

# The Illinois Lion Lioness Leo

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Lena Lions Club's Operation Good Fellow: (Top Picture) Lions are in an assembly line to put the fruit baskets together (Second Picture) Lions gather on Saturday morning to deliver the fruit and cookie plates, and boxes of groceries. L to R:- Bruce Shelton, Richard Holmes, Lois Shelton, Lee Otte, Dave Hoffman, Gordy Dammann Bill Crichton, Jeff Stamm, 1st Vice District Governor Gary Meyer not pictured Chairman Don Grunder and Mike Thill

## Council Chair Speaks:

Take time to let your special someone know how much they mean to you. We all enjoy that special



attention from our loved ones. Recognition is important in our personal lives as well as lions.

May. A lot of preparing goes into every convention.



planning and into every From securing a convention

## Valentine's Day Celebrate With Love 2015

site that will accommodate everyone, selecting a menu, and lining up speakers/presenters. All of this and more to make the conventions informative and fun for all.

It is very important to make your convention plans early. When you get information about a convention and you are planning to attend, return the reservation form timely. There are deadlines that must be met, so food can be prepared and meeting rooms can be set up. The hotels will hold a block of sleeping rooms for a convention at a special rate, but only for a set time (The Deadline). After that deadline the hotels can release the unreserved rooms, meaning they don't have to honor the special rate or even hold the rest of the rooms for Lions!

Your District Governors and District convention committees are working hard on your District Convention, The SS/T (State Secretary/Treasurer) Lion Michele and the State convention committee is working hard on the State Convention. They want your experience to be affordable and enjoyable. We can help by sending our registrations in early and reserving our guest rooms before the stated deadlines in which room reservations must be made!"

See you at the Conventions!

-CC Fred Peska

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## Editorial:



When you read this newsletter, ground in Illinois is covered with white snow making it a winter wonderland. What else you can expect in winter? Couple of months and there will be spring at the door welcoming tulips and other annuals blooming to bring spirit. It is nature and we love it.

It will be time to bring spring into our Lionistic work in our communities. December membership numbers are out and many of our districts in MD1 show decline in numbers like snow on the ground. It is time for us to wake up and to say, "Hey, I am Lion; join our club to serve the needy people in our communities." Don't bury our clubs under snow; melt the snow and let tulips bloom and bring beauty in our communities.



There is strength in membership and there is growth. We need this to introduce new programs, to share and care strengthen our existing events and to bring new enthusiasm to celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> International Convention in 2017 Chicago.

Very soon once I received all information from all 11 District Governors I am going to bring out a Special Convention Issue for your convenience so that you can attend any conventions of your wish in MD1. It will bring you convention information and registration form. Attend these conventions and see what is going on in MD1. How lions work hard entire year and spend one weekend in celebrating their success with International Guest.

**-Austin D'Souza, Ph.D., Editor**  
[ILStateEditor@mail.com](mailto:ILStateEditor@mail.com)



**LEADERSHIP CORNER:**



Some clubs are moving, shaking, and making things happen in their communities, but some clubs are not quite there, yet. Is your club stuck in a rut? Is it time to consider new ideas and updated activities? By visiting the Lions Clubs International website [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) and posting "public relations" to the search box, information is available for the following topics via a click. Why not consider making one of these a topic for discussion at your next Lions meeting? Ask several Lions in your club to do the research on one or more of these topics, and then hold a five-minute sharing session as the program for your next meeting. Talk about how any of these ideas could be adapted and pursued within your community! Try something new to attract new members!

Diabetes Awareness/Strides Materials Order Form ([iad488](#))

Global Service Action Campaigns:

August - [Engaging Our Youth](#)

October - [Sharing the Vision](#)

December & January - [Relieving the Hunger](#)

April - [Protecting our Environment](#)

Hearing Aid Recycling Materials Order Form [[iad22](#)]

International Club Twinning Recognition Application - IAD603 - ([twin form.pdf](#))

Leo Club Advisor Five-Year Service Lapel Pin and Certificate of Recognition Application ([leo307.pdf](#))

Lions ALERT Banner Patch Award Application ([lions alert award criteria.pdf](#))

Lions Children First Materials Order Form [[iad251](#)]

Lions Day with the United Nations ([ldun regform.pdf](#))

Lions Environmental Photo Contest Multiple District Entry Form ([contest md entry form.pdf](#))

Lions Eye Health Program:

Making Vision A Health Priority Materials Order Form [[iad429](#)]

Age-related Eye Diseases & Conditions Materials Order Form [[iad438](#)]

Low Vision Materials Order Form [[iad447](#)]

[Children's Activity Sheets](#)

[Reading Action Program](#)

Recycle For Sight Materials Order Form ([iad409](#))

**-Lion Jama Wahl, MD1 GLT Chairperson**

[jamawahl@yahoo.com](mailto:jamawahl@yahoo.com)

**MEMBERSHIP CORNER:**

Are You Ready For Spring?



The holidays are long gone, even if the bills aren't. So far, knock on wood, this winter has not been as severe as the previous winter season. Some sports writers are talking about it being about one month before Major League pitchers have to report for spring training. A member of my church usually has about the largest vegetable garden that I have ever seen. He already has most of this year's seeds in hand. The balance should arrive later this week.

We all look forward to spring. That is the time when the brown grass turns green, the crocuses are blooming and the trees are starting to leaf out. It's nature's way of rebirth. How about your Lions Club? Mother Nature is gearing up; is your Club?

If you haven't already started, this is the time of year that you begin planning your big summer events. They could be various types of Summer communities you serve.

The planning and execution of these events will be made a little easier if you have more hands to do the work. Yes, I'm talking about getting additional members. Almost every Club could use them. Yours could to. As you begin your planning, start asking non-Lions to help you. Some Clubs have some people that help with Lions Club projects even though they are not members. That could be the first step toward them eventually becoming members.

Mother Nature is gearing up. Now is the time for your Club to do the same. Fests that are all for fun or might even raise funds for your Club's service projects. You want these events to be great activities for everyone in your respective communities. They also provide an excellent opportunity to generate a lot of good will with the

-Lion Paul Gergolla, PDG, MD-1 GMT Coordinator  
Phone: 630-858-8073 Email: lionpg1@aol.com

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FROM MD1 ALERT CHAIR:



Greetings February Readers,  
Let's think about the game of football. The players have a plan when they huddle up before each play. Of course what they talk about doesn't always work but they had a plan. So a simple question is asked, when will you or your club get into a huddle and plan?

Soon we will be talking about District Conventions and then the State and summer will be here before we know it. While all that is going on, the weather will be changing. It never seems to fail; we then end up with problems. Are you ready to react to any potential problem? We recently had an extreme cold spell. Did you check on your family, friends and neighbors? A plan could have been very simple, send a message to get the word out and check on them.

If you have wanted more info on Alert and do not know where to start, I have the answer for you.

Lions International has a whole section on what to do and gives ideas of what others have done. Go to [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) and in the search box, type "alert" and like magic, a bunch of resources come up. More information can be found at [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) another great resource.

You now have some homework, so get to it before class next month.

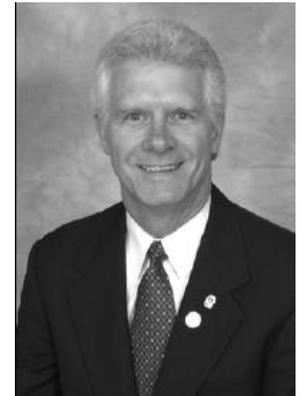
-Lion Jim Kiser, MD1 Alert Chair  
[LionJimKiser@gmail.com](mailto:LionJimKiser@gmail.com)

**Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)**

-PID Bud Wahl, MD-1 LCIF Chair

Below is a listing of contributions to LCIF for the first 6 months of this year.

District A	\$ 19,965.61
District BK	\$ 4,571.00
District CN	\$ 150.00
District CS	\$ 3,300.00
District D	\$ 12,439.18
District E	\$ 3,950.00
District F	\$ 5,000.00
District G	\$ 3,245.00
District H	\$ 1,750.00
District J	\$ 6,620.00
District L	\$ 100.00
Un-named	\$ 1,000.00
Total	\$ 62,090.79



Many clubs make their donations at the end of the Lions year, in the form of Melvin Jones Fellows for deserving Lions. That is a wonderful way to not only recognize the service of a fellow Lion, but to also make an impact on our service throughout the world. However, LCIF is in need of funds during ALL 12 months of the year. Tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes, mudslides, typhoons, floods...they

don't only occur in April, May or June. They can occur at any given time...and LCIF needs to be able to respond. So, please consider regular giving all throughout the year.

Lions are encouraged to continue their ongoing financial support of the Measles Initiative through 2017. Melvin Jones Fellowships of \$1,000 can be restricted to the Measles Initiative. Clubs are encouraged to give generously to this most deserving cause through LCIF.



**PDG Duane E. Wakeman**, passed away suddenly, Saturday, December 27, 2014. Age 86.

Survived by his loving wife of 63 1/2 years, Eunice E. (nee Nordmeyer)

Wakeman; five children, Randy Wakeman, Sue Bea (Bruce) Wright, Brian (Michelle) Wakeman, Kevin Wakeman and Keith (Ann) Wakeman; five grandchildren, Amanda, Joshua (Rudy), Jack, Sam and Joe Wakeman. Two sisters, Joyce Harrod and LaFerne (Gene) Foster. Several nieces and nephews

also survive.

Preceded in death by his parents, Earl and Beatrice (nee Tuttle) Wakeman.

Longtime member of Our Savior Lutheran Church, where he served as an Elder for over 40 years and a chairman for two years. Member of the Shorewood Lions Club, serving as the District Governor (1990-1991) and received the Lions Melvin Jones Award in 1992. Volunteered at Sunny Hill Rehabilitation Center. He was an Election Judge with Eunice for over 25 years, which was held in their garage. Retired from Commonwealth Edison after 39 years. Duane enjoyed hunting but really enjoyed his Mission Trips with his wife.



The Kamehameha Lions Club Foundation proudly presents the 2nd Annual **Waterfront Jam** Sunday, June 28, 2015 Waikiki Shell 6pm

Spectacular HAWAIIAN MUSIC, HULA & COMEDY!  
All donations benefit LEO Clubs Scholarships & Community Service Projects.

All seats are available ONLY BY DONATION at [www.WaterFrontJam.com](http://www.WaterFrontJam.com) Ticket Donations starting at only \$10.

The Kamehameha Lions Club Foundation is a licensed 501(c)3 Public Charity

Performers featured: Raiatea Helm, Jake Shimabukuro, Comedian Dat Phan, Garry Moore, Brother Noland, Manoa DNA, Anji Leo, and Hula.

## **LIONS OF ILLINOIS PIN TRADERS:**

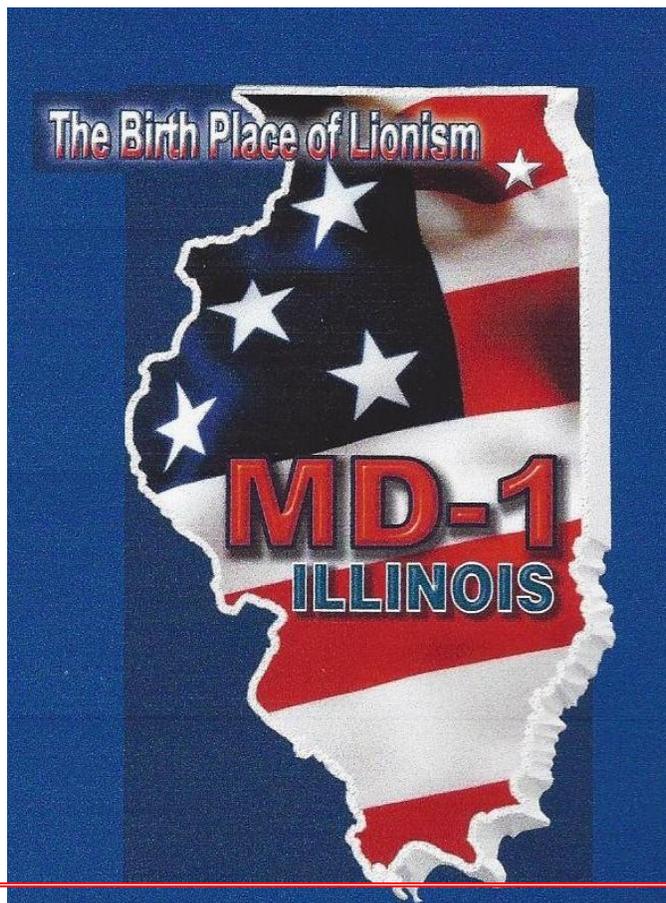
The Lions of Illinois Pin Traders' Association will be starting the process of re-organization this coming Spring. Over the years, the association offered a media for the Lions that like to learn more about trading the friendship pins as well as meeting others that have a similar interest throughout the State and within our global association. For a number of reasons, the association has become inactive and now, work will begin with the current association's officers and members in getting the association active once again.

As the process begins, the following steps will be taken:

1. Re-establishing contact with those Lions that are on the current membership roster
2. Keeping the Lions of the State aware of the progress as well as inviting new members
3. Hopefully being able to schedule a General Membership Meeting sometime during the Lions of Illinois State Convention in 2015.

The process will be slow, but the re-establishment of the association will offer another means for the Lions of the State to be an active member of this great Multiple District. If there is any interest in getting involved or learning more, please feel free to contact PDG Robert Block at [gov8990@aol.com](mailto:gov8990@aol.com).

# **MD-1 Convention Vest** **Be Proud to show which** **Multiple District YOU represent**



Help to support the  
MD-1 Host Committee  
for the  
Centennial Convention  
Chicago - 2017

# **\$25.00**

Donation

This Vest is part of the  
marching uniform  
for the next three  
International Conventions

If you would like to order a vest and have it sent to you. Please fill out this form and mail it along with your check to: **Lion Robert Block, PDG**

615 205th Place

Dyer, IN 46311

Makes check payable to: 2017 Lions Host Committee

Name \_\_\_\_\_ size \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Vest \_\_\_\_\_ each per vest \$32.00 including shipping



**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Persons interested in the position of Chairperson of the Council of Governors for the 2015-2016 Lions year are being sought.

To be eligible, a candidate must be a Past District Governor, having served as an MD-1 Governor within the previous five Council years (2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015) or be a sitting Governor on the 2015-2016 Council. The Council Chairperson for 2015-2016 also must be from a District other than the current Chairperson's District (District 1-D). More information regarding eligibility is available at [www.LionsClubs.org](http://www.LionsClubs.org).

The duties and responsibilities of the Council Chairperson are detailed in the Lions of Illinois Constitution and By-Laws and the Policy Manual, both of which are posted on the MD-1 website, [www.illinoislionsMD1.org](http://www.illinoislionsMD1.org).

Candidates must send a letter of intent and a resume to the State Office to be received no later than **March 31, 2015** in order to be considered for the position. The mailing and e-mail address for the State Office is listed below. Applicants will be advised by mail or e-mail of the time of their interview.

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Post Office Box 107    Cantrall, IL 62625-0107    ph 217-632-7775    lionsofillinois@yahoo.com

One Registration Form Per Person ❖ **PLEASE PRINT** ❖ Send with all Fees to:  
**Lions of Illinois, Inc. 19072 State Highway 123 Petersburg, IL 62675**

Pre-Registration Deadline is **May 1, 2015**

**Questions?** Please contact **Lion Leo Snyder, PDG** at [lionleosnyder@yahoo.com](mailto:lionleosnyder@yahoo.com) or **(224) 629-0180**

Please check  one:  ID/PID  PCC  PDG  CC/DG  VDG  Lion  Lioness  Leo  Guest

Is this your First Time attending a Lions of Illinois MD-1 State Convention?  Yes  No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email or Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

The name or "nickname" on my Name Badge should read: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ District 1- \_\_\_\_\_ Lion Officer/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fees: Waived for Leos & Children under 12 years

\$10.00 with a Convention meal;  \$15.00 without a Convention meal \$ \_\_\_\_\_

***I wish to purchase the Convention 3-Meal Package; Cost is \$65.00:***  Yes  No \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(3-Meal Package includes the State Lunch, State Banquet, and LIF Breakfast;

*Please indicate your Banquet entrée choice below)*

**OR**

I will attend the **State Luncheon** on Saturday, May 16th; Cost is **\$20.00:**  Yes  No \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend the **State Banquet** on Saturday, May 16th; Cost is **\$35.00:**  Yes  No \$ \_\_\_\_\_

***My Banquet entrée choice is (please  one):***  Smoked Pork Loin  
 Parmesan Crusted Chicken  
 Three-Cheese Lasagna

I will attend the **LIF Breakfast** on Sunday, May 17th; Cost is **\$20.00:**  Yes  No \$ \_\_\_\_\_

***I will not have overnight lodging at the Marriott and require a one-day parking pass:***  Yes  No

**CHECK TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**LIONS OF ILLINOIS  
95th ANNUAL  
MD-1 STATE CONVENTION  
And  
Lions of Illinois Foundation 41st  
Annual Membership Meeting**



**MAY 14-17, 2015**

**BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL  
MARRIOTT HOTEL &  
CONFERENCE CENTER**

**201 BROADWAY ST  
NORMAL, IL 61761  
(309) 862-9000**



**P**resenting this year's  
Honored Guest ...

**International Director  
Lion Linda Tincher**

From Riley, Indiana, Director Tincher was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 97<sup>th</sup> International Convention held in Toronto, Canada, July 4 - 8, 2014.

Director Tincher is retired from the Indiana State Police Department, Communications Division. She went on to work 24 years as a campaign manager for an Indiana State Representative.

A member of the Riley Township Lions Club since 1989, she has held many offices within the association, including district governor, zone chairperson, district GLT coordinator, district youth outreach chairperson, council chairperson and certified guiding Lion. Director Tincher has also been the district 25 E1 newsletter editor for 10 years.

In recognition of her service to the association, she has received numerous awards, including Lion of the Year, 100% District Governor, six Extension Awards, Senior Master Key Award, a Leadership Award and four International President's Awards. She is also a Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to her Lions activities, Director Tincher is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including the Indiana State Troopers Youth Services, League of Women Voters, State Assembly Women's Club and the Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church.

With her husband Vern, also a Lion and Melvin Jones Fellow, Director Tincher has a step-daughter, two step-sons and five grandchildren.

Please welcome Director Tincher and Lion Vern to our  
95th Annual Lions of Illinois MD-1 State Convention!

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!**

Lodging

> Reservations for lodging at the Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel and Conference Center must be made by **April 22, 2015**. Please call (309) 862-9000 to make your reservation or click [here](#) to make your reservation online.

> The Lions of Illinois State Convention guest room rate is **\$99.00** per night (plus 12% tax) and includes overnight self-parking in the hotel's garage. This is a tremendous discounted rate!

> When you make your room reservation, you must tell them you are with the Lions of Illinois to receive this discounted room rate.

Parking

> Convention attendees who pre-register and do not require lodging can request on their registration form one free **one-day only** parking pass to self-park in the hotel's garage.

> Parking is \$1.00/hour up to a maximum cost of \$6.00/day for those who do not pre-register and request the free parking pass on their registration form.

Meals

> Save \$10 this year by signing up for the **Convention 3-Meal Package!!** Join your fellow Lions for great food, entertainment, and fellowship at the State Luncheon and State Banquet on Saturday and the Lions of Illinois Foundation Breakfast Meeting on Sunday.

> Meals are still available to be purchased individually.

Registration Fees

> Registration Fees are: \$10.00/person if you pre-register and purchase at least one meal; \$15.00/person if you pre-register and do not purchase any meals; and \$20.00/person if you register at the Convention.

**Did You Hear About The MD-1 Lions?**

*They're having a Luau-good time at this year's State Convention ...*

Friday

- » Kick it Off Opening Plenary Session
- » "Fun & Games in the Tropics" Hospitality Rooms
- » Silent Auction

Saturday

- » Exciting Seminars:  
"What Is LCI Up To?"  
"Lions Clubs Having Fun"  
"Leader Dog" featuring Lion Len Quinn, PDG
- » State Awards Luncheon
- » Silent Auction
- » State "Luau" Banquet
- » "Tropical Desserts" Hospitality Rooms

Sunday

- » Voting
- » Lions of Illinois Foundation Breakfast and Meeting
- » Wrap It Up Live Auction and Closing Plenary Session

Dear Lions:

The **37th Annual Lions Day with the United Nations (LDUN)** on Saturday, March 7, 2015, at the iconic United Nations Headquarters in New York City is fast approaching. **This event is almost sold out, so please direct Lions and their guests to the [Lions Day with the UN page](#) on the LCI Web site to register while space is still available.**



This year's theme of "*Children in Need*" will be addressed in presentations by International President Preston and other key UN speakers along with engaging panel discussions that will delve deeper into this topic. LDUN attendees will also be amongst the first to find out and celebrate this year's winners of both the

International Peace Poster and Essay Contests.

Inspiring and informative, LDUN recognizes the impact of LCI's volunteer efforts in supporting the shared vision with the UN of improving our local and global communities. LDUN attendees also have the option to attend the popular Lions-UN Luncheon inside the UN's signature Delegates Dining Room with invited ambassadors. Seating is limited and offered on a first come basis.

For the first time we will be offering early registration material pick-up on Friday, March 6, at the One UN New York Hotel, located directly across from the UN Headquarters, where attendees can conveniently pick up their event badges, program and more (including the new ViridSTIR USB). [Watch a video for the USB!](#) Cash bars will be set for an afternoon hospitality from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. where LDUN attendees can meet and mingle with fellow Lions and staff at the Registration Area. LDUN attendees will receive one complimentary drink ticket redeemable from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on March 6 only.

For attendees that need hotel accommodations, the One UN New York Hotel has a limited number of guest rooms available at a special LDUN rate offered on a first come basis. Guest rooms can be requested when registering online.

If you have any questions or need additional program information, please contact Natalie Brain at [\(630\) 468-6893](tel:6304686893) or via [email](#).

Yours in Lionism,

*-Al Brandel, Past International President and UN Representative*



Article 71 of the Charter of the United Nations states, "The Economic and Social Council may make suitable arrangements for consultation with non-governmental organizations which are concerned with matters within its competence. Such arrangements may be made with international organizations."

It is incorrect, however, to say that Lions have consultative status to the UN in general. The Economic and Social Council, one of the main bodies of the United Nations, is concerned primarily with advancing the welfare of all human beings.

It is the Security Council of the UN that has direct responsibility for the first purpose of the United Nations. "To maintain international peace and security." Lions Clubs International has no relationship with the Security Council. It is not the policy of Lions Clubs International to endorse particular resolutions or actions of the United Nations taken to further the first

stated purpose of the UN. "To maintain international peace and security." In these respects, Lions have as great differences in opinion as all people and nationalities.

With regard to the second and third stated purposes of the UN, "To develop friendly relations among nations" and "To achieve international cooperation in solving international problems of an economic, social, cultural or humanitarian character ... " comparison is invited to the Third Purpose of Lions Clubs International.

To create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

Lions Clubs International supports the United Nations" ideal of a world at peace. Lions are encouraged to be informed, to support, and to promulgate information about the UN, its humanitarian objectives and the work of its agencies – especially in public observances of United Nations Day on October 24 and Lions Day with the United Nations, held in late February or early March each year.

The international president annually appoints representatives to ECOSOC, WHO, UNICEF and UNESCO. The association also has a relationship with FAO. The names and addresses of the association representatives can be obtained by contacting the Program Development Department at International Headquarters. A list of UN Information Centers throughout the world can be obtained by writing to: NGO Section, Department of Public Information, Room S-10371, Secretariat Building, United Nations, New York, New York 10017-6104, USA.



“A lion paces in every human heart.  
What quickens yours?  
What makes your lion roar?”



Lions of Illinois 2015  
State Convention



**Attention all MD-1 Lions:**

Ads for the 2015 State Convention book are available for purchase. Any individual or organization can purchase a Convention book ad.

- A full page ad is \$50 and is approximately 3.75" x 10.5" in size.
- A half page ad is \$30 and is approximately 3.75" x 5.25" in size.

Ads should be saved in a ".jpeg" file format and submitted electronically. Facsimile or hard copy ads will not be accepted. Ads should be in a reproducible black/white or grayscale format. Grayscale is recommended for photos.

Ads and payment must be received by the State office by 5:00 pm **April 17, 2015** to be included in the Convention book.

Payment for ads should be mailed with the form (below) to the State office at: Lions of Illinois, Inc., POB 107, Cantrall, IL 62625-0107.

Ads can be submitted via email to [lionsofillinois@yahoo.com](mailto:lionsofillinois@yahoo.com) or by saving the ad on a CD, DVD, or thumb drive and mailing it to the State office.

If you have any questions regarding Convention book ads, please contact the State office at 217-632-7775 or by email at [lionsofillinois@yahoo.com](mailto:lionsofillinois@yahoo.com).



**2015 State Convention Book Ad Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person (if club or organization): \_\_\_\_\_ |

wish to purchase (check  one):

(Please mail ad and payment to Lions of Illinois, Inc., POB 107, Cantrall, IL 62625-0107)



# Lions of Illinois

The Birth Place of Lionism

Multiple District 1  
MD-1

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Applications for State Committee Chairperson for the 2015-2016 Lions year are being accepted.

To be eligible, a candidate shall have served at least one year as a district appointee to the State Committee s/he seeks. This requirement may be waived by the District Governors Elect if no application is received with the appropriate requirements or if they are not in favor of any applicant.

Positions are for a one year term. A brief description of the duties and responsibilities of each State Committee Chairperson may be found in the Lions of Illinois Policy Manual, which is posted on the MD-1 website, [www.illinoislionsMD1.org](http://www.illinoislionsMD1.org), along with a list of the current State Committee Chairpersons.

Candidates must send a letter of intent specifying the State Committee Chairperson position being sought and a resume to the State Office, which is to be received no later than **March 31, 2015** in order to be considered for the position. The mailing and e-mail address for the State Office is listed below. Applicants will be advised by mail or e-mail of the time of their interview.

Applications are being accepted for the following State Committee Chairperson positions:

Alert

Campaign & Liaison

Constitution & By-Laws

Information Technology

International Convention

Leo & Youth Activities/Quest

Lioness

Lions Eye Health Program (LEHP)

Midwest Breakfast

Publicity & Public Relations

State Convention

State Magazine

Applications also are being accepted for a Finance Committee member. Please submit letters of intent and resumes to:

LIONS OF ILLINOIS, INC. POB 107

CANTRALL, IL 62625-0107

[lionsofillinois@yahoo.com](mailto:lionsofillinois@yahoo.com)

**LIONS OF ILLINOIS ENDOWMENT FUND  
MEMORIAL DONATIONS  
FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2014**



<u>DATE RECEIVED</u>	<u>DECEASED FIRST NAME</u>	<u>DECEASED LAST NAME</u>	<u>DONOR NAME</u>
12/30/2014	HERBERT PAUL	ADLER, JR.	PAULA KAMEN
11/26/2014	VASSIL	ANTONOFF	PATRICIA & MARK BURANDT
12/1/2014	CARALEE	ASCHENBRENNER	PAT & CLYDE GAFFNEY
12/22/2014	RODNEY	BOLINE, PDT	PDG JOYCE SCHROEDER, PFP
11/18/2014	CATHERINE	BOYLE	BLOOMINGDALE LC
12/10/2014	GLENN	BOYNTON, SR	WILMINGTON LC
12/1/2014	MIKE	CHRISTENSEN	LARRY & JOANNE JOHNSON
12/15/2014	JOANNE	DELBY	STEVE & KELLY BOETTGER
12/16/2014			RICK & ROSE TONOZZI
12/16/2014			KAREN & MARIO GUMINO
12/16/2014			MARGARET BURGAEUR
12/17/2014			PDG ROBERT & SUSAN SUDBURY
12/18/2014			CMJ TECHNOLOGIES INC
12/28/2014			PDG JOYCE SCHROEDER, PFP
12/30/2014			MACDONALD PUBLIC LIBRARY
12/30/2014			MARY & ROGER KREAGER
12/29/2014	HARRY A.	DOBEY	STEVE VORHIES
12/3/2014	WILLIAM	DOHSE	LION MARGARET BURGAEUR
11/13/2014	BURTON	DOTY	SHEFFIELD LC
12/3/2014	ARTHUR	EUGTER	LION MARGARET BURGAEUR
12/30/2014	NATHAN	FOX	MARY ELLEN & RICK BISHOP
12/1/2014	NELL K.	FRANZ	OSWALD & DOROTHY D'SOUZA
12/29/2014			JOANNE POCIASK BUSE
11/19/2014	ROBERT	GLEMBIN	LEMONT LC
11/30/2014	MICHAEL	GOODING	STEVE VORHIES
12/4/2014	DICK	GOWER	ANONYMOUS
12/5/2014	ROBERT	HAWSE	PDG GEORGE GOULD
12/29/2014	KATHRYN	KAUTZ	ROSELLE LC
12/30/2014	MARION	KELTER	MARY ELLEN & RICK BISHOP
12/30/2014	BARBARA	MADAY	MARY ELLEN & RICK BISHOP
11/26/2014	RONALD	MALY SR.	BRAIDWOOD LC
12/1/2014	ARTHUR	MARKWALTER	CLYDE & PAT GAFFNEY
11/24/2014	ROBERT A.	MAY	NORTH CHICAGO LC
11/18/2014	NOAH	MOORE	KEN & ADA FRANZ
12/1/2014	JOAN	NAY	CRAIG SLAW & YOUR FRIENDS AT LEONARDI INS
12/8/2014	BEVERLY	NEIGHBORS	CARLINVILLE LC
11/11/2014	FRED	PETERS	MARV & KAREN ROEHLKE
11/3/2014	RONALD	READING	RA ADAMS ENTERPRISES INC
11/3/2014			JUDY ABRUSCATO
12/5/2014	JOE	ROGERS	PDG GEORGE GOULD
12/29/2014	GEN	ROSS	DICK & BARB BARK
12/30/2014	PEARL	RUE	BOB & LINDA JILKE, PDG
12/30/2014			ROSELLE LC
12/18/2014	MARIANNA	RUTZ	DON & COOKIE RUTZ
12/17/2014	RODNEY	RYAN, PDG	GIFFORD LC
12/16/2014	MORT	SHINE	CHICAGO HEIGHTS LC
12/29/2014	DR. WILLIAM J. "BILL"	SIMPSON	MORRISON LIONS FOUNDATION
11/3/2014	DONALD	STORCK	MARVIN & LORRAINE HAAKE
12/30/2014	BEN	STRAUSS	DANVILLE LC
12/30/2014	WAYNE	STRYKER	PDG NANCY REX

11/3/2014	TINA	VONDERHEIDE	JOYCE SCHROEDER, PFP, PDG
12/30/2014	DUANE	WAKEMAN, PDG	PID RUSS & SUE SARVER
12/17/2014	JAMES	WALLACE, PDG	GIFFORD LC
12/30/2014			DANVILLE LC
11/7/2014	GEORGE C.	WALTHER	SHOREWOOD LC
12/16/2014	HAROLD E.	WHITE	KAREN & MARIO GUMINO

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12/19/2014	BUTCH	GUENNEWIG	KEN	HORN, PDG	
11/6/2014	JOHN & BETTY	THIEN	PDG RAY "BEAVER"	COATNEY	50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
11/6/2014	JOHN & BETTY	THIEN	JIM FENTON, PDG		50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
11/11/2014	JOHN & BETTY	THIEN	EARL & BETTY	STEINER	50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
12/1/2014	JOHN & BETTY	THIEN	RICHARD & SHEILA	SCHRUMPF	50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
12/16/2014	JOHN & BETTY	THIEN	MARIO & KAREN GUMINO		50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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The Forest Kala Sampath Lions Club celebrated Lions Clubs International Association Founder Melvin Jones Birthday on January 11<sup>th</sup> at the Four Points Chicago Sheraton at O'Hare. All Melvin Jones Fellows who joined this celebration with plaque posed for a picture. So far this club donated \$11,300+ to LCIF.



2 New Melvin Jones Fellows were recognized during this celebration were Lions Ben Zoleta and Pat Guzman with Governor Terry D'Souza and 1A LCIF Chair PDG Wes Salsbury. New member inducted during celebration by PDG Steve was Alejandro Poano from **Chicago Equadorian Lions Club**



**Chicago's Equadorian Folklore Dancers** entertained the gathering with their thrilling dances.



16 Birthday cakes for Melvin Jones' 136<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration.



Great job!!! I was hoping that you might have had a picture of Lion Tim standing in a driving rain and snow storm changing the old sign. Let's hope that neither Kim Jun Un nor Vladimir Putin hack in to the sign and change the temperature. My hair is off to all of you for such an effective community-minded service project. Thank you **PDG Chuck** for getting this into the next issue of the Roaring Pride.

**-Lion Buzz, 1H Gov**

### 2014 in photos

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Adam Yurkiw, of Riverside, poses for a portrait during the RBHS Veterans Day ceremony on Nov. 11.



Lions Cynthia LaRosa and Marilan Weber are shown with employees of First National Bank of Staunton. The bank conducted a toy drive to benefit the Lions Secret Santa Program.



St. Michael's School and Church once again made a very generous donation of toys to Staunton Lions Club for the Secret Santa Program. Pictured are St. Michael's families with Lion President Robin Stranimeier and Staunton Lions Josh Thorn, Marilan Weber and Beth Pilger.

Through the generosity of area businesses and individuals, the **Staunton Lions Club** provided food gift certificates to 67 local families and gifts and toys were provided for 154 children this year.

**The Lena Lions Club** held their awards night on December 10, 2014 which was held at the Lena Community Center our club likes to have the 1D District Governor attend this meeting to help present the awards. This is a dinner meeting plus a spouse night. This is the kick off for 'Operation

Good Fellow' in which our club puts together 180 fruit and cookie plates plus 46 boxes of groceries which include 2 boxes per house hold for a total cost of 3,300 dollars.



District Governor Jim Kloepping presents 100% perfect attendance pins



District Governor Jim, 53 years perfect attendance - Ben Mayer, 55 years perfect attendance and President Kirk Polill



Picture Governor Jim presenting Jim Cox with a Foundation Fellow



Governor Jim presents Bill Crichton with a Melvin Jones Fellowship



Lions are wrapping and putting together fruit trays for Operation Good Fellow



Peace poster winner I-r President Kirk Polhill, Richard Holmes, Winner Alec Bennet and art teacher Linda Voreis



Stickney Forest View Lions held their Annual Spaghetti Dinner on January 24<sup>th</sup> PCST Kev O'Halloran was at the registration and PDG Jerry Novak was selling \$5 tickets for a 50" TV. Intl. President Bob Corlew draw the ticket and PDG Austin won this TV.



Crowd enjoying spaghetti and fellowship



PID Dan O'Reilly asking District Governor Terry D'Souza if she really liked their spaghetti dinner

Same day Glenwood Lions also had their spaghetti dinner where many community people attended and enjoyed their spaghetti and fellowship. Mayor

Kerry Durkin took active part and won a dollars cap as a raffle prize.



Governor Terry D'Souza Raffle Prize Dollars Cap at the Glenwood spaghetti dinner

Belvidere Lion Tom Bonacorsi with Santa Claus and the Lion at Walmart in Belvidere.

The **Belvidere Lions Club** in conjunction with Walmart took 22 Needy Kids Christmas shopping. Each child got to spend \$100 for anything they wanted. Most bought presents for their families. The Lions then helped the kids wrap their gifts. (See Page 20)



**Belvidere Lion Tom Bonacorsi with Santa Claus**



**The Belvidere Lions Club** ready for the Christmas Parade in Belvidere on December 6, 2014



The Special **1-M Convention** for **Districts 1-E and 1-L** was held December 13, 2014 at Effingham, IL. Elections were held confirming candidates for the new district beginning on July 1, 2015 as follows:  
 District Governor – Kevin Mendenhall 1VDGE  
 – Chris Walcher 2VDGE – Lori Bennett  
 LIF Trustees – PDG Jim Strange and PDG ‘Butch’ Guennewig



District 1-E is working on membership. Sidell Lions inducted 4 new members. VDGE Mendenhall did the honors.

Georgetown Lions inducted 3 new members at their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration on January 24 and other clubs with new members are: Bismarck – 2, Mahomet – 1, Palestine – 2, Paris – 1, Rankin – 1, Robinson – 2, Sidney – 1 and Westville – 5.

District Governor Ron Stickler has promoted giving to Leader Dog as he visits clubs and as of January 10, the top 3 club contributions are: #3, Arthur, #2 Kansas and #1 Mahomet. (See pictures on Page 21)



Governor's visit at Lerna Lions Club

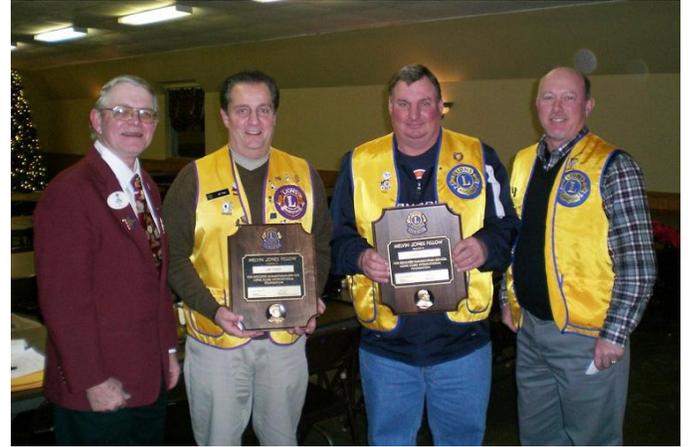


Governor's visit at Arthur Lions Club



At the January 12, 2015 **Amboy Lions Club** meeting, Lions District 1D Governor, James Kloeping inducted John Pearce into the Amboy Lions Club. Welcome to the club! Lions District 1D

Governor James Kloeping, Lion John Pearce, and his sponsor Amboy Lion Carl Grossman.



During the January 12, 2015 club meeting, the **Amboy Lions Club** recognized and honored Lion Ed Lilja and Lion Jim Travi for their many years of service to the club and the community. Lions District 1D Governor James Kloeping presented Lion Lilja and Lion Travi with the Melvin Jones Award. This award is named for Melvin Jones who founded Lions Clubs in 1917 and is given to Lion members throughout the world for dedicated humanitarian service. Picture (l-r): Lions District 1D Governor James Kloeping, Lion Jim Travi, Lion Ed Lilja, and Amboy Lions Club President Dave Kemp



District 1A PDG Club members gathered for their Annual Holiday Party at Red Bowl in Darien, IL





Business of the Year Award. PDG Ray Jachim was the emcee for the event.



Congressman Dan Lipinski & PDG Ray Jachim



Past First Lady of District 1A Lion Jan Barber receiving her 15 years Chevron from Governor Terry D'Souza



Teacher of the Year Karen Caster



Governor Terry congratulating 2 new members of **Brookfield LaGrange Park Lions Club** by giving her personal pin during Region 4 Meeting.



PVT Casey Coughlin US Marine Corps Big number of Bridgeview community representatives with their family members attended this event.

**Bridgeview Lions Club** held their Annual Appreciation Awards at the Bridgeview Community Center.

III Congressional District Congressman Dan Lipinski received Humanitarian Award, Karen Caster received Teacher of the Year Award, PVT Casely Coughlin US Marine Corps received Veteran of the Year Award and Bridgeview Bank Group received



8 Lovely kids of PVT Casey Coughlin



Some members of Local School Band enjoying their lunch



Local School Band played patriotic songs and entertained the gathering with their wonderful music.



**The Orangeville Lions Club** held a Free Community Meal on Dec. 27 at the Orangeville United Methodist Church. Delivery of meals was also available to anyone who couldn't make it out and living within 10 miles of Orangeville. A total of 38 ham meals were served or delivered to the Orangeville community with another dozen being served to Lions members. The Lions hope to make this an annual event.



Seeking website designers, developers and graphic artists to assist with design and development of the website for the 100<sup>th</sup> annual Lions Clubs International Convention being hosted by MD1 Lions of Illinois in Chicago in Summer of 2017. There is much to be done over the next two years. All skill levels welcomed! If interested in assisting in any capacity, please contact Lion Tom Drez, MD1 IT Chairman at [tom@drez.net](mailto:tom@drez.net) or 630-240-5024 (cell).



PDG Butch from District 1E with used eyeglasses collection for Lions of Illinois Foundation. First in picture is Patrick from Johnson Funeral Home.



MD1 Council of Governors at their council meetin which held on 1-31-2015



International Director from MD1-State of Illinois Bill McKinney addressing Council of Governors meeting.



Photo Left to Right: Tom Johnson, Patrick Johnson, Amanda McKay, and Anna Johnson.

“Johnson Funeral Home Effingham, presents to Amanda McKay, a \$1500 contribution towards the Helen Matthes Library Building Fund. During the month of November, Johnson Funeral Home received just under 300 pairs of eyeglasses for the Lions Club Recycle for Sight Program and are donating \$5 a pair to the Library Building Fund. Johnson Funeral Home was overjoyed in the community support they received for the library.”



The **Kirkland Lions Club** inducted their youngest member at their last meeting. DG Lion Jim Kloepping was on hand to induct Ben Watson, the newest member of the Kirkland Lions Club. Lion Ben joins us with a lot of experience. His grandfather (and sponsor), Lion Larry Myelle has encouraged his grandsons to join him in activities such as the annual Fishing Derby and the Kirkland Lions Club Fourth of July Festivities and Lion Ben is always at these events with a smile and a willingness to roll up his sleeves and help. Welcome aboard, Lion Ben. We look



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forward to many years of service projects by your side.



The December meeting of the **Kirkland Lions Club** is their Annual Christmas Party and this year, two of the Club members received very special awards.

Lion Steve Boettger was awarded the prestigious Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF). Lion Steve is truly deserving of this award. He serves as the Kirkland Lions Club's secretary, is the current Zone Chairman for the North East Zone, and is LIF District 1-D Trustee. In short, Lion Steve lives and breathes Lionism and is a role model for all he does. Presenting the award to Lion Steve is PDG Lion Ron Fruit. Funds donated to this program are the backbone of LCIF, providing 75 percent of the foundation's revenue. As recognition of humanitarian work, an MJF is an honor presented to those who donate US\$1,000 to LCIF or to people for whom a donation was made by others.

#### MJF Facts

- The Fellowship was established in 1973 and the Progressive program began in 1986 in response to Lions' request for a way to extend their commitment to LCIF.
- Donations through MJFs provide 75 percent of the Foundation's annual revenue.
- There are 54 levels in the PMJF program.
- As of the end of March 2014, there are 361,160 MJF recipients and 68,518 PMJF recipients worldwide.
- All MJFs are invited to the annual luncheon held at the convention (ticket purchase required). The MJF luncheon began in 1984

and has been held at each convention since then.

- The names of MJFs are displayed on a computer in the LCIF Room at the International Headquarters.



Lion Amy Polzin was awarded The Lions of Illinois Foundation Fellow. She was a 100% president last year and has spearheaded several new projects for the Kirkland Lions Club. Funds donated in support of the Lions of Illinois Foundation Fellow are put into the Lions of Illinois Endowment Fund in the honoree's name and only the earnings from this donation will be used to support the programs and services for the visually and hearing impaired. The principal of the donation will remain forever as a lasting legacy of the commitment to Lionism by the honoree. Despite being completely surprised by the award, she noted how much she enjoys being a Lion and how truly remarkable the Kirkland Lions Club is. The members are always eager to step up to the plate to help wherever and whenever they are needed. Lion Amy received a plaque (presented by PDG Lion Ron Fruit, shown in photo) and a patch and pin for her vest.

**Clarendon Hills** Lion Jim Johnson reports: "It took more than two years from the time it was suggested by Lion Bill Wilson – a CH Lions' member, educator, coach, and SEASPAR volunteer, for this project to come to completion."

Led by the Clarendon Hills Lions Club, this partnership of Lions Clubs in the Southeast Region of District 1-J, was able to raise \$48,000 to provide

a brand new 14-passenger bus, outfitted to meet SEASPAR's specifications, with the Clarendon Hills Lions Club matching dollar-for-dollar the contributions from the Darien, Downers Grove, Lisle and Westmont Lions Clubs.

The new bus was officially delivered to SEASPAR in late November at a dedication ceremony at the Clarendon Hills Lions Park. Officers and members from all five Lions Clubs who donated toward it, local governments, and SEASPAR were on hand for the ceremony.

Susan Friend, Executive Director of SEASPAR, told the audience "Access to the community and activities is vital to the lives of people with disabilities. For most adults, playing in a softball league, going out to eat or taking a weekend getaway is simple. Adults with disabilities need the support of SEASPAR and others to make these basic activities possible. Children with disabilities need exposure to the greater community too, for the development of physical and cognitive skills, and to practice social skills. Transportation allows them access to opportunities that aid in their



appropriate that the bus be called "Simba," the most important character in the play "Lion King".

Lion Johnson says: "Lions working together as a club, and in clubs across the communities, can indeed accomplish more than individuals acting alone."



(l to r) **Darien Lion** Jim Kiser & Southeast Region ZC, Lion Rick Martin, **Westmont Lions Club** Pres., Lion Tony Tumea, **Downers Grove Lions** Pres., Lion Bill Hamel, **Clarendon Hills Lions Club** Pres., and Lion Joe Bracken, **Lisle Lions Club** Pres. (SEASPAR BUS-3 and SEASPAR BUS-1)

SEASPAR typically has a name for each of the buses it uses. In the case of this bus provided by the five Lions Clubs, SEASPAR staff thought it most



Doug Grier, Dean of Community Education at Waubensee Community College in Sugar Grove IL, details WCC's Enrichment Programs for the Aurora Noon Lions members at a recent meeting. (l to r) Lion Arvid Meyer, Lion Herb Steinmetz, Co-President of **Aurora Noon Lions Club**, Lion Paul Buddy, and Speaker Doug Grier.

**Crystal Lake Lions** contributed to Toys For Tots that were picked up for distribution by the Marine Corps League. The Crystal Lake Lions Club has been a participant in this event for many years, led by retired Marine, Lion Dan Igrisan.

(Picture is on Page 27)



and surrounding areas. **Westmont Lions** also assist in this project.



3 New Lions were inducted by PDG Austin during Lansing Lions Clubs Governors Nite. 2 members for East Side Lions Club and one for Calumet City Lions Club.

**Waterman Lion** Paul Lee (c) was inducted into the Waterman Lions Club at a ceremony held at the Christmas Party attended by both Waterman Lions and DeKalb Evening Lions. Southwest ZC Lion Pam Kelley (l) did the honors. Waterman Lion Phil Nielsen (r) is Lion Lee's sponsor.



New Members with Governor Terry of District 1A



**Darien Lions:** District 1-J SE Zone Chair Lion Renee Reeder, and her daughter Rachel, wheel out a

With the support of several local businesses, organizations and schools, the **Darien Lions Club** Food Baskets Program climaxes here with a 2-day flurry of activity. On Day 1, donated food items are assembled in order and on Day 2 all are packed, ready for delivery by Lions to approximately 200 less fortunate families in the Darien community

basket of groceries from the Darien Park District facility to deliver to those less fortunate in their community. This was Rachel's first time to participate in this project and it made quite an impression on her.



**Waterman** Lion Lion Dave Stryker, PDG, staffs the Citrus Fruit Sales Table at the Waterman Lions Club's Pancake Breakfast.



**Hampshire Lions Club** donated \$1,500 to the Hampshire Library for the purchase of portable wireless audio devices for those with hearing difficulties during library programs.

### Genoa-Kingston 2015 Spelling Bee

The Genoa Lions invited the 12 finalists in the district Spelling Bee to dinner this Wednesday night (1/21) at the Masonic Temple in Genoa. Three students from 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades were successful in their class spelling bees and ready to spell their way to the regionals to be held at

Kishwaukee College in Malta on March 7th. The winner of this year's Genoa-Kingston Spelling Bee was Sean Abracia-Wendel, a 5<sup>th</sup> grader at Genoa Elementary School, and the son of Marisa & Lawrence Wendel. The second place winner was Tyler Grimm, the son of David & Janet Grimm; he is an 8<sup>th</sup> grader at Genoa-Kingston Middle School. The final two words that Sean had to spell were Ultimatum & finally, Stalwart. Dinner was hosted by Lion President Jeff Baker and the Genoa Lions Club, which provided the trophies for the First Place winner and runner-up. McDonalds "Arch Cards", half of which were donated by the Genoa McDonalds, were given to each participant at the end of the evening. Superintendent Joe Burgess congratulated the spellers and their parents and introduced Principal Lekkas. Principals Francis and Lekkas were there to congratulate the students on their success so far and Mr. Lekkas acted as the moderator for the Spelling Bee. Mrs. Emily Fowler organized the Spelling Bee and was assisted in judging by Mr. Craig Butcher (Dean of Students at Genoa Middle School), and Mrs. Katie Schumacher (6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Genoa Middle School). Here is a list of all the student participants:

- 5th grade – Sean Abracia-Wendel (2015 Winner)
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Eagan Reams
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Keion Miracle
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Naomi Dutton (2014 Winner) (2015 Alternate)
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Haley Stevenson
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade- Brianna Keegan
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade – Alex Barton (2014 2<sup>nd</sup> place)
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade – Emelie Walton
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade- Joely Overstreet
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade –Tyler Grimm (2015 2<sup>nd</sup> place)
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade –Hannah Temes

Special thanks go to the Masonic Temple and the folks that prepared the meal and to Lion Bradford

and McDonalds for the Arch Cards, and Lion VanDerHeyden for making the arrangements with the school district, and Lion Haka for picking up the trophies from Hirschbein Trophies in Sycamore.



Pictured are all of the spellers in the Scripps Spelling Bee local competition in the Genoa-Kingston School District which was held in the Masonic Temple in Genoa on Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>.

Pictured front row (from left to right): Keion Miracle, Tyler Grimm, Sean Abracia-Wendel, Eagan Reams, Naomi Dutton

Pictured back row (from left to right) Emilie Walton, Hannah Temes, Briana Keegan, Joely Overstreet, Alex Barton, Haley Stevenson



Pictured (l. to r.) Janet & Tyler Grimm 2nd Place winner, Lawrence & Marisa Wendel w/ Sean Abracia-Wendel the winner.



### Oregon Lions Honored by Donation

Van C.Stone, the Managing Director of Lions of Illinois Endowment Fund, visited the Oregon Lions to convey the sincere gratitude of the Board of Trustees of the Lions of Illinois Foundation for the years of support given by Oregon Lions. Because of the great work of Oregon Lions, Nellie Linde left a generous legacy to the Foundation and Endowment Fund. This donation will help many visually impaired children and adults in Illinois lead better lives.

PICTURE: Van C. Stone (left) is shown with Oregon Lions Club President Mike Ryder holding the plaque that will be sent to Ms. Linde's sister Shirley Oltmann's in appreciation of this much-appreciated legacy.

Lions Clubs International II Vice President Bob Corlew visited Orland Park Lions Club in January and inducted 5 New Members. District 1A is



leading in MD1 with plus 48 members. Congratulations Governor Terry. Pictured are the new members with their sponsors and in the center is II VP Bob Corlew



PCC Lydia Ellis received Appreciation Certificate from Past International President Barry Palmer During Council Meeting. Next to her CC Fred Peska



II International VP during induction of members



Some club members on Thornton Lions Clubs Holiday Party which held on January 10, 2015 listening to Governor Terry's speech ----->

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