

THE

North Brevard Lions Club

"The Mane Mail"

"Taking our community by the tail!"

October 2009



**Greetings From the North
Brevard Lions Club!**

What's

NEW This

Month

- ◆ Message From The President
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- ◆ From LCI
- ◆ Florida Lions Eye Bank
- ◆ Conklin Center updates
- ◆ Peace Posters
- ◆ Satellite Beach Luau
- ◆ Challenge Express
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Message from the President

I'm particularly happy with this past summer's activities for the White Cane drives.

Primarily, they served as an excellent public relations tool, by impressing the Chamber of Commerce as well as folks who came to us inquiring about our role in this community. Some expressed interest in becoming a member.

Thanks, Lion Tammy, for your sparking drive while spear heading these programs, and for all those who assisted.

ATTENDANCE!
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It is essential that we make as many regular meetings as possible. Also, our visitation participation to Cabinet, Zone and "other" clubs is an important part of Lionism. As a group, we are very lax in these areas. Each one of us is assigned to a committee and has accepted certain responsibilities. Some of us have neglected that role, maybe with good reasons.

If you are uncertain or confused to what is expected of you, please give me a call. We cannot function by letting a few handle the bulk of the work.

Our next meeting, Oct 8th, 2009, will be graced by our District Governor Anne Greer. Let's show her we are all together by demonstrating our good attendance !

At this last Zone meeting Lion Ed and I were able to hear all the new activities planned by all the other clubs and how well they have done most recently. We have a little catching up to do in the fund raising field. I assure you, we can do it ! Viera, Space Coast, and Satellite Beach Clubs have all offered to help us any way they can.

We may have a golden opportunity to work with the Space Coast Club with a golf tournament. I need an experienced golfer to coordinate this endeavor, plus the rest of the club's support. I will be calling on you.....

**King Lion
Charlie Adams**

NBLC Brag Box

Got something to brag
about? - Win an award?
Something small? Something big?
Let me know - I will post it here.

Please let your officers know
what they can do to help you
get more out of your
Lions Club!

Remember, this is **your** club!
Everyone should
be involved!

Corrections / Additions
Suggestions
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October Birthdays

Charlotte Beenblossom
Charlie Adams

October Anniversaries

No one yet

District Governor Anne Greer's local club visits

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|----------------|
| Cocoa | Oct - 1 | Thurs. 7:00 PM |
| Merritt Island | Oct - 14 | Wed. NOON |
| Cocoa Beach Seaside | Oct - 21 | Wed. 7:00 PM |
| North Brevard | Nov - 12 | Thurs. 6:30 PM |
| Satellite Beach | Feb - 2 | Tues. 6:45 PM |
| Freeport, GBI | Mar - 28 | Sun. 9:00 AM |

District 35-D Cabinet Meetings

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Lake Wales (FLC) | November 21, 2009 |
| Port St Lucie | January 30, 2010 |
| Coral Springs Downtown | March 7, 2010 |
| Freeport, GBI (DG's annual visit) | March 25-28, 2010 |

Multiple District 35 Conferences

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|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Fall Conference - Ocala | November 12-15, 2009 |
| Winter Conference - Lake Wales | January 8-9, 2010 |
| Spring Conference - Boca Raton | March 4-7, 2010 |

MD35 Convention

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|---------------|------------------------|
| Daytona Beach | April 29 - May 2, 2010 |
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From the Secretary's Desk

No column from Lion Bob this
month - I think he is buried
under paperwork this month.

We hope to have his regularly
scheduled column here next
month.

Lion
Bob Smiley
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**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS
DISTRICT 35-D - ZONE I**

INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT— Eberhard J. Wirfs
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Sebastian Lions Club

Attendance is recorded with International, so remember if you miss a meeting you can make it up by attending another club's meeting.

**North Brevard Lions
Club Meets
The Second and Fourth
Thursdays @ 6:30pm
at
Williams Family Restaurant
in the Searstown Mall.**

Misc...

If you have something to add to the newsletter - please get it to me in plenty of time to insert it into the next issue.

My future is one I must make myself
~ Louis L'Amour

If you change your mailing address, email address or phone number, please be sure to let us know so we can update our records.
~Thanks

**Bring a friend
to The North
Brevard
Lions
Club**



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Your Ad Here!

Some time ago - the club voted to allow members to pay and receive a business card sized ad in the newsletter. We are going to try to re-instate that motion.

Lion Randy was the first to pay and never received his ads. Please call or email me if you would like to take out an ad in our newsletter.

The ads will be the size of a standard business card and I can scan yours for the ad. The lined box above shows the size 2" x 3.5" I will check with Lion Bob on the price.

It can be a business or a service - or, you can take out a personal message ad - It all supports your club and helps in our mission.



Board Meeting Schedule & Other Important Dates

- **Governors Visitation Day**, Friday, October 2, 2009 (*at Conklin Center*)
- **Board Meeting**, Saturday, October 3, 2009 (*at Conklin Center*) 10:30
- **Conklin Center 19th Annual Bike Kick-off Biketoberfest**, October 9 – 18, 2009 (*The “World Famous” Iron Horse Saloon, Ormond Beach, FL*)
 - **Council of Governors Meeting**, November 12 - 15, 2009 (*Ocala, FL*)
 - **Board Meeting**, Saturday, December 12, 2009 (*at Conklin Center*) 10:30
- **Council of Governors Meeting**, January 8 - 9, 2010 (*Florida Lions Camp, invitation only*)
- **Conklin Center “Night for Sight” Casino Auction**, Friday, February 5, 2009 (*Indigo Lakes, Daytona Beach, FL*)
 - **Board Meeting**, Saturday, February 6, 2010 (*at Conklin Center*) 10:30
- **19th Annual Bike Drawing Bike Week**, February 26 – March 7, 2010 (*“World Famous” Iron Horse Saloon, Ormond Beach, FL*)
- **Council of Governors Meeting**, March 4 - 7, 2010 (*Coral Springs, FL*)
 - **Board Meeting**, Friday, April 30, 2010 (*Daytona Beach, FL*) 2:30
- **Conklin Center White Cane Awareness “Walk & Roll”**, June 12, 2010 (*at Conklin Center*)

Thanks to Tim Wehner for this update of Conklin Center updates

FLORIDA LIONS CAMP

... giving ALL KIDS a world of good through camping.



Florida Lions Camp Chaos Presents:

THE HAUNTED TRAIL

- Carnival - Enchanted Forest -

October 23-24 & October 30-31

7pm-11pm

\$30 per carload or \$7 per person

(863) 696-1948

www.lionscampfl.org



Florida Lions Camp Winter Camp 2009

December 7 - 11

December 14 - 18

Join us this Winter for a Seasonal recreational BLAST! Celebrate the wonderful Florida weather with FLC's summer programs with a chilly twist! Canoeing, Arts & Crafts, and more!

Both Winter Camp sessions are 18+

Please contact Carissa Moen for more information:

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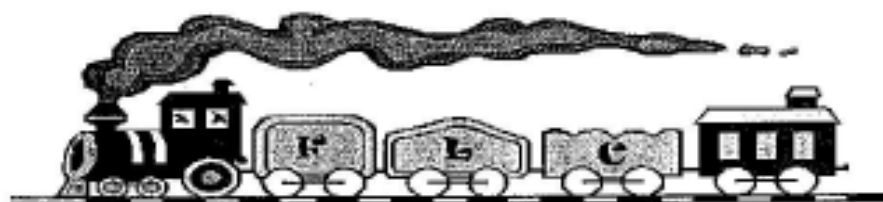
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FLC Challenge Express

"Jump on Board!" the Florida Lions Camp challenge and support OUR own Florida entity. With the conclusion of the international fundraiser for CSF II, which far exceeded its initial and projected goal, our focus needs to be on OUR very own Florida Lions Camp. I challenge all Florida Lions to make a personal donation of \$10 a month (or \$120 a year) to the Camp. If we have just 3,000 Lions from Florida doing that, we will have collected over \$300,000 and put our camp "out of the red" and into the "black."

REMEMBER THE KIDS... so "Jump on Board!" today and make your commitment. It's "full steam ahead" for the FLC Challenge Express. **YOU ARE ALL FLORIDA LIONS!!!**

For more information, contact District Drive Director Lion Bob Hilliard, (239) 949-2280 or (239) 287-0562. Thank you for your support!



Lion's Pledge Form

Name of Lion _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ District 35- _____

Email _____

Please make checks payable to:
Florida Lions Camp

Mail this form and your check to:

Florida Lions Camp
2819 Tiger Lake Road
Lake Wales, FL 33898

- ☐ Full Pledge: \$120 \$ _____
- ☐ Monthly Pledge: \$10 per month \$ _____



FLORIDA LIONS EYE BANK

The Importance of Research

The future of ophthalmology lies in the creation of new knowledge and technology and its rapid translation into the clinic to help eye patients. The Florida Lions Eye bank has always generously supported scientists and researchers as they work to conquer eye disease, prevent blindness and improve quality of life.

How We Help In Research Efforts

The Florida Lions Eye Bank provides both funding and critical eye tissue used in research at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute's Biophysics Research Center at the William L. McKnight Vision Research Center. The Eye Bank's Ocular Pathology Laboratory also adds the base of medical knowledge while helping to train future ophthalmologists. Over the years, the Eye Bank's has participated in numerous breakthroughs in the areas of biophysics, molecular biosciences and biomedical technology, as well as the development and invention of numerous ophthalmic instruments.

Supporting Research to Study the Human Lens

The Eye Bank continues its support of efforts to understand the human eye lens - a mysterious and miraculous tissue inside the eye that allows us to view a distant sunrise and the fine print on a medicine bottle. At the Ophthalmic Biophysics Laboratory, research to solve the puzzle of the human lens continues on many fronts. The goal of this worldwide effort is so that one day it will be possible to replace or repair the lens and, perhaps, to toss out your reading glasses. Thanks to funding and many donated eyes from the Florida Lions Eye Bank, advances are being made.

Promoting advances in cornea transplantation

The Florida Lions Eye Bank has played a major role in the development of new techniques and instrumentation that make cornea transplants safer for patients. Recent examples are:

* The invention of instruments known as "trephines," which are used to cut donor and recipient tissues.

* Diamond knives used in cornea surgery.

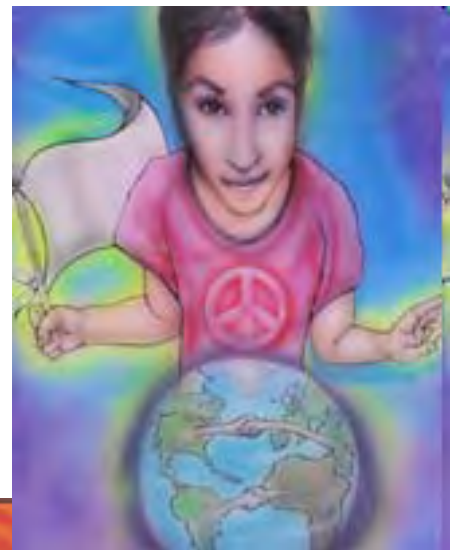
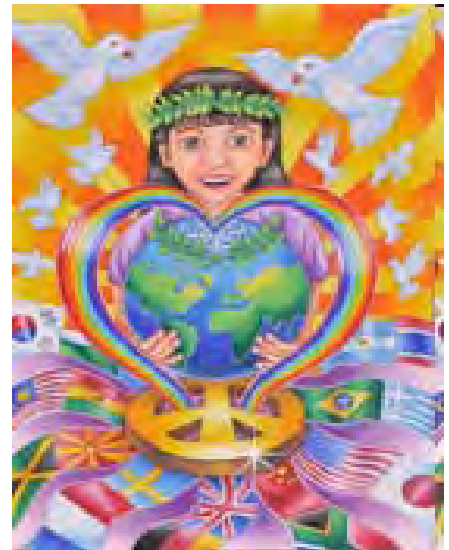
* New storage solutions to prolong the viability of donor corneas prior to transplantation.

The Elusive Lens

Why does the human lens present so many vexing questions? First, the tiny lens is transparent and located inside the eye. It cannot be viewed or measured directly. In addition, it is constantly changing shape and density, effected both by outside forces and its own ability to redistribute fluids. In previous annual reports (2002, 2003) research projects were reviewed regarding the discovery of microscopic aberrations in the shape and curvature of the lens. Another study looked at the loss of elasticity in the lens, causing the loss of the ability to focus on near objects and requiring corrective lenses.



Lions Peace Posters



October 2009

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | 1 Cocoa 7pm | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 Sat Beach 6:45pm | 7 Cocoa Beach 7pm | 8 N. Brevard 6:30 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 Viera 6pm | 14 M. Island noon Rockledge 6pm | 15 Cocoa 7pm | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 Sat Beach 6:45pm | 21 Cocoa Beach 7pm | 22 N. Brevard 6:30 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 Viera 6pm | 28 M. Island noon Rockledge 6pm | 29 | 30 | 31 |

Cocoa - Kay's Bar-B-Que 1552 W. King St., Cocoa - **Cocoa Beach Seaside** - Holiday Inn 1300 N. Atlantic Ave., Cocoa Beach
Merritt Island Space Coast - Diner @ The Clarion Hotel 260 E. Merritt Island Cswy., Merritt Island
North Brevard - Williams Family Restaurant 3530 South Washington Ave. Seastown Mall, Titusville
Rockledge - Rockledge Country Club 1591 Fiske Blvd., Rockledge **Satellite Beach** - Oriental Buffet 1024 Highway A1A, Satellite Beach
Viera - Holiday Inn 8298 N. Wickham Rd. Melbourne



Lions Clubs International

Lions World Sight Day 2009 to Screen Children October 8 in the Czech Republic -

OAK BROOK, Illinois, USA, September 11, 2009 – Lions Clubs International will mark Lions World Sight Day in Prague, Czech Republic, October 8. Lions members from the Czech Republic will screen the eyes of nearly 100 kindergartners in two schools in Prague. Lions are partnering with Prima Vizus and local ophthalmologists to provide the free screenings. Prima Vizus is a non-government, non-profit organization that provides free vision testing for preschool-aged children in the Czech Republic. They will also conduct a community education seminar on the importance of eye health at the Lions International Educational Centre of Ophthalmology (LIECO) in the teaching hospital at Kralovské Vinohrady Medical Faculty of the Charles University. This marks the first time that the major event of Lions World Sight Day will be held in the Czech Republic.

“It is to the credit of the Lions Clubs International Foundation and Lions clubs around the world that Lions is the first service organization or non-governmental organization to take up the challenge of childhood blindness on a global scale,” said Eberhard J. Wirfs, Lions Clubs International President. “That’s why we are spotlighting the need for screening children at a very early age.”

There are 1.4 million blind children in the world, but the sight of many of these children could have been saved through early detection and timely treatment. Amblyopia, known as "lazy eye," is a leading cause of blindness in children. Lions conduct screenings for children in order to prevent childhood blindness—screening for the most common vision disorders that can lead to amblyopia. Lions have screened more than one million children for this vision problem.

Lions plan to continue and expand the childhood screening program throughout the 2009 school year, screening 7,794 children in the cities of Prague, Ústí nad Labem and Liberec, Czech Republic. Lions have been awarded a SightFirst grant for this program from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). SightFirst is Lions' most ambitious and most successful initiative. Through SightFirst, Lions have restored sight to 7.5 million people through cataract surgeries, prevented serious vision loss for 30 million people and improved eye care services for hundreds of millions.

Lions are also organizing a workshop in collaboration with LIECO that will focus on the importance of proper eye health care, including the importance of eye health care for women and girls. The international theme of World Sight Day is “Gender and Eye Health,” ensuring that women and girls have equal awareness of, access to and acceptance of eye care services around the world.



Lions World Sight Day 2009 to Screen Children October 8 in the Czech Republic - Cont...

Lions clubs around the world will also hold local activities throughout October to educate their communities about the need to conquer blindness and preserve sight. Lions in Singapore and Malaysia will mark Lions World Sight Day on October 11 with eye screenings, an educational lecture and exhibition. For Lions World Sight Day in the past, local Lions clubs provided diabetic retinopathy and glaucoma screenings for Native Americans on the Navajo Nation in Arizona, screened the vision children in Bosnia and Herzegovina, conducted cataract screenings and surgeries in Madagascar, screened high-risk populations for diabetes and diabetic retinopathy in California, and scheduled programs to educate community members about what can be done to prevent vision loss in countries around the world.

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization with more than 1.3 million members in 45,000 clubs in 205 countries and geographical areas around the world. Since 1917, Lions clubs have aided the blind and visually impaired and made a strong commitment to community service and serving youth throughout the world.



Special fund raiser for the celebration of the SBLF 50th Anniversary.



*SBLF Luau
Pelican Beach Park
Satellite Beach, FL*

Wednesday 6:00 p.m.
October 21st, 2009

(will take the place of the regular scheduled meeting Oct 20)

*Food and beverages will be provided.
Please bring a dessert or fruit to share.*

*Cost: \$10.00 per person
A time to bring a friend(s) to visit the club.
Contact: Gini Black 321-777-2838*



Ha Ha Ha Ha - What?



When you are young, you want to be the master of your fate and the captain of your soul. When you are older, you will settle for being the master of your weight and the captain of your bowling team.

A man observed a woman in the grocery store with a three year old girl in her basket. As they passed the cookie section, the child asked for cookies and her mother told her "no." The little girl immediately began to whine and fuss, and the mother said quietly, "Now Ellen, we just have half of the aisles left to go through; don't be upset. It won't be long."

He passed the Mother again in the candy aisle. Of course, the little girl began to shout for candy. When she was told she couldn't have any, she began to cry. The mother said, "There, there, Ellen, don't cry. Only two more aisles to go, and then we'll be checking out."

The man again happened to be behind the pair at the check-out, where the little girl immediately began to clamor for gum and burst into a terrible tantrum upon discovering there would be no gum purchased today. The mother patiently said, "Ellen, we'll be through this check out stand in five minutes, and then you can go home and have a nice nap."

The man followed them out to the parking lot and stopped the woman to compliment her. "I couldn't help noticing how patient you were with little Ellen..."

The mother broke in, "My little girl's name is Tammy... I'm Ellen."

My therapist told me the way to achieve true inner peace is to finish what I start.

**So far today, I have finished two bags of chips and a chocolate cake.
I feel better already.**

A clean tie attracts the soup of the day.

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Ability is a good thing but stability is even better.



Dog Property Rules

1. If I like it, it's mine.
2. If its in my mouth, it's mine.
3. If I can take it from you, it's mine.
4. If I had it a little while ago, it's mine.
5. If I'm chewing something up, all the pieces are mine.
6. If its mine, it must never appear to be yours in anyway.
7. If it just looks like mine, it's mine.
8. If I saw it first, it's mine.
9. If you are playing with something and you put it down, it automatically becomes mine.
10. If its broken, it's yours.



The Miscellaneous Page



"All the news that fits - we print"



The North Brevard Lions Club is pleased to announce our new facebook page. go to www.facebook.com to check us out.

You can also visit our website at www.nbbd.com/npr/lionsclub/

District Governor Lion Anne Greer will be at our October 8th meeting.

We look forward to hearing about Lionism and how we can help. Please make your best effort to attend this meeting. See you there!

Avoiding danger is no safer in the long run than outright exposure. The fearful are caught as often as the bold.

~ Helen Keller

The first hard drive available for the Apple computer had a capacity of only 5 megabytes.

GOV'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO FREEPORT, GBI

Reservations can now be made with Best Western. You can call Ms Natasha Thompson at 242-352 6682, fax 242-352 5087.

Email her at reservationsbwcastaways@coralwave.com.

The rate is \$105 at is include tax and service charge.

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LionDudley

North Brevard Lions Club - What we have been doing

~ Friday August 29th - Downtown Titus Nights -

Approximately 35 children stopped to color masks and the club had a 50/50 drawing

~ Saturday September 5th - Cruise in & Sock Hop

Moonpies and Ice Cream Sundaes were made and sold.

We are on our way to being more recognized at these events by the community. People are starting to come up and ask what Lions do.

We hope to continue to be at the downtown events and to educate our community about Lionism.

Lion Facts

Swahili Name: Simba

Scientific Name:

Panthera leo

Size: 48 inches high

Weight: 330 to 500 pounds

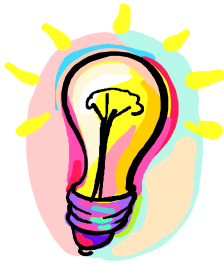
Lifespan: 13 years in captivity

Habitat: Grassy plans and open woodlands

Diet: Carnivorous

Gestation: About 105 days

Predators: Humans



**Got an idea?
Let us know!**



**Got a question?
Ask us!**



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