



LIONS DISTRICT 35F

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Notes from District Governor Norm

Time is passing very quickly in my Lionistic year, and so far not as much has been done as I had hoped for - BUT there is still time to accomplish a lot. Knowing I have many, many good Lions to help me means a lot.



Taking a word from one of my other Governors, "It is time we got going on the idea that Lionism is a "Family Affair"". We need to get out there and get many husband and wife teams signed up as new Lions. In order to get some younger ones, we may have to make a way for their kids to be entertained during the Club meeting. This is not as hard to accomplish, as it might seem. Give it some thought and make it happen. It's a very good way to get new younger members.

In the very near future, in fact the week of November 17th, we are going to be forming some new clubs for our District. The extension workshop will be Nov. 17 and 18th and then Lion Carl Herrall, and Lion Ed Pick along with some Guiding Lions and your District Governor will go out and get members for new clubs. This job will take help

from some of you Lions by you becoming "Guiding Lions". This is a very important undertaking and I'm sure I can depend on you to help me in this very big job. You can take the course and become a "Guiding Lion" on the Internet, through the LCIF website. I am sure you will get a lot of satisfaction helping to bring new clubs into existence. Call me if you have questions.

Also, we need our Zone Chairman to do whatever they can to help our smaller clubs grow. These clubs need to grow so we can fulfill the job of helping those less fortunate than we are. This is another job that gives great satisfaction, and is what Lionism is all about. As of now, we only have two clubs (Sandestin & Parkway) that are sponsoring entries into the Lions Peace Poster Contest. If other clubs are interested, the deadline is November 15th, 2008 and that is REAL close. The entries must be postmarked for judging by December 1, 2008. Let's get some more entries.

Last but not least, let me wish all of you a very Happy, Healthy, & Peaceful Thanksgiving. We all have a LOT to be thankful for, so let's appreciate our blessings and pass on as many blessing as we can. ISN'T IT GREAT TO BE A LION!!!!!!!

Yours in Lionism,

District Governor Norm

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Or email nojretired@embarqmail.com

Notes from Vice District Governor Nancy

Welcome to Fall. What a relief that we have much cooler weather. And we have been blessed with very little damage from hurricanes again this year.



It is with sadness that I report the passing of a faithful Lion. Jimmy Finch of the Freeport Lions Club passed on September 9, 2008. Jimmy served 36 years in Lionism and at one time was a Lieutenant Governor of the state. Jimmy will be missed.

There is a State Conference coming up on November 7-9, 2008 at the Wyndham Jacksonville Riverwalk. I hope that we will have a number of Lions from our District there. We also have a District Meeting coming up on Saturday, November 15, 2008. This meeting is being sponsored by the Sandestin Lions Club and here again, I hope to see many of the District F Lions in attendance.

We are still looking for someone to take my place in the District as Vice District Governor. Any one that may be interested, please contact our District Governor Norm or me.

PDG Nancy Cummins,
Interim Vice District Governor , 850-231-2766
Or email at nancy-orbiel@mchsi.com

Calendar of Events

District 35F Cabinet Meetings

Saturday, November 15, 2008:
Cabinet Meeting Hosted by Sandestin Lions Club

Time—TBD & Agenda/Room Set Up & Technical Needs—TBD

TOPS'L Beach and Racquet Resort
9011 Hwy 98 West, Sandestin, FL 32550-7254
Center Court Room, unless we have fewer than 30 reservations, we'll be moved to a smaller room across the hall.

Total Cost per person: \$15.00
Phone # 850-598-1520 or email at
Diane@GulfResortHomes.com.

January 17, 2009 – Cabinet Meeting TBA

April 3,4, & 5, 2008 – Convention Panama City

Multiple District 35 Conferences

Fall Conference

November 6-9, 2008,

**Jacksonville, Wyndham Riverwalk, 1515
Prudential Dr., Jacksonville FL 32207 904-396-
5100**

Winter Conference

January 8-11, 2009 Punta Gorda

Spring Conference

March 5-8, 2009 Orlando

International Conventions

July 6-10, 2009 Minneapolis, MN

June 28 –July2, 2010 Sydney, Australia

July 4-8, 2011 Seattle, WA

District 35 F Foundation Directors

Drive Director – Mary Ogletree

3 year Director – Nell Simmons

2 Year Director – Jessie Carpenter

1 Year Director – Whit Whittle

LIONS CLUB BULLETIN CONTEST

DISTRICT 35F

Purpose: To recognize those Lions Clubs who consistently produce outstanding and informative Club Bulletins/Newsletters through out the contest period.

Contest Dates:

September 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009

All Clubs producing a Club Bulletin/Newsletter are urged to participate.

Submitted by W.O. Whittle, District Bulletin Chairman.

YOU ARE INVITED !!

Saturday, November 8, 2008: The three Gadsden County Clubs -- Chattahoochee, Quincy, and Havana -- have joined to sponsor an old-fashioned gospel sing Saturday, November 8 at 7:00 pm. The fundraiser event, planned as an annual project rotated among the three towns, will be hosted by the Havana LIONS Club at the Havana Middle School auditorium this year.

Two professional groups have already been booked for the program. No admission will be charged, but donations will be accepted (expected) and a refreshment stand is planned.

Chattahoochee President Rocky Pace, 850-663-4755, Quincy President Charles McClellan, 850-627-9900, and Havana President Larry Clayton 850-539-3797, have worked together as a committee to plan and produce the event. They anticipate a full house attendance and urge neighboring clubs to attend as a group to support the project. Clubs and members can also assist by purchasing or selling advertisement for the event program. For further information, contact any of the presidents.

Submitted by PDG Howard Young heyoun@tds.net

The newsletter will be sent by email only this year due to budget constraints.

Send Bulletin Submissions including pictures to Lion Ray Malloy 501 Blairstone Road #4121, Tallahassee, FL 32301, 850-322-7507, Email - bigirishmalloy@yahoo.com

Dear Club Officers,

Here's some very good news: district governors enthusiastically responded to my request to focus on membership during the first three months of their year of service. We are building a strong framework to sustain worldwide membership growth for years to come. Thank you for your great cooperation and congratulations on your initial success.



You won't find a more dedicated Lion than my wife, Maureen, but when we began dating, it was another story. I told her I was "a little involved with Lions." She responded, "What's a Lion?" That shows you our challenge in getting our name out and attracting new members. People are bombarded with so much information and advertisement and so many appeals for help and volunteerism that it's easy for Lions Clubs to get lost in the clutter. That's why we need to present a clear image of who we are. We need to speak with one voice. So we've "rebranded" Lions. We've taken a long look at who we are. After conferring with many Lions worldwide, we've identified eight key characteristics of Lions.

1. We are global.
2. We serve where we live.
3. We give 100 percent.
4. We do it ourselves.

5. **We are rich in heritage and pride.**
6. **We are in good company.**
7. **We're open.**
8. **We are dedicated to sight – and more.**

You will help your club grow and become more diverse by communicating these key characteristics. Lions Clubs International has a wide range of resources available on its Web site to help you communicate these messages. Please take a look at the impressive *We are Lions* brochure (http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/news_news_BrandFAQ.shtml) Also learn more about our rebranding

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/pdfs/lions_brand_book.pdf) Our 21st century messages deserve 21st century media. Lions Clubs International is working hard to make sure you have access to the tools you need to communicate effectively. Our association now has a presence on the online video site YouTube. Because this site is global, yet person-to-person media, it is an excellent match for an organization whose ideals embrace both personal service and worldwide cooperation. I urge all Lions subscribe to the Lions channel on YouTube (<http://www.youtube.com/lionsclubsorg>). Of course, the best way to communicate in any century is by example. To be sure that your club is walking-the-walk as well as talking-the-talk, ask yourself the following questions.

In the past month, has my club:

- Invited someone to a service activity or to visit my club?
- Offered a warm welcome to newcomers?
- Talked with local leaders about our commitment to the community?
- Identified a problem in our community or in the world that our club can work on?
- Focused on the impact that we want to make?
- Heard someone say that our club is an asset to the community?
- Acted generously from the heart?

Lions working together can accomplish any task. Your club can ramp up its energy, spirit and membership and take its service to new levels.

Sincerely,

Al Brandel International President

KUDOS to PDG Joe Davis

The DEP/Bob Martinez Center “Green Team” is kicking off a campaign in cooperation with the Tallahassee Lions Club to RECYCLE ALL PRINTER CARTRIDGES. Boxes for collecting the cartridges are being placed on each floor of the 6 story Center and in the lobby of the LAB A building. General Services will empty the boxes several times per week and call for pick-up as needed – the cartridges will be picked up by Mr. Joe Davis, Past District Governor of the Tallahassee Lions Club. PDG Joe also picks up from Florida Highway Patrol; Florida Department of Law Enforcement; Capital Circle Office Complex and the local hospitals, Tallahassee Memorial and Capital Regional. The Green Teams fulfill the *Reduce, Reuse, Recycle* environmental message by reducing landfill debris through reuse and recycling rather than disposal. Other Lions Green Team efforts include the Leon County Sheriff’s Office, The Department of Financial Services and at Lions Businesses and workplaces through out Tallahassee as well as in the homes of environmentally conscious Lions.



