

LIONS ROARING NEWS



**DISTRICT 35-0
SEPTEMBER 2013**



A Note from District Governor Al Becker

As summer is coming to an end many clubs will start meeting again and plan for their fund raisers and other things on their agenda for the year.

I recently received emails from members of various clubs with their concern of negative remarks and bullying within their club. As I stated when I was elected as your Governor bullying would not be tolerated nor would negative attitudes or remarks. This not only brings down moral within clubs but also results in members leaving lions. Our motto is "We Serve" not "We Discourage". Anyone having issues within their club please bring it to the attention of your President, unless they are part of the issue, or your zone chair and region chair. My VDGs are also here to help. Enough said on this issue.

The Council of Governors was recently treated to a wonderful weekend at the Southeastern Guide Dogs (SEGD) facility. We got to tour the premises and saw the new Veterinary Clinic. I will be starting my official visits to clubs this month. One of the things I would like clubs to have available to me are their activity and financial reports so I can get a better idea of the club. I would like to meet with the Board of Directors prior to the meeting for a brief discussion.



It's time for each club to sit back and evaluate themselves. Start with downloading "[How are my ratings](#)" from LCI. All clubs should do the CEP program. This is a great tool that is used by large companies and it costs nothing but time to do. Club Presidents, I expect when doing my official visit you will have performed this easy task and have answers for me. Clubs need to start expanding their projects and reach out to invite new members. The more hands we have the more we can serve.



The first advisory meeting in Rockledge was a great success and a big thanks to Lion Kevin and Patti Jarvis as well as the rest of the Rockledge Club. Our next meeting will be November 16th in Cypress Creek High School and the theme will be "The 50-60's" For those going to the Forum I look forward to seeing you there.

Let's "Follow our Dream" and show others just how great it is to be a LION.

From the Den of 1st Vice District Governor Carolyn Lloyd

As a 1st Vice DG, one of my responsibilities is to act as liaison between the Governor's Team and the Global Membership Team. I want everyone to understand how these teams help. We all keep hearing about increasing membership growth but, how do we go about it?

Recognize, there are many clubs in District O and across the multiple district that have fewer than 20 members. With such low membership doing projects can be difficult because of the lack of hands to do the work. The lack of membership in clubs makes it difficult to provide enough members to work a project which can result in member burnout and in poor visibility. Member burnout can cause members to give up and leave. Poor visibility can cause a community to have little knowledge or interest in a Lions Club. What can be done? Retention and recruitment are critical. Retention is first. Even little clubs have the heart of Lions and want to serve. Remember that Helen Keller said, "Alone we can do so little: together we can do so much." Little clubs do not have to operate alone. They can join together to do projects. Talk to someone on the Global Membership Team and use their expertise to learn how to make club pairing work, how to identify clubs to pair with, how to choose projects, how to decide where to work, and how to determine an equitable division of work and/or profits from service projects or fundraising. Members who are working and serving are far more likely to remain Lions.



Now, for recruiting, Lions who are working, serving, and having fun are much more likely to promote what Lions do by talking to family, friends, and even strangers about what they are doing. Service projects and fundraising venues provide the opportunity for communities to see what Lions do and take an interest. The Global Membership Team can help with suggestions for finding out what a community really needs and how clubs can go about providing it.

There are Lions on the Governor's Team and on the Global Membership Team who have participated in a great deal of training to be able to share new ideas and methods to retain and recruit members. Use these Lions to help your clubs to grow, to prosper, and, most importantly, to serve.

Remember the "4 F's". Members who Feel Fulfilled, have Fun, enjoy Fellowship, and, maybe even eat some good food; are happy members who will continue to be good Lions and bring others into the Pride.

OUR HANDS TOGETHER IN SERVICE

2nd Vice District Governor Jacquie Tripp

LESSONS LEARNED: "Michelangelo's Angel"

When Michelangelo was asked how he created his works, he replied, "In every block of marble I see a statue as plain as though it stood before me, shaped and perfect in attitude and action. I have only to hew away the rough walls that imprison the lovely apparition to reveal it to the other eye as mine have seen it."

What is your vision of our motto, "We Serve?" What does your FINAL vision of your service and your club's service? Where do you see yourself serving: reading to children, making pancakes, diabetes screening?

As my Leo Club plans for the year, we have a vision of several projects, serving locally and globally. From Daytona to Sudan, we will plan and serve. We will carve out our legacy for the 2013-2014. Let your "angel" be seen by others this year.



Serving Beside You, Lion Jacquie

GLUCOSE (Diabetes) SCREENER TRAINING DATES

September 28, 2013 at the Crystal River Historical Depot Bring your screening bag with you. Time for Lions who wish to become certified is 10am-2 pm. Cost is \$25.00 for the course, lunch and workbook. Re-certification time is 2pm-4pm, Cost is \$15.00 (workbook, No lunch)
A shirt is an additional \$25.

RSVP Required – Deadline is Sept 18, 2013. And Prepayment is a must!

Contact Lion Jackie De Graff: 352-563-0702 or 352-422-7046 (Cell)

Make checks out to FL Diabetes Awareness Foundation and mail them to: Lion Jackie De Graff, 1620 NW 22nd St., Crystal River, FL 34428

Other training dates are: Oct 12th in Gulfport, Oct 14th in Auburndale/Polk County and Oct 26th in Ormond By the Sea

RETENTION & REBUILDING WORKSHOP – September 14

A MEMBERSHIP WORKSHOP will be held on Saturday, September 14, 2013 from 10am - 2pm at the MD35 office at 7200 Lake Ellenor Drive, Suite 109, Orlando, FL 32809. Lunch will be provided.

All lions interested in improving their club's membership are invited. If you have been successful in bringing in new members and rebuilding your club, please come and share your experience. If you have questions, come share. We are eager to have a good turn out. So come and find out how to do this and how to make a difference. Bring your computers with you. We will be demonstrating a new conference system called Zoom. RSVP to Lion Larry Feldhusen at glt.35o.larry@gmail.com or IPDG Norma Callahan (GMT) at lionnormacallahan@yahoo.com.

DIABETES AWARENESS UPDATE Website: www.dafmd35.org

By Lion Norma Callahan, IPDG, Cell: 386-479-9896 or lionnormacallahan@yahoo.com

Please send all request for supplies 2 weeks in advance of your screening and what you need. All consent forms need to be returned to me at PO Box 1407, DeLand FL 32721.

We are working on a new grant and will be conducting screening with the new retina system (vision) in some areas. When we do this all screeners who will work on this must have been re-certified. Looking forward to a great year. Remember we have life memberships and a new progressive life membership. Current forms can be downloaded from the [Diabetes Awareness Foundation of MD-35 Website](#).

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS REPORT

By Lion Tom Bullock, MD35 & 35-O Co-Chairperson, bullock_tom@hotmail.com, Res: 321-757-0238

As a parent and family member one of the jobs we all need to do best is to provide a healthy, safe and secure world for our families. But if you are like many people some issues feel overwhelming and you would rather not worry about them. The prospect of a disaster is one of those issues. However, there are special resources to help you protect your family in case of a disaster. And all of us can prepare. A few simple steps will help us to protect our families, assure that our children feel safe, and make it easier to recover if and when we have to go through a disaster.

The first and most important step to survive a disaster is planning. The Florida Division of Emergency Management has prepared an overview booklet "Family Readiness Kit" to aid in preparing to handle disasters. This kit covers hurricanes and also a number of other disasters that could occur here in Florida. The document can be accessed via this link: http://floridadisaster.org/publications/family_kit.pdf

If you would like a copy of the document emailed to you, contact one of us and we will send the PDF document directly to you:

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OneBlood BLOOD BANK; Group A 32

By Lion Lion Ed Werner, PDG, 407-920-5401 or email: ed247@aol.com [Printable Page](#)

Florida's Blood Centers Orlando, merged with the blood banks in Tampa and Miami to create the largest blood bank in Florida "OneBlood". The Lions Blood Bank started as a Lions Zone Blood Bank in 1977, then became a District 35-O project, and now will be a state project.

The Lions Blood Bank (A 32) is an active group and as of August 31, 2013 we have 353 pints. You do not have to call to release any blood that a Lion or family member may need. The blood is always there for you. Presently, any Lion who wishes to donate blood in these counties; Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Flagler, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Martin, Miami-Dade, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Sarasota, Seminole, St Lucie and Volusia may do so using the Group # A 32. *Remember to tell them to credit The Lions Blood Bank A 32.*

In the future, about March, 2014, approximately 75% of Lions in the state will be covered. At that time, a new group number will be issued for all. There will be 17 counties from the Duval county area southwest to the Hernando county area which will not be covered.

You can go on line to: www.oneblood.org and find stationary and mobile locations in your area.

HEARING & SPEECH REPORT

By Lion "Dot" Myers, PDP Executive Secretary/Treasurer,

The Lions 35-O Hearing Program is very active and has a total of 29 Lions on our Hearing Board. We have voting on-line for our applications and then meet quarterly in person at various locations.

Sometimes our audiologist are the guest speaker for the evening. Every Lion in good standing is always welcome to attend our meetings. Each application is required to have a \$25 check to accompany their application. Donations come from our Lions Clubs which pays for the new molds for our clients used hearing aids. Lions Clubs can also send in a \$100 donation for a pin and certificate to become an Honorary Life Member to our entity. The following information has not been audited yet, but will give you an idea of just where our money goes:

Income from Lions Clubs & Applications from 7-1-12 to 6-30-13 = \$ 13,980.00

Expenses: Money for new molds = \$6,967.91; Office supplies, stationery and postage = \$ 781.98.

300 Lions Honorary Life Membership pins = \$606.00; State of Florida license = \$ 61.25; money paid back to Hearing Centers for the audiology test for our approved clients = \$ 2,058.00

PROJECT RIGHT TO SIGHT REPORT Website: www.ProjectRightToSight.org

By Lions Sam Loper & Tom Hamilton; secretaryprts@gmail.com

Project Right to Sight combines the group efforts of the Lions Clubs and Eye Care Professionals to collect, sort and provide reconditioned, recycled eye glasses at NO COST to homeless and uninsured people living in our Central Florida Community. Eye glasses are also provided for Vision Projects to aid people in need throughout the world ...all at no cost to the recipients. The year to date statistics report can be viewed on our website.

We meet monthly on the second Monday of each month. Our next meeting is on Monday September 9, 2013 from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM at 7406 Edgewater Drive, Orlando, Florida 32810.

Project Right to Sight also provides eye exams and glasses for adults and children through Lions Community Eye Clinic (LCEC). We are falling short on funding and need your help. When you to donate to PRTS, please consider earmarking a portion of your donation to "LCEC - for eye exams". PRTS has provided over 3,500 patients in Central Florida, through LCEC, with exams and glasses since 2004. Your gift of Sight allows a person to: Hold a job, Drive a car, See the world, Live a better life! Our cost is \$25 per patient. Please send donations to: Project Right to Sight, 516 Bianca Ct, Altamonte Springs, FL 32741.

Thank you for your continued support.

YOUTH EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND (YESTF) REPORT

By *Lion Norma Callahan, IPDG, Cell: 386-479-9896 or lionnormacallahan@yahoo.com*

Our annual meeting was on July 21. The Trustees and Officers for 2013-2014 were elected and installed.

It was announced that earnings of the Trust will provide for 10 scholarships to be awarded this year. Scholarship applications were reviewed and updated. Applications will be provided to all the County School Districts in District 35-O prior to August 31st.

A meeting schedule was discussed along with the possibility that all meetings be held at the MD office in Orlando. The tentative dates of the Board of Trustees meetings are January 26, 2014, April 27, 2014 and July 20, 2014. The Scholarship Awards Luncheon would be on April 27th.

The Life Membership Application is being updated and will be provided to all District 35-O clubs. Our goal is to double the number of life memberships this year from 33 to 66.

LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND REPORT Website: www.leaderdog.org

By *Chairperson Lion Terry Murtha, 352-527-4361, liondawg@hotmail.com*

Since 1939, Lions have been the backbone of Leader Dogs for the Blind. In addition to financial support, Lions have brought thousands of people who are visually impaired through their doors. To this day, the mission of the Lions, "We serve" perfectly complements the Leader Dog mission of enhancing the lives of people who are blind and visually impaired.

AND THE WINNER IS..... The winning ticket for the basket of cheer was drawn by ID Stacy Jones at the District meeting on August 17th. Lion Fred Holden (Kissimmee Lions) may appear exceptionally "cheerful", as he was the winner. The raffle generated \$272. Both coasts were able to participate. We are truly an equal opportunity District.

Lions are the backbone of Leader Dogs for the Blind and your generosity is most appreciated. Please keep Leader Dogs in mind for a donation.

FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION REPORT Website: www.floridalionsfoundation.org

By *Lion Ted Erion, Immediate Past President, 407-366-0761; tederion@yahoo.com*

We are pleased to report the Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind is fulfilling its mission to provide major eye surgeries to those in need throughout the state of Florida and the Bahamas.

Each of our four Districts has one or more Drive Directors with a fund raising goal of \$55,000 for a total of \$220,000. In our last fiscal year (May 2012-April 2013) our clubs donated \$190,400 or 87% of the goal. At the same time the Foundation provided assistance totaling \$419,467 for a record 274 cases. The Drive Directors for District 35-O are Lion Lois Q Malecky, PDG; Lion Shel Reichard, PDG and Lion Ivan Richmond. (District 35-O met their fund raising goal last year of \$55,000.)

Since the start of this fiscal year on May 1, 2013 there were a total of 56 cases approved for eye surgeries at a cost to the Foundation of \$85,367 and an estimated commercial cost of \$528,662. Club copays were \$20,500 and the number of eye surgeries from District O was 11. An interesting note from these cases is that 23% are for clients with diabetes and 88% are over 50 years old.

To get a case approved, you need to contact one of the District O Project Chairs: Lion Rocky Siracusa, PCC; Lion Richard Schwartz, and Lion Anne Greer, PDG. Please contact me for assistance, if needed.

We have formally modified our case approval process this year. We now require that each case be submitted to the Department of Blind Services prior to requesting Foundation assistance. This is an effort to stretch our dollars to the maximum.

ENTITY DONATIONS AT THE AUGUST DISTRICT MEETING

Conklin Center = \$ 13,050; MD35 Diabetes = \$2,450; FL Lions Foundation = \$2,100; SEGD = \$1,725; 35-O Hearing = \$1,625; PRTS= \$1,200; FL Diabetes Camp = \$1,100; LCIF = \$950; LEITR = \$725; FL Dog Guides = \$625; Brailist Assoc = \$500; North FL Eye Bank = \$500; Paws for Patriots = \$500; YESTF= \$275; and Miami Eye Bank = \$250. Clubs donating: Beverly Hills, Cypress Gardens, Orange Blossom Gardens, Palm Bay Happy, Palm Bay Progressive, Rockledge & Viera. TOTAL = \$27,675.

LCI PROPOSED "INVOLVE A VETERAN INITIATIVE"

ID Stacey Jones informed us of this proposal at the last Council of Governors' Lunch with the Director.

The proposal will be presented to the LCI Board of Directors in October. The proposed program offers a special waiver of the LCI charter or entrance fees for all NEW members that are U.S. Veterans. This proposed waiver would be in effect for two years; retroactive to July 1, 2013 and thru June 30, 2015.

Eligible persons will include retired US military personnel (Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard) or those honorably-discharged from these services up until June 30, 2015. Reservist or a National Guard member who was called for active duty, and has either honorably left the service or is still enrolled in the Reserves or National Guard will also be eligible.

The entry fee waiver will be processed as a credit to the new members Lions Club after LCI receives a completed waiver form (not yet available) by LCI. Once the proposal has been approved by the LCI Board, the waiver form and information will be made available.

IP PALMER'S FIRST FACEBOOK CHALLENGE

The first of IP Palmer's challenges to all Lions: You have three months (July 10th-September 30th) to recruit ONE person as a Lion. The sponsor will receive a special rosé colored pin of Follow your Dream. There is no limit to how many you can sponsor within this 3 months. 1 new member = 1 pin. 5 members = 5 pins and so forth.

2013-2014 DISTRICT DIRECTORY & UPDATES

Directories were distributed at our first district meeting to club presidents and secretaries along with all the district officers and chairpersons. Additional copies are available for a \$5 donation (each) to our district. Contact either DG Al Becker or District Secretary, Lion Mary Ann Bullock for your copy.

Pages 7 & 164: email for Larry Feldhusen should be glt.350.larry@gmail.com

Page 9: Add two clubs to Zone 3 listing: Umatilla and Wildwood Sumter County 44

Page 10: Add Winter Haven to Zone 5 listing.

Page 10: Remove Altamonte Springs from Zone 6 listing.

Pages 18,19,34: Meeting time & place for Clermont Minneola should be 2nd Wednesday at Noon and Fourth Thursday at 6:00 PM, all meetings are at IHOP.

Page 60: Update email for Ocoee Treasurer to rhgodek@infiniteenergy.com

Page 67: Ormond Beach meeting location IS: River Bend Golf Course, 730 Airport Road, Ormond Beach

Page 67: Correct all Ormond Beach Officers as follows:

President Gregory Winquist, 3 Twin Rivers Dr, Ormond Beach, FL 32174; 386-673-7849;
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Treasurer John Thomas III, 102 Bob White Court # 10, Daytona Beach, FL 32119; 860-402-7871;
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Pages 65 & 159: Secretary info for Orlando Hispanic, 10463 Willow Ridge Loop, 32825 & 407-237-0282

Page 84: email for Winter Haven Secretary should be slewis20001@verizon.net

Page 84: Update Winter Haven Treasurer to Sharon Lewis (same info as Secretary)

Page 103: Add email for Awards Chair ormondbob@aol.com

Page 104: Correct email for Disaster Relief East bullock_tom@hotmail.com

Page 104: Add Disaster Relief Central: Dave Rousch (Lake Alfred), 49 Banyan Dr, Winter Haven, FL 33884; 863-324-1541; henry.rousch@aol.com

Page 105: Update email for Amy Solieau to soileauamy@gmail.com

Pages 129 & 190: Info for Doris Turlo, PDG should be 352-750-0837 and dorist1@aol.com

Page 193: Delete info for Diane Yates, due to poor health she is no longer a lion.

NEW FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER SERVICES INFO

Effective July 1, 2013, charitable organizations and sponsors that meet the new requirements are eligible to fill out the Exempt Charitable Organizations/Sponsors Application in lieu of registration. Additionally, qualified exempt organizations are not required to pay a registration fee. More details can be found on their [website](#) and on this linked [informational document](#).

LCI ADVANCED LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE, MARCH 8-10 (OAK BROOK, IL)

Advanced Lions Leadership Institutes focus on building the skills of Lions leaders to prepare them for leadership responsibilities at zone, region and district levels. Qualified candidates are Lions that have completed a successful term as club president, but have not yet attained the position of First Vice District Governor. Candidates do not have to hold a position currently and must be willing to commit to every day of the institute. Applications will be available four months prior to the event.

LCI MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP NETCASTS

Head over to the [LCI Monthly Membership Netcast](#) page to register.

MEMBERSHIP SATISFACTION – September 25, 2013, 3pm-4pm.

THE 2013-2014 LCI WEBINAR SCHEDULE. Head over to the [Webinars page](#) to register.

Managing Service Projects

Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 1 PM

LCI Ethics and the Role of the Leader

Wednesday, October 9, 2013 at 1 PM

Friday, October 18, 2013 at 8 PM

Leadership Resources on the Web

Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at 1 PM

Friday, November 15, 2013 at 8 pm

Effective Club Meetings

Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 1 PM

Leadership Lessons from the Angry Birds

Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at 1 PM

Friday, January 24, 2014 at 8 PM

The Dream Continues: Lionism as a PDG

Friday, February 7, 2014 at 8 PM

Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at 1 pm

You've been Club President . . . What's Next?

Friday, March 7, 2014 at 8 PM

Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 1 PM

Is it Your Dream to Be a District Governor?

Friday, April 4, 2014 at 8 PM

Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 1 PM

Conflict Resolution

Friday, May 9, 2014 at 8 PM

Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at 1 PM

DG AL BECKER'S CLUB VISITATION SCHEDULE (Sep-Dec)

Click for [COMPLETE SCHEDULE](#)

Sep 5, Thur: HOMOSASSA, 7PM*

Sep 11, Wed: ORMOND BEACH, 6:30PM*

Sep 12, Thur: CLERMONT MINNEOLA, 12PM

Sep 12: Thur: TAVARES, 6PM*

Sep 23, Mon: FRUITLAND, 7PM*

Sep 25, Wed: VOLUSIA COUNTY, 6PM

Oct 1, Tues: WILDWOOD Sumter County 44, 6PM*

Oct 3, Thur: CHIEFLAND, 5:30PM

Oct 4, Fri: ORLANDO HISPANIC, 7PM

Oct 8, Tues: LAKELAND, 6:00PM*

Oct 10: Thur: HIGH POINT, 7PM

Oct 14, Mon: KATHLEEN, 7PM

Oct 15, Tues: LONGWOOD-LAKE MARY, 7PM

Oct 16, Wed: ORANGE CITY, 6:30PM

Oct 22, Tues: LAKELAND DIXIELAND, 6:30PM*

Oct 24, Thur: CYPRESS GARDENS, 6:30PM

Oct 28, Mon: UMATILLA, 7PM

Nov 4, Mon: CRYSTAL RIVER KINGS BAY, 6PM*

Nov 5, Tues: HERNANDO, 7PM*

Nov 6, Wed: LAKE SUMTER, 9AM*

Nov 6, Wed: PONCE INLET, 6:30PM*

Nov 11, Mon: NEW SMYRNA BEACH, 6:45PM*

Nov 12, Tues: ORLANDO COLLEGE PARK, 6:30PM

Nov 19, Tues: DAVENPORT, 6:30PM

Nov 21, Thur: LAKE ALFRED, 7PM*

Dec 2, Mon: INVERNESS, 6PM

Dec 4, Wed: INGLIS YANKEETOWN, 7PM*

Dec 10, Tues: WINTER GARDEN, 7PM

Dec 16, Mon: LOCKHART, 7PM

(* denotes confirmed by Club)

UPCOMING MD-35, DISTRICT & CLUB EVENTS

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September 14, 2013: Retention & Rebuilding Workshop, MD35 Office, RSVP [PDG Norma](#) (10am-2pm)
September 19-21, 2013: USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Overland Park, Kansas; [Website](#)
September 29, 2013: Conklin Center Ride for Sight Poker Run & Condo Drawing (10am-4pm)
September 30, 2013: Deadline for submitting the Club and District Team Excellence Awards to LCI
October 5-7, 2013: Emerging Lions Leadership Institute, Montreal, Canada, [Website](#)
October 12, 2013: Palm Coast Lions Golf Tournament, 8:30am, \$70, [Palm Harbor Golf Club](#), [FLYER](#)
October 13, 2013: Satellite Beach Lions Pancake Breakfast, City Hall Breezeway, 7am-1pm, \$5, [FLYER](#)
October 18-19, 2013: Pierson Lions 61st Rodeo, Pierson Rodeo Grounds, \$12, Contact [Lion Robert Stone](#)
October 25, 2013: Conklin Center Halloween Bash, Elks Club Lodge, Ocala, \$30 (6:30pm) [FLYER](#)
October 26, 2013: Palm Bay Progressive Lions Game Day, Palm Bay Unity Center, \$10, 4-8pm, [FLYER](#)
October 26, 2013: Cocoa Beach Seaside & Viera Lions Bowling Eyeballs, Palm Bay Shore Lanes, [FLYER](#)
October 27, 2013: Ormond Beach Lions 60th, Andy Romano Beachfront Park, 4pm-6:30pm, RSVP, [FLYER](#)
November 3, 2013: Palm Bay Happy Pancake Breakfast, Palm Bay Senior Center, \$4, (8am-1pm)
November 8-10, 2013: MD35 Fall Conference, Radison Resort, Celebration, RSVP by Oct 19, [Registration](#)
November 9, 2013: Satellite Beach Lions Golf Tournament, Habitat at Valkaria, \$65, [FLYER](#)
November 9, 2013: [Eye Ball Gala](#), Lions Eye Institute (LEITR), TPepin's Hospitality Ctr, Tampa, \$200 (7pm)
November 14, 2013: World Diabetes Day
November 14, 2013: Palm Coast Lions 40th, Hilton Garden Inn, \$32, 6:30pm, RSVP by Oct 31, [FLYER](#)
November 15, 2013: IRS [E-POSTCARD](#) & TAX FILING DEADLINE, for tax year ending June 30
November 16, 2013: 2nd District O Meeting, Cypress HS, South Orange County Lions hosting
November 23-24, 2013: Inglis Yankeetown Lions Art, Craft & Seafood Festival, Riverside Dr, (9-5) [FLYER](#)
November 30, 2013: Palm Bay Progressive Cabaret, PB Unity Center, \$30, Band, BYOB, snacks, [FLYER](#)
December 2-8: Lions Eye Bank Week
December 5: International Leo Day
December 20, 2013: Palm Bay Happy Dinner Dance, PB Unity Center, 7pm-12, \$25, BYOB & DJ, [FLYER](#)
January 10-12, 2014: MD-35 Winter Conference, Freeport, Hosted by 35-N, Guest ID Stephen Glass
January 18, 2014: 3rd District O Meeting, Clermont Lions Hosting
January 26, 2014: Oviedo Winter Springs Lions Golf Tournament, Lake Nona's Eagle Creek, \$99, [FLYER](#)
February 1, 2014: Potential Governor's Seminar, MD35 Office, Orlando
February 8, 2014: District 35-O Day at Southeastern Guide Dogs, save the date
February 14, 2014: Conklin Center Casino Night for Sight, Save the Date - More info to follow
February 22 – March 1, 2014: Viera Lions Cruise, RC's Oasis of the Seas, Ft. Lauderdale [FLYER](#)
March 7-9, 2014: MD-35 Spring Conference, Altamonte Springs, hosted by 35O, Guest ID Harvey Whitley
March 8-10, 2014: Advanced Lions Leadership Institute, for past club presidents, Oakbrook, IL, [Website](#)
March 15, 2014: 4th District O Meeting, Homosassa Lions Hosting
March 15, 2014: Southeastern Guide Dogs Walk-A-Thon at the Villages
March 22, 2014: Viera Lions BBQ & Auctions, Viera Regional Park, \$10, 11:30am
March 28& 29, 2014: Mount Dora Lions 75th Charter Celebration, Lakeside Inn, special rates, [FLYER](#)
May 1-4, 2014: MD-35 Convention, Doubletree Hotel in downtown Orlando
July 4-8, 2014: LCI 97th Annual Convention in Toronto, Canada
September 11-13, 2014: USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, San Juan, Puerto Rico
June 26-30, 2015: LCI 98th Annual Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii

EDITOR'S NOTES:

If you are viewing this newsletter electronically – anything that is underlined is a link to a website, document or an email address. The [newsletters](#) are also available to download on our district website. Articles for future newsletters should be submitted via email to maryannbullock@hotmail.com.

More pictures from the August 17th District Meeting in Rockledge are on our Facebook page.



**Lions Clubs 2013-2014
International President
Barry Palmer**



INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT BARRY J. PALMER

JUST ASK!

From the Outback to Out and About in the World

Barry J. Palmer is part Outback, part Sydney and all Aussie. "I'm proud to be an Australian because of our culture. It's very relaxed, very laid back, easygoing and friendly." President Palmer was born in the middle of World War II in Hornsby on the outskirts of Sydney. The bush was his backyard. Wallabies hovered near his home. Young Palmer was one of three children. Barry played three soccer matches each week. "I love the team spirit of it. I like the skill of it. It's fast. It's open."

Intending to work in the wool industry, he attended an agricultural high school. He worked in the bush and in wool sheds. He relished the outdoors. "I think it's important to be in tune with nature—to just sit in the bush for a while and listen to what's going on and observing the animals, birds and lizards." But the wool industry slumped, so he found a job at a bank. Funny thing about the bank business—you see how money can be made. "I was meeting all these customers running their own businesses and doing quite well. So I decided that if I worked as hard for myself as I did for the bank I could make a lot of money."

He started buying businesses, improving them and selling them. Then he went into real estate. President Palmer enjoyed furthering the dreams both of homebuyers and employees.



Young Palmer met Anne when she was 15 and he was 19. Both quiet and reserved, they grew up and matured together as a couple. "Yeah, we hit it off. I couldn't put my finger on any one thing. It was just a progression of growing up and wanting to share my life with her. The Palmers have three children and eight grandchildren. He kicks the soccer ball around with the younger ones. "Anne was desperately keen to be a grandma. But if someone's calling me grandpa then I'm getting old. So they call me poppy."

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