

District 1-CN Newsletter



“Miracles Through Service”



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Notes from Around the District

submitted by District 1-CN Clubs

A few clubs have been sending me their monthly club newsletters and I've been trying to figure out what I should do with them. As the Newsletter is geared toward current and timely information, I've been reluctant to simply include the entire newsletters as they normally discuss what has happened in the past and I believe are more appropriate for the Lions of Illinois Magazine. You are forwarding your newsletter articles to our State Magazine Editor, Lion Mo Ritzel, aren't you????

Thanks to Lion Larry Spirek, Secretary of the Breese Lions Club, an idea formed. His club's newsletter, which he sends me, also includes a future events section with upcoming events the Breese Club is planning. That kind of information should be disseminated throughout District 1-CN in the District Newsletter. If you have a fund raiser or other activity coming up, send them to me and we'll include them. If you include those items in your club newsletter, send me the newsletter and I'll extract them out. As usual, e-mail is easier for me and cheaper for you, but I'll take the info anyway I can get it. It would be great to have something from every club every month!

Breese: Lions Chicken Dinner will be held March 1 at the Legion Hall and their annual dinner with the Breese Fireman will also be in March. The Scholarship Committee will be looking over applications in February.

Next 1-CN Cabinet Meeting

submitted by Lion Marge Francois, District 1-CN Cabinet Secretary

The next Cabinet Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 22 at 1 pm. The meeting will be held at the Lions Den, 108 N Douglas St in St Jacob. There will not be a meal. If you would like me to make your copies, please have them mailed or emailed to me by Wednesday, February 18th. My email is francois@accessus.net. Hope to see you all at the meeting.



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Tidbits on Membership submitted by PDG James

Middle Calf, Membership Chairman, Wabash Region

Just a little note to share some Tid-Bits on Membership—This will be my last year as District Membership Chairperson. I believe that 3 plus years is it. In the past three years I have heard the good and the bad of membership and all the clubs have heard it all too! The fact remains that it is the life-blood of all clubs. Our membership is anemic—we need new blood (transfusion) or at the very least a good shot of I.R.O.N. (Individuals Reaching Out for Newbies)! You say HOW?? Glad you asked—May I share a thought with you all?

1. Invite the community to your club meeting and get their input on new ideas.
2. Create a fundraiser that involves the community or volunteers.
3. Canvassing your community—one on one—face to face is always the best way.
4. Don't be afraid to ask a friend—remember someone invited you!

Thank you all for taking the time to read this little Tid-Bits on Membership. Building Blocks for the future of your club.

March Lions International Calendar of Events from Lions International Web Site

For Your Advanced Planning

March 2009	
<u>Eye Donor Awareness Month</u>	
March 1:	Deadline for multiple districts to submit a single Lions Environmental Photo Contest entry to International Headquarters
March 9-14:	International Board of Directors Meeting (New York City, New York, USA)
March 13:	Application deadline for May 2009 SightFirst grants
March 13:	Lions Day with the United Nations
March 27-30:	Faculty Development Institute/India, South Asia, Africa, the Middle East (Nairobi, Kenya)

Camp Lions submitted by Lion Wayne Vonderharr

Now is the time of year to start thinking about supporting our Camp Lions program. Last year our District and the rest of the State did very well in financially supporting Camp Lions. We need all our clubs to do so again this year.

In addition to financial concerns, the camp program has a wish list of items to be used by the campers while at the Camp. We need this list to be filled by clubs in Districts 1-CN, 1-CS, G and L for the Camp held at Dubois. Any club able to donate items on the list please contact me, Wayne Vonderharr, Camp Lions Coordinator, at 618 537-2340 or e-mail wayne4u@charter.net.

CAMP LIONS WISH LIST FOR 2009 SEASON

General Supplies

- Paper Drink Cups
- Duct Tape
- Re-Writeable CDs/DVDs
- Braille Playing Cards
- Large Storage Containers

Art Supplies

- Jute
- Waxed hemp cording
- Beads
- Elmers Glue
- Powdered Tempera Mix (1 gallon of each)
 - Red -Yellow
 - Blue - White
 - Black
- Liquid Acrylic Paints (1 Gallon of each)
 - Red - Yellow
 - Blue - White
 - Black
- Washable Markers
- Tissue Paper (Assorted Colors)
- Large pad & Easel (3)
- Construction Paper
- Black Permanent Markers
- Kits of any kind
- Poster Board
- Art Smocks
- Tie-Dye mix (4 each)
 - Pink - Blue
 - Red - Orange
 - Yellow - Purple
 - Green

Undeliverable E-mails

Recognize any of the below e-mail addresses as possibly belonging to a member of your club? If so, please contact that person and let them know that the Newsletter keeps getting returned when e-mailed to that address. If they could e-mail me their proper e-mail address, we'll make sure they continue to receive the Newsletter! Some have been returned because of a full mailbox. I added those just so you know why you may not be getting the Newsletter.

joann@wholenet.net (no space left to finish writing)
RParkerSr@triad.rr.com (user is temporarily over quota)
bogomom@sbcglobal.net (addressee unknown)
dvronna@insightbb.com (address rejected)
lions@motion.net (no mailbox by that name)
jaclyn@midamer.net (not a valid mailbox)
lionpastprez@sbcglobal.net (addressee unknown)
jnclemens@mvn.net (mailbox exceeds allowed size)
bgherring@charter.net (could not be reached. Operation failed)
bcannon@stclair.k12.il.us (mailbox has exceeded the limit)

All of the above have been sent this February Newsletter. Any returned ones will be taken off the distribution list and will not be sent the March Newsletter.

From the Vice District Governor's Desk submitted by District 1-CN VDG Stan Schmidt

We will have closed out our seventh month of Governor Jerry's year by the time you read this. As a district we are having an average year. We are down a little by Lions International and Governor Jerry's goals. Lions International requires a district to have 35 clubs and 1250 members. We have 41 clubs and 1127 members as of December 1st.

There is ample time to help Governor Jerry to achieve the goals he set at the start of the year. I would like for all club presidents to list what your club has done so far this year. Look at the goals on page one of the directory and see what you can do to help Governor Jerry have a successful year. It will also make your club look better as well.

At the start of the second half of the year, is also the start of the planning for the next year by the new governor. A change for our district will be two vice governors. The intent is to move from 1st vice district governor to 2nd vice district governor and then to governor. However, each year you must be elected. I will be the last vice district governor for 1CN.

A reminder to all cabinet members is that the February 22nd cabinet meeting will be at the St. Jacob's Lions Den. Governor Jerry would be happy if you attended.

Presidents, if you need assistance or need help with membership, orientation, or retention give the MERLOW Team a call. Chairpersons and phone numbers are listed in the directory. You may call me VDG Stan, 618-444-2069, stan-schmidt@hotmail.com and I will get the information for you. Also, if you need a program for your club, check the district directory, it is full of programs and presentations that would suit your club.

Happy Valentines Day to you and yours
Lion Stan Schmidt, VDG

LIONS OF ILLINOIS 2009 STATE CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

May 15, 16, 17, 2009

Wyndham Hotel – 3000 Warrenville Road, Lisle, Il.....1.877.999.3223

Person #1 _____ **District 1** _____

Club _____ Lion-Lioness-Leo-Spouse-Guest (*Circle one*)

Street Address _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Phone No: () _____ Current Lions Position _____

LIF Fellow: Yes ___ No ___ First Timer: Yes ___ No ___ MJ Fellow: Yes ___ No ___

Person #2 _____ **District 1** _____

Club _____ Lion-Lioness-Leo-Spouse-Guest (*Circle one*)

Street Address _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Phone No: () _____ Current Lions Position _____

LIF Fellow: Yes ___ No ___ First Timer: Yes ___ No ___ MJ Fellow: Yes ___ No ___

Registration Fee	Cost	Person #1	Person #2	Total for both
Lion, Lioness, Spouse, Guest No registration fee for Leos or under 18 years	\$10.00			
Pancake Breakfast, Lisle Lions Club \$5.00 donation May 16, 2009- Saturday 8am-noon Please car pool with other Lions, directions will be provided in your registration packet	Pay at door			
LIF Ambassadors Lunch-Open to all former LIF Trustees (Saturday)*	\$0.00			
Lions of Illinois Governors' Banquet May 16, 2009 – Saturday Evening	\$26.00			
Lions of Illinois Foundation Breakfast May 17, 2009 – Sunday Morning	\$13.00			

Total Enclosed _____

*The only sit down lunch on Saturday will be for the Foundation Ambassadors. There will be information in your registration packets for places to eat lunch as well as maps to get there. There will be ample time to go off site for lunch before the 2nd Plenary Session. The 2nd Plenary session will be a NON-meal function.

Special Meal request for religious or health reasons _____

No meal tickets available on site

Please print clearly or type all information on this form

Make Checks Payable To: LIONS OF ILLINOIS, INC

(No credit cards accepted for Registration or Meals at this time)

Mail Registration with money no later than May 1st, 2009

Mail Registration Forms (with Payment) to:
Lions of Illinois, Inc
19072 State Highway 123
Petersburg, IL 62675

Cut off Date for Hotel Reservations 5/01/09
Room Reservations: Call 1-877-999-3223 or
www.Wyndham.com

Room Rate \$89.00 + tax

Tell them you're with the Lions!

Convention Program Ad Book



A "free" write-up of each club's activities is provided in the Convention Ad Book at no cost to the club.

Club Secretaries should provide a written article of the club's activities for the 2008-09 year and it will be printed. *Clubs not submitting activity articles will be listed by name only.*

- ❖ **Memorial for Deceased Members** Every year at the District Convention we take time to remember each Lion or Lioness that has passed away during the year past at the necrology service. If your club has any members that passed away in the last year, please let the Cabinet Treasurer Barbara Taylor know the deceased members name and your club name. Information is obtained from the Monthly Membership Reports submitted but if it was not sent in on time and accurately filled out we cannot properly honor them. If your club had any members pass away in the past year, let CT Barbara know and she can double check and make sure they are included in the necrology service.

The sale of Convention Program Ad Book space is a vital part of the Convention financial security. Each club is urged to participate as generously as possible.

Inside back cover	\$85.00	(Size 10 x 4)
Full page ad	\$65.00	(Size 10 x 4)
Half page ad	\$40.00	(Size 5 x 4)
Third page ad	\$30.00	(Size 3 1/3 x 4)
Business card ad	\$20.00	(Size 2 x 4) <i>5 per page</i>

Any club selling five (5) full-page \$65.00 ads, may retain \$65.00 for the club and submit \$260.00 to the District. All ads must be received prior to the deadline, March 12th. All five ads must be submitted at one time.

Please send payment along with ad copy. **Make checks payable to Lion District 1-CN.**

Submit all ads and write-ups to: Cabinet Treasurer Barbara Taylor, 11037 Pleasant Valley School Rd, Trenton, IL 62293 or e-mail to barbara5761@ezeeweb.com.

If you have any questions, please call me at home 618-934-5761 or on cell phone 618-567-3145.

Convention Program Ads, club write-ups and deceased Lions names must be received no later than March 12, 2009 to be included in the Program Ad Book.

Greetings from the District Convention Committee submitted by PDG Lydia Ellis

GREETINGS from the District Convention Committee:

Our District 1-CN Convention will be held on April 17-18, 2009 at Carlyle Lake and you will find a registration form in the Governor’s newsletter. We are planning a great weekend and look forward to seeing lots of District Lions/Lioness/Leos there.

We will be holding the Governor’s Auction at the banquet on Saturday night and we are in need of items for this event. We are asking that items donated have a value of \$15.00 or more this year. If you have items that would make a great gift basket - I will be glad to put the basket together for you - just provide the items. We are looking for around 150 items for this auction.

If you or your club would like to just donate money - please send it to our CT Barbara Taylor and she will let me know how much I have to spend on items in your name. The items need to be received by me by April 1, 2009 so that the auction listing can be completed and the items made ready for the convention. If you want to bring the item(s) with you to convention - Please let me know what you are bringing for the auction listing. Also, please let me know the value of the item(s) that you are donating for this event.

We will be holding a Celebration of Life service on Saturday afternoon - so Clubs if you will have any deceased members in this ceremony- please send me club information re: this member (example: date became a member - how did this member serve your club - did this member have any special interests within your club)..... send anything that you would like to have mentioned about this member to me for the ceremony. Clubs please be sure to let the family of the member(s) know about this ceremony and plan to attend this ceremony along with them. See you at District Convention !!!!!

District Admin Raffle submitted by Lion Barbara Taylor

District Admin Raffle

Only 100 tickets will be sold. The prize pool will be 50% of the money received from ticket sales. **Tickets cost \$100 each.**

Distribution of the prize pool will be as follows:

- 1st Prize 25% of prize pool
- 2nd Prize 20% of prize pool
- 3rd thru 5th Prizes 10% of prize pool each
- 6th thru 10th Prizes 5% of prize pool each

Drawing is April 18th at District Convention. Please contact Cabinet Treasurer Barbara Taylor at 934-5761 if any clubs or members wish to purchase additional tickets.

DISTRICT 1-CN CONVENTION
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2009

- 4 P.M. - 8 P.M. REGISTRATION IN HOTEL LOBBY**
- 5 P.M. - 7 P.M. PDG DINNER - CONVENTION CENTER**
Cash Bar - Bartender sponsored by: Dist. Conv. Committee
- 7 P.M. - 10 P.M. MEET AND GREET RECEPTION**
Cash Bar - Bartender sponsored by: Dist. Conv. Committee
- 9 P.M. - 12 A.M. HOSPITALITY CABIN OPEN**

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2009

- 8 A.M. - 11 A.M. REGISTRATION IN HOTEL LOBBY**
- 9 A.M. - 11 A.M. SPOUSE/GUEST GATHERING - HOSPITALITY CABIN**
- 9 A.M. - 11 A.M. SEMINARS: (TO BE ANNOUNCED WHEN CONFIRMED)**
- 11:30 A.M. - 1 P.M. LUNCHEON - SPEAKER: LION VAN STONE**
FOUNDATION AWARDS PRESENTED
- 1:30 P.M. - 3:45 P.M. DISTRICT CABINET MEETING -**
DISTRICT ELECTIONS AND RESULTS
- 3:45 P.M. - 4 P.M. CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE**
- 4 P.M. - 5 P.M. REGISTRATION IN HOTEL LOBBY**
- 5 P.M. BANQUET SEATING BEGINS (with assigned seating)**
Cash Bar - Bartender sponsored by: Dist. Gov & V. Dist Gov.
- 5:30 P.M. - 9 P.M. BANQUET - SPEAKER:**
District Raffle results - Hope Chest Drawing results -
District Governor Raffle results
GOVERNOR'S AUCTION
- 9:15 P.M. HOSPITALITY CABIN OPENS**

**REGISTRATION FORM
1-CN DISTRICT CONVENTION - APRIL 17-18, 2009**

PERSON 1: LION/LIONESS/LEO/PARTNER_____

SPOUSE/GUEST: LION/LIONESS/LEO/PARTNER_____

ADDRESS:_____ **CITY/STATE/ZIP**_____

PHONE:_____ **E/MAIL:**_____

CLUB:_____ **DISTRICT:**_____ **DELEGATE: YES NO**

OFFICE/TITLE/POSITION:_____ **FIRST DIST. CONV: YES NO**

PERSON 2: LION/LIONESS/LEO/PARTNER_____

SPOUSE/GUEST: LION/LIONESS/LEO/PARTNER_____

ADDRESS:_____ **CITY/STATE/ZIP:**_____

PHONE:_____ **E/MAIL:**_____

CLUB:_____ **DISTRICT:**_____ **DELEGATE: YES NO**

OFFICE/TITLE/POSITION:_____ **FIRST DIST. CONV: YES NO**

HOTEL: MICROTTEL INN & SUITES at Mariner's Village at Carlyle Lake

LIONS ROOM RATES:

\$54.99 ONE QUEEN BED \$61.99 TWO QUEEN BEDS

SUITES: \$66.99 (SINGLE/DOUBLE OCCUPANCY)

\$71.99 (TRIPLE OCCUPANCY)

CABINS: \$100.00 (FOUR OR LESS ADULTS)

You must make your own room reservations - phone 618-594-7666 and tell them you are with "THE LIONS". Room reservation cutoff date is: April 3.2009.

DISTRICT 1-CN LEO'S: you must complete this registration form for the convention. Your registration for the convention will be at NO CHARGE (enter NC on the line). However, you will need to pay for any meals that you will be attending.

(TURN OVER PLEASE)

EVENT	COST	PERSON ONE	PERSON TWO	TOTAL
REGISTRATION DUE BY APRIL 3, 2009	\$15.00	\$	\$	\$
PDG DINNER CASH BAR	\$20.00	\$	\$	\$
SATURDAY LUNCHEON	\$15.00	\$	\$	\$
SATURDAY BANQUET PRIME RIB & FRIED CHICKEN CASH BAR	\$28.00	\$	\$	\$
	TOTAL	\$	\$	\$

****SPECIAL MEAL NEEDS:** _____

NOTE: convention registration is required for hospitality room admittance.

THERE WILL BE NO MEAL TICKETS AVAILABLE ON-SITE UNLESS THERE IS A CANCELLATION. CONTACT CONVENTION CHAIRPERSON FOR AVAILABILITY

THERE WILL BE ASSIGNED SEATING AT THE SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET.

TWO REGISTRATIONS PER FORM ONLY - Fees must accompany completed registration form. Make checks payable to: LIONS DISTRICT 1-CN.

Return Completed Registration Form and Payment NO LATER THAN: APRIL 3, 2009.

**MAIL TO: PDG LYDIA ELLIS
DISTRICT CONVENTION CHAIRPERSON
2305 MARINE ROAD
HIGHLAND, IL. 62249
PHONE: (H) 618-644-5809 OR (MOBILE) 618-980-7482**

Notes from Your Trustees submitted by PDG Lydia Ellis

NOTES FROM YOUR TRUSTEES:

Sight and Sound Sweepstakes tickets should have been received by your Club and your members are busy selling them. If you have any questions, please contact our District Coordinator Lion Jim Beimfohr, or one of your Trustees. Need more books to sell ? Let us know and we will get you more.....remember the winners will be drawn at the State Convention in May 15-17, 2009 at The Wyndham in Lisle, Illinois.

35th Anniversary Foundation Fellows (\$500.00) and 35th Anniversary Sustaining Supporters (\$25.00) are available until December 31, 2009. This is a great way to honor someone in your Club and they can be presented at our District Convention if the application and money is received at Our Lions of Illinois Foundation office by April 1, 2009. Your Trustees will have the applications available after our February Trustees meeting. We will be celebrating this event at our District Convention in April at the Saturday Luncheon, so make plans to attend.

March 1 thru May 31 is our LIF Diabetes Awareness day. You will be receiving an order form for this activity. The candy and the test strips are free. Of the funds raised: our Foundation gets 40%, juvenile camps get 60% and 0% goes to administration if the money comes from Lions Clubs and is sent to the Decatur office. Any questions about this, contact our District Coordinator: Lion Bob Homan.

Walk for Sight will be held Sunday, June 14, 2009 at SIU Edwardsville. There will be an informational work meeting on Sunday, February 8th at 1 p.m. at Bill McKinney's place at 2305 Marine Road, Highland. Any one interested in working on this event to make it a huge success is invited to attend this meeting. Districts G, L and CS are also involved in this event. Walk flyers will be available at the Feb. 8th meeting. This is a large event to plan and work so many hands are needed to make this event successful.

HAVE YOU REMEMBERED YOUR LIONS OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION IN YOUR WILL?? SEE YOUR DISTRICT TRUSTEE OR OUR FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

REMEMBER: The vision of the Lions of Illinois Foundation is to create a *permanent* vehicle for the delivery of programs and services to the visually and hearing impaired.

Taking time to serve: Trustees PDG Lydia Ellis FP and PDG James Middle Calf

Edwardsville Lions Club Trivia Night submitted by Lion Gail Ann Adams



Edwardsville Lions Club

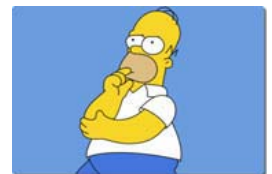
Trivia Night

SATURDAY APRIL 4, 2009

Where: Edwardsville – Knights of Columbus

7132 Marine Road Edwardsville, Illinois

Cost: \$10.00/person or \$80.00/table



Entry Blank (Complete and send to Gail Ann Adams, 307 North Clinton Street, Collinsville, Illinois 62234)

Name	Address	Phone
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Check enclosed \$ made payable to 'Edwardsville Lions Club'
Entry deadline **March 28, 2009 - NO refunds** after deadline.
Phone 618-345-0593 for more information and reservations

Illinois Lions District 1-CN Newsletter

Put April 17-18, 2009 on your calendar!!!!
District 1-CN Convention - at beautiful
Carlyle Lake.....SEE YOU THERE!!!



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Mascoutah, IL 62258

We Serve
