



WE SERVE

Governor's Monthly Newsletter

May 2010

FROM THE DESK OF THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

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the District Governor

"Move to Grow"

"Accentuate the Positive"

IS IT MAY ALREADY?

Congratulations to all the new District Officers elected at the recent MD Convention. District Governor Elect John Carbaugh, 1st Vice District Governor Elect Dean Hess, and 2nd Vice District Governor Elect Bob Hilliard.

I feel that the new District "1" will have great leadership for the coming year. All are well qualified for their jobs.

The District has had a great year in Membership Growth. We are #2

in the MD, and #3 in the south east that takes in 35 Districts. Job well done.

Thanks to Tom and Kathy Smith from Lehigh Acres for winning the best news letter for the District this year. Awesome job you two. Also thanks to all the contributors for making the news letter worthy of winning.

Kudos are to be extended to Lion Jerry Higginbotham, Drive Director for the Florida Foundation for the Blind. Under his tutelage the District was awarded best in show for contributing 129.7 % of our goal in donations this fiscal year.

Thank you to all the Lions in District 35-I for your support of all of the Entities. We truly exem-



plify "WE SERVE". If not for your hard work and constant volunteering of your time and effort we could not achieve our goals. Florida does make a Governor proud to be a Lion in the best Multiple in Lions.

Thank you to Lion John Logan, 2nd VDG for keeping me on an even keel for the past year. Your input has been invaluable so many times. I know we can count on you to keep up the true spirit of Lions.

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FROM THE DESK OF THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR cont.

This has been an incredible year for Rae and I. We have traveled near and far to do visits, Conferences, and even into New York and Canada to visit clubs. Many friends and acquaintances have been formed and will always be remembered.

As the next few months wind down I will still visit with some of the Clubs. Some have asked me to do installations, and to induct new members. There is a lot of unfinished work to be done. Soon I will be a PDG and will look forward to helping out in many capacities. Rae and I have volunteered for a few Cabinet jobs as well as MD Chairs. I assume we will be hearing soon about these new assignments.

As always I will be ready to fill any position I am asked to fulfill. So until next month we remain dedicated to the best group of people in the World.

Regards DG Paul and Rae

FROM THE DESK OF THE DGE John Carbaugh 35I

HOLY COW...now I am trying to be politically correct and not use any unfavorable language, but this past year, and especially the last 3 days of April and the first 2 days of May have been unfreakinbelievable. First, I would like to commend everyone who was a candidate for an office in the recent election. The stars really stood out. Now I would like to congratulate all of those who were successful in their quest. It's an amazing, absolutely, bone shaking experience to hear your name announced before your peers and to know that they have chosen you to be their Guidance, mentor, and bridge directly to the Lions Clubs International Organization.

I want to sincerely thank the members of the 4L Lions Clubs for having the confidence in not only nominating me, but their undying support in my quest for the office of District Governor. There are sooooo many people who I want to thank, but it would take this entire newsletter to name the people who kept reinforcing their belief in me and giving me the confidence to feel that I would be able to make a difference in Lionism. Not as a single person, but as a conduit to our nearly 1600 members in our new district.

I want to thank 1st Vice District Governor Elect Dean Hess for accepting his position and 2nd Vice District Governor Elect Bob Hilliard for stepping up to the plate when he was needed. I know that with the knowledge and experience that the three of us are going to bring together to help this district live up to its rightful name as "THE RIGHT ONE". Together we are going to continue building and fine tuning our cabinet over the next couple of weeks so that we have the best representation from the district to fulfill the requirements that will be set before them. If there is something that you have a particular interest in and we haven't contacted you, please either contact 1ST VDGE Dean or 2ND VDGE BOB or myself. There are going to be many new names and faces to get to know and we have a lot of work to do in making this a very smooth transition, but I believe we are miles ahead simply because we began working together as a team at the very first joint cabinet meeting. I look forward to visiting each of your clubs in the next year, and yes, I WILL be visiting every club, hopefully several new ones, and meeting all of the great Lions personally that continue on a daily basis to do what Lions do best and that is to "SERVE". Thank you to all of the support I received from both of the districts. I am here to SERVE with you. If you need anything, please don't EVER hesitate to call or email me and I will respond as soon as I possibly can. Thank you Again. We are going to have a Great year of an entire new generation of Lionism in MD35 Florida and The Bahamas.

DGE John Carbaugh, District 35I "THE RIGHT ONE"

One World...One purpose...Cure Preventable Blindness

If I have given my all and still do not win,

I haven't lost.

Others might remember winning or losing;

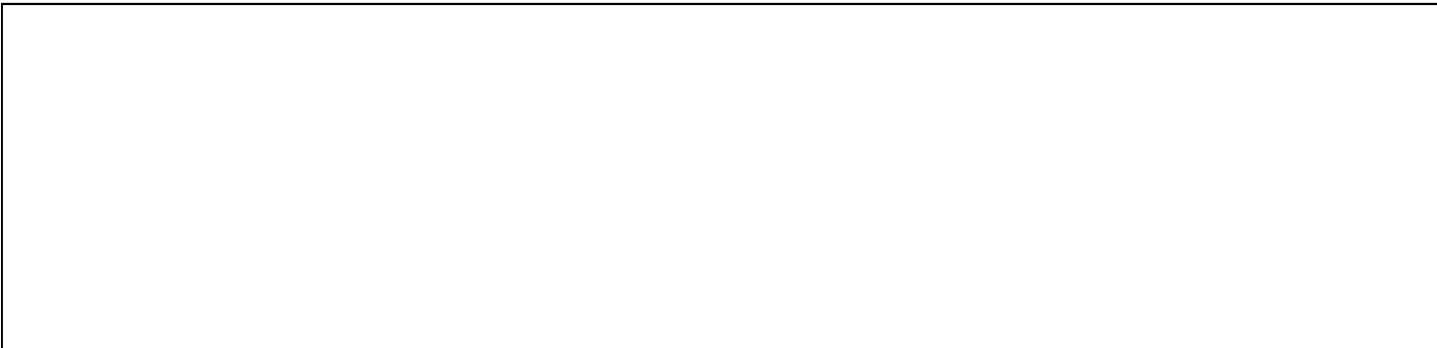
I will remember the journey!

"Apolo Ohno"

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Message from the Newsletter Editor

Well our 2009-2010 year is coming to an end. I would like to say “Thank You All” for your inputs and help with the newsletter. Lion Kathy and myself are honored to have won the Multi District Newsletter Award. We have met many new Lions and have learned so much in this past year. It has been our honor to serve the District as your newsletter editors. Thank you District Governor Paul for giving us that opportunity.



Lions Tom and Kathy

NOTE

It is the responsibility of the Club Info/ Technology Chair to distribute this Website address <http://www.lionsofflorida.org/> to your members so they can access the District Governor’s Newsletter. It is also their responsibility to have a printed copy at monthly meetings for those who do not have internet access. There will be printed copies available at Cabinet Meetings. If your club does not have a info/technology chair, it becomes the responsibility of the Club President.



Message from the 1st Vice Governor Dean Hess

The year has gone so fast! Here it is, only two months to go. The weekend at Daytona Beach was great. Besides all the meetings and elections, I received from the Florida sun the worst sunburn I have ever had. The meetings were great, a lot of information was given

I finished second in the election to be your next District Governor. The New District elected Lion John Carbaugh to be our new District Governor. I was elected to be your 1st VDG once again and Lion Bob Hilliard of Bonita Springs as your 2nd VDG. We will all make the best Governor TEAM ever in District I; the Number One District and third in the North America for new Lions. You have a TEAM willing and able to continue this growth.

Lion Judy and I have really enjoyed this year. The campaign and election were fun and tiring and a chance of a lifetime. With only two months left, we are ready to start over and do it again. The club visits this year were excellent and I can tell you we have some great

Lions of District I, I'm so proud of you as Lions and as your 1st VDG. I want to thank each and every Lion who voted for me, both times.

All the Lions who volunteered to be on my District Cabinet. You will have that opportunity in another year. I will be asking for your help once again.

- A special thanks to the Fort Meade Art Department students for designing my Convention posters and the ITV Department teacher who used up all his ink printing them.
- The Lake Placid club members for the hours spent on helping to serve the hospitality room.
- The Bonita Springs Lions for helping an sharing the hospitality room and "the best shrimp in town".

Lions we had a great time. The jokes were great, the food was fantastic, the fellowship awesome, the cold showers kept us awake and refreshed and the sunrise was excellent on Saturday morn-

There are many Lions that I must thank individually, #1 is my Partner in Service Lion Judy Galm. Without her at my side this year, I could not have made this all happen. She kept me level, as she would say, and she was there for the highs and the lows. Lion Judy, you are an awesome partner. Lion Judy has agreed to do this again with me. Thank you many times over! We will be going to Seattle and

Lion Norma Jean Andrews, PDG, has been a great mentor this year as in past years and made our hospitality room the nicest with the help of our bartender Lion Fred Harkins, PDG, Lion Amy Hilliard and

There are many more Lions, too many for

Remember the training is coming up this month:

May 8th at Lehigh Acres-- RSVP by May 3rd - Reservations a must for materials and lunch

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with lunch for \$10.

Please call Lion Tom Smith at (239) 369-5543

May 15th at Sebring – RSVP by May 10th - Reservations a must for materials and lunch

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with lunch for \$10.



Please call Lion Sam Dunn at (863) 214-1923

May 22nd at Bonita Springs Club House - RSVP by May 17th - Reservations a must for materials and lunch

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with lunch for \$10.

Please call Lion Bob Hillard at (239) 949-2280

The training team is looking forward to seeing all of you at training for the next Lion's year. Remember to get your newly elected officers to one of these trainings if they did not attend the Multiple District Convention. It is more than necessary not only for your club and it's members but for the future of the District, Multiple and LCI.

Message from the 2nd Vice Governor John Logan

Hello Lions,

This year has passed us very rapidly and many new ideas have been implemented. Clubs have had joint meetings to exchange ideas for Fund Raisers and enjoyed the few moments to brag about their successes. I am so very proud of each and everyone of you in District I for all the hard work you have done and intend to do going forward.

The area that we must continue to push is cross-training. Every Secretary, every Treasurer, every Committee Chair and Officer MUST have someone to fall back on. I challenge each Club to effectively train your members in all areas necessary to maintain your club with more knowledgeable members and you will see the fun that can be had.

The Convention this year was in Daytona Beach. Your District Editor for this Newsletter received the Multiple District Award. To Tom and Kathy Smith I congratulate you for all the hard work and for putting up with me being late with my articles.

There were other good things happening, Lion Robert Hilliard is your incoming 2 Vice District Governor and Lion Dean Hess will continue to be our 1st Vice District Governor. Lion John Carbaugh is the incoming District Governor for the NEW District I.

I am sure as we close the 2009/2010 year we all will look back and think about all you have accomplished. There are officers that will repeat their positions for another year and that actually is wonderful, for the experience they continue to bring forward can only enhance their clubs and the members in it. I applaud you volunteering and giving so much. Thank you.

This has been a wonderful experience for me. I have had the opportunity to meet many great Lions, see the work they do and laugh with each and everyone. You all have given me more than you will ever know. If someone hasn't thanked you lately, I thank you for being a LION!!!!

Always remember "Alone I am weak, together we are strong".

Thank you for being a Lion.



Yours in Lionism,

*John Logan
2nd Vice District Governor
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News from Lions Clubs International

More Volunteers in More Places than Any Other Service Club Organization

When **it comes to meeting challenges, our response is simple: We serve.** In 205 countries, in hospitals and senior centers, in regions battered by natural disaster, in schools and in eyeglass recycling centers, Lions are at work, helping, leading, planning and supporting. Because we're local, we can serve the unique needs of the communities we live in. And because we're global, we can address challenges that go beyond borders.

We want everyone to see a better tomorrow. That's why we support [sight programs](#) and services including vision screenings, eye banks and eyeglass recycling. Provide eye care services to those at risk of losing their sight. And raise donations through campaigns like [SightFirst](#) and [Campaign SightFirst II](#).

We believe everyone deserves a healthy life. From providing [health programs](#) that focus on [hearing](#) loss to supporting efforts to control and prevent [diabetes](#), we're working to improve the health of children and adults around the world.

We empower the next generation. Whether it's providing volunteer and leadership experiences in a [Leo club](#) or sharing a message of peace through our Peace Poster contest, our [youth programs](#) invest in the future by reaching out to young people.

We serve local communities – and protect the planet. From performing hands-on service projects to providing emergency assistance, our [community and environment programs](#) improve our communities – and protect the environment.

[2010 Lions Clubs International Convention Reminders](#)

Advance registration for this year's convention is closed. We will offer onsite registration at the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre beginning Monday, June 28. Here are some important reminders if you're planning to attend this year's event.

- Don't forget to [apply for your visa](#). All visitors to Australia (except New Zealand) must have a visa.
- Check the MD-201 [Host Committee Web site](#) for important traveler information from the Australian Customs Department, including restrictions on what you can bring into Australia.
- Many interesting day trips are available at a special Lions rate. [Sign up for your tour now](#) to secure your spot.

News from



Lions Clubs International

[Activist from Kenya Wins 2010 Lions Humanitarian Award](#)



We're pleased to announce that Nobel Peace Prize winner Wangari Maathai will receive this year's Lions Humanitarian Award. She is an activist from Kenya and the founder of the [Green Belt Movement](#). The Green Belt Movement is a broad based grassroots organization that works to reduce poverty and protect the environment. Her efforts have resulted in women planting 40 million trees since 1977. [Maathai will accept the Award during the Thursday morning plenary session of our Convention in Sydney.](#)

Lions Clubs International Foundation is the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International, the largest service club organization in the world with more than 1.3 million members in 205 geographic areas and countries. LCIF was ranked by a Financial Times' study as the number one non-governmental organization with which to partner. Learn more about LCIF online at www.lcif.org.

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ZONE 1

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1st Zone Meeting

2nd Zone Meeting

3rd Zone Meeting

4th Zone Meeting

ZONE 2

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1st Zone Meeting

2nd Zone Meeting

3rd Zone Meeting

4th Zone Meeting

ZONE 3

Zone Chair- Dean Hess
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1st Zone Meeting

2nd Zone Meeting

3rd Zone Meeting

4th Zone Meeting

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1st Zone Meeting

2nd Zone Meeting

3rd Zone Meeting

4th Zone Meeting

ZONE 2

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1st Zone Meeting

2nd Zone Meeting

3rd Zone Meeting

4th Zone Meeting

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Region 3 Zone Meetings 2009-2010

ZONE 1

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1st Zone Meeting

2nd Zone Meeting

3rd Zone Meeting

4th Zone Meeting

ZONE 2

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1st Zone Meeting

2nd Zone Meeting

3rd Zone Meeting

4th Zone Meeting

ZONE 3

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1st Zone Meeting

2nd Zone Meeting

3rd Zone Meeting

4th Zone Meeting

Club and District Information

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The Link to the Forum Newsletter can be found at:

<https://usacanadalionsforum.org/forumnewsletter012010v1a.pdf>

Seminar List now available:

<https://usacanadalionsforum.org/2010seminarspeakerspreadsheet.pdf>

Information on Local Tours can be found at:

<http://www.milwaukeeforum.org/Milwaukee%Tours.htm>

Need to register before June 15th to keep price break:

<https://usacanadalionsforum.org/registration.html>

If you have any questions, please contact the Forum Office at:

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Don't forget to check out the Forum Video on YouTube:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Un8cs0RJcpA>

The Forum is also on Facebook and Twitter.

PCC Bill Filmore, Website Chair

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