

Greetings Fellow Lions,

Thursday, March 26, 2015 is travel day for going to our MD 32 State Convention. Go on Thursday and meet with fellow Lions from across the state and enjoy the variety of activities and fine restaurants Myrtle Beach has to offer. If you don't get there till Friday afternoon you will miss the SCLCS/SCLF meeting. We will also have from 11:00 – 12:00 New Member and First Timers Orientation. We will identify the first timers with a ribbon on their nametag. If you have already been to a convention and this is not your first time, then we have an Overview of the Lions International Web Site, conducted by Lion Rhett Hair. After that you can have lunch with fellow Lions from across the state. Another opportunity to enjoy the fine restaurants of Myrtle Beach. Then at 1:00pm we will have a Welcome to the 91<sup>st</sup> South Carolina Lions MD Convention. After the welcome, this will be for all attendees, even the PDG Luncheon will be over by then and we want everybody to be in on the Welcome and the Celebration of Membership Past and Future. So look at all of the things you will be missing if you don't come on Thursday and be ready to go on Friday. And that is just for the morning, lunch, and one hour of the afternoon. The rest of the day will be filled with Concurrent Sessions, Dinner with friends, and fun night. Then we get to go to the hospitality rooms. For those of you who have been before, you know what a treat that is!



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Saturday will also be somewhat different. While we have had several sitting International Presidents visit with us, none of them ever had breakfast with all of us. That will happen on Saturday morning when we have breakfast with our IP Joe Preston. At 10:00 we will have our MD Meeting. There will be a vote on a Constitutional change regarding how our dues are separated. We are not raising dues, just moving them around a little to give more benefits to more Lions. Be sure to you are qualified to vote and have been certified. Our Awards Luncheon on Saturday will be very impressive. You won't want to miss that. Then of course, our reception for our IP Joe Preston and banquet on Saturday night.

For those who live close and want to go home after the banquet, this year that will be fine. For those who live further away and want to leave early Sunday morning, that will be fine also. You won't miss anything. However, if you do want to stay and have breakfast at the hotel Sunday morning, VCC Charlene and I would like to say thank you to you as you leave. This is going to be a very different convention. We need you to come and make a difference in the lives of our fellow Lions.

CC Joe