

GOVERNOR APPRECIATION AWARDS
LIONS CLUB & INDIVIDUAL VISITATION CONTESTS

2025-2026

Contest Period *July 1, 2025 – May 31, 2026*
Submission Deadline *June 5, 2026*
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Purpose: To encourage friendship and the exchange of ideas among Lion and LEO Clubs.

Visitation Protocol:

- Contact the club president or secretary well in advance of planning a club visit to verify if the visit is convenient for them. After coordinating with your club members, contact the same club officer at least three (3) days in advance of the visit, advising them of the number attending.
- Verify the meeting time and location, as changes do occur.
- In-person or Zoom visits count.
- The stealing of the bell or gavel is symbolic; no items may be taken from the premises by the visiting club. If a club has their bell or gavel “stolen” they may not use it until they visit the other club.
- Awards will be given for both Club and Individual visitation. Awards for 1st and 2nd place will be presented at the District Governor’s Appreciation Event to the clubs with the greatest number of Official Visits to other Lion and LEO Clubs during the contest period.
- Definition of an Official Club Visit: The greater number of three (3) club members or 10% of the total membership reported on the June Monthly Membership Report must be present for the majority of the Club visit.
- Only one visit to any club in the same month may be counted. All visits must be reported on MyLion.
- Club meetings, fundraisers or service projects qualify as an Official Visit. In addition, participating clubs may count their attendance at ONE Zone OR Region Meeting. However, any of the clubs present must have the greater of 3 members or 10% of membership at the Zone or Region Meeting to be counted for contest purposes.
- The club visitation chair, secretary, president, or other assigned administrator of the club must submit the completed list of clubs visited, dates of visits, and the names of Lions attending each visit to the contest chair by June 5, 2026.
- Individual visitation records must include the club visited, date of visit and be verified with the signature of the Club Visitation Chair, Secretary or other Club Administrator. Submissions must be in the hands of the Contest Chair by June 5, 2026.

ROUND TAIL AWARD – Nine (9) visits to Lions or LEO clubs in the Zone or Region, with no club visited more than twice.

SHORT TAIL AWARD – Thirteen (13) visits to any Lions or LEO clubs in the District. Only one visit to any club is allowed.

LONG TAIL AWARD – Forty (40) visits to different Lions or LEO clubs in the District; however, every club in the Region must be visited. Up to ten (10) visits to other Districts may be counted.

ROAMIN’ LION AWARD – Fifteen (15) visits to different Lions or LEO clubs outside of District 4-C5 within a three-year period.