

LIONS OF ALABAMA
MD-34
ANNUAL CONVENTION



THE POWER OF WE

100 YEARS IN THE MAKING

Lake Guntersville State Park

and Lodge

Guntersville, AL

April 27-29, 2018

WELCOME LIONS!

Our Celebration of the 101st year of Service – our Lions Centennial Celebration continues! Our many club Service projects and our Community Legacy Projects are still ongoing. Now we continue our Alabama Celebration and begin the look forward to the next 100 years of Lion's Service with our 95th Multi-District Convention!

Our State Convention committee has worked to make this one of our best conventions! Please step forward to meet and greet your fellow Lions from around our state and meet our honored guest International Third Vice President Judge Haynes Townsend and his wife Donna, who have traveled from Dalton, Georgia to be with us.

On Thursday afternoon we will have our Council of Governors meeting.

On Friday morning, you have the opportunity to serve those in need, look for signup sheets in the lobby (Remember, We Serve!). On Friday afternoon there will be seminar sessions relating to our Lions State projects, Guiding Lions Certification, and Lions Training. Then we close out the day with a Country-Western themed entertainment and a fish fry, so wear your best cowboy outfit. Saturday will be an informative day of meetings, beginning with our AL Lions Sight Annual Meeting, district and multiple district meetings, and concluding with our District Governor's Banquet and awards presentations.

On Sunday morning, we have our Necrology remembrance time. Then following as our new District Governor Elects step into their new roles.

Thank you for coming! Enjoy the Lake Guntersville area and its beautiful scenery.

Lion Larry Bageyl, Convention Chair, PCC Ron Seybold, Centennial Chair, Dora Hartsock, Council Chair, Convention Committee Members: Lion Dawn Stevens, Dist. A, Vice Chair; Lion Brenda Elliott, Dist. B; PDG Barry Elliott, Dist. B; Lion Howard Rew, Dist. A; Lion Mechele Mosley, Dist. A; DGE Andy Marshall, Dist. C; Lion Roger Mixson, Dist. C

NEW CENTENNIAL SERVICE AREAS



Diabetes contributes to more than 5 million deaths a year, making it the eighth-leading cause of death in the world.

The environment impacts the quality of our air and water, the availability of food and medicine, the health and beauty of our local communities, and the future of us all.

Nearly one billion people go to bed **hungry** every night.

Since Helen Keller challenged Lions to become “**Knights of the Blind**” in 1925, we have improved eye health and eye care for hundreds of millions of people around the world.

Children are a gift to the world, yet every two minutes a child is diagnosed with **cancer** and less than half of the world’s children have access to effective care.

Don’t you think these are enough reasons for us as Lions to step it up in our communities and help in these areas? We **can** make a difference, one project, one person at a time. Will you make a difference in your community?

CC Dora Hartsock

Agenda

MD 34 Alabama Lions 95th Annual Convention

Lake Guntersville State Park

Guntersville, AL

April 26-29, 2018

Thursday, April 26, 2018

1:00 PM—5:00PM	Registration	Lobby
11:00 am—11:30am	Convention committee meeting	Boardroom
2:00PM—5:00PM	Council of Governors	Dogwood
6:30 PM	Dinner with 3VP Townsend	Wintzell's Oyster house

Friday, April 27, 2018

8:00 AM—5:00 PM	Registration	Lobby
8:00 AM—11:30AM	Environmental; Work Day Lions Outdoor Classroom	
8:00 AM—11:30AM	Cherokee Middle School Vision Screening	
8:00 AM---11:30AM	Guntersville Senior Center; Eye & Diabetes Screening	
9:30 AM---11:30AM	Hunger; Grant First Baptist Church	
8:00 AM--- all day	Wish List donations/ supplies UAB Children Cancer Box in the Lobby	

Friday, April 27, 2018

12:00 PM—1:00 PM Lunch on Your Own

1:00PM—4:00PM Alabama Lions Service Seminars Camellia Room

1:00 PM—1:15 PM	LCIF	PCC George Head
1:15 PM—1:30 PM	ALHSLF	PCC George Head
1:30 PM—1:45 PM	Camp Seale Harris	Lion Rhonda McDavid
1:45 PM—1:55 PM	Eyeglass Recycle Center	PCC Vernon Barker
1:55 PM—2:10 PM	Leadership Conference	DGE Andy Marshall
2:10PM---2:20PM	Vision Mission Trip	
2:20 PM—2:30 PM	Lions USA/CANADA Forum	PID Lowell Bonds
2:30 PM---2:50 PM	MyLion Connect	Lion Andrew Thompson
2:50 PM—3:30 PM	Lions Training	PID Lowell Bonds GLT
1:00 PM—5:00 PM	Certified Guiding Lion Training	Dogwood Room
	PDG Daryl McDaniel	
4:00 PM—5:45PM	Hospitality Room Open	River View Room
6:00 PM—9:00PM	Fish Fry (Country Theme w/ Band)	Beach Pavilion
9:00 PM—10:00PM	Hospitality Room Open	River View Room

Saturday, April 28, 2018

7:00 AM—8:00 AM	PDG Organization	Pinecrest II
7:00 AM—8:00 AM	Breakfast (on your own)	
8:00 AM—2:00 PM	Registration	Lobby
8:00 AM—8:30 AM	Opening Ceremony	Camellia Room
	Entrance of Council of Governors	Lion Doris Hansard
	Entrance of International Family	Lion Doris Hansard
	Parade of Banners	Lion Doris Hansard
	Welcome	CC Dora Hartsock
	Pledge of Allegiance	DG Pedro Pino, Sr
	Invocation	DG Claudia Wigglesworth
	Announcements	CC Dora Hartsock
8:30 AM—9:30 AM	ALS Annual Meeting	PDG Barry Elliott
9:30AM—9:45AM	Break	
9:45AM-10:30AM	Identifying/Developing Leaders	3VP Haynes Townsend

10:30am – 11:45am Districts Cabinet Meeting/ Delegate Certification

District A	Azalea III
District B	Dogwood Rm
District C	Camellia Rm

12:00 PM— 1:00 PM Melvin Jones Luncheon Camellia Rm

Special recognitions

1:30 PM—3:30 PM MD 34 Business Session CC Dora Hartsock

(Agenda will be provided) Camellia Room

4:00PM—6:00PM Hospitality Room Open River View Room

7:00 PM—9:00 PM District Governor’s Banquet
(Optional Dinner Jacket Black Tie and Formal Wear)

Introduction of Council of Governors
Introduction International Family Lion Doris Hansard

Welcome CC Dora Hartsock

Special Welcome from Senator Clay Schofield

Pledge DG Mark Stevens
Invocation DGE Linda Star

Dinner

Presentation of Aubrey D. Green Humanitarian Award
Jimmy Wright of Opelika

History of Award PIP J. Frank Moore III
Introduction of Recipient

Introduction of Keynote Speaker PIP J. Frank Moore III
Keynote Address 3VP Judge Haynes Townsend
Response IPID Jerome Thompson

Presentations & Awards CC Dora Hartsock
Gifts PID Lowell Bonds

Announcements / Adjournment CC Dora Hartsock

9:00pm—10:00pm Hospitality Room River View Room

Sunday, April 29, 2018

Closing Ceremony

Camellia Rm

9:00 AM—9:30 AM	Necrology Service	PDG Barry Elliott
9:30 AM---11:00 AM	Invocation	1VDG Yvonne Burroughs
	Pledge	1VDG Bubba Bingham
	Pediatric Cancer	CC Dora Hartsock
	Introduction of 2017-2018 Council of Governors	CC Dora Hartsock
	Announcements	CC Dora Hartsock
	Comments	3VP Judge Haynes Townsend
11:00AM	Adjourn	



J. FRANK MOORE III
PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

J. Frank Moore, of Daleville, Alabama, USA, was elected to serve as president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 84th International Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, July 2 through 6, 2001.

Past President Moore is an educator by profession and a former superintendent of education for the Daleville City Schools in Daleville, Alabama, USA.

A member of the Daleville Lions Club since 1975, Past President Moore has held many positions within the association, including currently serving as chairperson of the LCI Centennial Action Committee. He also served as chairperson of the Lions Clubs International Foundation, international director on the association's board of directors, and vice chairperson and international coordinator of Campaign SightFirst II, the most successful fundraising initiative of Lions Clubs International Foundation and our association.

Past President Moore has received numerous awards in recognition of his service to the association, including the Friends of Humanity Award presented by Lions Clubs International Foundation, and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, Past President Moore is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He is a member of the Army Aviation Museum Foundation executive committee, a certified lay speaker for the United Methodist Church, board member of the Church Conference Laity Board and is he is treasurer of his church. He is also a former chief executive officer of the Association of the United States Army.

Past President Moore and wife, Rita, also a Lion and Melvin Jones Fellow, have two daughters and a son, who also are Lions, and six grandchildren.



PAST JEROME THOMPSON INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Jerome Thompson, from Moulton, Alabama, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawaii, June 26 through 30, 2015.

Director Thompson is an attorney.

A member of the Moulton Lions Club since 1989, he has held many offices within the association, including club secretary, club treasurer, club membership chairperson, district governor, district public relations & Lions information chairperson, district GMT coordinator and multiple district GMT coordinator.

In recognition of his service to the association, Director Thompson has received numerous awards, including the Membership Key Award, three Leadership Awards, two Extension Awards and four International President's Awards. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Thompson is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including President of the Lawrence County Alabama Bar Association and member of the Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

Director Thompson has two sons and one grandson.



YAMANDU P. ACOSTA
PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Yamandu P. Acosta, from Eufaula, Alabama, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 93rd International Convention, held in Sydney, Australia, June 28 to July 2, 2010.

Past Director Acosta is a retired college professor.

A member of the Eufaula, Alabama Lions Club, and a Lion since 1970, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chair, council chair, district convention chair, state convention chair, vice district governor, and district governor. He also served as chairperson of the Latin America Extension Team, a member of the School of Governors, Campaign SightFirst II Sector Coordinator for MD34, LCIF State Coordinator and has presented at the USA/Canada Forum and the FOLAC Forum.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the District 34C Tom Jones Award, World Humanitarian Award, 13 International President's Certificates of Appreciation, eight International President's Medals and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the association's highest honor. He is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Past Director Acosta is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including serving as President of Eufaula Little Theater and as a member of the Eufaula Heritage Association, the Alabama Education Association and the National Education Association.

Past Director Acosta and his wife, Sylvia, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two daughters and four grandchildren.



LOWELL J. BONDS
PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Lowell J. Bonds, of Hoover, Alabama, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 86th International Convention, held in Denver, Colorado, USA, June 30-July 4, 2003.

Past Director Bonds is a business owner and real estate investor.

A member of the Birmingham Lions Club since 1973, Past Director Bonds has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chair, cabinet secretary and district governor. On the multiple district level, he served as Council of Governors chair, Past District Governor Organization president, Leadership Development chair, Impact Team leader, Lions Opportunities for Youth Fund director and more. In addition, he served as 2001 international board appointee to the Leadership Committee, vice chair of the 1999 USA/Canada Leadership Forum Host Committee, Habitat for Humanity Pilot Project chair and faculty member of the Southeast Lions Leadership Institute.

In recognition of his service to the association he has received numerous awards, including the club Lion of the Year Award, the 100% Club President Award, the Guiding Lion Award, the 100% District Governor's Award, the Extension Award, sixteen Key Awards, six International President's Certificates of Appreciation, three International Leadership Awards, three International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor bestowed upon association members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, Past Director Bonds, a graduate of Auburn University, is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including serving as trustee and secretary of the University of South Alabama Foundation, advisory board member of the University of Alabama in Birmingham School of Optometry and board member of Camp Seale Harris Diabetic Youth Camp. In the past, he served as an advisory board member of the Alabama Eye Bank and was president of the industrial development board and chair of the zoning board of the city of Jemison, Alabama.

Past Director Bonds and his wife, Carolyn, also a Melvin Jones Fellow, have one son, also a Lion and Melvin Jones Fellow, one daughter-in-law, also a Lion, and one granddaughter.

NOTES

ALABAMA LIONS SERVICE PROJECTS

- **AL LIONS SIGHT**
- **AL LIONS HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STAR BAND**
- **AL LIONS HIGH SCHOOL LEADERSHIP FORUM**
- **AL LIONS VISION MISSIONS**
- **AL LIONS EYEGLOSS RECYCLING CENTER**
- **AL LIONS OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH FUND**
- **SOUTHEASTERN DIABETES / CAMP SEALE HARRIS**



OUR CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION CONTINUES

101 YEARS OF LIONS' SERVICE

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA at MGM GRAND

JUNE 29 – JULY 3

LIONS LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



JUNE 15-17, 2018

Troy University, Troy, Alabama

Register now at

alhsf.org

ALABAMA LIONS LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

FAULKNER UNIVERSITY

Montgomery, AL AUGUST 11, 2018

SAVE THE DATE!



MD-34 Legacy Project statue of Annie Sullivan and Helen Keller has been completed and placed at Ivy Green.



**Statue is cut from Sylacauga White Marble
Our sculptor is Craigger Browne, Centennial Charter member and
Current President of the Sylacauga Lions Club**