



Roar 'n Growl

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Coming Events

Oct 4	"Match Game"
	High Point Lions Club
Oct 4-12	LCI Global Initiative—Mental Health
Oct 8	High Point LC Charter Night
Oct 12	Beverly Hills LC Charter Night
Oct 17	Fall Conference
Oct 25	Marathon Bingo Lake Alfred LC
Oct 31	LA Halloween Trunk or Treat
Nov 6	Zone 1 Meeting Homosassa LC
Nov 14	Lake Alfred LC 80th Anniversary

MMXXVI October #4

PDG Harry Williams, Editor

A Message from the District Governor

Hello Fellow Lions,



The year is well underway and I am hoping that everyone is well and finding their footing in all the changes & scheduling activities and service. I have been meeting with our District leadership, knowing that sharing information can only help us help all our Lions achieve more success. **#Zoomingcrashcourse**



There are still some clubs who have not entered their officers into the Portal. Please do that as soon as possible as that is how we know who to contact to arrange visits to meetings and service activities.

Our District is still only reporting service at a very low percentage. I know our Lions are busy. Our service needs to be celebrated by sharing it with LCI through the Portal and our district through leadership, social media and our newsletter.

I look forward to seeing many of you by joining a service activity, meeting or the Fall Conference. Don't hesitate to reach out to ask a question or ask for help.

Lion Maggiy, DG



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for the state convention of the National Federation of the Blind of Florida at the Hilton Altamonte Springs from Friday afternoon, October 3 to Sunday evening, October 5. The address is 350 Northlake Blvd., Altamonte Springs, 32701.

We need sighted people to help greet arriving convention attendees (they do not have a doorman or bellhops), guide them to the elevator, etc. They will not be taking people to their rooms.

On Saturday, we can use help at any time of day, starting at 7 AM up until around 9 PM. During the day, they can help people find restaurants, meeting rooms, etc. That evening, we will have a dollar auction, and we need spry, sighted people to grab the dollars. I hear the action gets interesting if the prize is a good one. That would be a perfect service opportunity for Leos, although anyone can help.

Sunday will be basically a repeat of Saturday. There will possibly be a worship service in the morning, so anyone who wants to help can participate with us. We will have both Christian and Jewish clergy, I was told. I am getting confirmation of that.

Thank you in advance. Contact me should you have any questions at nancyepps@cff.rr.com.

Lion Nancy Epps
Ponce Inlet Lions Club President





BEAUTY OF
SIGHT
A LIONS EYE BANK

BEAUTY OF SIGHT ATTENDS THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS 51ST ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE



Concetta Triglia, Beauty of Sight Director of Laboratory Services,
with Dr. MacDougall, BCME Chief Medical Examiner, and
Anthony Humphries, Beauty of Sight Technician.

The Florida Association of Medical Examiners (FAME) held its 51st Annual Educational Conference in Destin, Ft. Walton Beach, Florida, September 10–12. This statewide gathering brought together forensic pathologists, medical examiner staff, law enforcement, and students to share new research and the latest advances in forensic science and technology.

Beauty of Sight Eye Bank was proud to participate, highlighting how vital medical examiner partnerships are to restoring vision. Beauty of Sight works with medical examiners on about 40% of our eye donor cases, making their collaboration and support essential to bringing the gift of sight to those in need. Director of Laboratory Services Concetta Triglia represented the organization, connecting with the professionals who help make these life-changing transplants possible.

By attending, Beauty of Sight increased awareness of our work and reinforced the relationships that ensure more people can receive the gift of sight. The conference also provided essential updates on regulations and techniques that help us maintain the highest standards of care for the patients and families we serve.

This is Spooky ...District 35-0 Are You Reporting Your Service?



Thank you to all the Clubs that are reporting! But where are the rest of the Clubs? We know you're performing great community service but if you don't report it, we won't know! Reporting is part of the Secretary/President/Administrator's positions.

As I spoke at our first District Advisory meeting, this year we will have a contest to win \$50 worth of scratch off lottery tickets. The Club that reports the most service during this Lions year will win the \$50 in scratch off lottery tickets. Following are the District Clubs and the date service activities were last reported to LCI.

<u>Name of Club</u>	<u>Date Last Reported</u>
Auburndale/Polk County	8/25
Beverly Hills	8/25
Clermont/Minneola	8/22
Crystal River	2/22
Cypress Gardens	3/25
Davenport	8/25
Daytona Halifax	2/25
Deland	11/18
Eastport	8/25
Floral City	6/25
Fruitland Park	8/25
Highpoint	8/25
Homosassa	8/25
Inglis Yankeetown	6/25
Inverness	8/25
Kathleen	6/25
Kissimmee	12/23
Lady Lake Orange Blossom Gardens	8/25
Lake Alfred	8/25
Lake Sumter	8/25
Lakeland North Lakeland	7/25
Lockhart	000
Mount Dora	6/25
New Smyrna Beach	8/25
Ocoee	7/25
Orlando/College Park	3/25
Orlando International Film Festival	4/25
Ormond Beach	8/25
Ormond By The Sea	8/25
Oviedo/Winter Springs	6/25

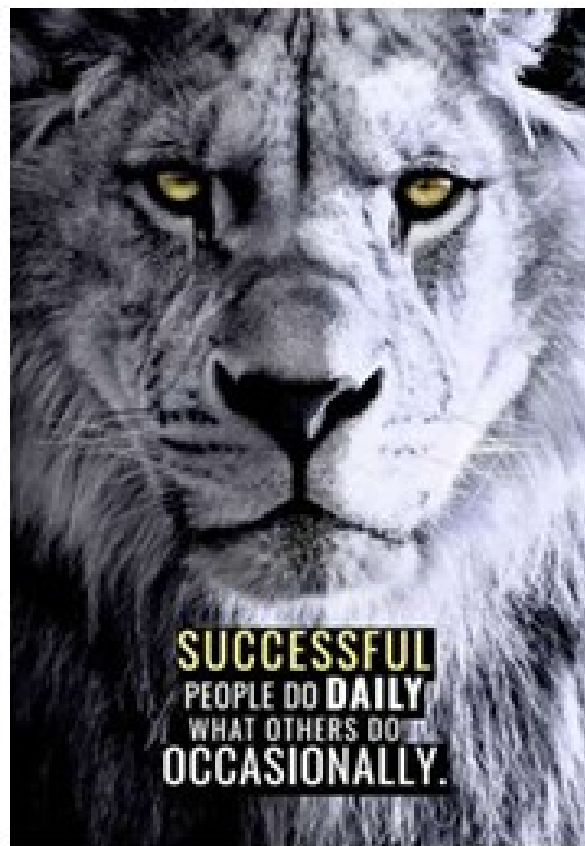


Palm Coast	8/25
Pierson	4/25
Ponce Inlet	8/25
Rockledge	5/23
Satellite Beach	8/25
South Daytona	8/25
Spring Hill Nature Coast	5/25
Tavares	10/23
Viera	6/25
West Volusia Action Team	5/23
Wildwood Sumter	3/24



As of this writing only 49% of Clubs are reporting. District 35-0, I know you can do better. Clubs please start reporting your meetings and services activities on the Lions Portal. Let's make our District Governor happy by having 100% of Clubs reporting. As always, if you need help, either contact me at ormondobob@aol.com or (386) 441-0955 and I will get back with you as soon as I can. I will update our progress next month. Thank you District 35-0!

Lion Bobbie Cheh
Global Service Team Coordinator
District 35-0



PROJECT RIGHT TO SIGHT

The weekend of September 14, we had a successful donated eyeglasses processing event. Members of the Oviedo Winter Springs Lions , Ocoee Lions Club , and the South Daytona Lions Club, Omega Leos of UCF as well as young students from the Junior National Honor Society and other community members gathered for a three hour volunteer opportunity where donated eyeglasses were sorted. Glasses deemed usable are separated from those that will be recycled for their raw materials. This opportunity also provides an opportunity for non-Lions members to learn about the journey that donated eyeglasses take from donation to finding their way to a person in need. Recycling eyeglasses that can't be used keeps them out of the landfill protecting our environment which is a leading Global Focus of Lions Clubs International .

Lest we forget The simple act of volunteering has been proven time and time again to have a positive affect on your personal mental health. Won't you join us the next time?

Project Right to Sight

Florida Lions District 35-O

Lions of Multiple District 35





Lions Clubs International

MD-35 Florida Regional Lions Leadership Institute

Life Enrichment Center
4991 Picciola Rd.
Fruitland Park, FL 34731

March 19-22, 2026

Check in after 3:30 Thursday -Depart Sunday 11:30

Name _____

Badge Name: (if different) _____

District _____ Club _____

Highest office held _____

Current Office if any _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Have you ever attended a RLLI? Y _____ N _____

Institute Topics:

- Opening Session
- Diversity
- Lions Fundamentals
- Motivating Club members
- Personal Mission Statement
- Public Speaking
- Time Management
- Working in Teams
- GMA success plan
- District Success
- Setting and Reaching Club Goals

Registration Fee \$200.00 includes:

- Lodging 3 Nights
- Eight Meals (Thur Din through Sun Bkfst)
- Instructional Materials
- Friday Night Campfire or fun.

Please inform us of any special needs or Diets.

Lodging Accommodations

Double Occupancy

(Single Occupancy available- add \$75.00)

Roommate (if applicable list below)

Checks made payable to: **Lions of Florida MD-35**

Mail to: **Lion Vivian Henegar 9069 High Point Blvd Brooksville Florida 34613**

Lions of Florida and the South East come and enjoy 3 days of Lions Learning, Lions Fellowship and Lions Enrichment with 30 Lions from MD -35 and beyond. You will experience a Lions event you will remember for years to come. You will go home energized and ready to help Lead your Club and District to success while making lifelong friends. Sounds like when you were a kid at camp, well you could be right. A LOW price \$200.00, for all you get. Any questions? Call Lion Vivian at 810-444-4109. But reserve your spot now!

MASS EYEGLASS SCREENING IN JACKSONVILLE

District 35 O Clubs assist the effort.

Photos are attached of the event in Jacksonville promoted by Johnson & Johnson, Jacksonville Jaguars, Boys and Girls Clubs of Duval County, Everbank Stadium, and Multiple District 35 Lions.

Photos are of Lions from Port Orange-Volusia Lions Club, South Daytona Lions Club, and Ponce Inlet Lions Club partnering together to provide the initial screening with our 2 Welch-Allyn Spot Vision Screeners. Kids were given a white band if their eyes were OK, a red band if they needed further screening. Red band kids went to a separate area and were examined by an optometrist or ophthalmologist. Prescriptions were written and glasses will be mailed to each child in approximately two weeks. Lions came from all over Florida, as far away as Miami from the south and Crestview from the west.

The total UNOFFICIAL count was 649 children screened! GO LIONS! Thank you J & J!!



DISTRICT 35 0 DIRECTORY CORRECTION

Lion Hank Lunsford was the 22-23 Winner of the Millard Conklin Crusader Award
The first Zone 1 meeting will be a joint meeting with Zone 2 and held at Inverness on September 23rd

FVDG John Hanna's email has changed to nfdw2retired2@gmail.com

Lion Dennis Sweeney's email needs correction to dxswee35@aol.com

Lion Janie Uglione's emails needs correction to blindman1and2@aol.com

Lion Anita McHenry, Exec Sec for Lions Saving Sight new email lionanitamchen-ry@lionssavingsight.org

Lion Mike Ryan is a PDG

Connie Kleckner's address should read 1764 Usrey Ct, The Villages, FL 34762

Lake Alfred's treasurer is Barbara Johnson:

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Winter Haven FL 33880

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Shirley **Okhovatian**'s last name on page 74 is misspelled

Pg 38 District N's Second Vice District Governor is Lion Fernand "Andy" Curiel.

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Pg 38 District L's SVDG Lion Susan Oliva's info: Lion Susan Oliva

854-684-5355 Sloliva313@gmail.com

Pg 45 Cypress Gardens Treasurer is Lion Marc Eriksen

(813) 340-

5654ibehe57@gmail.com

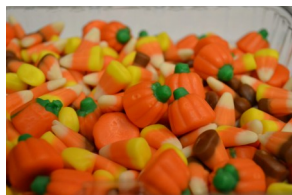
Pierson Lions club was left off of the list of Zone 7 clubs on page 23

Page 22 and page 161 Jamie Dudley's email address should read cocoapuffs@gmail.com

Please add PCC C. David Lloyd to your directory as MD Elections Chair, p. 28. PCC C David

Lloyd, Satellite Beach Lions

Club, liondave@gmail.com, 813-598-7102.





Monthly News & Updates

SEPTEMBER 2025

Program Spotlights: Making a Difference

As the charitable arm of LWVI, we restore vision locally and globally via core programs like the Vision Health Program, which provides crucial vision screenings for children, and the Gratis Tissue Program, offering free or reduced-fee corneal tissue to underinsured individuals. Our Surgeon Training Program educates ophthalmologists worldwide on advanced cornea transplantation techniques, and our Research Center advances treatments for blinding eye diseases. Additionally, we maintain our historic 114-year-old building in Ybor City, ensuring it remains a vital part of our community and identity.



Mission Moment: A Special Sunday to Remember

This past Sunday, the LWVI Vision Health Department's **Glazer Mobile Vision Clinic** had the honor of participating in a very special, last-minute event at the AdventHealth Training Center at 1 Buccaneer Place. With just three days notice, it was no small feat to pull everything together but thanks to the dedication and teamwork of our Vision Health Program team, the day became one we will never forget.

Our team had the privilege of serving a remarkable group of children from the **Jackson Heights NFL YET/Tampa Parks & Recreation Center**. The children received vision screenings, eye exams, and even walked away with glasses on-site. For many of these children, this was their very first pair of glasses, a gift that will impact their learning, confidence, and everyday life in ways both big and small.

But the day held an even bigger surprise. After the clinic, the LWVI crew — **Dr. Matt Helsing, Steve Casto, Layla Righoff & Nicole Opritza** — were invited to join the children at the **Tampa Bay Buccaneers' 50th Anniversary Home Opener** against the New York Jets. And this wasn't just any game-day experience. The group had the rare privilege of sitting right alongside the very children they had just served, sharing in the magic of their first Bucs game.

"It's always heartwarming to see the joy on a child's face when they put on their new glasses for the first time," said Steve Casto, Vision Health Program Manager. "But watching those same children cheer, clap, and jump with excitement as they recognized their favorite players and read jersey numbers across the field was something extraordinary. Their shouts of ***'I can see everything now!'*** and the endless stream of high-fives reminded us, in the most joyful way, just how powerful the gift of sight truly is."

The game itself was a nail-biter, with the Bucs pulling out a win in the final seconds, but the real victory was seeing those smiles light up the stadium. The afternoon was less about football and more about connection: sharing laughter, cheers, and unforgettable memories with the children whose lives had been touched by our mission earlier that same day.

Steve recounts how their hearts were as full as the stands that afternoon. "This game easily became my favorite I've ever had the privilege to attend, not just because of the amazing win in the final seconds of the game, but because **those children reminded all of us why we do what we do.**"



JOIN US AT THE MD35 FALL CONFERENCE

PARTNER'S SERVICE PROJECT
OCTOBER 17, 2025 9:30-11:30AM

Supplies for Patients at Children's Hospitals

Please bring the following items for backpacks:

All items need to be new!

Stuffed animals	Books	Play-Doh
Dolls	Crayons	Bubbles
Legos	Markers	Activity books
Pop-its	Coloring pencils	Picture books
Stress balls	Coloring books	Games
Fidget spinners	Drawing paper	

In lieu of items you may make monetary donations towards project.

Make Checks payable to MD-35.

Please designate your check for Children's Hospital Service Project

For more information call or email:

863.617.5459 or dsiaspina@msn.com

A detailed illustration of a lion with a long, flowing mane, dressed as a pirate captain. The lion wears a black pirate hat with a gold emblem featuring a blue 'L' and the word 'LION'. It is also wearing a dark, ornate pirate jacket with gold trim and a red sash. The lion is standing on the deck of a wooden sailing ship, with its hands resting on the railing. In the background, the sun is setting over the ocean, casting a warm, golden glow. Other ships are visible in the distance, and the overall scene is set against a dramatic, cloudy sky.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
MULTIPLE DISTRICT 35
2025 FALL CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 16TH-19TH
SAILING THE SEAS OF SERVICE
FLORIDA HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER
1500 SAND LAKE ROAD, ORLANDO, FL



Training Opportunities for All Lions!

Every Lion is welcome to participate in any available training class. There is no requirement to currently hold a specific position to attend.

If you are interested in learning about the responsibilities and knowledge required for leadership roles, joining the next training event can provide valuable information.

To find out when the next training class will be offered, please email liongarymd35@gmail.com.

2025 Fall Conference Training Opportunities

Conference Presenters:

Cookies for Kids Childhood Cancer
Beth Robertson
Manager, Community Outreach

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Leader Dogs for the Blind
Lion Claudia Gregory
Manager of Philanthropy - Lions Engagement Eastern U.S.

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Children's Hospital Service Project
Lion Diane 'Lady Di' LaSpina

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Certified Guiding Lions Training
PDG Vivian Henegar

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Awards: Who, What, When
PDG Harry Williams

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Lions Saving Sight: It's all about the Paper
Lion Judi Seltzer

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LCIF Grants & More
PID Rod Wright

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Building a Club Website
Lion Brittney Young

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So, You want to be an Officer
PCC Bob Jenkins

-
How to Rock the Boat w/o Losing Your Crew
DG Maggiy Williams

-
Sight & Hearing Impaired Etiquette
Lion Meredyth Mason

-
How to Manage a Meeting
PID Robert Littlefield

-
Protecting the Mental Health of Lions
Lion Dr. Barbara Klingensmith

-
Conflict Resolution
Lion Christine Malone

-
Hearing Testing Device Training
SVDG Drew Ogden

-
Diabetes Screener Recertification
PDG Dr. Norma Callahan
Lion Judi Seltzer

ZONE NEWS — Zone 4

Tuesday evening, September 2, the Oviedo-Winter Springs Lions Club was host to the first Zone 4 Meeting of the year, taking place at the Twin Rivers Golf Club.

For those who wished to eat, the bag grill was available. At 6:30 P.M. Zone Chair Lion Adam Parrish called the meeting at order. Following the recognition of guests (PID Robert Littlefield and partner Lion Cathy, District Governor Maggiy Williams and partner PDG Harry, SVDG Sonia Saylor and partner Lion Todd, and PDG Steven Van Varick), the invocation was delivered by Lion Jeff Hatley, the Pledge by Lion Tom Gallagher, and the Lions' Toast by LionTeresa Pedroza.

The focus of the evening was hearing. The guest speaker was Dr. Janel Cosby, UCF Communication Sciences and Disorders. Lion Dennis Dulniak and soon-to-be partner Lion Toni Gitles provided a demonstration of the new audiometer, discussing how hearing actually works and what might cause hearing issues.

Lion Teresa Pedroza spoke about a fundraising activity which involved purchasing a circle on a chart. When ten people have invested, one name is drawn and that person received a MJF. The first winner was Lion Dennis Dulniak who chose to give the MJF to Lion Toni Gitles.

The new Omega Leo Club officers were present. Leo President Gabe Pedroza spoke about cooperatively working with the OWS Lions and looking forward to many successful projects.

PID Robert Littlefield spoke about the upcoming Fall Conference to be held at the Florida Hotel and Convention Center in Orlando on October 17-19, encouraging Lions to participate in the classes which will be offered.

Club reports were given by participating clubs.

The meeting was adjourned and 50/50 was drawn. It was a great meeting, very educational. The next Zone 4 Meeting will be at Lockhart Lions Club on November 17.





ZONE NEWS—Zone 5



The first meeting of Zone 5 was held at the Davenport Lions Club. Originally, it was to be sponsored by Kathleen Lions Club; however, a truck literally destroyed their clubhouse and Davenport graciously stepped in. Thanks to Davenport Lions!!



President Lion Michele Tighe called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. and asked Lion Deby Senger to lead in the pledge. Lion Margie Maldonado delivered the invocation and PDG Bob Armstrong led the Lions' Toast. Lion Michele then introduced the head table: District Governor Maggiy Williams, PDG Harry Williams, and PDG Vivian Henegar. She also recognized first-time attendees: Lion Margie Maldonado from Davenport and Lion Anne Burrage from Lake Alfred. Dinner followed.



Lions from Davenport, Lake Alfred, Lakeland North Lakeland, Auburndale and High Point attended the meeting. Unfortunately, the Lions from Cypress Gardens (which included Zone Chair Jamie Dudley) were unable to attend due to illness. Following dinner Lion Michele had a medical emergency which caused her to leave unexpectedly. Her son, Jake, was not responding to his medication. It was later learned that he was doing better. Please keep them in your prayers.

PDG Harry Williams assumed the role of zone chair and asked PDG Vivian Henegar to tell the Lions about RLLI (Regional Lions Leadership Institute). Anyone can attend this extra special training. PDG Bob and Lion Barbara Hammer, previous attendees,

encouraged others to attend. The cost is \$200.00 which includes registration, room and board. However, District Governor Maggiy has a reimbursement of \$75.00 for the first ten to attend and complete the course. The dates for RLLI are March 19-22, 2026. R.S.V.P. to PDG Vivian Henegar ASAP.



PDG Harry Williams spoke briefly about the Mental Health and Well Being Initiative coming up October 4-12. There were several handouts available. Clubs were asked to perform a service project related the Mental Health during this period.

Club reported following. Lake Alfred President Rosemary Daniels spoke about the club's upcoming Community Fun Day on September 14. Teachers and students will have access to free school supplies. Also there is free food (hot dogs, chips, watermelon), games, and free vision, glucose, and hearing screenings scheduled.

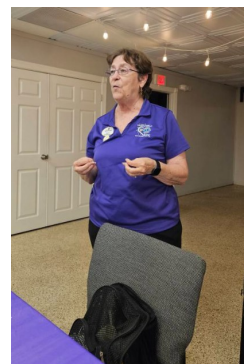
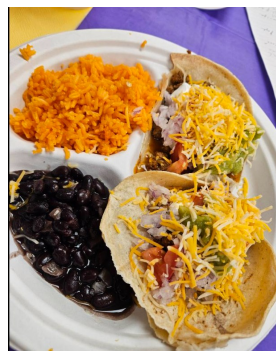
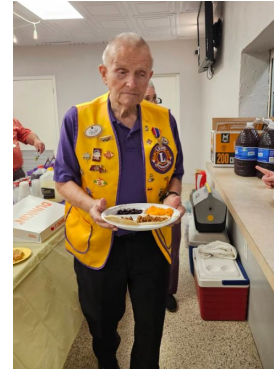
Auburndale President Lion Tammy Slaughter invited everyone to attend the Multicultural Festival On October 11 at the Auburndale clubhouse. This is a celebration to bring together diverse cultures from around the world, featuring traditional music, dance, cuisine, and art. Please contact Lion Minnie Hassele at barbjlcprd@aol.com.

Lion Joy Helmold, Secretary Lakeland North Lakeland, promoted the club's annual fishing tournament on Lake Parker, coming soon in April.

Vice President Ange Schmeltz reported projects for Davenport Lions. One of the club's favorite projects is care for the homeless. Lion Angie has made over 20 plastic pads. Also, Davenport sponsors a Thanksgiving dinner for the community and club members.

Following closing remarks by Lion Angie, the meeting adjourned. The next zone meeting will be at Cypress Garden Lions Club on November 20. Please plan to attend.

Zone 5 Meeting Photo Gallery



ZONE NEWS— Zone 3 Fruitland Park

On September 22, the Fruitland Park Lions Club hosted the Zone 3 meeting. Thirty Lions from Lake Sumter, OBG, Fruitland Park and Eastport attended the meeting. It was an exchange of ideas. The group was divided into four groups, each with a topic to discuss.

Mental Health Awareness Week: Education, suicide prevention hotline support, gun safety, loneliness club, visitations, information tables.

Hunger Awareness: Food drive and donations for underserved food pantries, volunteer to learn the needs of all food pantries in the district.

Environment: Adopt a highway, plant a tree, help with neighbor's yard, recycling, rain barrel, plant a garden at school, community gardens.

Membership: Encourage family membership, invite friends/acquaintances to luncheon, wear Lions' shirt in public, booths at local festivals, contact local media and submit member profiles.

Club reports followed. Fruitland Park has two primary projects: Leader Dog and K9 Companions. Eastport Lions also has two main projects: Murder Mystery and VOSH [sort and packaged 10,000 pairs of glasses]. Lake Sumter has performed glucose screening and supports a Christmas project for the SOZO kids. Finally, OBG is supporting the Leesburg HS Chorus and their trip to NYC and Carnegie Hall as well as scholarships to two CDL students.

Lion Heather Vass was presented a Grand Lion Award.



ZONE NEWS—Zone 1/2 Meeting Inverness Lions Club

On Tuesday evening, September 23, Lions from across Zones 1 and 2 gathered at the Cornerstone Baptist Church in Inverness for its zone meeting. Inverness President Karen Magno called the meeting to order and asked Lion Mike Isley to deliver the invocation. Lion Gary Gendron led in the Pledge to the Flag. Special guests and the head table were recognized and then dinner was served.

Following dinner Lion Karen turned the meeting over to Region Chair Jackie Angulo. Following the introduction of the zone chairs, Lion Jackie introduced members of the National Alliance of Mental Illness as the guest speaker. PDG Harry Williams also contributed comments and information concerning Mental Health and Well-Being Initiative which is October 4-12. District Governor Maggiy Williams reminded everyone about the Fall Conference October 17-18 at the Florida Hotel and Convention Center in Orlando and encouraged ways in which clubs could increase membership. PDG Vivian Henegar GLT invited those who have not previously attended to join Lions for the upcoming RLLI in Fruitland Park on March 21. The cost is \$200 and well worth it. She also reported that there will be training at the Fall Conference.

Zone 1 Chair Lion Linda Copestick asked each club to present its report. Crystal River, unfortunately, has lost their building and is still searching for a place to meet. They continue to do Lions' work in the community. Crystal River Kings Bay continues to meet at Oysters Restaurant on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 10:00 A.M. Homosassa continues to have bingo. Inglis-Yankeetown is still working on its clubhouse, progress is slow but ongoing. They are dedicated to working with the students in the schools.

Zone 2 Chair Jackie Angulo also had clubs give reports. Floral City is preparing for Pioneer Days and their annual Fish Fry on December 5. High Point has "Match Game" on October 4 and Bunco at the community center. Inverness is doing vision screening at the elementary school as well as having a food drive. Finally, Spring Hill announced that their president had been honored.

FVDG John and Lion Bunny were present. Lion John reported that the golf tournament had to be canceled; however, sponsors asked that the money already collected be donated to disaster relief. SVDG Sonia and Lion Todd were also present.

The meeting was adjourned by Lion Kim Rossman who delivered the benediction. A lot of material was available for Lions to collect following the meeting.



CLUB NEWS—Lake Alfred Lions Club

Many of the Lions at the Lake Alfred Lions Club thought that we would need to limit or even, heavens forbid, close our Monday evening bingo for the summer. Even though there have been low nights our players continue to support both our Saturday and Monday evening events. Some time ago we added instant bingos as a pregame or warm up game. The players loved it... and they loved it even more when we started allowing them to purchase as many tickets as they wished. Also, the first Saturday evening of each month we host an extra session at the end of the evening which we call Night Owl. This session only has 5 games, but the last three are full amount jack pots. Thank you to our players for their unceasing support.



On Saturday October 25 the club will host its first Marathon Bingo for the year with a Halloween theme. Players enjoy coming to Marathon Bingo and particularly enjoy dressing up in costume. [See the enclosed flyer].

September 14 will be Community Fun Day. Many local businesses have contributed to the project which will have free school supplies, games, food, and vision, hearing, and glucose testing. Below are pictures of DG Maggiy Williams, Lion Anne Burrage, Pam Lyons, Lion Barbara Johnson, Lion Sue Shaw, Lion Lina Martin, and Lion Angel Shephard are preparing for Community Day.





Lion David Fawcett, chairman for LFHS [Lions Feeding Hungry Students] is faithfully delivering boxes of food to Lake Alfred Polytech which he does every Friday without fail. This is a project near and dear to his heart.

This school year began with 20 students identified as being homeless but grew to almost 30 by October.

LA Lions meet at the clubhouse and pack the boxes monthly which are stored until needed.

Thanks Lion Dave for your dedication.



Sunday, September 14, Lake Alfred Lions held their Community Fun Day at Lions Park. Fourteen countywide schools had participants including students from K-11 grade. Those attending were very appreciative for the free school supplies and enjoyed the many other activities including games, hot dogs, watermelon, health screenings and sunglass washing.

PDG Vivian Henegar [High Point Lions] was on hand to provide glucose screening. Lion Kathy Lawless [Englewood Lions] checked vision, and DG Maggiy Williams, using the recently purchased audiometer from Project Right to Sight, evaluated hearing. Lake Alfred Police Officer Winston Etienne was on hand to talk to participants about safety.

Many thanks to our many sponsors which include Los Comadres in Lake Alfred, Lowes, Home Depot, Staples in Davenport, Dunkin' Donuts in Winter Haven, Gary's Oyster Bar in Lake Alfred, the Lake Alfred Diner, Outback Steak House, and Lion Lina Martin who purchased the backpacks.

Those Lions assisting were Anne Burrage, Harry & Maggiy Williams, Angel Shephard, Jamie Dudley, Jennifer McCrary, Joy Johnson, Rita & Dave Fawcett, Steve Fawcett, Diane & Ray Richardson, Stacey Houston, Tiny Johnson, Nadia Morgan and Michele Tighe. Those volunteering were Marissa Fawcett, Rebecca Dixon and the Harris girls. Thanks to all for a wonderfully successful event.



CLUB NEWS—Lake Alfred Lions Club [pictures from Community Fun Day]



CLUB NEWS—Ormond by the Sea Lions Club

Recently the OBTS Lions had to relocate where they were meeting as Alfie's Restaurant, a long time staple in Ormond Beach for many years, closed. However, that did not slow the Lions of OBTS down, not even a little. Members prepared 193 lunches for Hope Place, a family homeless shelter once a month. They also prepare food for a church in Daytona that distributes the food to the area's homeless.



CLUB NEWS—South Daytona Lions Club



What a great turnout for the 17th annual Kailynne Quartier Memorial Ride this Saturday, September 6th. Thank you to all who came out in support of this amazing cause. This month is Childhood Cancer month which is appropriate for the beautiful girl whose life was taken way too soon at the young age of 13 due to childhood brain cancer. Research is making strides, children are being cured in our lifetime and unfortunately, there are many who continue to fight with a strong spirit and a hope for tomorrow because of those who will never give up until we have the cure for Childhood Cancer.

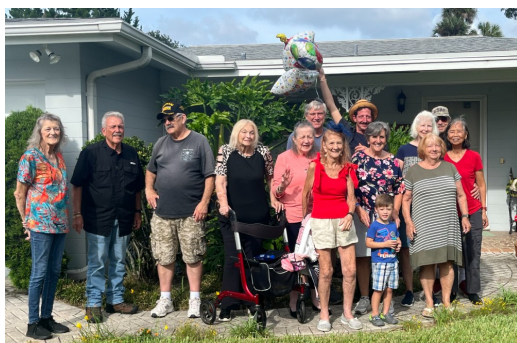


Yesterday, South Daytona came together to celebrate a very special milestone – Jean Klune's 95th birthday!

Our Fire Department and Police Department led the way with a parade in her honor, and City Manager Gillis and Mayor Hall were the final cars in the lineup, stopping to personally wish Ms. Klune a happy birthday and thank her for her incredible contributions to our community.

Jean is a shining example of service and spirit – from her work with the South Daytona Lions Club and Citizens Alert, to working at the concession stand at the ballpark, or joining Tai Chi at the Piggotte Center, she is always giving back and inspiring others.

Please join us in wishing Jean a very happy 95th birthday and many, many more wonderful years ahead. Thank you, Jean, for everything you do for South Daytona!



CLUB NEWS –Spring Hill Nature Coast Lions Club



As discussed over the phone, I am sending you some photos from our club's Peace Poster contest 2025. This year's theme is "Together As One".

We had 2 participating schools- Challenger K8 and Powell Middle School. On May 29th, we awarded students that placed 1st-3rd as well as 3 honorable mentions.

Lions Kelly Vargas (first and second picture), Andres Rosales (first picture) and past president Jesus Ariza (2nd and 3rd picture) met with the teachers and students and presented them their diplomas and certificates, as well as small prizes.

Our contest winner is 12 year old Ashlesha Thaudboina from Challenger K-8 (3rd picture). Chloe Rose from Powell M.S. placed 2nd and Savanna Buck, 13, from Challenger K-8 placed 3rd. We are looking forward to the next level of judging for District 35-O!

[Dr. Zuzanna Talbot, president]



CLUB NEWS— Lakeland North Lakeland Lions Club



On Thursday evening, September 18, District Governor Maggiy Williams and partner-in-service Harry made an official visit to the Lakeland North Lakeland Lions Club which meets at the IHOP. President Harry Porter welcomed everyone back from their summer break as this was the first meeting of the year. He then led everyone in the Pledge to the Flag. Lion Millie Blymore led in the Lions Prayer and Lion George Tower led in the Lions' Toast. District Governor Maggiy spoke about the need to increase membership and praised the club for their many projects and acts of service.

PDG Harry, as MD chair for Mental Health and Well-Being, spoke about the service initiative set for October 4-12 and about ways in which the club could provide service.

April 4 has been set for the Annual Fishing Tournament on Lake Taylor.

DG Maggiy thanked the club for their hospitality. "It was a great visit."





CLUB NEWS—Lady Lake Orange Blossom Garden Lions Club

The Orange Blossom Gardens (OBG) Lions Club is proud to announce that Heather Vass, Club Secretary and resident of Orange Blossom Gardens in The Villages, has been honored with the distinguished Grand Lion Life Member designation by Lions Saving Sight, formally known as the Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind.

The award was officially presented at the September 22, 2025, Zone 3 meeting of Multiple District 35-O. Vass was nominated by Barbara Crewell, OBG Lions President, and the presentation was made by Bruce Scheel, OBG Lions 2nd Vice President and current Zone 3 Chair. This honor is reserved for those who have provided generous, outstanding, and sustained support for the Foundation's mission of aiding the visually impaired throughout Florida and beyond.

Since joining the OBG Lions Club in 2023, Vass has worked heavily on the club's service initiatives. She has contributed in both visible leadership roles and behind-the-scenes efforts, consistently demonstrating the Lions' motto of *"We Serve."*

Her work includes:

- **Eyeglass Collection and Sorting:** Vass plays a hands-on role in regularly gathering, organizing, and preparing hundreds of donated glasses that are cleaned and catalogued by prescription for distribution to those in need, ensuring vision care access for underserved communities.
- **Health Insurance Expertise for Vision Care:** Drawing on her extensive professional background, Vass assisted several individuals navigate the often-complex health insurance system to obtain coverage for essential procedures, including cataract surgery, giving life-changing support for many who otherwise might go without care.
- **Club Leadership and Volunteerism:** Beyond her formal duties as Secretary and Service Chair, Vass is a constant presence at OBG Lions events. She assists with planning, coordination, and outreach, and she regularly calls Friday Night Bingo, a community favorite that helps raise funds for the club's charitable programs.

Professionally, Vass works remotely with Yale Medicine in CT, bringing her expertise to her work while continuing to serve locally. Her career has also included years of dedication in rehabilitation and assisted living facilities in the Northeast, giving her a broad perspective on the needs of individuals facing health challenges.

At home in Orange Blossom Gardens, she shares life with her husband, Robert, and their three cats. Her personal commitment to both family and community reflects the

values the Lions seek to model: compassion, service, and leadership.

OBG Lions President Barbara Crewell highlighted the significance of Vass's contributions, saying: "Heather embodies what it means to be a Lion. She is dependable, compassionate, and always willing to step forward when someone needs help. Her knowledge and energy have directly improved the lives of people facing vision challenges in our community and beyond."

Zone 3 Chair and OBG Lions 2nd Vice President Bruce Scheel, who presented the award, added: "Heather's recognition as a Grand Lion Life Member reflects her dedication and an inspiration to others. She represents the best of who we are as Lions — committed, humble, and determined to serve."

The Grand Lion Life Member Award is one of the highest honors given by Lions Saving Sight. It recognizes Lions whose service has gone above and beyond in furthering the Foundation's mission to aid the visually impaired through screenings, surgeries, eyeglass recycling, and other programs that bring the gift of sight to those in need.

The Orange Blossom Gardens Lions Club, part of Lions Clubs International, the world's largest service organization, is dedicated to serving Lady Lake and the surrounding communities. The club's efforts include supporting the visually impaired, providing resources for those experiencing hunger, providing educational scholarships, and supporting humanitarian causes both locally and globally.

For more information about the OBG Lions, upcoming events, or ways to get involved, please visit www.obglions.com or email info@obglions.com.



**OBG Lions Club Secretary
Heather Vass Receives
Prestigious Grand Lion Life
Member Award for Service
to the Visually Impaired**

*Article courtesy of
Lion Bruce Scheel
Zone 3 Chair*

CLUB NEWS—High Point Lions Club



Our community is very generous! We had a "Back to School" Dime Jingle Bash and collected mountains of school supplies for the students and teachers. These supplies were delivered to Westside Elementary School which were extremely grateful for our donation. Pictured from left to right are Vice President Lion Peggy Monahan, Boss Lion Marlene Allen, the Principal and a teacher.



We had a great Arbor Day pool party hosted by the High Point HOA with help from the other clubs – especially the 3 Lions, Karen Stowers, JoAnn Keegan and Hope Sanders who sold ducks for buck for our "duck race" in the pool. The Golf Club served hamburgers and hotdogs.

Welcome our newest Lions Christine Cyr and Mary Mitchell. At the left is sponsor PDG Vivian Henegar, Lion Christine, Boss Lion Marlene Allen, Lion Mary Mitchell with her sponsor Nancy Barnett-Plaeger. Welcome to the Pride, Lions Chris and Mary!

The High Point Lions are planning a large FUN event. We hosted "The Match Game" four (4) years ago and it was a big success, therefore, we are bringing it back. We will have a panel of High Point residents "dressed up" as movie stars or singers and we will also have about six (6) contestants to play the game. This event is scheduled for Saturday, October 4. It is only \$10.00, and you can purchase your tickets at Dime Jingle or at the door. We will have round tables if you want to reserve a whole table. See the flyer for pictures of the last event. Everyone and their friends are invited to our 51st Charter Night Dinner and meeting at the Community Center on Thursday, October 9 at 6:00 PM. We will have a speaker from Operation Heartfelt, our District Governor Maggi Williams will also be here with her Partner in Service, PDG Harry, who will be talking about Mental Illness. October is Mental Health month. Donation is \$15 for dinner.

CLUB NEWS—Lake Sumter Lions Club



September 16 - What an adventure! Lion Jane accompanied some of our Club's "kings" of KidSight to screen the vision of young children. Lake Sumter Lions Chuck LeGare, Jon Joel, Ralph Long, and Jane traveled to Tavares to screen 35 children. Lion Jane heard lots of stories of who got driving tickets, where they went for donuts afterwards, how they followed directions (or not), and many more.



CLUB NEWS—OBG Lions Club

Lady Lake, Fla. — The Orange Blossom Gardens (OBG) Lions Club will conduct a month-long food drive throughout October to support Community of Gratitude, an emergency food pantry serving the cities of Ocklawaha, Weirsdale, Silver Springs, East Lake Weir and Umatilla. An anonymous donor has committed to match every non-perishable item donated during the campaign—doubling the final count, item for item.

Donations of unopened, non-perishable items will be accepted at the following locations and events in October:

- Saturday, October 4, 2025 (10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.) — in observance of *Mental Health Awareness Day*, at Sheltering Hands Thrift Store, 312 Teague Trail, Lady Lake.
- Saturday, October 11, 2025 — for *White Cane Awareness Day*, at Winn-Dixie, Lady Lake.
- Daily in October — at the Bob Johnson Legacy Driving Range, 230 Rolling Acres Road, where a designated OBG Lions collection bin will be placed.

Every Friday in October — during Friday Night Bingo at North Lake Presbyterian Church, where a donation table will be open before and during the event.

Barbara Crewell, President of the OBG Lions Club, states, “Hunger is a year-round reality for many families across Ocklawaha, Weirsdale, Silver Springs, East Lake Weir, and Umatilla. Throughout October, every can of soup, box of pasta, or jar of peanut butter placed in our bins will be matched one-for-one, doubling our impact to help our neighbors.”

Robert Vass, Marketing Chair for OBG Lions noted, “We’ve made it easy to help—donate while you shop, play, or gather. Bring an item to the driving range, drop one by bingo, or swing by on October 4 or 11 to our tables. Every single item will be doubled for the pantry.”

What to give (most-needed, shelf-stable items)

- Canned proteins (tuna, chicken, salmon, chili, beans)
- Peanut butter and other nut butters; shelf-stable jelly
- Canned vegetables and fruit; canned or dry soup and stew
- Pasta, rice, dry beans, boxed meals, instant potatoes
- Breakfast items (cereal, oatmeal, granola bars)
- Shelf-stable milk or non-dairy alternatives

- Infant and senior nutrition items (baby food, formula*)

Basic household and hygiene essentials (toilet paper, soap, toothpaste)**

*Ensure that baby food or formula is unexpired and still sealed.

**While not edible, these items are often in demand and gladly accepted when distribution allows.

Prefer to contribute monetarily? Donations can be made:

- Online: via www.obglions.com

By mail: send a check to Robert Vass, 938 Orchid Street, Lady Lake, FL 32159



Lady Lake, FL — The Orange Blossom Gardens (OBG) Lions Club of Lady Lake has awarded a \$2,000 sponsorship to the Leesburg High School Choir in support of their upcoming performance at Carnegie Hall in New York City. The contribution underscores the Lions' ongoing mission of service and their dedication to advancing opportunities for youth within the community.

Barbara Crewell, President of the OBG Lions Club, explained why the organization felt compelled to step forward. "Helping students pursue opportunities like this aligns with our mission of service," Crewell said. "We are proud to play a part in helping these students represent their school, their city, and their community on one of the world's most renowned stages."

CLUB NEWS—OBG Lions Club [continued]

The Leesburg High School Choir, formerly known as the Leesburg High School Chorus, is under the leadership of Director Ja'Quan Floyd, himself a graduate of the program. Floyd returned to Leesburg High after years as a worship leader and Christian recording artist to rebuild the very program that helped shape him as a young man.

Floyd emphasized what this opportunity means for his students. "This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our students," Floyd said. "For many of them, it will be their first time leaving Florida. They'll stand on the stage at Carnegie Hall and see what can happen when talent, discipline, and community support come together. It is more than just music for these students. It is an opportunity to show them the limitless future that lies ahead if they are willing to work for their dreams."

The invitation itself represents a unique legacy moment for Leesburg. The choir was personally invited by alumnus Carlton Kilpatrick, a former chorus student who is now a conductor leading the very concert they'll be part of at Carnegie Hall. His invitation shows the deep roots of the program and the way former students continue to give back.

Currently, 78 students are enrolled in the program, up from just 30 the year prior. Of those, 14 students will travel to New York March 11–15 to perform. The total cost of the trip is \$52,400. Through fundraising and early donations, the program has made progress, but \$42,734 is still needed to ensure all expenses for the students are covered.

Robert Vass, Marketing Chair of the OBG Lions Club, encouraged others in the community to step forward. "The Lions' contribution is a meaningful start, but there is still a significant amount left to raise," Vass said. "This is a community-wide effort. We invite businesses, organizations, and individuals alike to join us in investing in these young people and in making sure this dream becomes reality."

Supporters can contribute in several ways:

Donate through the OBG Lions online at www.obglions.com or by check mailed to Robert Vass, 938 Orchid Street, Lady Lake, FL 32159. Checks can be made out to "OBG Lions".

Donate directly to the High School online through their website and designate funds for the choir program or by checks made payable to "Leesburg High School Chorus" and delivered to the school directly.

Beyond financial support, Floyd emphasized the larger message behind the trip: that the arts remain vital in education. "Choir gives students a safe space. It teaches discipline, teamwork, and builds confidence," he said. "Some students find their identity here. Others find family. Music is a powerful connector. It changes lives."

CLUB NEWS—Pierson Lions Club

September 19 - Life is a Rodeo, Hang on tight and enjoy the ride! So proud to be a Lion and excited for all the great things this club does for its community! From members of the Palm Coast Lions Club, thank you Pierson Lions Club for a fun night!



CLUB NEWS—Ormond by the Sea Lions Club



Lions from the Ormond by the Sea Lions Club make a BIG difference in their community. Every week members walk the beach and clean up the litter which other people leave as well as the trash and dead leaves that collect there. Thank you!



CLUB NEWS—Spring Hill Nature Coast Lions Club

An International Recognition Ceremony was held on September 20, 2025, at the Legends of Silverthorne Clubhouse in Spring Hill, Florida. There was a meaningful exchange of honors between the Municipal Council of Puerto Colombia, Colombia and Spring Hill Nature Coast Lion Club.

The Municipal Council of Puerto Colombia, represented by its President, Hon. Dr. Hernando Darío Morón de la Asunción, together with the Honorable Judge Dr. Alberto Mario Ospino Soto, formally presented to the Spring Hill Nature Coast Lions Club:

An official public Resolution, entered into the records of the Colombian government, recognizing the service and international brotherhood of our club. A commemorative Plaque, honoring the Lions Club for its leadership, dedication, and the strengthening of ties between Puerto Colombia and Spring Hill, Florida.

On behalf of our club, recognition was as follows:

Medals of Merit & Certificates of Exaltation to: Hon. Dr. Hernando Darío Morón de la Asunción, President of the Council; Hon. Dr. Alberto Mario Ospino Soto, Judge of Puerto Colombia.

Certificates of Exemplary Civic Leadership to council members: Hon. Mariana Villalba Segrera; Hon. Gianella Patricia Jiménez Marimón; Hon. Andrés Sebastián Jaramillo Rodríguez

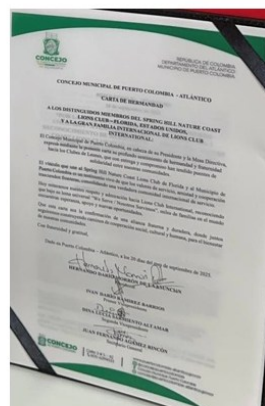
Certificates (for absent councilors) were delivered as a folder to President Morón: Antonio de Jesús Althahona Castro; Jaime Antonio Meza Barraza; Milder Alfonso Cotes Palacio; Rodrigo Alejandro Escalante Vallejo; Dina Lucía Sarmiento Altamar; Pamela Salazar Carrasquilla; Julio José Hurtado Leiva; Iván Darío Ramírez Barrios; Víctor Enrique Acosta Corro

Special Certificate of Leadership to Hon. Plinio Cedeño Gómez, Mayor of Puerto Colombia (received on his behalf by President Morón).

Institutional Plaque: Presented to the Municipal Council of Puerto Colombia as a permanent symbol of friendship, respect, and international brotherhood to be installed in the Council's chambers.

This exchange of recognitions was historic, highlighting both the legal and ceremonial honors shared between Puerto Colombia and Spring Hill, and reaffirming Lions International's proud motto: "We Serve – Nosotros Servimos."

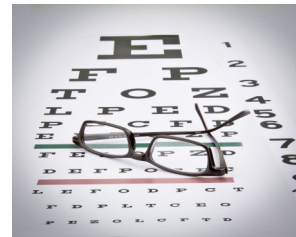
Lion Jesus "Junior" Ariza presented Certificates of Appreciation to all his Club members. He also presented a Certificate for Lion of the Year to PDG Vivian Henegar and a Certificate of Dedication and Service to Lion Karen Stowers. Both are associate members of Spring Hill Nature Coast Lions Club.



CLUB NEWS –Inverness Lions Club



Lion Chris Frohnheiser and Lion Vickie Carmody recently did vision screening. We thank them for their service!



CLUB NEWS— Satellite Beach Lions Club

Teddy Bears given to our two area police for comforting kids. PCC Helene Thompson presents them!



Never
underestimate
the difference
you make



CLUB NEWS— Lake Sumter Lions Club



Lake Sumter Lions prepared lunch at the Bridgeport Rec Center for the Visually Impaired Persons (VIP) Support Group. A Yummy event, this meal prep service project was led by Lake Sumter Lions Jean and Bob Hatten.



Immediate Past Club President Jaci Newmark presented Lake Sumter Lion John Angiolo (who just returned from "up north") with a Certificate of Appreciation for serving as Lion Tamer for the past 10 years.



Lake Sumter Lions White Cane Days at Publix in Colony Plaza. The support we get from our community is incredible.



INVITE

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9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

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Sunday, November 9, 6:00 pm

(doors open at 5:15 pm)

Mulberry Recreation Center

\$20 per ticket

CASH PRIZES!

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Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Date: Saturday, October 4, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM

Cost: \$10.00 Donation



Tickets on sale at Dime Jingle on Friday mornings or may be purchased at the door.
High Point Community Center, 12249 Club House Rd, Brooksville, FL 34613



AT HIGH POINT COMMUNITY CENTER



HIGH POINT LIONS CLUB
51st CHARTER NIGHT DINNER

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2025 at 6:00 PM

High Point Community Center

12249 Club House Road

Brooksville, FL 34613

DG Maggiy Williams – Official Visit

Guest Speaker – PDG Harry Williams

Baked Chicken, Potato, Vegetables

Salad, Rolls & Dessert

\$15.00 donation

RSVP by Monday, October 6th to:

Lion Leslie Duncan

lcd0545@yahoo.com or (352) 428-7904

Please leave a message



MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS

A healthy mind is as important
as a healthy body.

Let's break the stigma, support one
another, and build a world where
kindness and compassion heal.

Together, we can:

- ✓ Promote awareness
- ✓ Offer support
- ✓ Encourage self-care
- ✓ Create safe spaces

Let's join hands as Lions to spread hope,
strength, and positivity for better mental
well-being everywhere.

*Because when the mind is healthy, the heart is
strong, and the world becomes brighter.*



To make a difference in
someone's life, you don't have to
be brilliant, rich, beautiful or
perfect, you just have to care.



MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS WEEK

October 4-12



Lake Sumter Lions Club Fundraiser

Thursday, October 23rd
4-8pm

Culver's

5327 Sundance Trail (Rt 466A)

10% of Sales to benefit:
Lake Sumter Lions Community Service Projects



Scan for info about the
Lake Sumter Lions Club.



BRUCE SCHEEL, ZONE CHAIR

NOVEMBER 17, 2025

ZONE 3 MEETING



Do not let this opportunity to meet with
the Lions in your Zone pass you by.
Fellowship is an important part of our
organization. Together we can do so much,
as Helen Keller would say. Learning
together is even more beneficial. **SAVE
THE DATE!** More information to come!

**Eastport Lions Club
Ezell Recreational Center
The Villages**

TIME: 6:00 P.M.



SAVE THESE DATES

ZONE MEETINGS

Zone 1

Aug 26 Beverly Hills
Nov 11 Homosassa
Feb 12 High Point
April 28 Beverly Hills

Zone 2

Sept 23 Inverness
Feb 12 High Point

Zone 3

Sept 22 Fruitland Park
Feb 23 Lake Sumter
April 14 OBG

Zone 4

Sept 4 OWS
Nov 17 Lockhart
Jan 27 Mt. Dora
April 23 College Park

Zone 5

Sept 4 Davenport
Nov 20 Cypress Gardens
Feb 9 Kathleen
April 16 LNL

Zone 6/7

Aug 26
Nov 10
Jan 27
Apr 22



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Trip Highlights:

- 1-night hotel accommodation in Macau
- 3-night hotel accommodation in Metropark Jichen Hotel Shanghai
- 4-night hotel accommodation in Novotel Peace Hotel Beijing
- 8x breakfasts, 4x lunches, 1x dinner
- Roundtrip transportation from airport to hotel and vice-versa (when traveling with group)
- Half-day Macau City Tour
- Full-day Exploring Historic Shanghai
- Half-day Zhujiatiao Water Tour Shanghai
- Full-day Imperial Beijing Tour
- Half-day Great Wall of China Visit
- Half-day Beijing includes Hutongs and more
- Domestic airfare – Macau/Shanghai/Beijing (incl. taxes and IPC 20KG luggage per person)
- All entrance and admission fees
- All taxes and fees included

Trip Excludes:

- Excludes international flights
- Travel Insurance (contact Amy for an insurance quote)
- Meals not listed • Personal items
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- Government taxes at existing rates until paid in full

*Price Starts
(land only min. 25 participants)*

US \$ 2,750

(in double/twin room)

Deposit: USD\$250 will secure your spot!

*Balance/Final Payment: Due on May 1, 2026
(Payment plans available)

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or contact:



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FLORIDA LIONS DISTRICT 35-0
ZONE 5, ZONE MEETING
NOVEMBER 6th, 2025

HOST: CYPRESS GARDENS LIONS CLUB

@ ABIDING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH
1910 HAVENDALE BLVD. NW
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TIME: 6:30 P.M.

AT THIS ZONE MEETING
EVERY LION WILL GET HIS/HER "JUST
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SPEAKER: GEORGE HARRIS YOUTH
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***A LION WHO IS A SERVANT
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- ✨ Humility – Putting others first
- ♥ Compassion – Serving with kindness
- 🌍 Vision – Transforming communities
- 🤝 Respect – Welcoming all voices
- 🔥 Commitment – Serving with courage
- 🎉 Fellowship – Building joy in service
- 📖 Growth – Learning, doing, teaching

TOGETHER, WE SERVE.

THE LIGHTER SIDE

Pirates can't
play cards
because they are
sitting on the deck

Out of all the
martial arts,
karaoke inflicts
the most pain.

When you plant
kisses,
you get tulips.

I hate jokes about
my weight. I guess I
need to lighten up.

Be a minimalist.
It's the least
You can do.

The ghost spilled her
drink when she
shook her boo tea.

Our dog can find
anything.
He's a
Labragoogle

Someone glued my
cards together.
I just can't deal with it!

What did the
snowman sing to the
snowwomen? I only
have ice for you.

If a witch has a
twin, how do you
tell which witch
is which?

Life is always
complicated. Even
when you're born,
there's a string
Attached.

I got a flat tire
Yesterday...
There was a fork
In the road.

What glassware do
you use to bake in
Jamaica? Pyrex of
the Caribbean!

If you cannot
master the guitar,
don't fret.

Despite the high
cost of living, it
remains popular.

JOYS & CONCERNS



LIONS RECENTLY DEPARTED

LUCILLE PERRY
Crystal River Kings Bay Lions Club

JANES HARRIS III
Mount Dora Lions Club



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