

DISTRICT 35-O NEWS



**SERVING OUR COMMUNITIES IN
CENTRAL FLORIDA FROM THE
SPACE COAST TO THE GULF COAST**

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JANUARY 2015

FROM THE DEN OF DISTRICT GOVERNOR CAROLYN LLOYD



Lions Clubs International founder Melvin Jones stated, *"You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else."* His belief guided his actions and remained his personal code. His idea when he brought together a group of Chicago businessmen was, *"What if these men who are successful because of their drive, intelligence and ambition, were to put their talents to work improving their communities?"* Thus the beginning of Lions Clubs International which has become the largest service organization in the world. It embodies 1.38 million members in 46,000 clubs located in 210 countries. January 10-16, 2015 Lions everywhere will be celebrating this success by participating in the "Worldwide Week of Service."

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District 35-O Lions embrace the Lions motto "We Serve" and have a long history of community service. While vision remains the primary focus of the parent organization, children's needs, diabetes, measles, disaster relief, literacy, environmental concerns and other humanitarian needs have been included. It takes individual commitment and good leadership starting within clubs and moving upward to provide the level of service now being provided.

With the beginning of a new year, individual Lions need to renew their spirit by looking to the past to see what they have accomplished and looking to the future to determine what will be their direction for the coming year. Lions' service comes in many forms. It comes from those who work quietly in their clubs to those who step forward to lead in their clubs and beyond. All are important.

Lions of District 35-O are just as strong as the original group of Chicago businessmen. Now is the time for everyone to step forward and choose a direction. Will it be working with a different group? Will it be developing a new project? Will it be heading a committee? Will it be accepting an office? Will it be taking a course or attending a leadership institute?

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Remember the words of Helen Keller, *“I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something, and because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do something that I can do.”*
One by one District 35-O Lions will roar with conviction as they serve together.

Our Pride in Service

One Hundred Million Acts of Service by 2017!

**FROM FIRST VICE DISTRICT
GOVERNOR JACQUIE TRIPP**



**EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE A LION, COME ON
AND FLY!**

Happy New Year, Lions! As we begin this New Year, be aware of the support we have for each other as we volunteer. We require and utilize an enormous amount of energy to serve. As the following parable points out, we can be efficient and conserve energy. Sometimes a meeting is not needed. Use email to communicate and verify information on a project status. Work smarter not harder. With less hands at times, we often need to consider every method we can to be as productive as possible. Work smarter not harder.

When you see geese flying along in "V" formation, you might consider what science

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has discovered as to why they fly that way:

As each bird flaps its wings, it creates uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in "V" formation, the whole flock adds at least 71 percent greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own.

People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going more quickly and easily because they are traveling on the thrust of one another.

When a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird in front.

If we have as much sense as a goose, we will stay in formation with those people who are headed the same way we are.

When the head goose gets tired, it rotates back in the wing and another goose flies point. *It is sensible to take turns doing demanding jobs, whether with people or with geese flying south.*

Geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

What messages do we give when we honk from behind?

Finally ... and this is important ... when a goose gets sick or is wounded by gunshot, and falls out of formation, two other geese fall out with that goose and follow it down to lend help and protection. They stay with the fallen goose until it is able to fly or until it dies, and only then do they launch out on their own, or with another formation to catch up with their group.

If we have the sense of a goose, we will stand by each other like that.

1972 by Dr Robert McNeish of Baltimore. Here is the true story behind it, and the original author:

<http://suewidemark.com/lessonsgeese.htm>

**HAPPY NEW YEAR, LIONS!
1VDG Jacqueline "Jacquie" Tripp**

**FROM SECOND VICE DISTRICT
GOVERNOR STEVE HILAIRE**



HAPPY NEW YEAR! It's that time of the year again, to make resolutions and promises. To give up certain practices and take up others. To eat healthier, exercise more and generally be a better person. We have all done this before. *"Déjà vu all over again"* We Lions do have it a little easier. We just have to continue doing what we have always done. Serve our fellow man. But it can also be a time for evaluation. We are in the middle of our Lionistic Year. We should reflect on the past 6 months and ascertain how it has challenged and changed us. It was certainly a big difference to me moving up a little higher in leadership. But for all of us, we should assess how our moments measured up compared to our expectations. But it is just that, a comparison. We should not assign value or place blame on the results but rather use it for improvement. Leave the past where it belongs and do not carry any extra baggage into the future to stifle our spirit. Rather, let the experience help us to enhance our delivery of service to the less fortunate and strive to do our best. Nobody can expect better than that in our less than perfect world. So as we ring in the New Year, kudos and hats off for all the great work done last year and of course we expect more of the same this year. Please make time to smell the roses on the way. Have a great year.

Together we can make a difference
2VDG Steve Hilaire

**To Post Or Not To Post...
That Is The Question!**



Long gone are the days of the writing desk such as one might imagine Shakespeare sitting behind as he penned Hamlet at the beginning of the 17th century. We now sit in front of our desktop or laptop with as much computing power at our fingertips as the main frame systems had in the early years of computer technology. *No wonder at some point the "computer" does make cowards of us all!* But it need not be that way! Along with the technology have come new ways of learning. If you are having trouble posting your monthly reports I promise these resources will help you!

TIP: Training videos are best viewed **FULL SCREEN** which can be accomplished by clicking on the Full Screen icon. It can be found on the menu bar at the bottom of the video . (It looks like photo crop marks.)



To exit **FULL SCREEN** and return to a regular sized screen view click on the **ESC (Escape)** key found at the top left corner of a standard keyboard.



ENTERING MEMBERSHIP DATA

- 1) If you have never used MyLCI this video shows exactly how to set up an ID/ Password and Log In. [<CLICK HERE>](#)

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2) For an excellent YouTube video showing how to navigate MEMBERSHIP information in MyLCI: [<CLICK HERE>](#)

3) Need help working with FAMILY UNITS in MyLCI? [< CLICK HERE>](#)

4) For Membership training that is NOT a video [<CLICK HERE>](#)

ENTERING SERVICE ACTIVITY DATA

After working with membership in MyLCI it is very easy to move on to Service Activity Reporting. For Service Activity training, including screen captures from MyLCI [<CLICK HERE>](#)

The answer is YES! If you don't already, make a New Year's Resolution to post membership and service activities every month! If you aren't a club president or secretary now you may be later! Remember that District Newsletters, with these and other tips, are archived on the [District Website](#) under the Newsletters tab for future reference. Happy New Year to Everyone!

Lion Donna Norton, Cabinet Secretary



Lions Clubs International President Joe Preston is inviting Lions around the world

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to celebrate the *JANUARY 13th Birthday of Melvin Jones* by serving their communities during the week of *January 10-16, 2015*. To honor the legacy of our founder, Lions around the world are invited to join the Worldwide Week of Service on January 10-16, 2015 Go to this site for more info: <http://www.lions100.org/EN/worldwide-week-of-service.php>

Promote Your Worldwide Week

of Service Project

The Worldwide Week of Service is an opportunity to serve with Lions around the world and showcase your club to potential new members in your community. The Worldwide Week of Service club press release, found at the above link, gives you a great way to promote your project in your local media outlets.

Be sure to take pictures of your service project and share them on your club's Facebook page. Use the hashtag #Lions100 and we'll share your photos on the LCI Facebook page. Download the club press release and promote your project today!

Thanks to you, we're strengthening our communities. Each day, Lions are making a difference through service. In big ways and small, we're changing lives in our communities. And when 1.35 million members serve together, we can change the world.

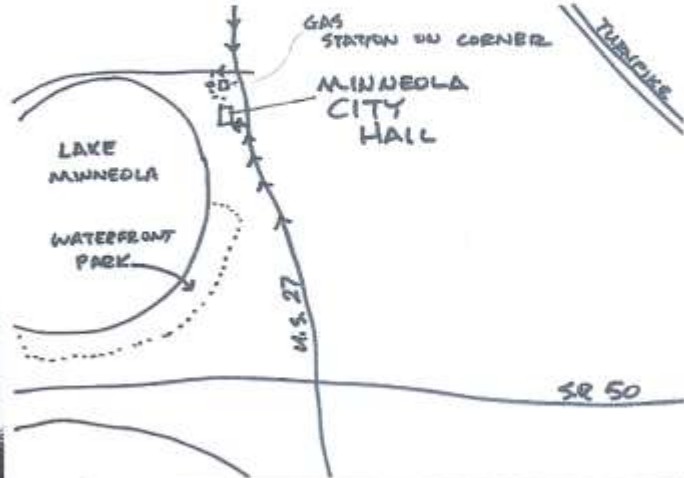
**PLAN TO MAKE
A DIFFERENCE
IN 2015**



District 35-0 Meeting 10:00 am Sat. Jan. 17, 2015

SCHEDULE:

- 8:30 AM—10:00 Coffee & Pastries
- 8:30 AM—10:00 Breakout Meetings
- 10:00 AM— 11:45 PM Cabinet Meeting
- 11:45 AM—12:45 Lunch
- 12:45 PM— Resume Cab. Meeting



Morning: Pastries and coffee
Lunch: Roast beef & Fried chicken
 Mashed Potatoes
 Cole Slaw
 Dessert Coffee, tea

800 N. US Hwy. 27, Minneola, FL

If you are traveling north on US 27, go the light and turn in behind the gas station next to City Hall. South bound has direct access into the parking lot.

Lunch Reservation:

\$15.00 check to: Clermont-Minneola Lions Club

Mail or call: Lion Nick Jones, Pres. 352 394-4700
1320 Bowman St.
Clermont, FL 34711

By Monday, Jan. 12, 2015

For questions, call :Lion Nick Jones
Pres. Clermont-Minneola Lions
(352) 394-4700

Be sure to visit our waterfront park

Club or Member Name

Contact Phone Number

Number of Meals

What County Is Your Club In? _____

Amount Enclosed

Ivy Green

*A special contribution from Dennis Dulniak
– President Oviedo-Winter Springs Lions*

A few months ago I had the privilege to visit Ivy Green, birth place of Helen Keller in Tuscumbia, AL. Lion Johnny Tuten provided a tour of grounds that included the "Knights of the Blind Walk" in the Lions



Memorial Garden and the bronze casting of the Helen Keller Memorial that will be dedicated Sat. June 6, 2015. Attached are copies of [flyers](#) of the intended life-sized statue of Helen Keller and Anne Sullivan at the famed

water pump (still on the property) and bricks for the Knights of the Blind Walk. There will be a BBQ dinner on site, tours of the home and grounds and special performance of "The Miracle Worker." Tickets will be limited. Any 35-O Lions interested in attending should [contact me](#) for further information and tickets.

Donations are welcome from individuals, Lions, Lion Clubs and other groups to show appreciation for a world stateswoman who challenged us early and continues to inspire our efforts as Lions. As you travel this great country, do try to visit Tuscumbia in North Alabama (between Birmingham and Nashville) - a stop you will treasure with Lions pride! Please let me know if I can help answer any questions. My Oviedo-Winter Springs Lions Club is recommending support for the Helen Keller Memorial and I have personally sent in my brick donation - perhaps others will follow suit?

DR. WALTER H. CAMPBELL

PILOT AWARD

To: All Past District Governors (who qualify and have not earned the Dr. Walter Campbell Pilot Award). *Please be mindful of the application criteria when submitting your applications.*



The Dr. Walter H. Campbell Pilot Award is designed to recognize a PDG in the districts and a PDG in the Multiple District with a prestigious award for his/her contributions to Lionism.

I know the honor and pride of being a recipient and strongly suggest that each of you review the eligibility and requirements for the award. [Information and application forms](#) are available on the Multiple District website and most or all of the district websites.

The award covers the preceding calendar year – in this case, January 1 thru December 31, 2014. The rules state that entries must be submitted to the Multiple District Office in Orlando by February 1st, 2015. January is here! February is coming up faster than many would like!!

It's not too early for you, and you are encouraged, to reflect on 2014 and start listing your efforts, dedication and contributions. This year's award could be yours!!

PDG Lion Shel Reichard
Pilot Award Chair



Florida Lions Diabetic Retinopathy Foundation Update

The Sight First Grant will officially start 1/1/2015 and run thru 1/1/2018.

This has been a very busy time in forming the foundation. "Thank You" to CC Juan Tejera for writing and Bill Ringstein for reviewing the paperwork. We expect the first years check of \$66,000 to be wired to our new checking account by the end of the year. Purchase orders will be written and orders for our first camera, computer, tablet and other equipment will be placed as soon as our 501c3 number arrives. We have the foundation's new web site www.fldrf.org up and ready! Take a look to see what we are doing.

NEW FORMS! The Diabetes Foundation and Retina will be using the same new form. [Click Here](#) The front page will be on the tablet, signed on the tablet, and never used for routine diabetes screening. The second page will be used for all screenings. If doing routine Blood Sugar (BS) Screening only page 2 will be used. Most critical is that this form is as complete as possible! BS screeners please ask the participant questions if they have not filled them in. This is critical for our grant to have complete information.

A calendar will be placed on both the diabetic website www.dafmd35.org and

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www.fldrf.org. See where we are located. If you wish to schedule please contact your local organizer coordinator. If you do not have a coordinator please contact me, [PDG Norma Callahan](#).

Should you wish to donate to the new foundation please make the checks out to: FL Lions Diabetic Retinopathy Foundation. Mail to: PO Box 1407 Deland FL 32721.

We have a new Marketing Director/ Area Organizer - Lion Angel McGarrity-Davis of Plant City Lions. She brings nursing expertise and experience as CEO of a medical company. She will be looking at fund raising and how to make us visible. Lion Liz McDaniel, Newberry Lions, is coming in to help write a new brochure. She is putting together information about resources etc. She is an Army Medic.

We still need coordinators in all areas and screeners. Remember we cannot come to an area using the Retina camera without BS screeners. It only takes a few minutes to learn to screen. BS screening training lists are on the Diabetic foundation website <http://www.dafmd35.org>.

We are planning follow-up coordinators training. (If possible online using video conferencing). All papers will again be on line.

Get ready for a new and exciting project.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Callahan, Grant Manager



FROM BARRY J. PALMER Chairperson,
Lions Clubs International Foundation

Dear Lions,

I recently returned from the Philippines, where I witnessed joy from those we are serving. I met with villagers in Tacloban and visited their new homes. I also saw smiles in the eyes of children, as they are nourished through a Lions feeding program.



As many of you celebrate the holidays and prepare for the new year, I ask that you keep these images in your heart. But I also ask you to think of the children we have not yet reached and who are still hungry.

With your [donations](#), Lions and LCIF will continue to fight blindness, support youth, provide disaster relief and meet humanitarian needs all around the world. We are addressing global health issues, such as measles, diabetes and Ebola. We are reducing poverty through microenterprise. We are addressing needs of people everywhere. We are changing lives and providing hope to millions.

Thank you for proving that where there is a need, there is a Lion.

Sincerely,

Barry J. Palmer

The *37th Annual Lions Day with the United Nations (LDUN)* will be held on Saturday, March 7, 2015, at the iconic United Nations Headquarters in New York City.

LDUN program highlights include presentations from President Preston and key UN speakers, along with engaging panel discussions focusing on this year's theme of "Children in Need" . Be amongst the first to find out and celebrate this year's winners of the International Peace Poster and Essay Contests. Inspiring and informative, LDUN recognizes the impact of LCI's volunteer efforts in supporting the shared vision with the UN of improving our local and global communities. LDUN attendees also have the option to attend the popular Lions-UN Luncheon inside the UN's signature Delegates Dining Room with invited ambassadors. Seating is limited and offered on a first come basis.

For the first time early registration material pick-up on Friday (March 6) will be offered, at the One UN New York Hotel, located directly across from the UN Headquarters, where attendees can conveniently pick up their event badges, program and more.

Cash bars will be set for an afternoon hospitality from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. where you can meet and mingle with fellow

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We Serve

attendees and staff at the Registration Area. LDUN attendees will receive one complimentary drink ticket redeemable from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on March 6 only.

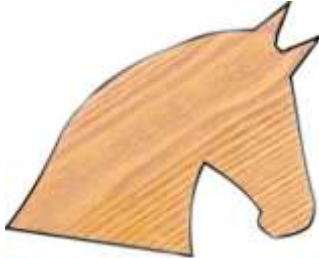
For attendees that need hotel accommodations, the One UN New York Hotel has a limited number of guest rooms available at a special LDUN rate offered on a first come basis. Guest rooms can be requested when registering online. This event is sure to sell out, so please direct Lions and guests to the Lions Day with the UN page on the LCI Web site to register and find additional program information.

If you have any questions, please contact Natalie Brain at (630) 468-6893 or via email. Al Brandel Past International President and UN Representative

Have You Seen This Horse?

Height-3 Hands Width-3 Hands
Current Color-Equine Wood

Read Below For More Info!



Night At The Races at the Multiple District Convention!
Win With Horses, Hats & Outfits!

Fellow Lions,

I have been asked to explain the concept of the Horse Heads and what will take place with them at the 91st Annual Multiple District convention in Ocala on Friday

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evening May 1, 2015 (May Day) at *The Night at the Races*.

The council has set the ground rules for the Horse Head entries as follows:

Each club may have one entry in the “Derby”

Horse heads may be decorated any way the club sees fit. You may attach a stick, paint stirrer, broom handle, etc. to your entry.

Select the best “Jockey” you have in your club to “Ride” your entry. Prizes will be awarded.

Heats will be held with winners advancing.

Silks and *Crash Helmets* will be provided for the Jockeys.

Judging will be done for the “Best of Show” in Horses and we will also have judging for the Best Festive Derby Day Hat and Derby Day Outfit. Prizes will be awarded.

You must be registered for and have a ticket for the Friday night “Derby Night” to participate.

If you are unsure if your club has picked up their “Trusty Steed” or you have any questions, please contact me at the Multiple District Office in Orlando at:

(407) 859-7174 or email at:

md35lionsoffloridaandbahamas@gmail.com

Best Regards,

Neil R. Spencer, PID

MD 35 Convention Coordinator



**LIONS CLUBS
INTERNATIONAL AND
GAVI, THE VACCINE
ALLIANCE, PARTNER
TO PROTECT
CHILDREN**

**AUBURNDALE POLK CO.
LIONS CHARTER NIGHT
FEB. 28th 6:00 PM**

In 2013, Lions Clubs International and the Gavi Alliance announced a unique partnership designed to protect tens of millions of children in the world's poorest countries against measles, a highly infectious disease that kills an estimated 400 people every day. The partnership included a commitment to raise US\$30 million to improve access to vaccines through the Alliance.

F a s t F a c t s

- Measles kills about 146,000 people annually, mostly children under age five.
- Measles and rubella can be prevented with a safe and inexpensive vaccine
- The measles-rubella vaccine funded by Gavi costs around 50 US cents per dose.
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During 2014 Lions Clubs International reaffirmed its commitment to protect children from measles and rubella in the world's poorest countries with a US\$ 7.5 million initial donation to the GAVI Alliance to help fund measles-rubella programs. The payment – announced at an event on Capitol Hill – is part of a broad partnership under which Lions Clubs has begun to deploy its 1.35 million members globally to support the Alliance and raise US\$ 30 million for measles-rubella immunization programs. The total donation is being doubled under the GAVI Matching Fund by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the UK Government; this means the Alliance will receive US\$ 60 million overall - Click [here](#) to read more.



YOU ARE INVITED

Please come to help us celebrate our Charter night. Cost of the meal is \$20.00. Space is limited. Reservations must be made no later than February 6th.

MENU

Roast Beef, Baked chicken

**Potatoes, 2 Vegetables, Salad, Rolls,
Dessert,**

Coffee and Tea

Send Number Attending,
Names of Attendees, Club
Name and amount enclosed
with a check made out to
Auburndale Polk Co Lions Club

to:

Lion Jean McNish
1420 Miller Lane
Lakeland, FL 33880



MD35, DISTRICT 35-O, CLUBS & ENTITY UPCOMING EVENTS!

(Want your event listed here? Send your Club & Entity Events (and flyers) to this [Email HWEARL@aol.com](mailto:HWEARL@aol.com))

January 9-11, 2015: **MD35 COG Conference**, at Hilton, Ocala (open to all)

January 10-15, 2015: Lions Clubs International President Joe Preston is inviting Lions around the world to celebrate the **Birthdays of Melvin Jones on January 13** by serving their communities. To honor the legacy of our founder, Lions around the world are invited to join the Worldwide Week of Service on January 10-16, 2015. Go to this site for more info: <http://www.lions100.org/EN/worldwide-week-of-service.php>

January 10, 2015- **1st Annual Ormond By The Sea Health Fair. Screening, Children's Fingerprints, Blood Donations, Used Book Sale, over 20 vendors, and more -all free to the public!** Click [HERE](#) for DETAILS! or call (386) 441-4421

January 17, 2015: **35-O District Meeting, Minneola City Hall, Clermont Minneola hosting [FLYER & RESERVATION FORM](#) RESERVE BY JAN 12th!**

Jan 25-28, 2015: **GAMBLING GETAWAY ON THE BEAUTIFUL MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST!** There are 48 seats available on a first come, first serve paid basis. If you are interested but not ready to commit, just let Terry Murtha know to put you on the list of potential travelers. For a letter from Lion Terry Murtha (Hernando Lions Club) explaining the trip [Click Here!](#) then see the [FLYER](#) ! and [Trip Guidelines](#) including a Cancellation Waiver Protection.

January 25, 2015: CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER OF PROFESSIONAL OPTICIANS OF FLORIDA - 3rd ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT To

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Benefit LIONS' ENTITIES OF CENTRAL FLORIDA [FLYER](#) [Sponsor & Player Registration Form](#)

January 31, 2015 , CLUB EXCELLENCE PLAN FACILITATOR TRAINING CLASS- 10:30 am to 4 pm Multiple District Office, 7200 Lake Ellenor Dr., Suite 109, Orlando, Florida
For additional information contact GLT Coordinator District 350 – Lion Greg Evans

February 2, 2015 Combined Zone 8 & 9 Zone Meeting -Lions working together to Fight Hunger Non-perishable Food Packaging Activity for the less fortunate. Event Packing Activity from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm (all participating Lions should be at event site by 4:15pm wearing Lion's apparel. (Dinner Begins at approximately 6:30 pm) ALL LIONS INVITED Sponsored by the South Daytona Lions Club ([FLYER](#))

February 7, 2015 OFFICIAL DISTRICT 35-O Day At Southeastern Guide Dogs!

February 7, 2015 The Ormond By The Sea Lions Club invites your members to join us. Quite a few Lions have said that they'd like to tour SE Guide Dogs but the distance to drive was too far. We have the opportunity to charter a **bus for 50 people to drive from Ormond By The Sea to Palmetto**, Florida on Saturday, February 7, 2015 for **District 35-0 Day at Southeast Guide Dogs**. All of the information is on the attached [flyer](#). Please promote this to your members and send reservations in as soon as possible. First come first served. Email ormondbob@aol.com or call (386) 441-0955 with any questions. Looking forward to seeing you on the bus!

February 12, 2015 VISION SUMMITT- "Save The Date" 9am to 12 pm, The 22nd Floor, The Florida Capitol [FLYER](#)

February 12-21, 2015: **Viera Lions Valentine Cruise**, RC's Explorer of the Seas, Port Canaveral [FLYER](#)

March 12-13, 2015: **MD35 COG Executive Meetings**, Cocoa Beach (DGs & VDGs only)

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March 14, 2015: 35-O District Meeting (1:30pm) & District Recognition Banquet (7pm), Viera hosting at Cocoa Beach, International Palms Resort, Special Guest- ID Ester LaMothe

March 26, 2015: Conklin Center Gala at Ocean Center in Daytona Beach. More details soon!

March 28, 2015: 10th Annual STRIDES WALK - Walk with Us on Saturday, March 28, 2015 along the beautiful Ormond By The Sea Beach. This walk supports Lions Scholarships for the Florida Diabetic Camps for diabetic children. [FLYER](#)

March 28, 2015: Southeastern Guide Dogs will hold it's very first Orlando walkathon on in Baldwin Park ,4990 New Broad Street, Orlando, FL ([More Info](#))

April 30 - May 2, 2015: MD35 Convention, Ocala Hilton

June 26-30, 2015: LCI 98th Annual Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii

**DIABETES SCREENING TRAINING
CRYSTAL RIVER LIONS DEPOT**

**CRYSTAL STREET IN CRYSTAL RIVER
FEBRUARY 1, 2015**

Come one and all Lions who would like to help with Diabetes Screenings.

Date: February 1st (Sunday) Starting at NOON so you can go to church first if you want to.

Place: Crystal River Depot on Crystal Street, Crystal River just off Citrus Avenue.

Re Certifying Lions please come around 2 PM.

Sign up with Lion Jackie De Graff (352) 563-0702 H or (352) 422-7046 or E-mail me at jackiesdq@hotmail.com



LCIF RATED A 4-STAR CHARITY

LCIF has recently earned its third consecutive 4-star rating from Charity Navigator for its effective fiscal management and its commitment to accountability and transparency. Charity Navigator examines the financial health, accountability and transparency of charities to determine its ratings. LCIF's [4-star rating](#) indicates that it consistently executes its mission in a fiscally responsible way. Only 12 percent of the charities evaluated earned a third consecutive 4-star rating. This exceptional distinction means that LCIF out performs most other charitable organizations in the United States. You can be confident your [donations](#) are being used in support of the programs for which they are intended.

LIONS ENVIRONMENTAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

2014/2015 DISTRICT 35-O WINNERS

The Lions Environmental Photo Contest provides a way for Lions to portray, through an original photo, their pride and commitment to improving, protecting and preserving the environment. This year's District 35O Winner is Lion Janie Hinson from Inglis Yankeetown Lions Club. Her captivating photo of "The Storm" has advanced to the Multiple District competition. Congratulations Lion Janie!



The 2nd Place Winner is Lion Heather Black from the Satellite Beach Lions Club with her impressive photo of a rocky stream. Congratulations Lion Heather!



Keep the Environmental Photo Contest in mind! Photographs taken after this year's District Deadline of November 1, 2014, by any Lion in good standing, are eligible for the next contest! YOU may capture next year's winning entry when you least expect it! Each club may submit one photograph to the District competition. Let's strive for one entry from each club next year! More info will be posted here, in your District Newsletter, when the next contest rules are posted by International.

MAGIC MOMENTS

MAKING MEMORIES ONE PHOTO AT A TIME

About 15 Lions were busy on Saturday morning, **December 6, 2014**, planting 500 Bald Cypress Trees in the Viera Wetlands. The Bald Cypress trees will attract wood storks and blue herons, and will replace dead cabbage palms for nesting birds. We Serve!





Bagging Christmas goodies for school children in Lake Alfred.



Cypress Gardens helping out the community



Santa and one of his elves giving out the goodies to the Lake Alfred school children.



Lake Alfred Cindy's PINK LIONS walking for Breast Cancer



Kissimmee Lions getting ready for Christmas parade



2VDG Steve getting the children involved in LIONS.



Rockledge Lions hard at work SHOPPING!



Mr. & Mrs Santa Claus with the children of Homosassa.



Viera Lions loading up Santa's Sleigh



Fun things happening at Hernando Lions Club



It takes many hands to help Santa

Ormond By The Sea - Breakfast with Santa at Alfie's Restaurant . Santa (a.k.a. Club President Les Walter) and Mrs. Claus (a.k.a. Guiding Lion Palm Coast Club Member Gwen Dean) gave each child a small gift and candy cane. Ormond By The Sea Fire Fighters gave each child a tour of the truck and a fireman's hat and candy cane. OBTS Lion Mary Yochum was the elf and GLT Lion Greg Evans wore the Christmas Tree hat. Ages sitting, standing (or laying) with Santa & Mrs. Claus ranged from three weeks to 100 years young! Great job everyone.



GLT Lion Greg Evans, Past Presidents Lion Mary Yochum and Lion Frank White and First Vice District Governor Lion Jacquie Tripp and her husband Director Lion David Dunlop were among the 100+ Lions at the District Meeting on 11/15 at Cypress Creek High School in Orlando. District Governor Carolyn Lloyd presented Lions Greg and Mary their Guiding Lions Certificates.



(Photo Dist. Mtg. Left to right, GLT Lion Greg Evans, Director Lion David Dunlop, Past President Lion Mary Yochum, First Vice District Governor Lion Jacquie Tripp and Past President Lion Frank White.)

The Annual Peace Poster Contest, with the 2014 theme of Peace, Love & Understanding, was held with the assistance of Art Teacher Linda King at St. Brendan's Catholic School in Ormond Beach. Prizes from the Ormond By The Sea Lions Club were awarded to: \$50 for First Place winner Emily Hawes, \$30 for Second Place winner Tia Kearney and \$20 for Third Place Aleksandra Coughlin.



(Peace Poster Photo left to right, Lion Mary Yochum, Student Emily Hawes, St. Brendan Catholic School Principal Mr. Philip Gorrasi, B.A., M.A., P.D., Student Tia Kearney, Student Aleksandra Coughlin and Past President Lion Frank White.)



Watching the weather report on TV earlier today it was suggested anyone travelling in the current winter conditions should ensure they have the following: shovel, blankets or sleeping bag, extra clothing including hat and gloves, 24 hours worth of food, de-icer, rock salt, flashlight with spare batteries, road flares or reflective triangles, full gas can, first aid kit, & booster cables. They are the experts so one assumes they know what they are talking about. But my neighbor sure looked funny getting on the bus this morning! (*Wishing you a safe and warm winter in sunny District 35-O!*)

Tenth Annual STRIDES WALK



Join Us For the Walk with Us on Saturday, March 28, 2015 along the beautiful Ormond by the Sea Beach. This walk supports Lions Scholarships for the Florida Diabetic Camps for diabetic children.

PLEASE HELP US WITH A PATRON/BUSINESS AD

Your name will be listed as Sponsor on the T-Shirt or you can purchase an Event T-shirt.

Each listing is \$25 and cannot exceed 30 characters including spaces. This fee includes a free walk tee shirt. If additional T-shirts are desired, please include an extra \$20 for each. Indicate number of shirts and sizes requested. Checks should be made payable to **LIONS DIABETES ASSOCIATION**. Please PRINT and complete the form below by **March 20, 2015**.

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