

DISTRICT LION OF THE YEAR CONTEST 2025-2026

Contest Period: 7/1/25 – 2/28/26

Submission Deadline: 3/15/26

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Entry Information: These rules apply to candidates for Region and District Lion of the Year. Each club in District 4-C5 may nominate one Lion for the District Lion of the Year competition. This individual need not be Club Lion of the Year.

Nomination: Submission must include summarized score sheet and a one-page (Times New Roman, size 12 font) essay that highlights how you exemplify Lionism in your life. The nomination must be in the hands of the Cabinet Secretary by **March 15, 2026** to be considered.

Essay: Essay is a summary of Lionism in your life for the Contest period only. Reference to the activities on the scoresheet is important.

Point System: Judging will be based on a point system outlined on the form. Scoring by the Club President and the Board of Directors must be attested.

Judging: The points scored and the description in the essay will be used with equal weight as bases of judgment. The panel of judges will be appointed by the District Governor. The final selection of the Lion of the Year will be chosen by the District Governor, taking into account the recommendations of the judges panel. There will be a Lion of the Year selected for each Region. One individual will be named the District Lion of the Year. Award presentation will be made at the District Convention.

The District Governor, Vice District Governors and their families are not eligible for this award. Once a Lion has received the award, the Lion is no longer eligible to receive it again.

LION OF THE YEAR CONTEST 2025-2026 AWARD FORM

CLUB NAME _____

NOMINEE _____

	ITEM	MAXIMUM POINTS	POINTS EARNED
1	Participation: A Lion who participates in all Club activities, shall earn 10 points per activity	10 each	
2.	New Members: New members brought into Lions during the contest year by candidate. Each new member is equal to 20 points for a maximum of 100 points	100	
3.a	Attendance: 5 points for Each Club Board meeting attended, maximum of 60 points	60	
3.b	Attendance: Maintain 100% attendance during the contest year, maximum of 125 points	125	
3.c	Attendance: 10 points for each Zone & Cabinet meeting attended	60	
3.d	Attendance: 20 points for each USA /Canada Forum, District, MD-4 or International Convention attended. 80 points maximum.	80	
4.a	Projects: 25 points for each club project chaired by nominee	25 each	
4.b	Projects: 10 points for each club project served on committee by nominee	10 each	
5.	Other Club Activities: 5 points for each visitation, social function or other club activity attended (If the nominee is a Cabinet Officer, the activities must not be part of the duties as a Cabinet officer.) Maximum of 150 points	150	
6.	Lionism: Exemplifies Lionism	25	
TOTAL POINTS EARNED			

Please accept this nomination for Lion of the Year. The signatures of the Club President and a majority of the Board of Directors verify the qualification of this nominee. **The completed points form to be accompanied by the one-page, double-spaced essay referencing the points and the nominee’s exemplary service and Lionism spirit is required.**

CLUB PRESIDENT SIGNATURE _____

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