

101st Annual
Multiple District 35
Lions of Florida, Bahamas,
Aruba,
Bonaire & Curaçao
Americana Convention





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We are proud to celebrate the newly elected
leaders of Multiple District 35 who will guide us
with vision, dedication, and service

- Lion Elbio Gimenez, Council Chair
- Lion George Niles, Governor District L
- Lion Beverly Flynn, Governor District I
- Lion John Hanna, Governor District O
- Lion Gaston Correa, Governor District N



Justin K. Faber

Past International Director



Justin K. Faber, from Deckerville, Michigan, USA was elected to serve as international director at the 102nd International Convention, in Milan, Italy, in 2019. He became a Lion in 2001 after joining the Ugly Lions Club and was instrumental in changing his club from an all-male club to a diverse club that is the pillar of the district today. He has held a number of offices including MD GST Chair, MD Governmental Liaison Committee Chair and Council Chair. As the Council Chair he

navigated the political scene in the state of Michigan to revise an age-old law that abruptly disallowed Lions from collecting monies in the streets and has allowed Lions to raise over one million dollars annually in Michigan.

In recognition of his service, PID Justin has received several Presidential Certificates of Appreciation, an International President's Leadership and Awards. He also was one of four district governors in CA1 to receive Dr. Yamada's Dignity Award in both halves of the year and is also a Melvin Jones Fellow.

Justin started his first small business at the age of 19, Fabe's Family Concessions. He also owns and operates two other small businesses, Ameriheat and Thumb Rentals. He joined the Michigan Army National Guard and served as a Military Policeman for eight years. After the attacks on the US on 9/11 he was deployed to the Pentagon. He has been honored with several awards and commendations that include the 210th MP Battalion Soldier of the Year.

He graduated summa cum laude from Central Michigan University (CMU), and was awarded a double major in Political Science and Nonprofit and Public Administration. He also has a minor in Leadership and earned certificates in: Civic Engagement, Public and Social Entrepreneurship, and International Nongovernmental (NGO) Administration. Justin also earned a Master's in Public Administration in December 2019.

PID Justin serves on the board of United Healthcare Partners – Deckerville Community Hospital and Marlette Regional Hospital. He is also a member of the Thumb Veterans Organization, Knights of Columbus, and the Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions. He is a member of the Sanilac County Veterans Board and has served as a Sanilac County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority as Chairperson. Also, he is a board member and Vice President of the Sanilac County Historical Museum and has a passion for history and collects historical artifacts. He also enjoys travelling and spending time with his family.

**The 2025-2026 Council of Governors
And their Partners in Service
Welcome You to Orlando, Florida**



The Council of Governors and I want to welcome you to Orlando's Florida Hotel and the 101st Lions Multiple District 35 Convention.

We have a weekend planned with interesting seminars and learning opportunities, luncheons and much more. We hope that you enjoy the fun and fellowship with your fellow Lions. We are fortunate to have Past International Director Justin Faber from Deckerville, Michigan, as our guest this weekend. Please join me in extending some southern hospitality that will make him feel at home.

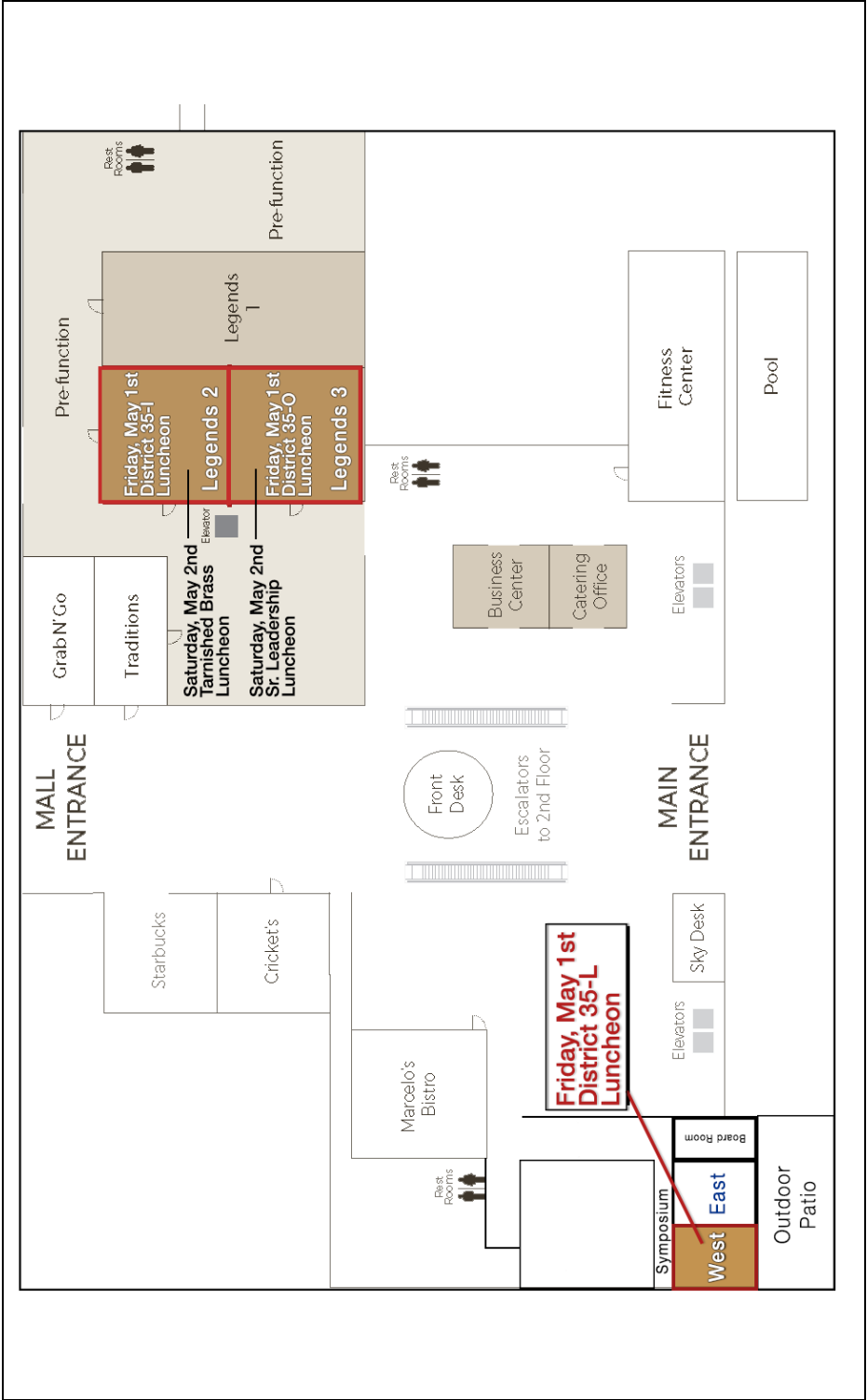
Studio 35 has been transformed from the disco era to Ye Olde Playhouse for our Friday Fun Night theme "Americana". So, be creative and dress in in your best revolutionary to present day clothes representing any era of the last 250 years of the United States of America – BE CREATIVE! If you enjoyed last year's convention's entertainment you won't be disappointed this year as they will be back with even more of the best tribute entertainers around! There will be food of course. My heartfelt thanks to District 35-O for once again sponsoring.

Please visit our vendors, participate in the service project, and attend as many of the seminars as you can. The knowledge you'll gain will provide a valuable base for your club's and your own personal development.

We hope that you will continue to "Make Your Mark" in your community and that your new gained enthusiasm will inspire your club to help fulfill Mission 1.5.

We look forward to a fun and rewarding weekend.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Jimmy Gregory
Council Chair 2025-2026
MD 35 Lions of Florida, Bahamas, Aruba, Bonaire & Curaçao



MALL
ENTRANCE

MAIN
ENTRANCE

Pre-function

Pre-function

Grab N' Go

Traditions

Saturday, May 2nd
Tarnished Brass
Luncheon

Saturday, May 2nd
Sr. Leadership
Luncheon

Friday, May 1st
District 35-L
Luncheon

Legends 2

Friday, May 1st
District 35-O
Luncheon

Legends 3

Restrooms

Restrooms

Business
Center

Catering
Office

Fitness
Center

Pool

Elevators

Front
Desk

Escalators
to 2nd Floor

Starbucks

Cricket's

Marcelo's
Bistrio

Restrooms

Friday, May 1st
District 35-L
Luncheon

Sky Desk

Elevators

Symposium

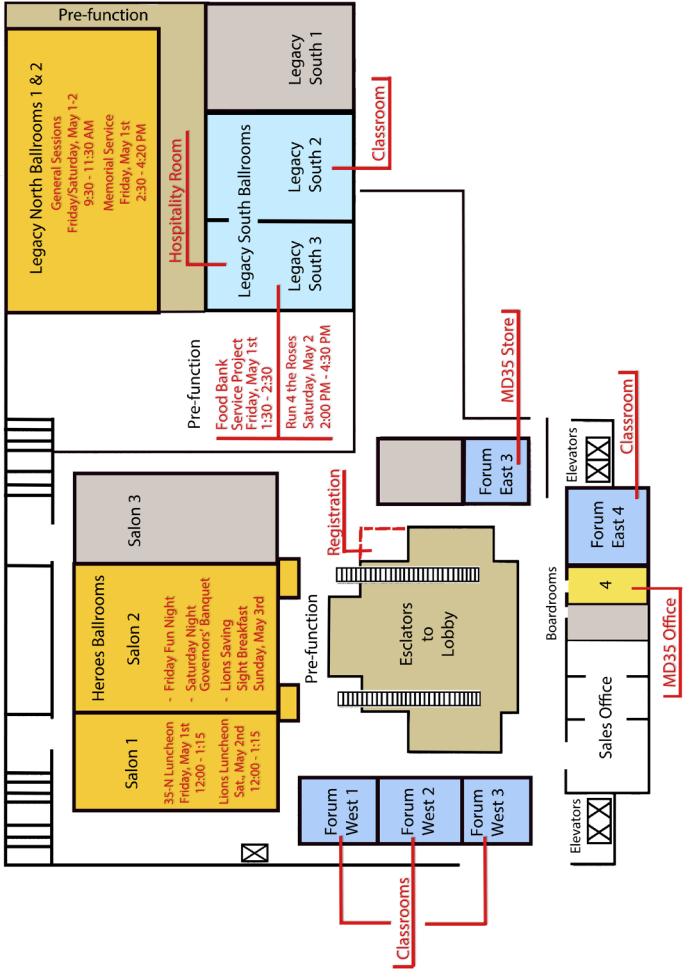
West

East

Board Room

Outdoor
Patio

**MEZZANINE LEVEL
(2ND FLOOR)**



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April 30 – May 3, 2026 – Florida Hotel & Conf. Center, Orlando, Florida

OFFICIAL PROGRAM

Thursday – April 30, 2026

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Registration – Entity Setup	Mezzanine
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	MD-35 Store Setup	Forum East 3
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	Sr. Leadership Dinner <i>(by invitation)</i> with PID Justin Faber	Buco Di Peppa
8:30 PM – 12:00 PM	Hospitality Room	Legacy South 3

Friday – May 1, 2026

7:30 AM – 5:30 PM	Registration (closed for lunch)	Mezzanine
8:00 AM – 9:15 AM	Breakfast Sponsored by Lions Saving Sight	Salon 1
8:30 AM – 9:15 PM	MD-35 Store	Forum East 3
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	MD-35 Store	Forum East 3
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Lions Projects Booths	Mezzanine
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Entity & Commercial Booths	Mezzanine

9:30 AM – 11:30 AM	General Session Presiding Officer Elizabeth Fisher, DG 35-N	Legacy North 1 & 2
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9:30	Call to Order	DG Elizabeth Fisher, 35-N
9:33	Invocation	DG Linda Gregory, 35-L
9:35	Pledges: United States Bahamas Aruba Bonaire Curaçao	
9:40	Adoption of Convention Rules of Procedure	Jimmy Gregory, Council Chair
9:43	Establishment of Protocol	Robert Littlefield, PID

Committee Reports

9:55	Nominations / Rules / Resolutions	Neil Spencer, PID
10:00	Constitution & By-laws	Stan Rodgers, PCC
10:04	GAT (LRP) Stacy Jones, PID	Jimmy Gregory, CC
10:08	GLT	Vivian Henegar, PDG
10:12	GET	Steven Van Varick, PDG
10:16	GMT	Elbio Gimenez, CCE
10:20	GST	Judy Galm, PDG
10:24	Used Eyeglasses	Steven Van Varick, PDG
10:28	USA/Canada Leadership Forum	Linda Gregory, DG 35-I
10:32	LEO Clubs	Andy Curiel, SVDG
10:36	International Relations	Jim Campbell, PDG
10:40	Pilot Award	Tony Montes, PDG
10:44	Crusader Award	Lion Steve Fawcett
10:48	Awards	Harry Williams, PDG
10:52	Environmental	Lion Jan Kunka
10:56	Hearing Prevention, Awareness & Action	Maggiy Williams, DG 35-N

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Friday – May 1, 2026 (continued)

11:00	MD Website	Drew Ogden, SVDG 35-I
11:04	Lions Quest	Lion Blanche Day
11:08	Sight Preservation, Awareness	Dr. Norma Callahan, PDG
11:12	Childhood Cancer	Suzi Rodgers, DG 35-L
11:16	Convention Updates	Jimmy Gregory, CC

Session Recessed

District Luncheons - Americana

12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	District 35-L	Symposium West
12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	District 35-I	Legends 2
12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	District 35-O	Legends 3
12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	District 35-N	Salon 1
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	Food Bank Service Project	Legacy South 3

Seminars

1:30 PM – 2:20 PM	Did you say what I think you said? Choosing Words Wisely. – DG Maggij Williams	Forum East 4
1:30 PM – 2:20 PM	MD35 Diabetic-Retinopathy Foundation Annual Meeting – Dr. Norma Callahan, PDG	Legacy South 2
1:30 PM – 2:20 PM	Lions Project for Canine Companions – Sarah Haberthur	Forum West 1
2:30 PM – 4:20 PM	Memorial Service – PID Neil Spencer	Legacy North 1 & 2
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	Diabetes Updates & Screener Training – Dr. Norma Callahan, PDG	Legacy South 2
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	Kids Sight: Enhancing Early Detection to Save Vision using the Plusoptix Vision Camera – Lion Rebecca Christensen	Forum East 4
7:00 PM – 10:00 PM	Fun Night – Ye Olde Studio 35	Salon 2
10:00 PM – 12:00 PM	Hospitality Room	Legacy South 3

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Saturday – May 2, 2026

7:30 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration (closed for lunch)	Mezzanine
8:30 AM – 5:00PM	MD-35 Store (closed for General Session & lunch)	Forum East 3
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Lions Projects Booths	Mezzanine
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Entity & Commercial Booths	Mezzanine

7:00 AM – 9:15 AM	Recognition Breakfast Presiding Officer Rod Wright, PID	Salons 1 & 2
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Recognition of Melvin Jones Fellows	Rod Wright, PID
Recognition of MD-35 Peace Poster Winner	Jimmy Gregory, CC
Recognition of Pilot Winners	Tony Montes, PDG
Recognition of Crusader Winners	Lion Steve Fawcett
Recognition of Key Members	Elizabeth Fisher, DG
Recognition of Awards and Honors	Harry Williams, PDG
Justin K. Faber, Past International Director	Neil Spencer, PID

9:30 AM – 11:30 AM	General Session Presiding Officer Suzi Rodgers, DG 35-L	Legacy North 1 & 2
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Call to Order	Suzi Rodgers, DG 35-L
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Committee Reports

9:35	Peace Poster & Peace Essay	Lion Karen Douglas
9:39	Disaster Relief	Linda Gregory, DG 35-I
9:43	Lions Saving Sight	Bobby Wright, PDG
9:47	MD-35 Diabetes Awareness Foundation	Vivian Henegar, PDG
9:51	FL Lions Diabetic Retinopathy Foundation	Diana Castillo, PCC
9:55	Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF)	Rod Wright, PID
9:59	Lions World Vision	
10:03	Beauty of Sight	Lion Joel Levenston
10:07	Hunger	Lion Alexis Daou
10:11	Dogs Inc.	Gary Nieskes, PCC
10:15	Special Olympics	Bob Armstrong, IPDG
10:19	Final Credential Report	Neil Spencer, PID
10:23	Conklin Center	Nancy Epps
10:27	Final Elections Report	PCC C. David Lloyd
10:32	International Convention	Diana Castillo, PCC ID Endorsed Candidate
10:37	Convention Announcements	Jimmy Gregory, CC

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Saturday – May 2, 2026 (Continued)

12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	<u>Luncheons</u>	
	Lions Luncheon	Salon 1
	Tarnished Brass (PDG)	Legends 2
	Senior Leadership	Legends 3

2:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Run for the Roses – Foundation Fund Raiser	Legacy South 3
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Seminars

1:30 PM – 2:20 PM	Creating Unlimited Hope – Conklin Davis Center – Nancy Epps	Legacy South 2
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1:30 PM – 2:20 PM	Using AI for Club Marketing & Fund Raising – Lion Andre Doren	Forum East 4
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1:30 PM – 2:20 PM	Recognition – Honoring Those Who Serve – PCC Bob Jenkins	Forum West 1
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1:30 PM – 2:20 PM	What’s really Service & How to Post in the Lions Portal – Lion Bobbie Cheh	Forum West 2
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2:30 PM – 3:20 PM	AI Technology for the Visually Impaired – Bob Schrepfer, The Magnification Co.	Forum East 4
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2:30 PM – 3:20 PM	Using Hearing Audiometer in Screenings – Lion Dennis Dulniak	Legacy South 2
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3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Protecting the Mental Health of Lions: PTSD – Lion Dr. Barbara Klingensmith	Forum East 4
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3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Ukraine – Lions Service from the Heart – DG Elizbeth Fisher, 35-N	Legacy South 2
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7:00 PM – 10:00 PM	Governors Banquet	Salons 1 & 2
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10:00 PM – 12:00 PM	Hospitality Room	Legacy South 3
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Sunday – May 3, 2026

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Breakfast Sponsored by Lions Saving Sight	Salons 1 & 2
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COG & Companions in Service Orientations

10:30 AM–11:30 AM	2026-2027 COG Orientation CCE Elbio Gimenez	Legacy South 2
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10:30 AM–11:30 AM	Companions in Service Orientation Lion Diane ‘Lady Di’ LaSpina	Forum West 3
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First-Timers 2026 Scavenger Hunt

YOUR “PASSPORT”

To Meeting Your Multiple District Council of Governors and International Leadership

INSTRUCTIONS

- If you are a first timer at the MD-35 Convention, WELCOME to the 2026 MD-35 Convention Orlando! We want to invite you to play in our 2026 Scavenger Hunt and meet the Leadership for 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. They are the Lions that have led and will lead each of the 4 Districts and YOUR International Organization this year.
- We want to *thank you* for coming to your first Multiple District 35 convention!
- Meet each of the leaders for their signature and answer some tricky convention questions during the next 2 days.
- Turn in this sheet at the Registration Desk or Convention Committee BEFORE our Saturday night Governors Banquet begins and you will be entered into a drawing for one of 3 great prizes:
 - 1st Prize – 2027 MD-35 Convention Registration and Banquet Ticket
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 - 3rd Prize – Set of 2026 Convention pins and MD-35 Logo Sticker



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District Governor 35-0**



**Sonia Saylor for
First Vice
District Governor 35-0**

2026-2027



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**RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR
MD 35 FLORIDA, BAHAMAS, ARUBA, BONAIRE & CURAÇAO
CONVENTION**

THE FOLLOWING RULES SHALL APPLY TO THE 2026 CONVENTION

ORDER OF BUSINESS: the order of business as published in the official program shall be adhered to. Any new business to be included for discussion shall be done at the conclusion of the regular program. The presiding Council Chair or District Governor shall have the right to make appropriate changes to the order of business as they deem necessary. They shall announce any changes immediately subsequent to bringing to order any such session affected.

All meetings shall adjourn at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to any regular scheduled convention session as published in the official program. No meeting or any activity will begin while a convention session is in progress. This rule applies to all approved hospitality rooms, meetings of Eye Banks, the Florida Lions Foundation, the Florida Lions Conklin Center, the MD 35 Diabetes Foundation, the Florida Lions Diabetic Retinopathy Foundation and all activities not otherwise specified that would, or might, interfere with attendance at the scheduled convention sessions, luncheons and/or dinners.

Official projects of the Multiple District, with approval of the convention coordinating staff, shall be furnished, gratis, a display booth consisting of one 6' table. Any available tables not reserved prior to the convention will be assigned on a 1st come 1st serve basis to those who apply.

RAFFLES: Public sale of raffle tickets shall be located only in areas set aside by the MD 35 Convention staff during the Convention. This being a Multiple District event, sale of raffle tickets shall be limited to the Convention Host Committee and official MD 35 approved projects. Local clubs and sub-district project raffles are not allowed during this event, thereby allowing the host committee the opportunity of covering necessary expenses. The sale of raffle tickets and door prizes shall end at 5:00 PM on Saturday of the Convention and all prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of the Governors Banquet. The exception to this rule will be the Florida Lions Foundation. Since their last meeting is on Sunday morning after the closing of the Convention, they shall be allowed to continue the sale of raffle tickets during the Sunday morning meeting, with their drawing at the conclusion of their meeting.

REGISTRATION: All persons, whether delegates, alternate delegates or convention participants must pre-register to receive a badge, program or participate in any and all proceedings of the Multiple District or any sub district convention held within the Multiple District Convention, including certification. The registration tables and the Certification tables will adhere strictly to the hours as outlined in the official convention program.

RESOLUTIONS: All proposed resolutions must be typewritten and double spaced on one side of paper only. A copy of all resolutions must be delivered to the Resolutions Committee Chairperson no later than ten (10) days prior to the opening day of the convention. Resolutions are not to be introduced or read from the floor.

SPEAKERS: No person, exclusive of those who have been assigned set speeches and discussions shall be allowed to speak more than twice, nor be permitted to speak more than four (4) minutes each time on any one subject without consent of the convention.

VOTING: On all matters presented, each chartered club in good standing in MD 35 shall be entitled at this convention or any sub district convention within the MD Convention, to one (1) voting delegate and one (1) alternate (who must be present in person) for each ten (10) members of said club or major fraction thereof as shown by the records of Lions Clubs International on the first day of the month, one year preceding the month in which the convention begins. The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) members. Voting shall be by secret, separate ballot in such manner as fixed by the election committee in accordance with the By Laws of the Lions of Florida, Multiple District 35, Inc. Partially voted ballots, with all the blanks ignored are allowed in MD 35. A majority vote of 50% plus one shall be required of the delegates present and voting to elect a District Governor or 1st or 2nd Vice District Governor. All ballots for each particular district shall contain the name(s) of the nominees with a "yes" line for the delegate to circle one and a "no endorsement" line if there is more than one candidate, thus allowing for proper measures to safeguard the rights of the delegates. In the case of Multiple District resolutions, a "yes" line and a "no" line to circle one will be added to the ballot for clarification. Amendments to the MD By-laws require 50% + One (1) vote for ratification and amendments to the MD Constitution require a 2/3rd's majority for ratification.

BALLOTS: The Multiple District or sub district elections chair (for sub district conventions), shall have all printed ballots that will be utilized in the election. The individual that causes the printing of the ballots must maintain custody of same until after the entire election process is complete. They are then to be tallied by the Elections Chair within each sub district. All ballots will be inserted in envelopes marked for each individual sub district and turned over to the Council Chair, who will have them stored at the Multiple District Office until there is no possibility of a recount being ordered or protest filed under rules provided for in these circumstances, for a period of six months. On election day, each delegate shall present their voter verification card to their district elections chair, who will validate the card with an appropriate mark and give them the proper ballot for the election, which, when completed shall be placed into a sealed box labeled for the proper sub district, until the ballots are counted, or results determined. In Districts where there is more than one candidate for a position, the elections chairperson shall have ballots prepared in the event of a second ballot being necessary.

CREDENTIALS CERTIFICATION: Certification shall be within the hours as printed in the official program of the convention. Certification shall be open on Friday at the designated hours and on Saturday from 6:30 AM to 9:00 AM. However, all delegates waiting in line at the time of closing shall be certified for voting if eligible. All delegates or alternates must be wearing or displaying their badge and be prepared to present picture identification, if requested, and have been designated prior on Credential Form # 1, with their signature in place, to be certified to vote at the convention. However, at

the Multiple District Convention and sub district conventions, any Lion in good standing from a club in good standing may be certified to vote by their respective District Governor, prior to the closing of the Certification tables, if for any valid reason their clubs designated delegates or alternates are not in attendance.

RULES OF PROCEDURE: after adoption of these rules, they shall not be altered or rescinded except by two thirds (2/3) vote of the convention.

HOSPITALITY ROOMS: Rooms shall be closed fifteen (15) minutes prior to and remain closed during any regularly scheduled session or event, as published in the official program. The rooms shall close each night no later than 1:00 AM. There shall be no large groups congregating in the hallways around the various hospitality rooms, causing loud disturbing noises for other non-Lion hotel guests. No alcohol shall be consumed in the hospitality rooms during the hours of elections and certification.

Election time for the 2026 convention will be Saturday, May 2, 2026, from 7:00 AM to 9:30 AM. If necessary, second ballot voting will begin immediately following the official reading of election results. There will be a thirty-minute time frame allowed for second ballot voting.



MISSION 1.5

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Our Global Membership Approach is designed to revitalize existing clubs, charter new ones and inspire all Lions through fellowship and exciting service.

The 101st Multiple District 35 Convention is dedicated to the memory of Past International Director A. Geoffrey Wade.

Past International Director A. Geoffrey Wade passed away on March 19th at Vitas Hospice West Palm Beach, FL at the age of 78. PID Wade was originally from Chicago and after attending school joined the United States Navy, serving in Viet Nam.

He eventually made his way to Florida and settled in Port St. Lucie. In 1994, he joined the Fort Pierce Lions Club and then along with Past District Governor Roger Messer chartered the Port St. Lucie West Lions Club and remained a member until his passing.



Lion Geoff was a member of the Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind (Now Lions Saving Sight) from the beginning of his service to the association served as President of the Foundation and was their financial advisor for many years. He also was very active in the Florida Lions Eye Bank (now The Beauty of Sight Foundation) in Miami and served a term as president of the Board of Directors. He was active in vision screening as well as diabetes screening. He was active in many club and district activities over the years and in 2003, the lions of District 35-D elected him District Governor. He went on to serve as Multiple District 35 Council chair 2015-2016.

In 2017 Lion Geoff was endorsed by MD 35 as a candidate for International Director, however, he was asked to step back at the 100th International Convention in Chicago. He returned in Las Vegas in 2018 and was elected to serve a 2-year term on the International Board of Directors. He has the distinction of being of the board as the First female President of the association, Gudrun Yngvedottir was also elected at the same time. This turned into a 3-year term due to COVID. Lion Geoff served as the Chairman of the Finance Committee on the Board for 2 years, the only lion in history to do so. Following his term of office on the International Board, Lion Geoff stayed busy in his club and as an advisor to the MD 35 Council of Governors and continued as the Financial Advisor for the Foundations and MD35.

PID Geoff and his wife of 41 years, Lion Nancy were also great friends of the Satellite Beach Lions Club, having installed officers many times and they loved coming up, when possible, to support the annual Tri-Tip Cookout.

The family has asked in lieu of flowers to please donate to the "Beauty of Sight Foundation" at the Florida Lions Eye Bank. <https://beautyofights.org/donaten.php>

Please keep Lion Nancy and the family in your thoughts and prayers.

PID A. Geoffrey Wade

1948-2026



2025-2026
MD 35
Memorial Service



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Those
Who came before us!

International



*Lion Judge Brian Stevenson, PIP
Calgary Northeast Eyeopener Lions Club*



*Lion A. Geoffrey Wade, PID
Port St. Lucie West Lions Club*

DISTRICT 35-L
District Governor Suzi Rodgers

Lion Audrey A. Hall, PDG
Ocala Lions Club

Lion Dr. Ronald R. Foreman
Lake City Lions Club

Lion John P. "Jack" Hanbury, PDG
Quincy Lions Club

Lion Daniel Green
Sopchoppy Lions Club

Lion Elma "Nell" Simmons, PDG
Pensacola Lions Club

Lion Thomas B. Hinds
Ocala Lions Club

Lion Robert G. "Bob" Stape, PDG
Malone Lions Club

Lion Robert C. Holmes
Ocala 200 Lions Club

Lion Warren O. Woolsey, PDG
Alachua Lions Club

Lion Charlotte L. Hooks
Jacksonville River City Lions Club

Lion Stanley A. Bair
Cedar Key Lions Club

Lion Betty J. Jasiak
Fort Walton Beach Sonic City Lions Club

Lion Mary F. Brown
Jacksonville Beaches Lions Club

Lion Lee I. Korotzer
Ocala Lions Club

Lion Jacob Marshall Catoe
Sopchoppy Lions Club

Lion Billy E. Miller
Graceville Lions Club

Lion Ralph W. Cellon, Jr.
Alachua Lions Club

Lion Reese S. Russell
Lynn Haven 2 Lions Club

Lion Connie M. Estling
Ocala 200 Lions Club

Lion Yvonne Marie "Sue" Smith
Pensacola A1 Avengers Lions Club

Lion Kenneth T. "Moe" Faircloth
Jefferson County Lions Club

Lion Ina J. Thompson
Madison Lions Club

Lion Carlyn G. Falater
Palatka New Vision Lions Club

Lion Dr. Christine W. "Cris" Hirsch
Alachua Lions Club

Lion John F. Welch
Ocala Lions Club

DISTRICT 35-I

District Governor Linda Gregory

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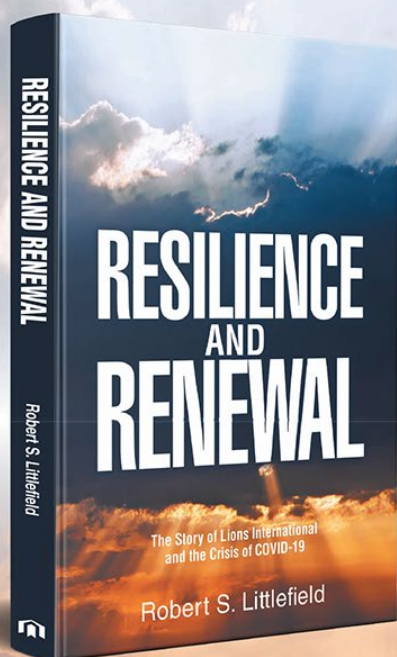
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