



# Roar 'n Growl

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## Coming Events

Sept 4	Zone 5 Mtg Davenport
Sept 8	PTRS Mtg noon—Ocoee
Sept 17-18	USA/ Canada Forum
Sept 20	Hearing Aid Sort
Sept 22	Zone 3 Mtg Fruitland Park
Sept 23	Zone 2 Mtg Inverness DG Visit
Sept 28	Mass Eyeglass Sort & Wash Lake Alfred
Oct 4	Lake Sumter Golf Tourney
Oct 9	High Point LC Charter Night
Oct 11	Beverly Hills Charter Night

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PDG Harry Williams, Editor

## OBTS Hosts 1st Advisory Meeting

August 16 was a typical Florida day, sunny and humid; however, it was also a perfect day for the 1st Advisory Meeting in Ormond Beach at St. Brendon Catholic Church. Hosted by the local Lions Club, Ormond by the Sea, the event attracted over 70 Lions from across District 35 O.



The meeting was called to order by President Lion Aleta Dick, Ormond by the Sea Lions. The Invocation led by Lion Vivian Henegar, High Point Lions, followed. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Lion Mary Yochum, Ormond By The Sea Lions, and the Lions' Toast was delivered by Lion Bobbie Cheh, Ormond By the Sea Lions. Everyone sang "God Bless America" with Lion Harry Williams, PDG, Lake Alfred, playing the piano.

Following welcoming remarks by Lion Aleta, the vice governors were introduced. District Governor Maggiy Williams was introduced with a standing ovation. "The turnout for today's meeting is simply amazing!" she said. Lions had been asked to bring canned goods for the church food pantry which they did in abundance. DG Maggiy had challenged Lions to bring cookies for a cookie contest, the reason to be explained at the meeting. "Just look at all the cookies!"

PID Lion Neil Spencer was asked to make introductions. Those dignitaries attending were: PID Robert Littlefield C. David Lloyd, PCC Helene Thompson, IPDG Robert Armstrong, PDG Steven VanVarick, PDG Mike Ryan, PDG Vivian Heneger, PDG Dr. Glenn Brown, PDG Harry Williams, PDG Jackie Tripp, and PDG Norma Callahan. Also recognized were Zone Chairs, Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Club Treasurers, and First Time Attendees.

In her Governor's Message, District Governor Lion Maggiy Williams said that Club Excellence Award applications for



2024-25 were due August 31<sup>st</sup>. Next year, 2025-26, there is no application to fill out. LCI will take care of it in-house. Clubs that meet the criteria in the areas of membership, service, LCIF, leadership and organizational excellence, and marketing will qualify for the Club Excellence Award. Club Excellence Web page Information: <https://tinyurl.com/39p6dkrs>; Overview: <https://tinyurl.com/42wnjs3k>; Criteria: <https://tinyurl.com/3maab8wd>; Application:

<https://tinyurl.com/3urzbu7m>.

DG Maggiy Williams called the following people forward to receive items she was unable to give at the Organizational



Meeting June. She presented their "Swag" and pins to Lion Kim Rossman, Inverness Lions Club, District Tail Twister; Lion Dennis Dulniak, Oviedo-Winter Springs Lions Club, District Chair; Lion Bobbie Cheh, Ormand By the Sea Lions Club, District GST and GAT member.

Key Focal Point for this year: Membership is really critical. Our membership is down 200 members. Our Service numbers are declining simply because we have fewer people doing services. We are asked to do more and more just to keep up.

The minutes from the previous meeting had been sent out prior to the meeting. The treasurer's report was circulated on the tables for the period ending June 30, 2025, in Lion Joe's absence. Both reports were accepted.

PDG Steven Van Varick inducted a new member to the Palm Coast Lions Club: Beth



McCutchenCanney, Sponsor Nina Giulotto. She was presented with a Lions' pin and a Membership welcome package and her membership card.

As GMT, PDG Steven reported that membership is 1027 down from 1143. He suggested ways that clubs could find new members: Inviting people to events; Find a ser-

vice project to attend; Partnering with another organization. "It's Easter Sunday every day, just look for a Lion egg."

PID Robert Littlefield reported on the



107<sup>th</sup> International Convention in Orlando. Robert and Cathy extended their gratitude to District 35-O because our district did the yeoman's share of the work, "because we were the closest. District 35 -L I & N also contributed leadership and service, but District 35-O was really the beating heart of the convention volunteers be-



cause so many of you came in and did so much in so many different ways. Heartfelt thanks to any Lions who were able to help in any way, please know how much it was appreciated because it was a huge success.”

“There were over 10,000 Lions who came from around the world to Orlando and we received not one complaint from any of those Lions. We exceeded expectations, the Board held its meeting before and after the convention and all of the things that went on could not have been done without the coordinated effort of all of you.

We had a core committee of Leaders, many of whom were from 35-O who took major roles in the various activities. The teamwork together was wonderful. The mantra for the volunteers was “Be like water around a rock,” that whenever you come up against an obstacle find a way around it and keep going.

Our original bid to host the convention was for 2031 and we did not get that bid. Instead, they came back to us kind of behind the scenes and said, “How ‘bout 2025?”. Dr. Littlefield was so grateful to do it in only seven months instead of seven years, because we can just enjoy the time until 2031.

Our fundraising efforts exceeded expectations by raising over \$150,000.00. We’re putting together a final report. This is because of donations made by clubs and individuals. We were able to cover all of our expenses; we are currently in the process of making reimbursements for things related to travel and associated with the convention. If you have expenses that you want to submit, you have until August 18<sup>th</sup>. The Committee will meet on August 20<sup>th</sup> to review submissions and provide reimbursements. Once we get all of that done, we believe we will have a surplus of funds. At the last Council of Governors meeting, the surplus of funds from the convention, about \$30,000.00, is being transferred from the convention account to the multiple district foundation, so that it can be used as a part of a match with LCI to move forward with things that the multiple district wants to do. One of those things is Emergency Disaster Relief.

The Lions Parade was a great success, completed in less than 4 hours. There were 7 major service projects in the Orlando area and in the convention center, 4,000 pairs of socks were donated, 35-O received 1,000 socks. They created 4800 hygiene essential blessing bags which were distributed to the districts. There were 10,000 meals to be distrib-



uted in a hunger drive. If you still have a volunteer vest, please return them to DG Maggiy. She will clean them, and they will be available.

Our District 35-O cooperated with Project Right to Sight, Multiple District 111 from Germany, Multiple District 33 from Massachusetts to host the Rock and Roar: A Dueling Piano Night for Sight. That event was coordinated in our District by Lion Teresa Pedroza of the Oviedo-Winter Springs Lions Club. The event generated \$7,119.00 for Project Right to Sight."

Dr. Littlefield had copies of his book, "Resilience and Renewal." This is an LCIF project, the proceeds from the sale of this book will go to LCIF. If any of your clubs would like to have Dr. Littlefield talk about the book or about participating in a program like this, please let him know.



The guest speaker was Beth Robertson, Community Outreach Manager, Cookies for Kids Cancer which promotes care and support for children with cancer. Beth was introduced to Lions during the International Convention – a National Foundation non-profit raising funds for childhood cancer.

The District 35 O Directory was handed out. A big "Thank you" Lion Rita Fawcett who worked hours to finish. Please send corrections to Lion Maggiy or Lion Joy.

GAT Team reports followed. Bobbie Cheh GST refers to your club service activities and any meetings you attend.

PDG Lion Steven Van Varick (GMT-GET), Global Extension and Membership Team. Membership 1027 down from 1143. Look at different ways to find new members. Need material – Marketing Material on the MD35-O website, left column. Prospective Lion "I don't have time" – Are you willing to help us during an event?

PDG Lion Vivian Henegar (GLT) said that LCI wants all officers trained, even if they were trained before: Lions Learning Center; Lions University; In person training with Vivian. RLLI – March 19-22, 2026, Fruitland Park Flyers available, cost \$200.00. Ten Lions who take the course and complete it, can be eligible for a \$75.00 reimbursement.

PDG Steven made a presentation in the absence of PCC Greg Evans – Florida Lions Foundation, which is now Lions Saving Sight, presented a Grand Lion Award to Lion Aleta Dick, Ormond By the Sea Lions Club.



PID Neil Spencer also presented International President Certificate of Recognition: Lion Amy Dumas, Palm Coast Lions Club; Lion Abby Baker, Palm Coast Lions Club; Lion Nina Guilotto, Palm Coast Lions Club; PDG Vivian Heneger, High Point Lions Club; and Lion Mary Yochum, Ormond By the Sea Lions Club.



PDG Robert Armstong invited all Lions to register for the Fall Conference. "Sailing the Seas of Service! Enjoy a fall cruise on the MS Florida Hotel. Fun, Fellowship, Ser-

vice, and many Learning Opportunities, Setting Sail, October 16<sup>th</sup>, Returning to Port October 19<sup>th</sup>. Departure at 1500 Sand Lake Road, Orlando, Florida. Book your cruise now at the link: <https://buytickets.at/lionsofmd35/1814380>"

During lunch the cookie entries were sampled in a blind judging. The winners of the cookie contest: Third place: Hello Dolly bars – Susie Smith, Crystal River Kings Bay Lions Club; Second: Crème Cheese with cinnamon – Susie Smith, Crystal River Kings Bay Lions Club; and Third: Choc chip cupcake cream cheese, Bobbie Cheh – Ormond By the Sea Lions Club. Congratulations to all winners and thank you to all who participated either as contestant or taster. A total of \$51.00 was raised.

Guest Speaker Beth Robertson, Community Outreach Manager, Cookies for Kids Cancer said:

"First, I want to thank everybody for all the lovely things you've said and how your clubs want to get involved. I'm overwhelmed and overjoyed to be partnering with such a lovely group of people. Secondly, when you sign up for a cancer bake sale, now until the end of the year, we are having a match with a partner called OXO Utensils up to \$100,000.00. When you sign up, we will send you a kit, complementary 105 prepackaged cookies,

a fund-raising page and a QR code. Really all you need to do is the time, the community coming together, the location. That is your event. We will help you from start to finish!"

The activity for the day was a SWOT Assessment led by PDG Harry Williams with assistance from PDG Jacquie Tripp. How effective is our District? Lions were divided into groups –

**Strengths:** Phenomenal Leadership, Partnering with other institutions, Life experiences and institutional knowledge, Team-work.

**Weaknesses:** Lack of communication; Lack of using social media, Membership, Lack of collaboration with each other and other organizations.

**Opportunities:** Collaborating with other clubs, Outreach makes us known, New families in neighborhood, Orientation for new residents.

**Threats:** Aging membership, Not open to new ideas, Too many meetings, No one wants to hold zone meetings or an office, Young families are busy, Cannot continue to do things the same way.

PDG Lion Harry, Mental Health Chair

reported that October will focus on the Mental Health and Wellness Initiative. "We all deal with mental health! Be compassionate, be kind. You never know what someone else is going through."

These are the club announcements:

**Inverness:** We have been doing vision screenings at either Pre-schools or Back to School Bashes. Upcoming: September 23 Zone 1 & 2 MEETING AT Inverness Lions. Starts at 6 p.m.; March 27, Dinner and a Show Fundraiser. Door open 5:30 p.m. Show at 6 pm – Family Feud, Cost \$25.00 per person. Want to enter a team of 5 - \$225 a team include 1 guest for each team member.

**High Point:** Recertification class for Diabetic screening at High Point Community Center on Friday, Sept. 5 11:30-2:-- , call Lion Karen Stowell or PG Vivian Hene-gart for registration. Speaker on Therapy dog for mental health. Speaker for child advocacy. Meal for the homeless. People Helping People. Giftbags for Dawn Women's Center.

**Homosassa:** Diabetes checks – 50 people. Howards School Relay – took kids to Walmart & spent \$150.00 on each child – backpacks & school supplies, did eye checks @ C.R. Armory for back-to-school bash.



**Crystal River-Kings Bay:** LCI Convention 3 volunteers, collected eyeglasses

**Daytona-Halifax:** September 5; Braille and Talking Book Library celebrates 75 years! 10-1 p.m at DBS Campus (across from Conklin Davis) Tours and activities.

**Daytona-Halifax Area:** Ordered and paid for audiometer, pending training – Thanks to Lion Dennis Dulniak; upcoming fundraiser Monday, September 8, 5-8, McKenna's Seafood Restaurant/Sports Grill (10%), 50-50, Vision screening (ongoing)

**Ormond Beach:** Diabetes testing/ vision screening; art show with 25% to Lions Club, Peace Poster Context of Academic Oasis School.

**Oviedo-Winter Springs:** Project Right to Sight co-sponsors with Ocoee, Sorting and leaders processing, Saturday, September 13, 9 am-12 noon, Ocoee Lions Club, 108 Taylor Street, Ocoee. Bring a potential Lion to actually see what Lions Do!

**Lake Sumter:** Culvers Fund Raiser just completed, Dairy Queen fund raiser. 23, Sozo Kid Packsack giveaway and screening w/Eastport Lions Club, Sending 12, 000 glasses to w3 for cleaning and sorting to go for missions.

**South Daytona Lions:** August – we volunteer weekly at Hope Place for home-

less and veterans, we have raised over \$2,000.00 school supplies for South Daytona Elementary, we are collecting donations for our Keilynn Givartier Memorial Ride – one of our biggest fundraisers, continue with our tri-monthly fish fry's, continue weekly diabetes and vision screening.

**Satellite Beach:** Pancake Breakfast October 123, Car show November 15, Tri-Tip BBQ April 21. Nov. 1 Participated in founders' day parade, November 19 – Gun Raffle \$20.00.

**Beverly Hills:** Bingo twice a week, meetings 2 x a month. Upcoming – Halloween Party, Charter Night, Governor's Visit, Volunteered for International Convention, Eye glass cleaning, , Candi mints – eyesight , recycling.

**Mt Dora:** Collecting needed items for our Haven for Battered and Abused Women. Collecting and sorting thousands of used eyeglasses, Food drive for students

**Davenport:** Backpack/Vision/Huges/ Diabetic, August 1, collaboration with CC So. De Dios. Food pantry on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, July 1 – continuing, Volunteer at Lions International Convention, Assing the Elder with paperwork, forms, and grocery shopping and shuttling them to doctors.

**Lady Lake-Orange Blossom Gardens:** Sight: Facilitated transfer of

\$3000.00 and sight reader and sight goggles from community member whose husband passed and another community member who couldn't afford items to help her see.

**Eastport:** Participated in the Sozo Back to School Bash on Aug. 9. We vision screened 140 kids and had 19 referrals. We are starting a VIP Golf Group in September. We are doing vision screenings in partnership with Lake Co Early Learning Coalition. Nursing students from Lake Sumter Community College conduct hearing screenings while we do the vision screening. The nurses received clinical hours toward their nursing degree.

**Palm Coast:** 2 new members, Music Bingo 8/21/35 5:30 pm, Senior Health Expo 8/22/25, Childhood Cancer Disco Party 8/23/25, 6:30 pm, *Sunday, September 21st* for our 7th Annual 5k Fun Run/Walk dedicated to supporting local children fighting childhood cancer (If interested talk to Palm Coast Club), Received a low vision reader as a donation. International Convention volunteer hours 381.

**Port Orange Volusia Club Branch:** All Volusia County Fund raiser Labor Day – Texas Roadhouse. Older American Adult Activity Center, Vision/Diabetes, Volusia Women's Day 8/24/25 – NAB Branch Center. Monthly screenings at several churches. Recertification – August 23<sup>rd</sup> 9-123

Pigotte Center, Contact Hank for an activities calendar, [Hank.lunsford@gmail.com](mailto:Hank.lunsford@gmail.com)

**Lake Alfred:** Community Day, September 14: Free school supplies, blood sugar screenings, vision screenings, free hot dogs' chips, door Prizes. Marathon Bingo, October 25, Trunk or Treat, October 31.

**Project Youth Exchange:** Applications for \$1000 scholarship available online on the District 35-) website and from Dennis Dulniac. Life memberships are available for \$100. QR code to Application in District Directory on Page 34.

Closing Remarks were made by DG Lion Maggiy Williams. "If we don't recognize our strengths and address our weaknesses, then we lose the opportunity to improve and grow and we turn every single one of them into a threat." "Problems are only opportunities in work clothes" – Henry J. Kaiser

The benediction was led by PDG Lion Vivian Henegar and the meeting adjourned at 1:50 P.M. The Fall Conference is October 17-19 at the Florida Hotel and Convention Center. The next advisory meeting will be November 15 at Fruitland Park Lions Club.



## Advisory Photo Gallery





# Ingredients of a Lion



**Have you got any of these, come and join us.**

Created for Lions by Tohi

# Project: Right to Sight



**WANTED:** Students needing Community Service Hours and Volunteers wanting to help our community, region, state and world! Come join in with Lions and others on Saturday, September 13th from 9 am to 12 noon at the Ocoee Lions Club, 108 Taylor St, Ocoee.



## EYEGLOSS SORTING & READER PROCESSING

**Project: Right to Sight**

**Saturday, September 13th**

**Ocoee Lions Club**

**108 Taylor Street, Ocoee, FL**

**9:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon**



**Everyone is welcome. Bring friends!  
Volunteers!**

**Bright Futures Community Service Hours Available  
for further information contact:**

**Lion Dennis Dulniak at:**

**[ddulniak@ucf.edu](mailto:ddulniak@ucf.edu) 407-592-6670**







**We're thrilled to share that the check presentation for the \$500,000 appropriation to the Conklin Davis Center's Residential Program.**

**It was a great success! This landmark funding was made possible through the incredible support of Senator Tom Wright, FL Rep. Chase Tramont, & The Florida Legislature!**

**This Incredible contribution will help us continue transforming lives for the visually impaired.**

**It was a day of celebration, gratitude, and community pride as we marked this exciting step forward for our Residential Program.**

**As summer wraps up, we're shouting a HUGE THANK YOU to the parents, staff, and volunteers who made our STEPS and Transition programs AMAZING this year! We couldn't have done it without YOU!**

**You filled our days with growth, guidance, and unforgettable joy & memories our kids will treasure forever!**

**SEE YOU....  
SUMMER 2026!**







We Serve



## Lead to Serve, Serve to Lead with International President A.P. Singh

### Dear Lion,

Whether you are a new Lion or have been a member for years, you are here because someone invited you to join. To help us grow our clubs and our service — and reach our **MISSION 1.5** goals — now it is your turn to invite someone else and share the joy that service brings.

Growth is essential for us to be able to continue to improve the service that Lions are known for around the world. We are a people-driven organization where service is at the heart of everything we do — and we need dedicated Lions like you to help us make an even greater impact together.

So invite friends and neighbors who have the heart to serve. Welcome diverse individuals and groups who will offer us fresh perspectives and energy. This is how we will keep our organization growing and thriving.

Growth benefits us all — our clubs, our communities and the people we serve. I look forward to seeing your club and your service grow.

Together we serve,

A.P. Singh

International President



# WANTED



FOR  
SYDG FOR DISTRICT 35 0



## QUALIFICATIONS

- Be an active member of a chartered club in good standing and have secured the endorsement of the club;
- Have served or will have served as president and two other leadership positions in the club;
- Have served in some District level position such as zone chair, region chair, district global extension.

For further information please contact:

DG Maggiy Williams [lionmaggiy14@gmail.com](mailto:lionmaggiy14@gmail.com)

OR MD Secretary Gary LaSpina

[liongarymd35@gmail.com](mailto:liongarymd35@gmail.com)

# 2025 MD-35 FALL CONFERENCE



OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup>-19<sup>TH</sup>

THE FLORIDA HOTEL ORLANDO

DON'T WAIT! REGISTRATION ENDS

MIDNIGHT, SUNDAY, SEP. 28<sup>TH</sup>

Type in this link in your browser to register:

<https://buytickets.at/lionsofmd35>





# 2025 MD-35 FALL CONFERENCE LEARNING & INFORMATION EVENTS

SIGHT & HEARING IMPAIRED ETIQUETTE - BEING RESPECTFUL  
LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND - WHO DOESN'T LIKE PUPPIES?  
COOKIES FOR KIDS' CANCER - HELPING PUT CANCER IN DAVEY JONES LOCKER  
EFFECTIVE FUNDRAISING - FINDING THE DOUBLOONS  
CERTIFIED GUIDING LION TRAINING - GUARDING THE TREASURE  
DIABETES RECERTIFICATION - DRAWIN' FIRST BLOOD  
AWARDS - FINDING THE BURIED TREASURE OF RECOGNITION  
LCIF GRANTS AND HOW TO APPLY - OPENING THE COFFERS  
SO, YOU WANT TO BE A CLUB AND DISTRICT OFFICER? AHOY, MATIES!  
LIONS SAVING SIGHT - NAVIGATING THE SEA OF PARCHMENT  
HOW TO ROCK THE BOAT WITHOUT LOSING YOUR CREW  
MAKING PROTOCOL PART OF YOUR CLUB MEETING (OR BE MAROONED)  
HOW TO MANAGE CLUBS WITH DIVERSE MEMBERSHIP & REQUIREMENTS

Event Scheduling and Changes: All events are subject to modifications based on the availability of presenters, as well as adjustments to time and space.





## CLUB NEWS—Lake Sumter Lions Club



Lake Sumter Lions were at Publix at Traverse Plaza for White Cane Days. We are thankful that we have such a supportive community.

Lake Sumter Lions Chuck LeGare , Ralph Long, Linda Ryan and Dennis Ryan screened the vision of 22 children (aka KidSight) at the Future Billionaire Backpack Giveaway in Eustis..



Congratulations to Lion Bob Hatten who was recognized as Lake Sumter Lions Club's newest Melvin Jones Fellow. Yes! Thanks for your service to our club and community.



Lake Sumter Lions were at Fruitland Park conducting vision screening at the Backpack Days. Lion Ralph Long screened all 59 children in 2 hours. (That is an accomplishment because to read the parents' writing is a talent.) Lion Steve Frederickson trained on using the camera and helped with the sign ins. Lion Esther Ann Howell Walton worked the sign in desk and kept people moving. Linda Ryan did paperwork and talked to parents. Lion Dennis Ryan took the photo and... "supervised!?" Busy day for all




## CLUB NEWS—Oviedo Winter Springs Lions Club

Today, the Oviedo Winter Springs Lions Club proudly partnered with Hope Helps for their annual Back-to-School Bash, ensuring students in our community are equipped to succeed this school year!

### Vision Screenings

 108 individuals screened

 4 referred for in-office evaluations with our optometrist


 17 pairs of glasses prescribed — to be provided free of charge by our optician

### Hearing Screenings

In partnership with the Lions of District 35-O Hearing Program:

 86 individuals screened

 10 families received follow-up information for more specific hearing evaluations

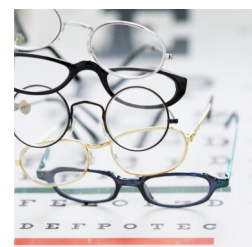
 A huge THANK YOU to our dedicated UCF student volunteers, who continue to show up and serve alongside us at community events like this one. Your time, energy, and commitment make a real difference! Together, we're helping kids start the school year with clarity, confidence, and care.





## CLUB NEWS—Lake Alfred Lions Club

Sunday, August 24th Lions gathered at Lake Alfred Lions Clubhouse to process donated eyeglasses. Ten Lions from Lake Alfred, Auburndale Polk County, Cypress Gardens and Davenport sorted, washed and bagged glasses, readers, and sunglasses. They also sorted and boxed hard and soft eyeglass cases. The majority of the donations are being prepared to support Haven Worship Center's medical mission to Honduras later this year. Working and laughing together, these Lions were able to process almost 3,000 items. Thank you to our Lions and our communities for allowing us to continue to serve not only you but also the world.



Preparing boxes for LFHS [Lions Feeding Hungry Students], a program begun several years ago by Lion David Fawcett. Assisting with the project are Lion Angel Shephard, PDG Lion Harry Williams, Lion Ann Burrage, and Lion David Fawcett. Also helping [not pictured] were Lions Rita Fawcett and Marilyn Anderson.





## CLUB NEWS—Homosassa Lions Club

On August 1 the Homosassa Lions with help from our local Walmart volunteers treated 30 elementary school children to a morning of back to school shopping providing them with clothing, back packs and school supplies. This has been a local tradition going back many



Where there's a  
need,  
There's a LION!!



## CLUB NEWS—Davenport Lions Club

Davenport Lions Club members volunteered at the Winter Springs/Oviedo Lions Club Eye Clinic in Ocoee Wednesday, August 13.



## CLUB NEWS—Davenport Lions Club

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

On August 7, the Lions Of Davenport Lions Club inducted a new member. Lion Margie Maldonado. She was also elected to be the Club Administrator. "Administrator of our club," said Club President Angie Schmeltz. "A wonderful addition to our Lions Club. She is hitting the ground running.." The induction was performed by PDG Bob Armstrong.



Vision Project: As part of our community service initiative, we collaborated with Lake Sumter Lions Club and Iglesia Cristiana Casa De Dios Renuevo to conduct vision screenings for 55 community members.







We Serve

No matter which side you look at this.  
Lions serving who we can, when we can.

**Liberty**



**Loving**

**Intelligence**



**Individuals**

**Our**



**Offering**

**Nations**



**Needed**

**Safety**



**Service**



## CLUB NEWS—Ormond by the Sea Lions Club

Ormond By The Sea Lions Club hosted the first District Advisory Meeting on August 16 at St. Brendan's Church Media Center. Over 75 Lions from across the State of Florida attended. Continental breakfast and lunch were provided. Guest speaker was Beth Robertson from Cookies for Kids' Cancer and District Governor Maggiy Williams held a Lions cookie contest at the meeting. OBTS President Lion Aleta Dick was presented a Grand Lion Life Membership from Lions Saving Sight for her help with those needing glasses and/or surgeries. International President Fabricio Oliveira Appreciation Certificates were presented to Lion Mary Yochum (OBTS) and Lions Nina Guiglotto, Amy Dumas and Abby Baker from the Palm Coast Lions Club for their assistance at OBTS.

President Lion Aleta Dick and Lion members Jean Cerullo, Bobbie Cheh, Marcia Pizzimenti, Melinda Uebel and Mary Yochum of the Club were recertified blood sugar screeners for another year on August 23 at the Piggotte Center in South Daytona. Screening is done free of charge and if you'd like to schedule a screening, please contact the Club at the number below.

Ending the month, OBTS Lions Jean Cerullo, Bobbie Cheh, Kathleen Trutschel, Marica Pizzimenti and Mary Yochum attended the Joint Zone Meeting held at the Conklin-Davis Center. 40 Lions from our local communities enjoyed dinner and guest speaker Ronda Bostic, a mental health Counselor, spoke to the group.

*For more information on the Ormond By The Sea Lions Club, please call (386) 441-4421.*





OBTS President Aleta Dick accepting Grand Lion Life Membership from Past District Governor Vivian Henegar (in orange)

OBTS Lion Mary Yochum receiving Presidential Certificate from Past International Director Robert Littlefield (in white), Lion Mary (in purple) and Past International Director Neil Spencer (blue & orange)

Diabetes recertification of OBTS Lions Club members Lions attending Zone Meeting at Conklin Davis



One of the many projects which the Ormond By The Sea Lions Club supports wholeheartedly is Christine's Blankets, an organization which gives donated blankets to any homeless individual in need. Lion Mary Yochum is seen here with Lion Bobbie Cheh.

Ormond by the Sea Lions are being recertified for blood sugar screening.



Always busy, some Lions from OBTS conducted free blood sugar screening at St. Brendon's.





## CLUB NEWS—High Point Lions Club

We have had a busy month even though our Community Center is closed for the last 2 weeks of August for major cleaning.

Several of our members have been helping the HOA plan a Labor Day "Pool Party." The Golf Club will be selling hamburgers and hotdogs, and the rest of the community is donating desserts. There is going to be a "duck race" and several games. More news on the outcome in the next edition of "Roar 'n Growl."



Our community is very generous! We had a "Back to School" Dime Jingle Bash and collected mountains of supplies for three of our elementary schools. These are just a few of the items. These will be delivered after school has been in session for a couple of weeks.

Pictured from right to left are Boss Lion Marlene Allen, Lion Karen Stowers, Lion Peggy Monahan, Lion Ellouise Silakowski



Welcome our newest Lion Bonnie Seeman! To her left is PDG Vivian Henegar and to her right is her sponsor, Lion Mitch Plaeger.

Welcome to the Pride, Lion Bonnie!





## CLUB NEWS—South Daytona Lions Club



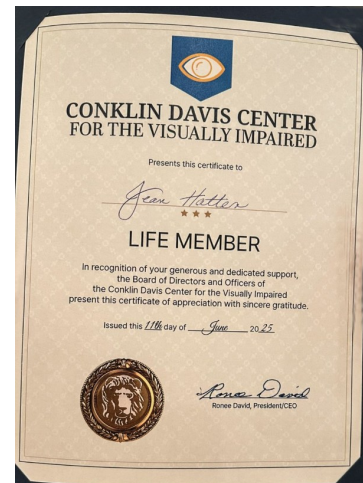
This week concluded our South Daytona Lion's Club's donation drive for Back-to-School Supplies in conjunction with the Hannah's Family Diner's guests. Due to the generosity of the South Daytona Lion's Club and Hannah's Family Diner Patrons, we were able to donate over \$2000 worth of school supplies to South Daytona Elementary School as well as the South Daytona Lion's Club donated a check for \$300 to South Daytona Elementary School to help as needed for Students and Teachers supplies. Thank you to all who came out in support.

## CLUB NEWS—Lake Sumter Lions Club

Lake Sumter Lions Club made a donation for the Holy Trinity Episcopal Transition School. Lion Doris Brennan presented the check to Holy Trinity Episcopal School Director Becca Coulter, and Transition School Director Seth Trees.



At the last Lake Sumter Lions Club meeting, Immediate Past Club President Jaci Newmark presented Lion Jean Hatten with a Life Membership to the Conklin Davis Center. Congrats!



Thank you Jaci Newmark for speaking at our meeting. Jaci shared information about The Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind, Inc. and New Voices. Also thanks for the trivia, we learned a lot! Also in attendance was 2nd VDG Sonia Saylor!







John Sabatini and Ed Mello, who are both members of the Marine Corps League (North Lake Detachment) and members of the Lake Sumter Lions Club, presented Club President Sonia Hernandez Saylor with a check for meals for the SOZO Kids After School Program.



Lake Sumter Lions Linda and Dennis Ryan took another load of used eyeglasses to the Wisconsin Lions Foundation Eyeglass Recycling Center. The storage shed was emptied of approximately 150 boxes of eyeglasses (over 50,000 pairs) by Lake Sumter Lions John Sabatini, Steven Frederickson, Deb Mehr and her Lion husband Doug, and the Ryans. The WLF Eyeglass Recycling Center is one of 19 Lions Clubs International Certified Recycling Centers in the world.



Lake Sumter Lions Jaci Newmark, Sonia Hernandez Saylor, and Todd Saylor and Eastport Lion Connie posed with District Governor Maggi Williams at the First District Advisory Meeting today in Ormond by the Sea.





## CLUB NEWS—Lake Sumter Lions Club

Lake Sumter Lions Annette Thomson and John Thomson did it again! They led a successful fundraiser at Dairy Queen this past Saturday. We really appreciate their time and effort, as they spent all day at DQ. (And thanks Lion Annette for the photos.)



## CLUB NEWS—Palm Coast Lions Club

August 25 the Global Membership Team Coordinator Steven Van Varick installs Melody Boakovitch as a member of the Palm Coast Lions Club.

"It was my great honor to inducting a new member," said PDG Steven. "Palm Coast Lions Club ask me to induct their newest member at the zone Meeting last night. Another special Easter egg has been found. Keep your eyes open for your 'Easter Egg' member. Everyone you speak to is a possible **new lion**, a possible new friend, a possible new force for good in our community."



## CLUB NEWS—Port Orange-Volusia Lions Club

Lions participating in the VOLUSIA WOMEN'S DAY FESTIVAL held at the Brannon Center in New Smyrna Beach were surrounded by women who received free blood sugar screening and vision screening.

The screening resulted in 64 being screened and 20 referred for follow-up as their results were outside the American Diabetes Association's guidelines.

Vision screening was done for 21 individuals with 12 being referred for further evaluation by an eyecare professional

The MOST SIGNIFICANT screening was for a 9-year-old. Children only know what they have seen since birth and do not know they have a visual issue. The Snelling Wall Chart only checks for nearsighted and farsighted. The Port Orange - Volusia Lions Club, using the Welch-Allyn Spot Camera, a diagnostic device, was able to detect this child's vision issue. The Camera does not require drops, nor touching.

You may contact the Port Orange – Volusia Lions Club at 386 451 1386. Lions International is the world's largest service organization with clubs in over 200 countries, and 1.4 million members. You may Google "Find a Lions Club" and find club information for any Lions Club in the world!





✧ Inverness Lions Club Presents ✧  
Zones 1 & 2 Meeting

📅 Date: Tuesday, September 23, 2025

🕒 Time: 6:00 PM

📍 Location: Cornerstone Baptist Church,  
1100 W Highland Blvd., Inverness

🍽️ Menu:

Spaghetti & Meatballs

Chicken Alfredo

Green Salad & Roll

Drink Included

Homemade Desserts

💵 \$15 per person

50/50 & Raffle Baskets

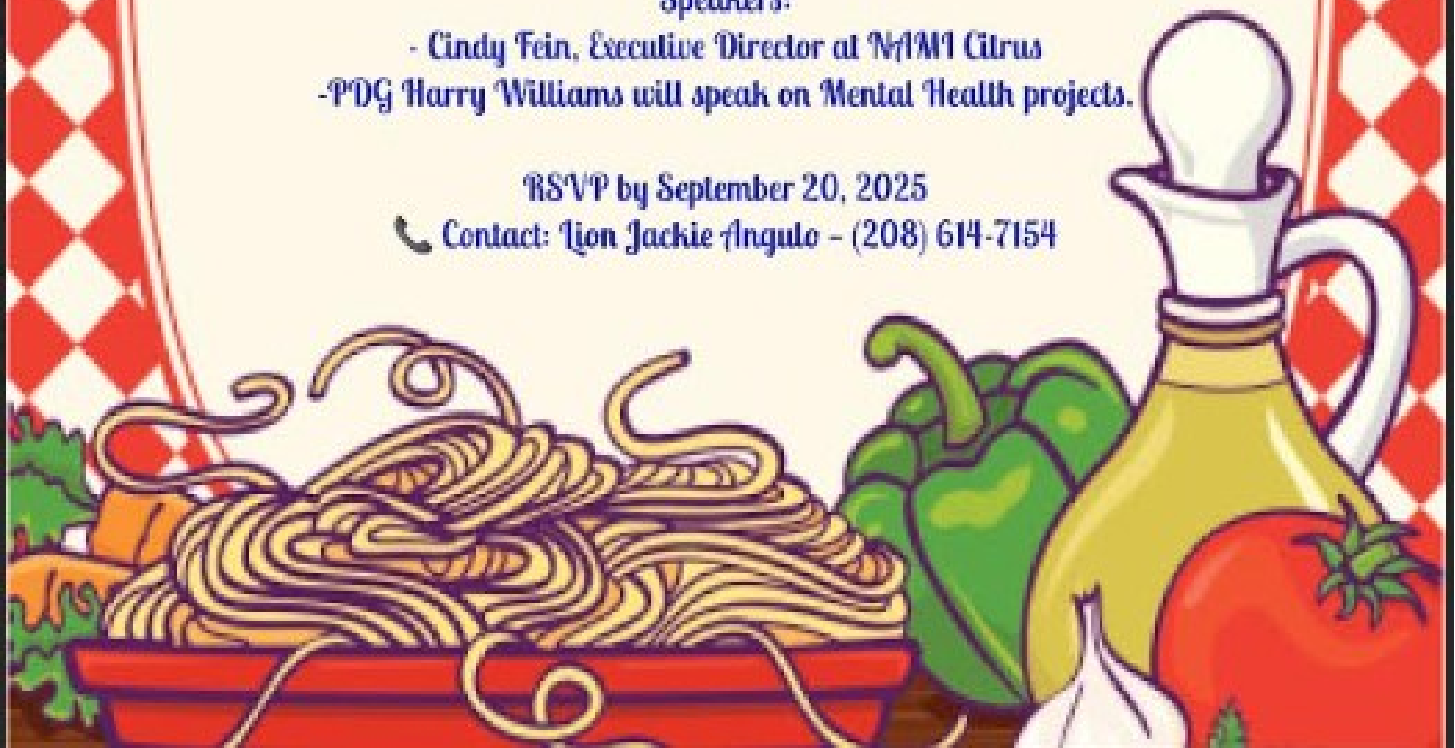
DG Maggiy Williams will be visiting!

Speakers:

- Cindy Fein, Executive Director at NWMI Citrus
- PDG Harry Williams will speak on Mental Health projects.

RSVP by September 20, 2025

📞 Contact: Lion Jackie Angulo - (208) 614-7154





# **MASS HEARING AID SORTING and SCREENING TRAINING**



**Lions District 35-0 Hearing Program**

**Saturday September 20, 2025**

**9:00 to 11:00 AM – Sorting**

**11:00 to 12 noon – Screening Training**

**Seminole County Sheriff's Office – East Region  
Community Meeting Room  
1225 East Broadway Street  
Oviedo, FL 32765**



**Everyone is welcome. Bring friends!**

**Lions, Volunteers, Bright Futures**

**Community Service hours available**

**No experience needed**

***For further information contact:***

***Lion Dennis Dulniak at: [ddulniak@ucf.edu](mailto:ddulniak@ucf.edu) 407-592-6670***





# 6TH ANNUAL TRICK OR TREAT

LAKE ALFRED  
CENTRAL PARK

@FOOTBALL FIELD PARKING LOT

OCTOBER 31

5:30 PM - 8 PM

JOIN US FOR:

🍬 CANDY. 🎃 SPOOKY DECOR.  
👥 COMMUNITY SUPPORT NEEDED



TRUNK-OR-TREAT  
CANDY GALORE



PRIZES FOR BEST  
DECORATED  
TRUNKS/TABLES

HOSTED BY: FUN IN LAKE ALFRED, CITY OF LAKE ALFRED & LAKE ALFRED LIONS CLUB

📧 QUESTIONS? FUNINLAKEALFRED@GMAIL.COM

DESIGNED BY  
RJ



MEMBERSHIP



LEADERSHIP

**THERE'S A SHIP FOR EVERYONE**  
**SAIL AWAY WITH US**



FRIENDSHIP



FELLOWSHIP



**LEAD TO SERVE**  
**SERVE TO LEAD**



MENTORSHIP



OWNERSHIP





# EYEGLOSS SORTING & READER PROCESSING

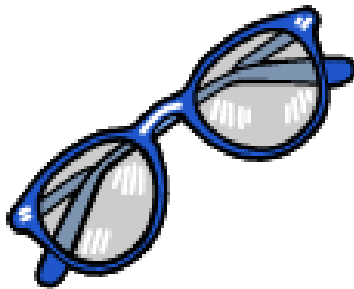
**Project: Right to Sight**

**Saturday, September 13th**

**Ocoee Lions Club**

**108 Taylor Street, Ocoee, FL**

**9:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon**




**Everyone is welcome. Bring friends!  
Volunteers!**

**Bright Futures Community Service Hours Available**  
*for further information contact:*

*Lion Dennis Dulniak at:*

[ddulniak@ucf.edu](mailto:ddulniak@ucf.edu) 407-592-6670



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**





INVITE

**FREE TO THE PUBLIC**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2025

9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

**226 BENNETH ST.**

AUBURNDALE FL. 33823

CONTACT: MINNIE HASSELE 646-399-9511- TEXT PLEASE

VENDORS & ENTERTAINERS WELCOME

*This celebration brings together diverse cultures from around the world, featuring traditional music, dance, cuisine, and art. It serves as a platform for fostering unity and understanding while highlighting the rich tapestry of global heritage.*



**RSVP by OCTOBER 6, 2025 / VENDORS APPLICATIONS AVILABLE.**

Global Leadership  
Team



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!





# 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





**LIONS OF DISTRICT 35-0  
ARE INVITED TO THE**



# **1<sup>ST</sup> ZONE MEETING**

**Zone 5**

**hosted by the Davenport Lion's Club .**

**Date : 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2025**

**Time : 6:30 p.m.**

**Cost : \$15 Dinner/Taco Bar**

**Venue : 50 Westridge Road,  
Davenport, FL 33857**



**Please bring non perishable food  
items to donate to our local**

**Food Pantry**

**“Reaching out to Serve”  
WE SERVE**

**RSVP by the**

**27<sup>th</sup> August, 2025.**

**Contact Ln. Michele Tighe  
via email:**

**tighemichele40@gmail.com**





SOUTH DAYTONA CITIZENS ALERT COUNCIL, LIONS CLUB  
AND POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESENT:

# KAILYNNE QUARTIER MEMORIAL RIDE



**KICKSTANDS UP AT 10:00AM SHARP**

**6<sup>th</sup>  
SEPTEMBER  
2025**

**All vehicle types are  
welcomed.  
\$20 donation**

**ADVANCED REGISTRATION IS ENCOURAGED.**

South Daytona City Hall, 1672 S. Ridgewood Avenue,  
South Daytona or call 386-322-3014

Make Check Payable to: South Daytona Citizens Alert

#### **DETAILS**

Sponsorship Opportunities

Door Prizes

Best Poker Hand

50/50 Drawing

Escorted Ride followed by Lunch at the  
Piggotte Community Center

#### **STARTING POINT**

9.00 AM at South Daytona Police Department  
1672 S. Ridgewood Avenue, South Daytona

Route for the Escorted Ride: South Daytona Police Department, The Half Wall  
Restaurant & Brewery (New Smyrna), Deland Police Department, and Teddy Morse's  
Harley Davidson Destination Daytona. End at Piggotte Community Center for lunch.

LAKE ALFRED LIONS  
CLUB  
PRESENTS

25  
OCT

# HALLOWEEN

## MARATHON BINGO

18+

**COST: \$45.00 PER PERSON**

COSTUME CONTEST, PRIZES AND MUCH MORE  
DOORS OPEN @ 7AM GAMES WILL START @ 9AM

TO REGISTER GOTO [WWW.LAKEALFREDLIONSCLUB.COM](http://WWW.LAKEALFREDLIONSCLUB.COM)

JOIN US AT  
THE LOWELL LOHMAN  
*Thriving*  
*with*  
*Diabetes*  
COMMUNITY EXPO

Learn from leading experts, participate in interactive sessions, and gain practical skills to manage living with diabetes at this **FREE** event.

Complimentary coffee and lunch will be provided.

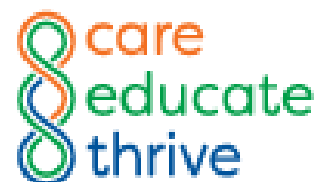
**November 21**

9:00 am - 1:30 pm

**The Mori Hosseini Center**

1200 West International Speedway Blvd. Daytona Beach

To register, visit [halifaxhealth.org/ThrivingWithDiabetes](https://halifaxhealth.org/ThrivingWithDiabetes) or scan the QR Code





**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

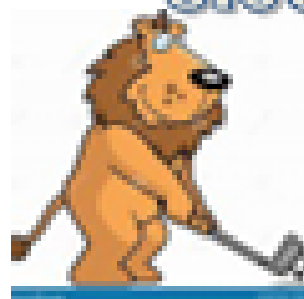
**TIME: 6:00 P.M.**

**1st ANNUAL**  
**District 35-0 Foundation**  
**to benefit Disaster Relief**  
**GOLF TOURNAMENT**



**4-person Scramble**  
**Saturday, October 4, 2025**

**8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start**



**Harbor Hills Country Club**  
**6538 Lake Griffen Road**  
**Lady Lake, FL 32162**

**\$100 per player / \$400 per team**

7:00 a.m. - Check-in

Luncheon following tournament in Clubhouse with  
awards and raffles.

Make check payable to: Lions 35-0

Mail to: FVDG John Hanna,

1076 Summerton St., The Villages, FL 32162

<u>Name</u>	<u>e-mail</u>	<u>Phone #</u>

# **SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**All proceeds go to Lions 35-O Foundation for Disaster Relief**



**Make check payable to: Lions 35-O  
Mail to: FVDG John Hanna,  
1076 Summerton St.  
The Villages, FL 32162**



**THE LIGHTER SIDE**

I went to the paint  
store to get thinner.  
It didn't work.

After my friend  
turned vegan, it was  
like I had never seen  
herbivore.

I don't mean to hit  
ALL of your buttons. I  
was just trying to find  
mute.

If it walks like a duck  
and talks like a duck,  
you're drunk.  
Ducks don't talk.

I grilled a chicken at  
lunchtime. Still no  
answer on why he  
crossed the road.

James Bonds sports  
gray hair in his latest  
picture:  
"No time to Dye"

If you wear a  
sweater and sweat,  
are YOU the  
sweater?

If any of you know how to  
fix broken hinges,  
my door is always  
open.

Fungi puns are my  
yeast favorite.  
There's too  
mushroom for error.

To some, marriage is  
a word.  
To others,  
it's a sentence.

I call my horse Mayo,  
And sometimes  
Mayo neighs.

The pregnant cow  
some became  
decafinated.

**TURKEY  
ARRESTED!**  
Police suspect  
fowl play.

Rocky Mountain  
Oysters ...  
The original  
sack lunch.

To the thief who  
stole my glasses,  
I'll find you.  
I have contacts!

Some artists of the 50's are revising their hits with new lyrics to accomodate baby boomers. Here's a few:

1. Herman's Hermits- Mrs. Brown you've got a lovely walker.
2. The Bee Gees- How can you mend a broken hip.
3. Bobby Darin- Splish Splash I was Having a flash.
4. Ringo Starr- I'll get by with the help from depends.
5. The Commodores- Once, twice, three times to the bathroom.
6. Marvin Gaye- Heard it from the Grape Nuts
7. Leo Sayer- You make me feel like napping.
8. Willie Nelson- On the commode again.
- 9- Procol Harem- A whiter shade of hair.
10. Johnny Nash- I can't see clearly now.
11. Helen Reddy- I am woman hear me snore.
12. Abba- Denture Queen.

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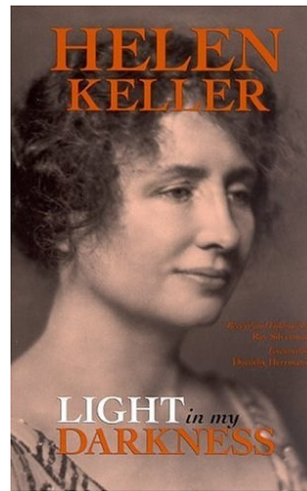
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