify, develop and encourage opportunities for present and future Lions leaders, and to develop membership through service and engagement. The Global Membership Team and Global Leadership Team operate as parallel structures to enhance membership growth and leadership development. The two structures are connected and coordinated at the international level by an executive council. The GMT/GLT Executive Council is led by the LCI international president, with the international first and second vice presidents overseeing and providing guidance to the GMT and GLT respectively.



Both the GMT and GLT are further supported by an international coordinator and a joint operations committee composed of the chairpersons of the Membership Development Committee, the Leadership Committee and the District and Club Service Committee, as well as a team of appointed constitutional area leaders.

Leadership is critical to the overall success of any organization, including Lions Clubs International. An effective leadership team provides the vision, guidance and motivation necessary for our association to continue to fulfill its mission of providing quality, relevant service to communities around the world.

The **Global Leadership Team (GLT)** provides for an enhanced focus on leadership development, which is critical to the future vitality of our association. The GLT directs its efforts toward identifying and cultivating effective leaders through active training and leadership development initiatives, while providing necessary information, guidance and motivation. [GLT Structure](#) The [GLT structure](#) encompasses representation at the international, [multiple district](#), [single district](#) and [district](#) levels and includes district governor teams, providing a comprehensive global platform for developing more qualified leaders from the club level up, while encouraging regional training and development approaches to address local needs.



Lion Herb Zimmerman
District 1-A
GLT Coordinator

Operating as an action-oriented, parallel, mutually supportive team with the [GMT](#), the GLT was developed to augment the local efforts of our DG Teams. By integrating the efforts of the GLT, the GMT and our DG Teams, we will be better able to address regional growth and development needs, while building our membership base, improving club health, and enhancing the quality of our leadership at all levels of the association.



[8/17 District 1-A Golf Outing](#)

[Hole Sponsor Form](#)

[8/20 Glenwood Lions Rib Fest & Car & Bike Show](#)

[8/20 Park Forest Garage Sale](#) [Contract](#)

[8/27 Lansing Lions Golf Outing](#)

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[9/23 Mid Year Forum Fur Raffle](#)



Please go to our District Website to see these fliers. You may also contact our Webmaster, if you have any club fliers, pictures or information to...
Lion Dawn Grogan at:
pcstdawn@gmail.com

[11/6 Logan Square Lions Club Murder Mystery](#)

Lions of Illinois Forum

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11-12, 2011

I BELIEVE

Decatur Convention Center

4191 W. US Hwy 36

Decatur, Illinois

Go to District 1A Website for more information

www.lions1a-us.org

Ride Along with District 1-A Governor Wes and be a volunteer on August 25 at WTTW (look for us in our red shirts) – contact him and let him know if you can join him.



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FRIENDS OF 11



64th Annual District 1-A Golf Outing

Wednesday, August 17, 2011

7:45 AM Shotgun Start

Challenging Course



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64th Golf Extravaganza

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**Wednesday
August 17, 2011**

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9037 Roach Ave
Brookfield, IL 60513

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Name of Club, Business or Family)**