



## “CONNECTED AND ENGAGED”

### District 1~A



Governor Wes Salsbury

## My message...

### “Look Mom, No Hands”

Back more than a few years ago, I shouted this to my mother as I flew down the street on my new Schwinn bicycle. The bike was so well tuned that I could ride without my hands on the handle bars. I could easily reach into my bag and find a folded newspaper and toss it toward the doorstep of my customers. Of course there were times when the paper went flying into a bush or window.

And there was the time that I tried to impress a neighborhood girl with my “death defying tricks” on the bike. I decided to jump a few cracks on the sidewalk next to her house (seeking attention) and finally crashed into a picket fence which framed her property. (Not a pretty sight).

You may ask, what is the point of all of this? Being

a competent district governor is no easy task. Balancing family life, community responsibilities, personal aspirations, and being the chief executive officer of the Lions of 1A family takes the ability to manage time and BALANCE.

I have learned to keep my hands on the handlebar. I have clearly laid out my goals for the year and with the 1-A family behind me, I am confident that we can make this the most satisfying Lions year.” Connecting to one another and Engaging in service “

I am so proud of the Lions of 1-A who have joined with me in support of the Lighthouse for the Blind. Also, we should be proud of our Leadership Initiative Program (LIP) graduates who have infused our district with energy, purpose, and fun. (The “Grocery Dash” program was a fine example of Lions working together for the greater good.).

Finally, recently I witnessed Lions at work in the community of River Grove. They proudly gave humanitarian awards to several teachers and others for their service in the community. Later that evening, the club presented a Braille writer and three portable word processors to students at a local school for the blind.

So far, we have competed four months and it has flown by quickly. 2430 miles and so many more to go! Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving,

Governor Wes

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**JOIN OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR WES SALSBUURY & FIRST LADY MARCIA**

**With Chicago Uptown Lions Club**

**90th Charter Night Anniversary  
Sat., Nov. 19, 2011 from 6:30-10PM at  
Furama Restaurant @ 4936 N. Broadway, Chicago**

**RSVP by Nov. 10, 2011 to  
Lion David Anderson 773-338-4435**

**Email dca1956@gmail.com  
Donation \$250 for table of 10 or \$30 per guest  
(semi formal & cash bar)**

**There will be Raffle Prizes & a night of fun with  
Good Friends, Great Musical Entertainment & Flashy**



## Mid Year Leadership Forum

### 1st Vice District Governor

#### Mid Year Leadership Forum on January 14th

January month in District 1-A is for Mid Year Leadership Forum. This year's forum will be on Saturday, January 14, 2012 at the Toyota Park – a place with a class, style and plenty of parking. I have arranged 3 great speakers to talk about Lions, Leadership, Leader Dogs, etc., etc. You will have plenty of time to interact with these speakers, ask questions and get answers. We have already e-mailed flyer to all Club presidents and secretaries last week. It is on the District Web, Governors Newsletter and will show on Lions View magazine.

Time is not too early to register to this Forum. We have kept the minimum charges for breakfast for the day. Breakfast will start at 8:30 p.m. and forum will start at

9:00 a.m. There will be Traditional Continental featuring Fresh-baked muffin tops, Danish pastries, cinnamon rolls, and flaky croissants, bagels with flavored cream cheeses mini breakfast breads with whipped butter and fruit preserves. Also Breakfast Beverages - Fresh-brewed coffees and Fresh-squeezed fruit juices. Admission is only \$17 per person. Please bring along your club members – especially new members, prospective members and guests to witness this forum filled with lots of information and knowledge. Make your checks payable to: District 1-A Lions and send along with name of the attendee and club name. Checks with registration should reach me before January 5, 2012 so that we can make necessary arrangements for breakfast food and beverages and seats.

RSVP to be sent to:  
Lion Austin D'Souza, 1  
VDG, 906 Dunlop Avenue,  
Forest Park, IL  
60130-2059.



We need leaders with knowledge and these forums will enrich your knowledge to be a leader not only in our community, also to become a leader in District 1-A. We always look for new Cabinet Members to join us to bring new leadership and ideas. As our Governor Wes says, get Connected and Engaged to bring new light, new wisdom, new leadership in your community. There will be an attractive door prize and recognition to the club who brings highest attendees to the forum. Come on send your registration today.

-PDG Austin D'Souza, Ph.D.

## Message from CST Lion Judy Toft



#### ARE YOU LOOKING FOR IDEAS TO RAISE FUNDS FOR YOUR CLUB'S TREASURY?



As the economy continues to squeeze donors, a recent report conducted by Campbell Rinker showed disturbing results—that nearly 7 in 10 Americans say they will give more sparingly to charities in the coming months. As a result, more organizations are looking to find ways for donors to help them financially without having to dip into their pocketbooks again.

*Here are eight ways organizations can ask supporters to raise money without writing a check:*

1. Shop online: As the holiday season approaches and people get set to spend significant funds on gifts, ask them to start their shopping at GoodShop. GoodShop is a shopping portal that donates a percentage of almost every purchase from more than 2,500 stores (including Gap, Target, Staples, and Macy's) to your organization. In addition, GoodShop lists more than 100,000 coupons, so your supporters can save money at the same time as they are earning money for your nonprofit! Your organization can sign up here.

2. Recycle electronics: Hold a gadget drive where supporters bring in their old electronics (including phones, computers, calculators, etc.) and turn them in for cash. You can read more at Gazelle.
3. Redeem credit card points. Ask members to turn their unused credit card points into a charitable donation to your cause. Both American Express and Citi Card offer this program.
4. Search the Internet: GoodSearch.com is a Yahoo!-powered search engine that donates about a penny per search to your cause. You use it exactly as you would any other search engine, but each time someone does a search, a donation is made! The ASPCA, for example, has already earned over \$34,000 from its supporters' searches! Your organization can join the more than 100,000 causes participating with GoodSearch by signing up here.
5. Meet someone for a drink: Partner with a local bar (or restaurant or retailer) and create a campaign whereby you will send people to their establishment, and each time someone "checks in" at that location via FourSquare, the establishment will make a donation to your cause. You'll earn money for your cause and provide great marketing for them.

6. Donate airline and hotel miles: Although airlines and hotels do not have specific programs that allow flyers to donate miles to any organization they choose, most airlines allow people to use their frequent flier miles to buy tickets or office items for other people. Ask your supporters to use their miles to buy tickets or office items for your organization.
7. Dine Out: GoodDining.com is scheduled to launch soon. Once it does, up to 6 percent of the money spent on a meal at 10,000 restaurants across the country will be donated to your cause. Watch [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) for the announcement that Good Dining has launched.
8. Volunteer: There are a handful of companies that match volunteer hours with funds. For example, Microsoft will match volunteer time at \$17 an hour through its Volunteer Time Matching program. Boeing, Exxon, Intel, Chevron, and Bank of America have similar programs.

*NOTE: The information in this article came from a recent "Guide Star" newsletter. GuideStar USA, Inc. is an information service specializing in reporting on U.S. nonprofit companies.*

Respectfully submitted

Lion Judy Toft

District 1-A Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer

## Message from 2nd VDG Lion Dave Hansen



### November Second Vice- District Governor's Report

Fellow Lions: Last night was Halloween and many very scary things were running loose in our state. One of the scariest things-- The word RE-DISTRICTING. This is a topic that unfortunately was being discussed from the North to the Southern tip of Illinois by a newly formed committee, at the request of the MD1 Council. The disturbing fact is "Every District in Illinois has had a net loss

in members, for at least the last five years". All of our Districts and Clubs need to work very hard, to reverse that trend.

Here in District 1A we have very active **Global Membership /Global Leadership Teams** that are ready and willing to help your club gain members. Each club needs to have a plan and to work at that plan. I ask every Club President or Membership Chair to contact Your GMT/GLT team members, Sector coordinators or Zone Chairs and advise us of your Clubs plans by the end of 2011. We need to all work together and "Do Something".

There are many events coming up, at this

time of year that could be of interest to new or potential Lions. Don't be afraid to invite them to your Holiday events --Service projects, fund raisers and parties. Share the warmth of the Holidays and the warmth of being LIONS.

**Note:** Plans are underway for a terrific Holiday party on Dec 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Mid Year Forum will be on January 14<sup>th</sup> at Toyota Park.

**Remember:** LET'S ALL GO OUT AND HUNT FOR NEW LIONS

Lion Dave Hansen; 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG

## Message from IPDG Steve Anton

### LEADERSHIP & VOLUNTEERING

Every month I sit back and think about what I should write in the District's Newsletter. Often I think that I should be whimsical or maybe thought provoking, maybe statistical and perhaps logical. All of those thoughts run through me and then usually a topic comes to mind and I write down my thoughts. This month I seem to be having a problem coming up with an idea until I thought of the 501(c)(3) committee and its diversity.

We as leaders sometimes forget of the community effort that it takes to have a successful district. We attend meetings here in the district, some of us on a state level and we receive training and ask questions and try to arrive at solutions. Then we bring that message to the Lions of our district, but some-

thing happens along the way. I haven't quite put my finger on it as of yet, but something happens. We start out with grand plans with promises of grand results and often we fall short. Maybe we need to back off our expectations and not set our goals so high. Maybe we need better training and a better plan before we put a project to work. Maybe just maybe, we need new blood in the leadership of our district.

I'm not talking about removing anyone from their position, what I'm asking is for the Lions of District 1-A to contribute a little more of their valuable time and join a committee at the district level and bring to us new and exciting ideas. I have heard from some Lions that once I become involved at the district level I am suddenly the "Go to Guy" for every position that might be available. Sometimes that happens, but that happens because we need your help in a lot of areas. There are so many Lions in the

district that wear multiple hats. We need more Lions to fill the need and take some of the pressure off those that do so much. I believe that with some new faces, new ideas and a new attitude we can and will be successful in our plans as a district. All that it will take, is a few more Lions to come forward and volunteer to serve on a committee.

If you have the time and desire to help, please contact Governor Wes or either of the Vice District Governors, Lions Austin or Dave. See you at the Montclare Elmwood Park Chili Cook-Off on November 13<sup>th</sup>.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family,

Lion Steve  
IPDG



## PDG Ken Accola, District Coordinator

One of LCIF's annual fundraisers is asking all of our members to consider becoming a Sustaining Member. A lapel pin is available in three categories - \$20.00 Bronze, \$50.00 Silver and \$100.00 Gold. I have a supply of these pins available now and will send them by USPS upon receipt of the donation. Please encourage your membership to participate in this annual event.

I can be reached at 708-579-0345 or email [dkaccola@att.net](mailto:dkaccola@att.net).

In the 2010-11 Lion year, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation awarded LCIF a matching grant of \$400,000.00 to conduct four Lions-Measles Initiative pilot projects in Ethiopia, Madagascar, Nigeria and Mali with 17.5 million children receiving vaccinations. LCIF allotted \$700,000.00 for the project.

For the 2011-12 Lion Year the Gates Foundation challenge was announced on 10/21/11. For every \$2.00 spent by LCIF the Gates Foundation will contribute \$1.00 up to a maximum of \$5,000,000.00. We will provide \$15,000,000.00 to the Measles Initiative. The \$5 million from the Gates Foundation is the largest donation in LCIF history and it marks a deepening of the relationship started last year. All donations made to LCIF to help meet the Gates Challenge are eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowship credit.

While measles does not pose a significant health risk in the developed



world, 450 children still die each day from measles-related complications. Measles is major cause of childhood blindness and is the leading cause of vaccine-preventable deaths among children, worldwide. As of 1999 nearly 900,000 measles-related deaths occurred annually.

In the last 10 years the Measles Initiative has supported vaccinations for more than one billion children with a reduction in deaths of 78%. Much more remains to be done to continue these successes and save the lives of even more children.

This success has not only been a triumph of reduced measles mortality and morbidity, but has resulted in a long term boost to the health systems of participating countries as well. Health workers have been trained, storage improved, safe injection practices have been promoted and systems have been implemented that help identify new outbreaks. Measles campaigns are a potent means of increasing the availability and use of other health services.

I am asking each club in the world's greatest service organization to include in their charitable giving, a donation to Lions Clubs International Foundation during the 2011-12 Lions year. Also remember to ask your members to become a "Sustaining Member".







### Editor's Message

My Email is:  
**lionjoann@gmail.com**

[www.lions1a-us.org](http://www.lions1a-us.org)

### Webmaster's Message



You may contact our Webmaster, if you have any club fliers, pictures or information to...Lion Dawn Grogan at:  
**pcstdawn@gmail.com**

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. Please go to our District Website to see these fliers.



**THANKSGIVING  
HAPPY**

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- [11/13 Montclare Elmwood Park Lions Chili Challenge](#)
- [11/14 West Suburban Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner](#)
- [11/19 Chicago Uptown Lions 90th Celebration](#)
- [11/22 Lansing Lions Cadillac Raffle](#)
- 1/14/2012 District 1-A Mid Year Forum

[3/30-4/1 District Convention Lion, Lioness, Leo & Citizen of the Year Awards](#)



### Memory Photos with Lions



Proud To Be A Lion Of District 1~A!



### Hyde Park Lions 90th Anniversary



**SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2012 - DISTRICT 1A MID YEAR LEADERSHIP**

Lions Supply Store Website....  
[www2.lionsclubs.org](http://www2.lionsclubs.org)





# DONATED...



A phone call was received by one of the Zone Chairs from a woman in Hinsdale named Carol Voelker at 630-655-8801. Her mother had macular degeneration & no longer has a need for the magnifier they purchased. She thought that a Lions Club may know of someone who could use this.

Ms. Voelker has a Clear Vue Optelec Magnifier to GIVE AWAY.

It is about 10 years old, but works fine. She gave permission to use her phone number so any Lion who knows of anyone with a need of a magnifier please contact her directly.

**JOIN OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR WES SALSBUURY & FIRST LADY MARCIA With Chicago Uptown Lions Club...90th Charter Night Anniversary Sat., Nov. 19, 2011 from 6:30-10PM at Furama Restaurant @ 4936 N. Broadway, Chicago RSVP by Nov. 10, 2011 to Lion David Anderson 773-338-4435 Email dca1956@gmail.com Donation \$250 for table of 10 or \$30 per guest (semi formal & cash bar) There will be Raffle Prizes & a night of fun with Good Friends, Great Musical Entertainment & Flashy Dancing!**

**OAK LAWN LIONS PRESENTS ....Their Annual Blind Auction**  
**When: Saturday, December 10, 2011**  
**Where: Garden Chalet 110<sup>th</sup> & Ridgeland Ave.**  
**What Time: 6:30 pm with Dinner promptly at 7 pm**  
**RSVP By: December 3<sup>rd</sup> (Lion Robin Kirar 708-636-2165)**  
**Why: To Raise Money for our Christmas Needy Family Baskets**  
**Cost: \$15 per person**  
**Please join us for dinner and fun bidding at the Auction!**

Lions - Please bring a *wrapped present* worth \$15 to \$20 for the auction. As we have done in past years, we will have several baskets to be raffled off!



## DISTRICT 1-A OPEN AREA WHAT IS IT AND HOW DOES IT WORK

**WHAT IS IT** The district 1-A open area is the district's committee to try and help those persons that reside in locations within the boundaries of our district that have no Lions club to serve them. A map of District 1-A will show that we have vast areas within our boundaries that are not directly served by our clubs. It is through the District 1-A Open Area that persons in these areas are helped to obtain glasses and hearing aids. Note the Open Area does not serve an area where a club exists, that is the responsibility of the resident Lions Club.

**HOW DOES IT WORK** Our Vision First program covers children all over the district in conjunction with the Chicago Public Schools and Lenscrafters but the adults are left behind. This is where the Open Area program comes in, referrals from various sources are sent to the Open Area coordinator and when it is determined that the recipient resides in an area within our District not served by one of our Lions Clubs, the coordinators attempt to help the individual to obtain what is needed whether the need be for glasses or for a hearing aid.

**OPEN AREA NEEDS** Currently our Open Area program is quite low on funds, and the program can just barely provide for the needs of the recipients that have requested help. We have a few eye glass vouchers and very little funds for other items. This leaves us in need for each of our clubs to step up to bat and hit a home run for the program by sending in their donations thus allowing the fund to grow and allowing the coordinators to get back to helping those in need. We have seen an influx of requests for hearing aids and do to their cost it strains our funds so if any of the clubs can make a donation it would be very helpful.

**OPEN AREA DONATIONS** Any donations or checks that individuals or Clubs would care to make should be made out to **District 1-A** and sent to **LION MILLIE KOLLER - COORDINATOR**. Please write in the remarks area "**Open Area Fund**". This will insure the donations are put into the intended fund.

Your **OPEN AREA** coordinator **Lion Millie Koller** thanks you for anything you can do and any donations your clubs can make.



**Governor Wes presenting IPDG Steve the Past International President's Certificate of Appreciation**



*Please make sure that any Peace Poster Contest submissions are in the Governor's hands no later than November 15<sup>th</sup>. A panel of judges will be formed to make the selection that will be sent to Council Chair Terry Knollenberg who will bring them to the December Council meeting.*

**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](http://www.lions1a-us.org)

Ride Along with District 1-A Governor Wes  
[www.lions1a-us.org](http://www.lions1a-us.org)



# 44<sup>th</sup> Annual District 1-A Convention

**THE WESTIN CHICAGO NORTHWEST HOTEL**  
 ITASCA, ILLINOIS

## Friday, March 30, 2012

- 2:00 PM - 10:00 PM Registration
- 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM Vendors' Displays
- 4:00 PM - 10:00 PM Theme Basket Display Area
- 3:00 PM - 5:30 PM Delegate / Alternate Certification
- 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM Sneak Preview Reception
- 7:15 PM ..... Opening the Convention  
*Adoption of Convention Rules*
- 7:30 PM - 1:00 AM Club Hospitality Rooms / Hospitality Room Contest

## Saturday, March 31, 2012

- 7:30 AM First Lady's Breakfast
- 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM Vendors' Displays
- 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM Registration
- 8:00 AM - 11:30 AM Theme Basket Display
- 8:40 AM - 11:30 AM First Plenary Session  
*Program:*  
*Lions of Illinois Foundation Report*  
*Presentation by the Illinois Eye Bank*  
*Presentation by the Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind - Strickfaden Mobile Unit*  
*Presentation of the Lions of Illinois Fellows*  
*Presentation of the Melvin Jones Fellows*  
*Comments from our International Guest Speaker - ID Gary Anderson, Michigan*

- 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Delegate / Alternate Certification
- 11:45 AM - Past District Governors' Lunch
- 11:45 PM - 2:30 PM District Lunch & Second Plenary Session

### Lunch Session

- Program:*  
*Remarks by First Lady of District 1-A*  
*Theme Basket Live Auction*

### Second Plenary Session

- Program:*  
*Presentation of Peace Poster*  
*Adoption of the Election Rules & Voting Procedures*  
*Report by the Resolution Committee*  
*Report by the Nomination Committee*  
*Nominations of District Officers*  
*Mini Cash Raffle Drawing*

- 3:00 PM - 3:45 PM Windy City Lions Club - Presentation (tentative)
- 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM Church Service - Catholic & Ecumenical Services
- 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Wine & Cheese Reception
- 6:15 PM - 8:30 PM District Governor's Banquet

- Program:*  
*Presentation - "Edgar Elbert" Lion of the Year Award*  
*Presentation - Leo of the Year Award*  
*Presentation - Lioness of the Year Award*  
*Keynote Speaker - ID Gary Anderson, Grand Rapids, Michigan*

- 9:00 PM - 1:00 AM Club Hospitality Rooms / Hospitality Room Contest





All reservations for the Club Hospitality Room  
and Parlor Suite  
to be made directly with

**Lion Mike Smigielski, PDG**  
Club Hospitality Room Chairman

220 Louis Drive  
Willow Springs, IL. 60480  
708-839-5178

[LionMikeSmig@aol.com](mailto:LionMikeSmig@aol.com)

Convention Theme:  
**“STARS at the Movies”**

*All Club Hospitality Rooms are located on the second floor of the hotel.*

1.	Alton	899 sq. ft.	\$450.00	<b>SOLD - District Governor</b>
2.	Barrington	1,178 sq. ft.	\$550.00	<b>SOLD - 1<sup>st</sup> VDG</b>
3.	Carlyle	868 sq. ft.	\$425.00	
4.	Edwardian	713 sq. ft.	\$350.00	
5.	Hampton	874 sq. ft.	\$425.00	
6.	Leighton	896 sq. ft.	\$450.00	
7.	Marlborough	1,792 sq. ft.	\$850.00	<b>SOLD - Fil USA Lions Club</b>
8.	Prescott	896 sq. ft.	\$450.00	<b>SOLD - 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG</b>
9.	Radcliffe	896 sq. ft.	\$450.00	
10.	Stanford	2,126 sq. ft.	\$950.00	<b>SOLD - Zone 5</b>
11.	Trafagler	1,064 sq. ft.	\$525.00	
12.	Windsor	989 sq. ft.	\$475.00	

*“Closed” Hospitality Rooms are available on the upper floors of the hotel.*

Corner Parlor Suite with a sleeping area .....	\$525.00
Corner Parlor Suite with one connecting guest room .....	\$725.00

All Club Hospitality Rooms reserved with a \$250.00 SECURITY DEPOSIT  
by DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup> and to be PAID IN FULL BY JANUARY 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

**We will take \$50.00 off the room rate, if paid in full by January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012.  
This will only be for the “Open” Hospitality Rooms and not for Parlor Suites.**

*All rooms are reserve on a first come, first serve basis with deposit.*

**Judging of the “Open” Hospitality Rooms will be on  
Friday and Saturday nights by a selected panel**

**Cash prizes will be awarded on Sunday Morning at the District Breakfast**

## SPECIAL MEAL PACKAGE

Includes Convention Registration,  
Sneak Preview reception  
District Lunch, Governor's Banquet  
and District Breakfast

**\$80.00 PER PERSON**  
Savings of \$11.00

## 44th Annual District 1-A Convention Registration

March 30 - April 1, 2012

All fees should accompany this form and mail to:

**Lion Harold Burkett, PDG**  
268 Bay Drive, Itasca, Illinois 60143-1298  
(630) 250 - 9695 Email: harold.burkett@att.net

Checks make payable to: **District 1-A Lions**  
All registration must be mailed no later than **MARCH 14, 2012**  
"NO MEAL TICKETS will be SOLD ON-SITE"

- Everyone attending the convention **MUST** register including all Children. There is no registration fee for children - 14 years of age or younger.
- Banquet table seating will be 10 people to a table. Reservations for club members desiring to sit together should send their registration all in at the same time or together in one envelope.

**Guest Room Reservations**  
Call the **WESTIN Chicago Northwest Hotel** direct  
(630) 773 - 4000  
Lions room rate **\$85.00 plus taxes**  
Cut-off date for special rate - **March 7, 2012**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last \_\_\_\_\_ First (as desired on badge) \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name : \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Office \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone : \_\_\_\_\_ WK \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

LION \_\_\_ LIONESS \_\_\_ LED \_\_\_ GUEST \_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last \_\_\_\_\_ First (as desired on badge) \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name : \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Office \_\_\_\_\_

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Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

LION \_\_\_ LIONESS \_\_\_ LED \_\_\_ GUEST \_\_\_

Special Meal Package includes Convention Registration Fee, Sneak Preview Reception , District Lunch, Governor's Banquet & District Breakfast	\$80.00	
Convention Registration before March 14, 2012	\$20.00	
Convention Registration on Site	\$25.00	
Convention Registration before March 14, 2012 & with any meal	\$15.00	
Friday, March 30, 2012 - Sneak Preview Reception	\$15.00	
Saturday, March 31, 2012 - District Lunch	\$20.00	
Saturday, March 31, 2012 - Governor's Banquet	\$38.00	
Sunday, April 1, 2012 - District Breakfast	\$18.00	
<b>Total amount enclosed</b>		

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Saturday, March 31, 2012 - Governor's Banquet	\$38.00	
Sunday, April 1, 2012 - District Breakfast	\$18.00	
<b>Total amount enclosed</b>		

Special Meal request for religious or health reasons .....

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I certify that I am \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Over 21 years old

Under 21 years old

I certify that I am \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Over 21 years old

Under 21 years old

### Giving Thanks

For the hay and the corn and the wheat that is reaped,  
For the labor well done, and the barns that are heaped,  
For the sun and the dew and the sweet honeycomb,  
For the rose and the song and the harvest brought home --

Thanksgiving! Thanksgiving!

For the trade and the skill and the wealth in our land,  
For the cunning and strength of the workingman's hand,  
For the good that our artists and poets have taught,  
For the friendship that hope and affection have brought --

Thanksgiving! Thanksgiving!

For the homes that with purest affection are blest,  
For the season of plenty and well-deserved rest,  
For our country extending from sea unto sea;  
The land that is known as the "Land of the Free" --

Thanksgiving! Thanksgiving!



Thanksgiving and Christmas is just around the corner. If the Lions members could dress up as elves, there would be many. It is so impressive on how many Lions and all the different clubs have become so involved this year it seems especially, in helping so many in need. Yes, times are different these days. Some people have not been effected by the slowing economy and some have. Lions have really pulled together this year and not only have they been giving for eyes & hearing, they have been raising money & bringing in food donations for all those that are in need. The grocery dash was one example. So many families are being helped because of this fantastic new way of helping others. So when we come upon the holidays, it makes us all think twice about giving. There will be so many Lions getting together to fill food baskets and help other people in need. Such a great way to give the gifts from the heart! Sometimes the simple things bring so much joy to people, we must remember that. So in closing, let's remember the families and the great service men and women who serve our country. Wishing everyone a safe, healthy and Happy Thanksgiving and Christmas!