

District 25Digest - May 2022 District Governor Scott Smith Making a Difference



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5 Hensel Court Carmel, IN 46033 H: 317-582-0562 C: 317-431-7655 kathylozier@icloud.com Carmel Lions Club We just wrapped up the 2022 State Convention and what a great weekend it was! If you didn't get a chance to attend, then I would encourage each of you to be a part of the 2023 State Convention in Bloomington.

As of the writing of this article, we are -21 for the year in membership in the District. We gained two new members over the weekend! I want to encourage each Club to make an effort to induct one new member between now and June 30th. Every District Governor has a goal of ending their year with positive membership growth, and I need your help to accomplish that goal!

We are still working on starting a new Muncie Club, so if you know anyone in that area that would make a great Lion please contact myself, DGE Eric Schuman or FVDGE Julia Kozicki and let us know.

The weather is slowly becoming more Spring-like, so this is the perfect opportunity to invite your friends, co-workers, and relatives to a Club event and show them what we do as Lions. Let them see how much FUN we have serving our communities!

May 14th is our District-wide Club Officer Training in Greentown from 9am-noon, so be sure to sign up. It is a great learning opportunity and a chance to share ideas. The cost is free!

May 21st is our final Cabinet Meeting of the year. It will be hosted by the Pendleton Lions Club. It will start at 10:00am and end by noon with a cookout. Dress for this meeting is CASUAL. Some end of the year awards will be presented at this time, as well as final remarks for me.

Together we will continue "Making A Difference".

DG Scott Smith

A Personal Note

By DG-E Eric Schuman, PDG

This month my article is more on a personal level and as DG Scott says, is one of the reasons I am a Lion and more specifically a Hoosier Lion.

As many of you know I had some medical difficulty lately. My treatments are over and I am now on the mend although still not 100%. Every day I get a little better.

But I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you for all the well wishes, phone calls, and prayers that have been



given to me and Deanna. They are truly appreciated, and as I tell everyone – I'll take all I can get!

We thoroughly enjoyed the MD-25 Convention. We had a great time there and enjoyed all the speakers. My council is ready and able to dive in to hopefully making this the best year yet for Hoosier Lionism. I am ready to make this the best year as your District Governor!

A quick reminder for club officers especially, but really for any Lions member that our annual Officer Training will be held in Greentown on May 14 starting at 9:00am. I hope to see many of you there!

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to congratulate our own DG Scott Smith on his election to Council Chairperson for next year. I have no doubts he'll do a great job, and I'm looking forward to working with him for another year.

We can each "Make A Difference" in the lives of others. Starting July 1, be prepared for "Together... We Can Serve More!"





What: Club Officers Training

Who: All Lions (don't have to be an officer)

Where: Greentown Lions Club

When: May 14th, 9am to noon

Leadershi**P**

Concluding the letters of LEADERSHIP, this month's focus is **P** is for **Pride**.

Lions in District 25D have much to take pride in. Across the district, as of April 25, we have served almost 90,000 people, with more than 20,000 hours of service and almost \$65,000 in funds donated to various activities. And that's just what's been reported to MyLion! We are embodying the motto 'We Serve.'



Lions also take pride in showing our spirit. I've seen lots of variations of club t -shirts, polo shirts, jackets, hats, and vests. When we wear our Lions apparel, we exemplify that pride in being a Lion and we make it easy for others to know who we are and how to join us. If you don't have a handy local vendor, there are lots of options on the www.lionsclub.org website – look under Shop.

Finally, we are a Pride of Lions. When we gather together, whether in

fellowship or service, we get things done, and done well. Be proud that you are a Lion and encourage others to join in our Pride.

Yours in Lionism, SVDG Julia





Woman's Symposium

Saturday, July 16th

Camp Woodsmoke in District F, Greensburg IN

More details to follow closer to date

Officers Training

By PDG Mary Jane Bodnar

Hard to believe that it is already time to conduct officer training once again. Please see the form attached to this newsletter to sign up. It is easy and includes all the information that is needed t make sure that you are credited with attending the session. We will have specific training classes for Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers. All Lions are invited to attend



even if they are not going to hold any of the mentioned offices. This is a good way to understand the workings of the club and also as a training session for future office holders.

ALL LIONS ARE WELCOME!!

OFFICE TRAINING

MAY 14, 2022

9am to noon

Greentown Lions Club

610 E. Payton Street

Greentown, Indiana

Direct questions to PDG Mary Jane Bodnar

951-294-0028 or maryjanebodnar@gmail.com



Region	Zone	Chair	Email	Home Club
1	A	Lion Wayne Sozansky	wayne.sozansky@gmail.com	Greentown
1	В	Lion Jeff Larrison	jefflarrison46033@gmail.com	Westfield
2	A	Lion Cindy Wright	rcwright72@att.net	Upland
2	A	Lion Rick Wright	rcwright72@att.net	Upland
2	В	Lion Jeanie Stiers	jeasts@comcast.net	Anderson Noon
3	A	Lion Linda Janney	ljanney1952@gmail.com	Albany
3	В	Lion Jeffry Manning	mail@msiwix.com	Saratoga

25D Lions whom we have been notified of death since April Newsletter

<u>Anderson Noon</u> <u>Cowan</u> <u>Marion</u>

William Mathys 'Jake' Cecil McShurley Dave Bates

Noblesville Union Township

Joseph Cafrelli Jr Charles Wilson





New 25D Lions since April Newsletter

Fowlerton Kokomo & Area Lapel

Joyce Phillippe Randy Helder Nicholas Hedrick

Noblesville Russiaville Sheridan

Jennifer Carr Lori Seaman Calton Summe

<u>Tipton</u> <u>Westfield</u>

Joshua Isenhower Kurt Deichmann





DG Scott Smith's May 2022 Calendar

- 05.03 Marion Lions Club Board Meeting 4:00pm
- 05.10 Marion Lions Club Memorial Service for Lion Dave Bates 9:00am
- 05.10 Frankton Lions Club Official Visit
- 05.14 District 25D Club Officer Training Greentown 9:00-Noon
- 05.19 Carmel Lions Club Golf Outing- noon
- 05.21 District 25D Cabinet Meeting Pendleton Public

Library - 10:00am

- 05.24 Lapel Lions Club Official Visit
- 05.27 Albany Lions Golf Tournament 11:00am

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Growing Your Club—Have You Thought of This?

Clubs are always looking for ways to grow and recruit new members. There are many things club members can do in order to attract new members. Here, you'll find close to a hundred viable approaches that one could use in order to recruit more members. If you have any other ideas, add them to this list and share them.

- 1. The club president asks three club members as a personal favor to each recruit one new member
- 2. Bring your boss to a club meeting
- 3. Make direct contact with women's business associations
- 4. Bring your co-workers to a club meeting
- 5. Bring your subordinates to a club meeting
- Use books, brochures, videos and posters from LCI
- 7. Hand out invitation cards for a "Free" lunch (breakfast, dinner)



- 9. Meet at a good location
- 10. Assign every member to a 5 person recruitment team—each team brings in a new member every six months



DG Scott Smith's Official Visits

04/04—Selma Lions Club official visit





04/11-Greentown Lions Club official visit





04/12—Albany Lions Club official visit





04/19—Upland Lions Club official visit







04/20—Sheridan Lions Club official visit







Council Chair Elect

25D's very own DG Scott Smith was voted in at the Council meeting on Sunday, May 1 as the 2022-2023 Council Chair for MD 25. The role of the Council Chair is to support the actions and decision of the Council of Governors and the multiple district. CC Jim Query passes the gavel to CCE Scott Smith.





Lion Dave Bates

Lion Dave Bates of the Marion Lions Club passed away suddenly on Wednesday, April 27, 2022. Lion Dave was a Past President of two Clubs, Marion Lions Club and the Anderson Noon Club, Past District Cabinet Treasurer for 25D. He was a recipient of the W.P. Wood Fellowship, Melvin Jones Fellowship and the

Miyamoto Fellowship. Lion Dave was a 50 year member of Lions.

Lion Dave's Viewing will be at the LaFontaine United Methodist Church on May 10, 2022. Viewing will be from 9-11am and service will be at 11:00am.

District Governor Scott Smith said of Lion Dave, "Lion Dave lived a life of a Lion everyday. He was always ready to serve others. I have lost a mentor, fellow Lion, and a friend, He will be missed, but never forgotten."

Please contact DG Smith with any questions about Dave's funeral or the Lions Memorial Service at 765-480-6312 or mutt4866@gmail.com.



Around the District

It has been a busy month for the Union City Lions Club

First, on April 2nd we hosted a VERY successful Spring Pancake Day. People turned out in large numbers for our 1st inside pancake and whole hog sausage breakfast in 2 years. We are very thankful for the support form our community.













Union City Lions Club Continued

The Union City Lions Club had its regular meeting on April 26th at the Community Room in Union City, IN. It was an exciting night with many guests present to witness the naming of our mascot. The 27 people in attendance enjoyed fried chicken, au gratin potatoes, green beans, and pie prepared and served by Diana Dubeansky. The focus of the evening was on our Lions Club mascot. The mascot costume was the idea of Jim and Diana Dubeansky with Diana doing the sewing of the suit. For the past few weeks, there has been a contest to name our mascot. Local elementary school children participated in a coloring contest and suggested names for the lion. The winning entry was submitted by Ava Nieport, a 2nd grader at Mississinawa Valley Elementary. She suggested the lion be named Gus. As her family watched, Ava was introduced to the club, signed Gus' birth certificate, and received a McDonald's Gift Card, a check for \$25 from the Union City Lions Club, and a Lions pin from Lions District 25D Governor Scott Smith. Witnessing this event were Union City Indiana Mayor Chad Spence, and Union City, Ohio Mayor Duane Pouder, our Lions Zone Chairman, Jeff Manning from Saratoga, and Anita Hines, also from the Saratoga Lions Club.

You should start to see Gus out and about at Lions functions and other city activities. Gus also has some trips planned to other Lions Clubs around our district and across the State of Indiana. Please help us welcome Gus to Union City.

Photo to right:
DG Scott presents Ava with
his Governors
pin, Club President Doug LeMaster and
Ava Nieport,
Contest Winner.



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Photo above: Club President, Doug LeMaster, Ava Nieport, Contest Winner, and "Gus" the UC Lion.

Told you Union City Lions have been busy!!

The Union City Lions Club met on Tuesday, April 12th at the Community Room in downtown Union City. Diana Dubeansky, prepared a meal of turkey and noodles, mashed potatoes, corn, and pie that was enjoyed by the 20 members and two guests. The program for the evening was presented by the City Manager of Union City, Steve Shoemaker. Steve also serves Union City as its Fire Chief. Mr. Shoemaker spoke about the progress that is being made on some of the many projects going on in Union City right now. His comments included information about Vision Corner and the collaboration between the city, Randolph Eastern Schools, Ball State University, and Ivy Tech. BSU students and professors are working with RESC students on various projects. Ivy Tech hopes to be able to offer some classes in Union City by 2023. Steve talked about the Governor Issac P Gray housing edition located off of N. Plum street. They are ready to start moving dirt in the new edition that will eventually include 60 homes. He also mentioned that Group Therapy will be open soon and so will Roots Deli located beside HomeTown Coffee, all in downtown Union City. A new cantina-style restaurant is planned for the corner of Columbia and Oak streets. The rail tower was moved to Artisan Park last year and should have handicap accessible restrooms available in the next couple of months. The city is building three new soccer fields on the west end of Harter Park and hopes to get some funding to update the swimming pool and the playground equipment in the park. Mr. Shoemaker also talked about Workhorse and the positive news coming from them about creating jobs and building electric delivery vehicles. Thank you, Steve, for a very informative program.

Picture: Pictured are UC Lion Rick Lacy and Union City's City Manager, Steve Shoemaker.



Noblesville Lions Club

Wednesday evening On Noblesville Lions had Jennifer Petty, Executive Director, of the HC Bicentennial Project speak to the club. Jessica spoke about plans in the county for the bicentennial in 2023. The club is able to apply for a micro-grant to support a bicentennial project. info More can be found at www.hamcoturns200.com.

Photo: Jessica Petty (rt) with Lion VP Kim Luckey





Albany Lions Club

The Spring Pancake and Sausage Breakfast was a huge success on April 2nd.









Carmel Lions Club

Members of the Carmel Lions Club braved the cold and snow to man their water stop at mile 7.2 of the Carmel Marathon. Lions pictured include Mariah Allen, Hans Kok and Bob Yunker. Other Lions who participated are Norwin Hall, Gerson Vianna, Christine Woodward and Zach Stock along with Carmel Leo Owen Woodward.











Saratoga Lions Club

Saratoga Lions Club members helped out the Easter Bunny by stuffing over 700 eggs for the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Applegate Park. Prizes were handed out for special eggs.









Greentown Lions Club

Greentown held their Fish and Tenderloin Fry on April 15th. DG Scott Smith showed his support.











Noblesville Lions Club

Noblesville Lions Club welcomed Brenda Myers of the H.C. Convention and Tourism Bureau. Brenda enlightened the club on the Bureau's activities, and what an important role they play in bringing and developing events in Hamilton County. An example statistic is the growth of hotel rooms available in Hamilton County from less than 200 in the late eighties to 5,033 now!

Photo: Brenda Myers (It) and Lion VP Kim Luckey



Sweetser Lions Club

The Sweetser Lions Club w/ the help of Boy Scout, David Hart who is working on his Eagle project, have begun the process of the new play area across from the trains. Coming soon will be a gaga ball pit & a large cement checkerboard!





Our park dedication & 1st Family Night Out will be on Thurs.

May 19th. Bring the family down to the trail from 4-8pm. There will be games, bed races, cornhole & SUM Church will be grilling hamburgers & hot dogs.





Saratoga Lions Club members receiving their membership chevrons. Lion Bill Dillow for 15 years, lion Paul Nunez for 20 years. President Jeff Manning and 1st Vice President Stacy White presented the awards.



Marion Lions Club

DG Scott Smith, Lions Roger Burhite Isabel Atcheson, Kelly Miller, Kassie Lemons and Kingsley attended the Candidate Forum to promote Lions and collect eyeglasses.





Didn't see your Club mentioned?

If you'd like to share a past event or an upcoming event at your Club, please send that information and a photograph or two to Lion Christine Woodward at woodward1999@sbcglobal.net. The deadline to appear in the district newsletter is the 25th of the previous month. (ie deadline for the March newsletter was February 25th)







Summary of the 2022 State Convention in pictures

































































































District 25D Contests

CLUB VISITATION CONTEST

- 1. The Visitation Contest will run from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
- 2. Only visitations to other clubs at their regular meetings will be counted.
- 3. The following minimum number of visiting Lions are required to qualify.
 - Clubs with 20 or less members 2 members
 - Clubs with 21-35 members 3 members
 - Clubs with 36 or more members 4 members
- 4. The following are the categories of Club Visitation awards:
 - Long Tail Award Visiting 100% of District 25D Clubs
 - Short Tail Award Visiting all Clubs in your Region
 - Ambassador Award Visiting all Clubs in another Region
 - Nomad Award Visiting 20 Clubs or your choice, within or outside District 25D
- 5. It is wise to contact the club to be visited to verify that they will not be dark, the location of the meeting, time, etc.
- 6. No visitation may be used for more than one category of award. No visitation may be used twice.
- 7. Clubs may earn as many awards or combination of awards they wish.
- 8. The following are considered "District Lions" and **will not** be counted when making their official visits: Governor, Vice Governor, Cabinet Secretary, Cabinet Treasurer, Region Chairperson and Zone Chairperson.
- 9. When there is a Zone or Region Meeting, visiting members will receive credit for only one club and Region.

REPORTING VISITATIONS

- 1. Visitation slips should not be larger than 81/2 x 11 or smaller than 51/2 x 81/2.
- 2. All visitation slips must show the name of the visiting club name of the visited club, names of visiting Lions, date of visitation, and be signed by the Secretary/President of the visited club to qualify. The Club Secretary will report all visitations to the District 25D Cabinet Secretary by the end of the month the visitation takes place.
- 3. Winners will be announced at the first Cabinet Meeting of the 2022-2023 Lion Year.



MEMBERSHIP CONTEST

First contest: July 1 2021—December 21, 2021

Second contest: January 1, 2022—June 30, 2022

Awards are given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for the clubs with the highest percentage of new members during the period regardless of club size. The prizes will be awarded based on what gains you have made versus your starting membership for each period.

It is critical that each club reports their monthly membership trends to MyLCI each month.

Awards for the first part of the year will be handed out at our February cabinet meeting in Saratoga. The second set of awards will be handed out at the first cabinet meeting of the 2022-2023 Lion year.

Please contact GMT Tom Lorson with any questions regarding the contest at tomlorson@iquest,net



CLUB NEWSLETTER CONTEST

District Governor Scott Smith would like to announce the District 25-D "Club Newsletter Contest". Individual clubs within the District should submit electronic copies of their newsletters to Cabinet Secretary Betty Weist. Since some clubs may produce newsletters at different frequencies (monthly, quarterly, etc.), the contest will involve evaluating the top two (2) newsletters submitted throughout the Lions year by each club.

Newsletters will be evaluated based on the following:

- Overall appearance
- Updates or announcements of upcoming club events
- Announcements of club news (new members, anniversaries, awards, etc.)
- Inclusion of photos
- Calendars (or lists) of upcoming events in the District or State
- Club officer contact information

The contest will be broken down into three (3) divisions so that clubs will be competing against similarly sized clubs. The different divisions will be:

- Clubs with 25 or fewer members
- Clubs with 26 to 50 members
- Clubs with more than 50 members

The contest will run through May of 2022. A committee will evaluate the newsletter submissions and winning clubs will be announced at the first cabinet meeting of the 2022-2023 Lions year. Awards will be presented to the winners and runners-up.

Newsletters should be emailed to Cabinet Secretary Betty Weist at betty-weist@aol.com





Saturday, May 21st

Social at 10am
Cabinet Meeting at 10:30am
Lunch cookout to follow meeting

Meeting held at: Pendleton Community Library 595 East Water Street Pendleton, IN 46064

\$15 per person RSVP by May 14, 2022

Make checks payable to **Pendleton Lions Club**

Mail to Pendleton Lions Club Secretary:





Dear Campaign 100 & LCIF Coordinators,

I am personally inviting you to join me in supporting the LCIF Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon that is being held Sunday, June 5th from 10 am - 2 pm CDT (Chicago).

This event is being organized by Lions Virtual, in partnership with Lions Clubs International Foundation and Lion volunteers from across the globe. The Tell-A-Thon is designed to tell the Lions' story while raising funds for our Foundation. Along with sharing our story, the program includes music, entertainment and special surprise celebrity cameos from Grammy Award winning artists, Emmy Award winning actors and a Super Bowl MVP!

As we reach the end of Campaign 100, the Tell-A-Thon offers an opportunity for one final push to get every Lion to support the life-changing work that LCIF funds. To this end, I am asking you to do five things:

- 1. Register for the Tell-A-Thon @ tellathon.org
- 2. Encourage every Lion in your area to register for the Tell-A-Thon @ tellathon.org
- 3. Donate \$20 or more to LCIF through the Tell-A-Thon @ lionsclubs.org/givetoday
- Share the attached Tell-A-Thon article &/or ad with:
 - every Lion in your District
 - your District and Multiple District publications
- 5. Visit Lions Virtual on Facebook
 - share Tell-A-Thon posts across your personal, District & Multiple District social media accounts

Our Foundation is near and dear to all of us and this is the perfect opportunity for us to showcase all the amazing service projects that LCIF funds across that globe. Feel free to reach out to our Tell-A-Thon Executive Producers Jodi Burmester & Daniel Marney Elkins @ lionsvirtual@gmail.com if you have questions or need further information.

I will be emceeing this event and know it is one that you won't want to miss! Whether you drop in for a few minutes or watch the entire show, it will be time well-spent.

With deep appreciation,

Brian E. Sheehan, Lions Clubs International 1st Vice President





Join the World's Largest Celebration of Service

by Lion Brian Sheehan - Lions Clubs International 1st Vice President

I am so excited to invite each & every one of you to join me for the world's largest celebration of service: the 2022 LCIF Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon on Sunday, June 5th from 10 am - 2 pm CDT (Chicago) / UTC-05.

This year's Tell-A-Thon is focused on celebrating Lions' service across the globe; service that is empowered by your donations to our Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).

The 4-hour Tell-A-Thon will inspire you with stories of service, music, entertainment and special celebrity cameos from humanitarians, award winning musicians and actors, a legendary coach, and a Super Bowl MVP!

What are you waiting for? Register at www.tellathon.org

Don't stop there... this is the perfect opportunity to share our Lions' story with your family, friends and community! Why not create a viewing party and invite your partners and community to join in the fun?

You can use this opportunity to share information about your club's impact on your community, conduct a vision screening or other service project. You could even sell food, hold a silent



RESERVE THE BEST SEAT IN THE HOUSE WWW.tellathon.org

auction or conduct raffles to raise funds for LCIF!

Every Lion, Every Club...

Speaking of raising funds, we are asking every Lion and every Club to join Lion Lori and I in supporting LCIF with a donation that will empower our service for years to come. Our goal is to raise \$2 million through the Tell-A-Thon! So whether you donate \$5 or \$50,000, know that every dollar you donate will be used to change lives.

There are a number of ways to donate and every donation to the Tell-A-Thon is eligible for LCIF recognition programs, including Melvin Jones Fellowship: Online: https://ionsclubs.org/givetoday

Check Made & Remitted to:

LCIF Tell-A-Thon c/o Lions Virtual P. O. Box 259288 Madison, WI 53725

For all the latest Tell-A-Thon news, visit the <u>Lions Virtual Facebook</u> page.

For more information about the Tell-A-Thon, model clubs and major donation opportunities, contact Lions Virtual @ lionsvirtual@gmail.com

Thank you for all you do and your support of the LCIF Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon!



Every Lion... Every Club Working together to raise US\$2 million

100% of funds raised benefit Lions Clubs International Foundation Campaign 100 & qualify for all LCIF recognitions



World's Largest Celebration Of Service Sunday, June 5th

10 am - 2 pm pm CDT (Chicago) / UTC-05

REGISTER NOW party.tellathon.org

MD-25 Lions

International Pin Design 2023







July 7–11, 2023: Boston, Massachusetts, USA: A quintessential blend of colonial history and cutting-edge innovation. From the charming cobblestones of Beacon Hill and the civic landmarks along the Black Heritage Trail and Freedom Trail, to the iconic grounds of Harvard University and Fenway Park, Boston is a treasure trove of Americana. Fun if by land and fun if by sea, Boston is an ideal destination for your next vacation. Explore diverse neighborhoods, enjoy an eclectic array of performing arts and special events, shop in chic boutiques and high-end malls, fall into a foodie's paradise and discover the true essence of Boston, a cosmopolitan hub where tradition and innovation interact every day.

Pins MUST include:

a-MD 25 Indiana (as text)

b-the Intl Convention year - 2023

c-Lion Club Intl Logo

d-Intl Convention Host City representation

e-MD 25 graphic representation of MD-25 usually includes a race car and/or the outline of Indiana.

Each club can submit one design to its District Governor. One design will be selected by each District Governor. All District designs need to be submitted to me by **December 17, 2021**. You can scan and attach it to an email to me at angelec@iue.edu. Each District's selected design will be presented to State Council in January. Remember: pin designers do not have to be (a) Lions.

Be creative and have fun!

CS Angela Locke, State Pin Chairperson