



Roar 'n Growl

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Coming Events

Sept 12	Kailynne Quarter Mile—SDLC
Oct 17	2nd Advisory Mtg Davenport Lions
Oct 31	Marathon Bingo Lake Alfred Lions
Oct 31	Trunk or Treat
Nov 6-7	Fall Conference Orlando Hotel & Convention Ct.

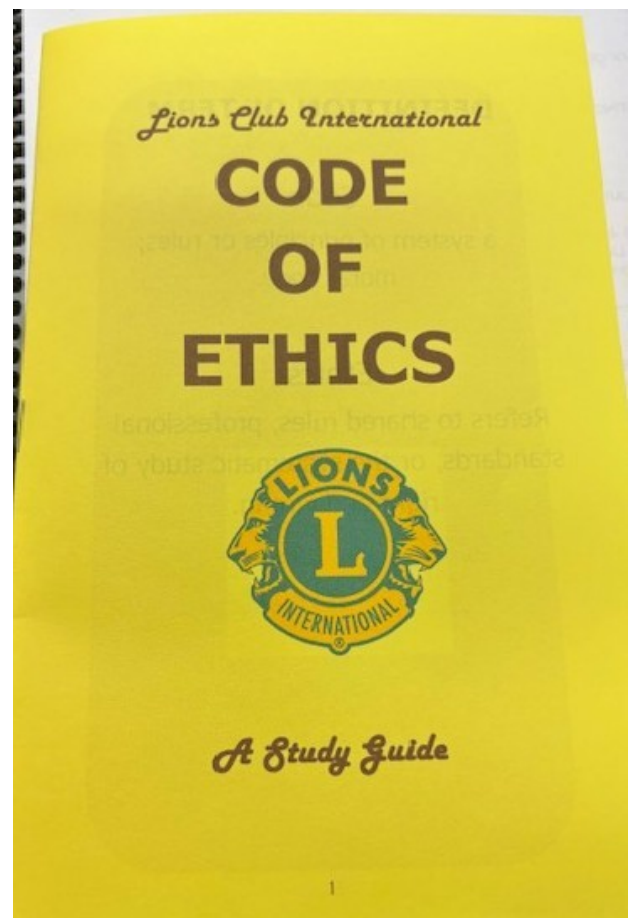
First District Advisory Meeting Hosted by Deland Lions Club

DG John Hanna welcomes everyone to his first District Advisory Meeting as District Governor. He led a meeting packed with information to continue our mission as lions in the MD 35-O. DG Hanna laid out the direction he was wanting to move as DG. He mentioned three different mottos that he wants all of us to not only know and recite, but to take to heart as we all serve our communities this year. Motto 1, from Lions International is “Rooted in Service”; Motto 2, from Mission 1.5 is “More Lions, More Service”; and Motto 3, his motto for the year, “Lions on Fire”. He then proceeded to regular business which will be released in the minutes.



Do you know the Code?

If you don't you soon will. PDG Lion Harry Williams discussed with us the importance of knowing the code and discussing what it means in our local club meetings. PDG Harry said, "The Code, like an elephant can't be digested all at once and recommends clubs take one section of the code at a time and discuss it with members; what it means, what it looks like in our club, and how do we make it second nature in each members' individual heart. If you haven't seen the pamphlet yet, you should very soon.



Advisory Meeting Speakers



PDG Lion Harry Williams
Code of Ethics



Lion Dr. Norma Callahan
Diabetes



Lion Judy Seltzer
Director of Operations,
Lions Saving Sight



DG Lion John Hanna
Have you heard about his pull tabs?

Putting a Picture to Our District Leadership Teams words



MISSION 1.5

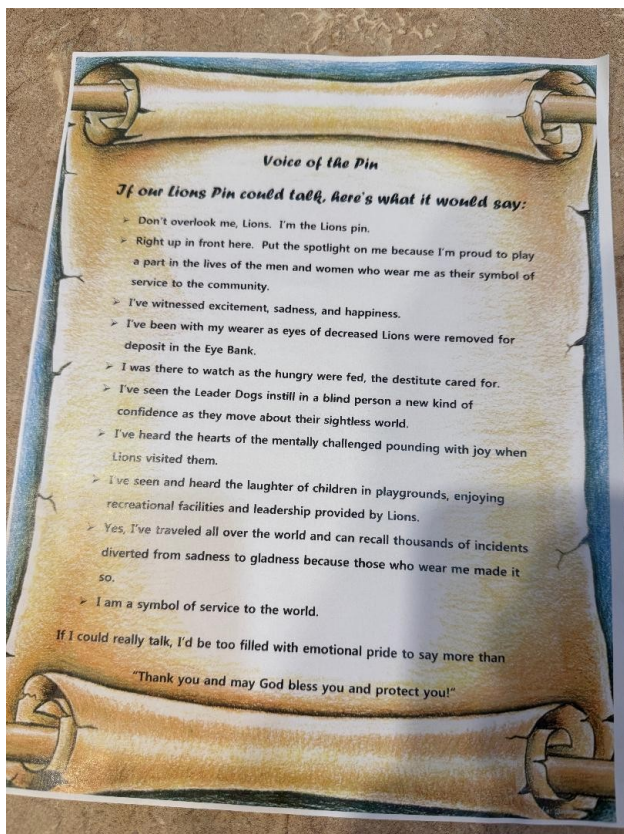
Lions Code of Ethics

TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

ALWAYS bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my province and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in work, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labour and means.

TO AID others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.





Proud TO BE A LION



Being a Lion is not just wearing a badge — it is carrying a heart full of **kindness, compassion, and service.**

Lions members always smile because they bring hope to others.

Through this beautiful organization, I have met many truly **kindhearted Lions** who dedicate their lives to **helping humanity.**

Special gratitude and respect to the great founder
MELVIN JONES
whose vision united millions of caring hearts around the world.

Melvin Jones



“WHERE THERE IS A NEED, THERE IS A LION.”



— *Lion Nalin Wijesekera MJF*

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International Lions club



Multiple District 35 Entities

Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF)

Provides grants to Lions clubs to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities, and support those in need through humanitarian services that impact lives locally and globally.

Leader Dogs for the Blind – Michigan

Train people who are Deaf/blind and instructed in using American Sign Language (ASL) with a guide dog, provide orientation & mobility (cane travel) training, offer free GPS units and training, and run a Teen Summer Camp for those visually impaired.

Lions Saving Sight *(formerly Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind)*

Assists in providing funds to pay for eye surgeries for individuals who either can't afford it or if their insurance doesn't cover.

Dogs Inc. *(formerly Southeastern Guide Dogs, Inc.)*

They raise, train, and provide guide dogs for those who are visually impaired; service dogs for veterans healing from physical and invisible wounds; skilled companion dogs for those facing isolation, loneliness and coping with grief; and therapy dogs for patients and healthcare workers at military facilities across the U.S. as well as first responders in the Tampa Bay area.

Lions World Vision Institute *(formerly Lions Eye Institute for Transplant & Research)* – Tampa

Recover, process and distributes organ, eye, and tissue from donors to hospitals, do Ocular Research to improve cornea transplant surgical procedures.

Diabetes Awareness Foundation of MD-35, Inc.

Provides supplies and training to MD Lions Clubs as certified blood glucose screeners and perform free diabetic screenings to identify and refer potential diabetics. Provides educational material for the screenings. Supports three Florida Diabetes Kids Camps for youngsters from around the Multiple District.

Beauty of Sight *(formerly Florida Lions Eye Bank)*

Located at the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute – University of Miami Health System. Supports research and transplants.

Florida Lions Diabetic Retinopathy Foundation, Inc.

Raise public awareness of the problems associated with diabetes. Work with Lions Clubs in the multiple district to screen for diabetes. Facilitate early diagnosis and treatment to prevent blindness. Obtain grants and donations in order to further these purposes.

Conklin Davis Center for the Visually Impaired

Their goal is to enhance the lives and opportunities of our clients through job training, and employment, Independent Living, Technology training and children's services as well as a multitude of community services.

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Zone 3 – Lion Jaci Newmark, Zone 3 Chairperson

The Lions in Zone 3 are “Catching the Wave” this year with service and leadership. I have made official visits to the Eastport Lions, Fruitland Park Lions and Lake Sumter Lions. In my visits I have promoted LCIF.

My clubs have been very busy with raising money with their Bingo games that I have attended (OBG, Fruitland Park, Wildwood) and doing service projects with Lake Sumter doing KidSight and Eastport sorting thousands of glasses. I will be contacting Tavares and Clermont/Minneola for visits in September.

Our 1st Zone meeting is scheduled for Saturday, August 29 with a Brunch and a Lions Trivia contest at the Olympia Recreation Center hosted by the Eastport Lions

Also in September, I will be working on starting up the Middleton Lions. This club will be a club for people under 55 who are still in the workforce. I have several people interested and hopefully we can have a first meeting before Thanksgiving.

This year there will be fun and friendship in our Zone as we share Lionism with our members and community.

Lion Jaci



ZONE 3

We're a

Community



at work for

OUR

Communities



CLUB NEWS - Lake Sumter Lions Club

Lake Sumter Lions [Chuck LeGare](#) and [Ralph Long](#) assisted The Eastport Lions Vision Screening at The SOZO KIDS Backpack Event last Saturday. A total of 142 children were screened.



Lake Sumter Lions [Dennis Ryan](#), Barb Goeske, Faye McCarrell and Linda Ryan participated in the City of Groveland/ Hope International Church Backpack/school Supply Day by conducting children's Vision Screening (aka KidSight). A total of 38 children were screened. Because of the brightness in the location, the children had more fun as they were able to gaze into the box tunnel so the vision screening camera could get the measurements. Fun Day!



CLUB NEWS—Lake Sumter Lions Club

Lake Sumter Lions [Dennis Ryan](#) and Linda Ryan transported approximately 6000 pairs of used eyeglasses to the Wisconsin Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center in Rosholt in June. The glasses will be cleaned and sorted and sent out on Lions Missions to Third World Countries, where thousands will be able to see more clearly - thanks to donated used eyeglasses. After visiting the Center, Ryans continued traveling the state visiting family, friends and fellow Wisconsin Lions.



CLUB NEWS—Lake Sumter Lions Club

“Let’s all go to the Dairy Queen.” An oldie, but goodie from past generations, revived but Lake Sumter Lions Club as a repeating fundraiser. Shifts volunteered for, customers greeted and thanked for supporting a popular fundraiser. Need a fundraiser? Contact the leadership at Lake Sumter Lions for info how you can have a “scrumpdillyicious day”.



CLUB NEWS—High Point Lions Club Branch



HIGH POINT LIONS CLUB 52nd CHARTER NIGHT DINNER

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2026 at 6:00 PM

High Point Community Center

12249 Club House Road

Brooksville, FL 34613

FVDG Sonia Saylor – Official Visit

Guest Speaker – PDG Steven Van Varick

Dinner

\$15.00 donation

RSVP by Monday, October 5th to:

Lion Nancy Barnett-Plaeger

NancyleaBarnett@gmail.com or (352) 247-5719

Please leave a message



CLUB NEWS—Oviedo Winter Springs Lions Club

REGAL MOVIE TICKET BUNDLES

≡ to Support ≡

**OVIEDO-WINTER SPRINGS
LIONS CLUB**



REGAL.

**TWO  TICKETS
FOR \$30**



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**25% OF EACH PURCHASE WILL BE DONATED
TO OUR FOUNDATION**

CLUB NEWS - Eastport Lions Club



CLUB NEWS -Lady Lake Orange Blossom Gardens Lions Club

The Orange Blossom Gardens Lions Club recently recognized six outstanding members with its "You Make a Difference" Award.



CLUB NEWS -Lady Lake Orange Blossom Gardens Lions Club

Neighbors, burgers, and blue lights made for a great evening at the Lady Lake Police Department's first-ever National Night Out!



CLUB NEWS—Fruitland Park Lions Club

During a visit to the Fruitland Park Lions, Zone Chair Jaci Newmark presented a Melvin Jones Fellow recognition to Club Treasurer Lion Linda Stevenson. Also pictured is Club President PDG Dawn Countermine.



CLUB NEWS—Fruitland Park Lions Club

Fruitland Park Lions Club hosts Tuesday night Bingo.

Good Food, Great Bingo Games, Outstanding Community Support. Great fun had by all.



CLUB NEWS—Port Orange Volusia Area Lions Club Branch



Lions from Volusia and South Daytona helping with Food Brings Hope's Fresh Market, Dickerson Center, Daytona.



Daytona College Health Fair saw our lions performing Diabetes and vision screening.

CLUB NEWS—Port Orange Volusia Area Lions Club Branch

144 EYEBALLS CHECKED BY LIONS

Local Lions Club members screened 72 children for vision and eye issues at the Port Orange Recreation Center's Back to School event. 72 Children, 144 eyes using a digital camera. Meeting Helen Keller's challenge to be "Crusaders of the Blind."





We're back for another epic car show fundraiser at the [American Muscle Car Museum](#) Oct. 3rd from 9AM-2PM. We will have awesome cars, awards, raffles, music, food, and vendors. The 15th Annual Satellite Beach Lions Club Car Show is FREE to spectators and only \$30 per car to enter the show.

But wait! There's more.

You'll have the opportunity to go inside the American Muscle Car Museum, which will be open to the public for a donation of \$30 per person. Every registered car includes one FREE admission to the museum. The museum is not open to the public normally, so this is a big treat!

Register now to save \$5 off the registration fee!



CALL FOR VENDORS

for the

SATELLITE BEACH LIONS CLUB

CAR SHOW FUNDRAISER

Amazing opportunity for car care vendors, craft makers, and more!
We invite you to be part of this highly anticipated, lively event.

- ✓ 10'x10' Outdoor Space
- ✓ No Repeat Products
- ✓ \$45 Per Space



Saturday
October 3, 2026



Time
9:00AM - 2:00 PM



American Muscle Car Museum
3500 Sarno Rd. Melbourne

The Satellite Beach Lions Club is a non-profit raising money to serve community needs. We use 100% of the money we raise to support charitable causes, such as vision services for low-income children and adults. Learn more at satellitebeachlionsclub.com.

- We are looking for a mix of vendors with interesting items for both men and women - **mainly car related, but arts, crafts, and other products are welcome**, too.
- Sorry, no food/drink concessions/trucks allowed - the Lions Club is also raising money by serving food and drinks.
- Family-friendly event - All items must be appropriate for any age to view and free of political statements.
- Limited space available - sign up today!



To apply to be a vendor, or for more information, email Julie at jboleware1@gmail.com.

Satellite Beach Lions of Florida Foundation Inc is a 501 (c)(3) public charity, EIN 46-2104503. Donations are tax deductible. A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll-free (1-800-435-7532) within the State. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the State. FDACS.gov



SATELLITE BEACH LIONS CLUB *15th Annual Car Show*

ALL MAKES AND MODELS WELCOME

Saturday, October 3, 2026

9AM - 2PM (Registration 8AM- 12PM)

AMERICAN MUSCLE CAR MUSEUM

3500 Sarno Rd. Melbourne

Early-bird Registration \$25 until Sept. 15th

Registration \$30 beginning Sept. 16 through day of the show

Awards to Top 25 and Best in Show

**All Registered Vehicles Receive 1 Free Admittance
to the Museum and 1 Free Raffle Ticket.**

The Museum Will Be Open to the Public for a Donation of \$30 pp.

50/50 - Raffle Prizes - Music - Food - Vendors

100% of all proceeds go to charitable causes

For more information contact Lance 321-403-3971 or Steve 610-742-7878



3 Options to Register and Pay

- 1. Follow the QR Code, register and pay securely online.**
- 2. Fill out the form below and mail it with the fee. Address below.**
- 3. Register the day of the show - most credit cards will be accepted.**

***Please make checks payable to Satellite Beach Lions Club
and mail to P.O. Box 372462 Satellite Beach, FL 32937***

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Vehicle Year/Make/Model: _____

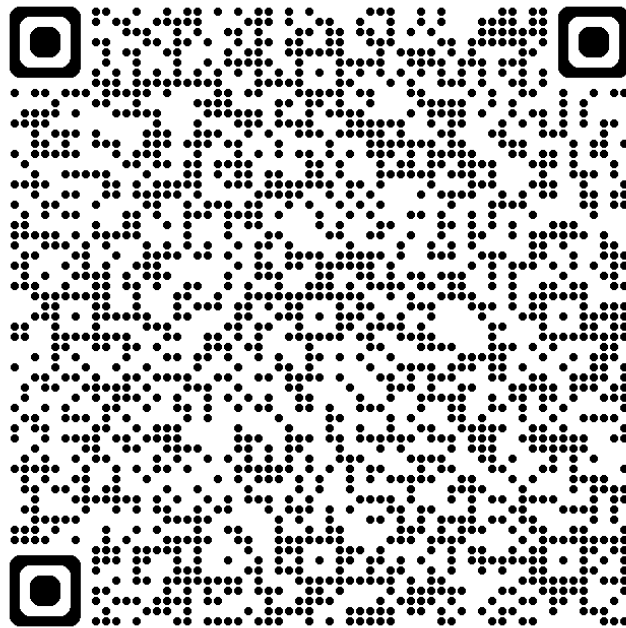
By execution of this form, I hereby release the Satellite Beach Lions Club and the American Muscle Car Museum from any and all damages during this event.



To secure the nightly rate of only \$150 and not pay any local, state, or tourism taxes, all reservations must be made through the MD-35 Office using Ticket Tailor. This special rate is only available until midnight October 20th.

After October 20th, if rooms are still available, the nightly rate will increase significantly plus any applicable local, state, and tourism taxes will be added. In this case, payment must be made directly to the Florida Hotel & Conference Center by calling 800-588-4656.

Scan QR Code below for info and registration



BECOMING A LION IS GREAT.

STAYING A LION IS EVEN BETTER.



WE SERVE



WE CARE



WE MAKE A
DIFFERENCE



TOGETHER
WE CAN

The Lighter Side of Life



Why did the crab cross the road?

It didn't, it used the sidewalk.

What's the difference between
The bird flu and the swine flu?

One requires a tweetment and the
Other an oinkment.

What's the most
Popular fish in the
Ocean?

The Starfish

How do you make
Holy water?

Boil the "hell" out of it.

Did you here about the
kidnapping at school?

It's OK, he woke up.

What's the best present?

Drums, you can't beat them.

What do you call a
boomerang that won't
come back?

A Stick

Why do people who live in
Greece hate waking up at
dawn?

Dawn is tough on Greece.

What do you call a hippie wife?

Mississippi

A father was washing the car with his son. After they were done, his son asked, "Couldn't we have used a sponge?"

By the Numbers from the Lions Magazine

Summer 2026 Edition

8,200 - number of sausages cooked in Western Australia during 102-hour sausage sizzle that raised \$50,000 for mental health and suicide prevention outreach.

2,900 - number of rubber ducks that bobbed down the river during the Sooke Harbourside Lions Club's annual Duck Day Race in British Columbia, Canada.

450 – number of preschool children receiving vision screenings from Conroe Noon Lions Club in Texas, that resulted in referrals for eye exams and glasses.

250 – number of lunches packed and donated to local homeless shelters by Oliver Ames Leo Club in Massachusetts.

16 – number of semi-trailer trucks w/ medical supplies, clothing, generators and assistive equipment sent to Ukraine by Lions of MD 101 in Sweden to support hospitals, orphanages, and other places in need.

10 – number of wheelchairs donated by Lagos Ikoyi Lions Club in Nigeria to school for children with special needs.

3 – number of bicycles provided by lions clubs in Sri Lanka to one student and two volunteer teachers to help them travel to and from school.

Great numbers from worldwide clubs. Let's send in some of ours for recognition.

Check out your LION Magazine for great interviews, stories, activities, and events around the Lion's World.

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How to Report Service

- How to Log in
 - Go to WWW.lionsclubs.org
 - At top of screen, click on Lion Portal
 - Enter Your Username and password as requested
 - Click on “Log In”
- How to manage your service report
 - At top of page click on “Service” (Here you should see a broad white box with name of your Lions Club on the left and the type of your club to its right.)
 - Click on “Next” (This will take you to a page with all of the service reports you made from July 1st through the current date.)
 - Click on “Create Service Activity” in the blue box near the top right of the page.
 - Fill in appropriate information requested in the top line in the list of reports.
 - When completed entering information you will be prompted, “Are you satisfied with the correctness and completeness of your report?”
 - NO, you can leave the page and it will be saved , but will not be sent to LCI. You can come back later to edit and add missing information.
 - YES, send the report to the Lions Club by clicking on box titled “Report”.

Congratulations!!!! You have entered your service activity.

Make sure you advise your President and/or Secretary so they can review and transmit it for credit.

This information was taken as an excerpt from a handout provided by Lion Dr. Glenn Brown at the August Advisory Meeting.



Lions
Saving Sight
THE FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION

Be a GRAND LION

By: Lion Bair S. "Chip" Kunka, PCC
President, LIONS SAVING SIGHT

You should all be incredibly proud of your foundation. In the first quarter of this year alone, we have processed 98 surgical cases at a cost of over \$172,000. This puts us on target to handle as many as 400 cases this year.

We truly make a difference, but continuing this vital work requires funding. One of my primary goals this year is to sell 100 Grand Lion Awards. For a donation of \$1,000, individual Lions can purchase this beautiful award. Clubs can also make a like donation to present this special honor to a deserving member.

To lead by example, I am personally committing \$1,000 to the foundation. I challenge individual Lions and Lions Clubs alike to match my contribution. By donating to our foundation, we give the gift of sight to those in financial need. Please help us achieve this goal so we can sustain our life-changing mission.

For more information, please visit our website
<https://www.lionssavingsight.org/life-memberships>

