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# 25D District Digest

## What is a Lion!

March 2024

Lions of 25D,

As I shared in July, my theme for this year is: **What is a Lion?** Lions are many things and my newsletter articles and club visits will highlight some of the many answers. My hope is that when you are asked that question, you will be armed with your answer and ready to share the great things that Lions are.

This month, the answer is: **Someone offering leadership to their club and beyond.** March is the month that our clubs are starting to plan for next year's **leaders** – who is ready to step up for a new role, who will bring new energy to their existing role, and who is ready to hand off the baton. As I shared in this space previously, **leaders** serve in many capacities, sometimes in front, sometimes behind the scenes, but our clubs need all kinds of **leaders** so that we can continue to serve our communities. If you haven't served as a club officer, I encourage you to consider it. We will host club officer training as part of our last cabinet meeting for this Lions year on May 11 in Matthews – join us and learn how you can serve.

We also are looking forward to new **leaders** in our district. At the district convention on March 2, we elected David 'Rocky' Simpson of Greentown as our District Governor Elect and Jim Dubeansky of Union City as our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Elect. We have a candidate in the wings for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor, but I know DGE Rocky is looking for some zone chairs and district committee chairs. Are you ready to step up your **leadership** to the next level? Let DGE Rocky know!

We saw a great example of **leadership** at the district convention in International Director Ron Keller. He encouraged us to look out for our members, check in on those we've missed, and think of new ways to serve our communities and each other. If you'd like to see more great examples of **leaders**, plan to come to the state convention, April 26-28, hosted here in Noblesville in 25D. Past International President Frank Moore will lead the speakers who can show us new ways to serve, to add members and to **lead** in our clubs and communities.

**Lead** your Lions to join us as we *serve a world in need.*

Yours in Lionism,

*DG Julia*



## Message from District Governor Elect Rocky

### Spring is at our Front Door

With the current weather changing I couldn't be more excited to watch Nature come back alive. The winter wasn't too bad this year and we can start our Spring out with planning for the planting of trees and flowers for this year.



The environmental impact is wonderful to have trees and plants growing throughout the year. The Lions Clubs can submit the planting projects to the Lions International website to get credit for an environmental project. It's time to start off Spring with planning for an Environmental Service project.

What else is growing?

In our 25-D District the Leadership Team has started growing interest in forming two new clubs in our District. The Gas City Lions Club has kicked off with a service project for a ramp for a needy family. If you want to know how you can help, contact myself or Mike Careins to get more information. Clubs have been donating money to get this project completed.

This month, interest in a new Lions Club at Fishers is taking shape. If you have any interest in either of these new clubs, just jump in and lend a hand.

Spring is a wonderful time of the year, as Lions, we should see the opportunity for improving our community and surroundings. If you have a Service Project, please send pictures and a written description to our newsletter editor, Christine Woodward for other clubs to see what you're doing.

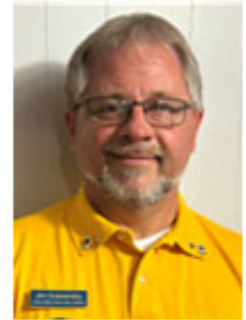
Yours in Lionism,

***DGE Rocky***

## Message from First Vice District Governor Elect Jim

Hello Fellow Lions :

Hope your all doing well it was great to see everyone at the 25 D Convention on Saturday. If you was unable to attend you missed a good time that's for sure. I really enjoyed it.



Well, I have to say thank you to everyone for your support this past year as your 2nd Vice District Governor. It's been a learning experience and I've took in a lot and met lots of nice people and great Lions along the way. I am ready to be there to work with Rocky our District Governor Elect. I will miss DG Julia, but I bet she won't miss me bugging her all the time with a million questions. lol I am ready for the next step in my adventure as 1st Vice Governor.

Want to remind everyone of the Eclipse that's going to happen on April 8th. Union City Lions Club is having a Pancake Breakfast on April 6th along with the Towns Birthday. 175th celebration on the same day so come to Union City and enjoy some pancakes.

Hope everyone is out there looking for that new member or new friend to become a member. Don't forget the matching grants that are available and the tree grants. Let's plant some trees for our future generations. It's really easy.

The weather is starting to show some great signs. Spring is in the air. I hope everyone can enjoy the sunshine and everyone is safe and healthy .

Respectfully yours,

*1VDGE Jim Dubeansky*

## GMT/GET—Global Membership Team and Global Extension Team

Greetings to all Lions of 25-D!

Some may say I'm stretching my theme of games a little, but I wanted to talk about a different type of game, namely jigsaw puzzles. I feel that these count as games because they can be a way for people to spend time together working on the puzzle. Also, you can create your own set of rules in solving them. You may decide that you won't look at the picture on the box or you will put all the edges to the side and add them last, as most people do those first, or you may go for a real challenge and put all the pieces upside down and try to just finish the puzzle by shape alone. And, most importantly, there is a definite goal you are trying to achieve. I do not know of anyone who started a 1000-piece jigsaw puzzle by saying, "My goal is to link 50 pieces, and then I will be done!"



Lionism is a lot like that 1000-piece jigsaw puzzle, with one very big difference. Typically, we only start with a few pieces. Someone invites us to a service project or a meeting and we see a little bit. The more we do as Lions, the more pieces we get. We start to see how they fit with the ones they already have, or maybe they don't at all and we have to keep finding pieces. The pieces may be learning about the State Projects, or volunteering for the State Fair, or being a part of the vision screening at a school, or another Lion we meet. My hope is that you don't stop with a few pieces but keep getting more pieces to help yourself and others reach our goal of service.

Thank you for all you do in Lions and for being a piece of other people's puzzles.

***Lion Jeff Kozicki***



## New Members

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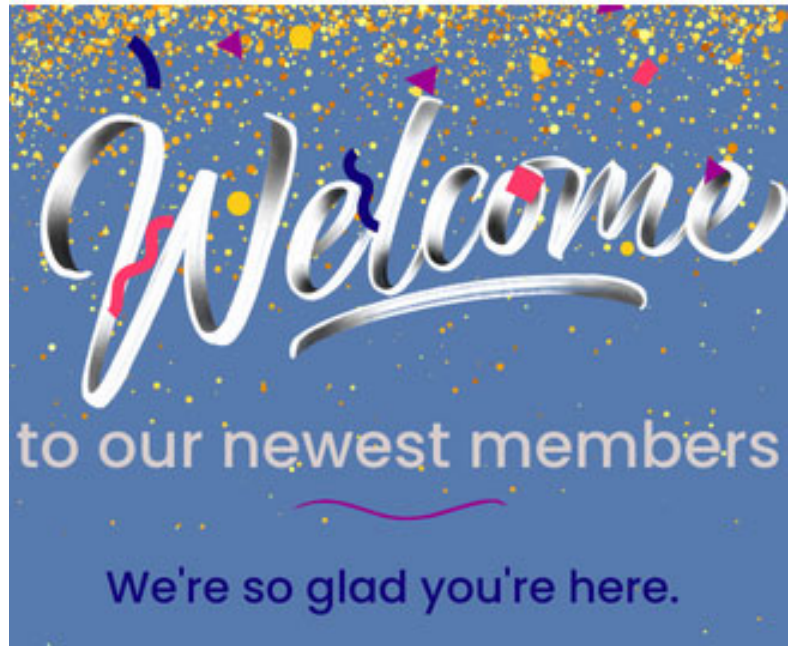
Jack Morgan, Jr

**Greentown**

Cathy Stover

**Tipton**

David Terwilliger



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## In Memory of These Lions



*Rest In Peace*

**Matthews**

Steve Justice

**Sweetser**

David Gustaveson

# Where will DG Julia be?

## March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 25D District Convention
3 	4 Selma Official Visit	5	6	7 Portland Official Visit	8 International Women's Day	9 25A and 25G Conventions
10 Daylight Savings—Spring Forward	11	12	13	14	15	16 25B Convention
17 	18	19 Spring Equinox 	20 Kokomo Official Visit	21	22 American Red Cross Giving Day	23 25E and 25F Conventions
24 Easter 31	25	26 Union City Lions Club	27	28	29 Good Friday	30

### A message from the 25D GLT/GAT Assistant Area Leader PCC Scott Smith:

I am getting out and attending more and more Lions events. It is good to see all of you and I hope to see everyone at the 2024 State Convention right here in Noblesville!

**Scott loves visitors and cards:**

Bridgewater Healthcare Center,  
Scott Smith, Room 4012  
14751 Carey Road  
Carmel, IN 46033



## Noblesville hosts 25D District Convention

The 25D District Convention was held on Saturday, March 2nd at the Forest Park Inn in Noblesville. Among the distinguished guests were International Director Ron Keller and his wife Lion Kitty from Millersport, Ohio. The day included breakfast, a silent auction, 50/50 raffle, voting, awards, twisting and shouting, and fellowship.



## Russiaville hosts 25D February Cabinet Meeting

Russiaville Lions Club hosted the third cabinet meeting of the Lion year for 25D. It was well attended and another great meeting for the district. It included a breakout session of dealing with conflict and getting along with others and allowed Lions to get to know each other on a new level. DG Julia continues to lead the district into the future.

Watch for information on the 4th and final cabinet meeting of the year on May 11th at Matthews Lions Club. We hope to see you all there.





### 25-D Zone Chairs

Region	Zone	Chair	Email	Home Club
1	A	Frank Faulkner	frfaulkner2@comcast.net	Russiaville
1	B	Jeff Larrison	jefflarrison46033@gmail.com	Westfield
2	A	Mike Careins	mcareins@ymail.com	Upland
2	B	Jeanie Stiers	jeasts@comcast.com	Anderson Noon
3	A	Linda Janney	ljanney1952@gmail.com	Albany
3	B	Jeffry Manning	mail@msiwix.com	Saratoga

Zone 1-A Lions from Greentown, Kokomo Area, Russiaville and Tipton met on 2/8 to discuss upcoming fundraisers being hosted by their clubs.

Way to go Zone Chair Frank!

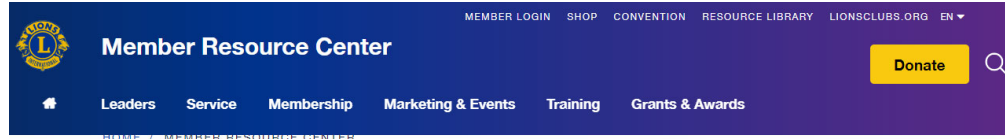


### Clubs with March Anniversaries

<i>Winchester Lions Club</i>	<i>1937</i>	<i>87 years</i>
<i>Upland Lions Club</i>	<i>1945</i>	<i>79 years</i>
<i>Tipton Lions Club</i>	<i>1949</i>	<i>75 years</i>
<i>Matthews Lions Club</i>	<i>1953</i>	<i>71 years</i>
<i>Wayne Fall Lions Club</i>	<i>1966</i>	<i>58 years</i>

# Have a question about Lions?

Check out the new Member Resource Center at lionsclub.org. Whether you want a template for a flyer or postcard or member orientation tips or a grant application, take a look at all the information available. There's a lot of great stuff.



## Welcome to your new Member Resource Center.

The new Member Resource Center was built with you in mind. That's why we made it easier to find what you need so it's easier for you to serve, lead and grow as a Lion. Take a look around. See what we have to offer. This is your resource center, so use the tools to plan and promote your service, to grow and lead your district or club, and to be the Lion you want to be. Get ready to bring greatness to life.

### Leaders

Find resources to help you lead at every level of Lions so you can achieve more.

### Service

Learn about our service programs and find resources to take your service to the next level.

### Membership

Get tools to grow, engage and inspire members and clubs so we can do even more good together.

### Marketing & Events

Check out resources and stories to help you promote your club and your service, and learn about events that bring us together.

### Training

Find training opportunities to help you acquire key skills and strategies to make you an even better leader.

### Grants & Awards

Explore grants to grow your membership and increase your service impact, and awards that recognize your success.



## Indiana Lions 2024 Convention Silent Auction Items Needed



The Indiana Lions 2024 Convention will once again be having a Silent Auction. It will only be successful with your help.

Have your Club donate something to the Silent Auction that will run during the Convention. This could be a basket representative of your community, or something Lion related, or anything that you think another Lion will enjoy. These donations can be brought to your District Convention, as members of the Convention Committee will be on hand at each to collect and transport to the State Convention or bring it when you come to the State Convention.

Please send questions to [woodward1999@sbcglobal.net](mailto:woodward1999@sbcglobal.net)

## Information and Technology Article for District 25D

### Is Your Home Internet Router Part of a Worldwide Cyberattack?

**REFERENCE ARTICLE:** [FBI: New cyberthreat from China targets home internet routers \(msn.com\)](#) (You can find articles on this subject by searching for keywords *household, routers, hacked*)

The FBI is warning that internet routers in our homes could pose a security threat nationwide. Per the article above, China cyber hackers have hijacked out-of-date home routers to prepare for a cyber attack. From the article . . .

*The FBI says the attacks target older routers with outdated security made by Cisco and NetGear. Hackers can secretly install malware, and use the routers to launch cyberattacks on critical U.S. infrastructure. The bureau announced this week that investigators took down "hundreds" of infected home and small business routers.*

There are actions you can take in order to reduce your hardware's vulnerability.

- **Update the firmware on your devices** – Turn on auto-update if your device has that feature. The article doesn't say it, but the hackers are getting into your routers through security holes rather than by password hacks. If auto-update is not available, you can manually update your router.
- **Make your router password complicated and difficult to hack.** While it is not in most cases a password hack, it is just another point of entry for hackers.
- **Replace old hardware** – If your hardware is 3-5 years old or more, chances are higher that it is no longer receiving the latest security updates.

\*\*\* Documentation on your router can be found on that company's web site or through a simple search on the internet.

Be proactive in your security defense. Update or replace your hardware. And when you do, don't forget to pull the newest security updates immediately.

PDG Dan Wilcox  
25D IT Committee Chair

## Musical Notes—Lion George Smith



Let it be known that a good attitude is among all of us! When you read my Lion's page each month and say I've read these lines in previous Musical Notes by Lion George, well you have! That's good salesmanship. That's how I've achieved awards for getting men and women to join our Lions club. I make a noise for Lions International. What better way to grow our clubs than to be in an Attitude of enthusiasm, joy and express it day in and day out. I show it to everyone I come in contact with. Always have and always will. WHY? do you say! Because I celebrate life. The longer this Lion lives the more I understand the impact attitude has on life. It is far more important than the past (which should be forgotten anyway); than money, than circumstances, than failure,

than successes, than what other people think or say. Many an unpleasant situation is relieved by a tactful remark; many an enemy is converted into being a friend by a timely courtesy. Knowledge is a great factor toward success, but diplomacy is greater. One emanates from the mind, the other from the heart and the attitude. The combination of the two makes us broader and those around us become happier. Our art becomes a dearer thing because the "rough spots are made smooth."

We cannot change our past. We also cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We can, however, change the way we feel about it. I've made my life's desire to study motivation with a positive outlook on most everything. So you see fellow Lions when you read my column each month in DG Julia's newsletter S-M-I-L-E no matter your present circumstances. Be a joyous Lion and R-O-A-R with your present and candidates to be a member of the largest and most wonderful service organization in the world. Our attitude can help when we are learning a new skill. Pupils often miss the success they hope for because they have no marked aim. General purposes and general resolutions will not avail. Surrounding myself with wonderful Lions who I made friends with right away in June of 1965, I was made official pianist of our club and program director for the next month. I didn't know how to form programs, but I made them happen by asking.

Same way when I had an Indianapolis newspaper route and they put on a contest for new subscribers. My dad told me how to knock on doors and ask the person who answered the door, no I didn't ask, I said, "I'm in a contest to get new subscribers to the best afternoon paper in Indianapolis and I know you would be pleased at what you read if only given the chance". Dad wouldn't go to the door with me, he stood on the sidewalk encouraging me. I still have the big flyer and pennant among my memoirs that I won a trip to Coney Island in Cincinnati for obtaining 12 new subscribers when I was 8 years old before dad was drafted into the US Army in 1943-46. That has stayed with me all these years and I tell the story to maybe motivate a Lion to just "Ask one." It'll feel so good that you just might be a winner of awards like I have for getting a Lion to join because of the human interest I have to help my fellow in need and to change the world one Lion at a time.

This kind of fun will certainly improve your attitude. We know that life is 10% what happens and 90% how we react to it. And so it is with you my fellow Lions. We are in charge of our attitude. And with music in our lives, be it vocal and/or instruments, it's easier to have a good attitude every day

Now Fellow Lions, determine that you will make a mark for your fellow man-woman-child and go forth each day with a R-O-A-R Lions, R-O-A-R and a Bite 'em, by George! Indiana's Merry Maker Maker...Almost didn't mention my wife Norma of almost 68 years come this July 1st gave me a surprise 90 year birthday party at our Paramount Theatre & Ballroom on my birthday January 28th.

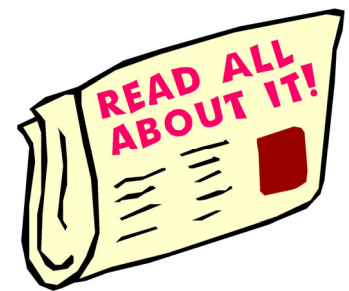


## Around Our District

### Share what your Club has been doing!

We need your help. Share what you and your Club has been doing. Snap a picture and email it to [woodward1999@sbcglobal.net](mailto:woodward1999@sbcglobal.net) with a description of the event and who is in the picture. If it is received on

or before the 25th of the month, it will appear in the next newsletter. If after the 25th, it will automatically be included in the following newsletter.



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## Carmel Lions Club

The Carmel Lions Club hosted GMT/GET Jeff Kozicki at a February meeting. Lion Jeff Kozicki presented the Lions with some thought provoking questions to our membership to take a look at the club. Hopefully Lion Jeff will be visiting your club soon.



## Carmel Lions Clubs

Carmel Lion Christine Woodward accepted the 2022-2023 Club Excellence Award from DG Julia Kozicki at the 25D District Convention for then Carmel President Lion Jim Lepp. Keep reading to see which other clubs received this honor.



## Greentown and Russiaville Lions Clubs

Howard County School Nurses say...*"Thank You Lions!"* The combined partnership of student Vision Screening teams consisting of members from the Greentown & Russiaville Lions and Project Access is making great progress in doing student vision screenings for most of the schools in Howard County. Greentown Lions Henry Rodriguez and Jean Ann Wise have done an outstanding job of scheduling several student Vision screening sessions and recruiting Lion screeners. Our Lions Vision screening team was deeply saddened by the recent passing of our friend and Project Access volunteer Ms. Irma Hartung. Irma was a kind and caring person who was certainly motivated to "Share Kindness".



# Carmel and Noblesville Lions Club

## Noblesville and Carmel Lions Assist Gleaners Mobile Pantry

On Thursday, Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, the Noblesville and Carmel Lions assisted Gleaners in serving over 120 families with food from the mobile pantry. The Carmel Lions and Noblesville Lions are proud to assist Gleaners with this important monthly project in Hamilton County.

Photo (no order): Noblesville Lions included Mark Bachar, Ron Williamson, Jeff Kozicki, Joe Arrowood, Ed Shea, Terry Dawson, Steve Shaw, and Joe Connerley. Carmel Lions included Bill Ryan and Bob Yunker.



## Noblesville Lions Club

### Noblesville Lions Club Conduct Pre-School Kid Sight Eye Screening

On Jan 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>, the Noblesville Lions conducted Eye Screening in their Kid Sight program. They screened 184 pre-school children at 1<sup>st</sup> Methodist Church. This program is chaired by Lion Dale Unger.

**Photo 1:** (Frt) Director Lyndsay Sheridan, Lion Dale Unger, (Back) Lion Dave Marsh, Steve Shaw, and Duke Miller. Lion Cheryl Helton provided the photo.



**Photo 2:** Director Lyndsay Sheridan, Lion Dale Unger, Steve Shaw with camera, Dave Marsh, and unidentified teacher with child



## Noblesville Lions Club

### Noblesville Lions Club Delivers Valentine Day Flowers

On Wednesday, the 14<sup>th</sup>, the Lions delivered flowers for Adrienne's Flowers. The Lions club gets a "thank you" stipend from Adrienne's for the help on this day.

Photo: Lions Krys Keller, Gary Hipes, Steve Craig, Steve Shaw, Steve Morgan, and Terry Lee Dawson



## Noblesville Lions Club

### Noblesville Lions Updated on Major Project

At the last meeting on Feb 28<sup>th</sup> the club was treated to PDG Mike Imbler, District 25D Eyeglass Recycling Chairman. Mike spoke to the club outlining specifics of this project for the international organization. A lot of Mike's information contained updated activities and statistics. The Lions Club screens for eye glasses in many schools, and have found a 23% student failure. Around the world, 1 in 4 students cannot see properly, and a big reason the Lions Club collects glasses for recycling. Also, many countries do not make eye glasses and rely on the Lion's recycling efforts. Last year 25D alone collected 45,000 pairs of glasses.

25D has small cardboard boxes available for businesses to collect used glasses from customers; which are picked up by the Lions Club when full. Suggested businesses that can help are funeral homes, banks, nursing homes, grocery stores, etc. If your business is interested in a box, contact any Lion member.

Photo: Lion VP Jeff Kozicki and PDG Mike Imbler.





## Russiaville Lions Club

Being a Zone Chair is an important position for the District and a stepping stone to leadership. DG Julia Kozicki presented Zone Chair Frank Faulkner with the Zone Chairperson Award at the District Convention.



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## Russiaville Lions Club

Lions 25-D District Governor Julia Kozicki said congratulations to Russiaville Lion President Cara Jean Rayl and to the members of the Russiaville Lions Club as she presented Lion Cara Jean with the 2022-2023 Club Excellence Award.



## Russiaville Lions Club

Russiaville Lions are partnering with Russiaville Community Outreach to help with these excellent fundraising causes – including a fundraiser for Ainsley’s Angels and a Western HS scholarship presented by RCO in memory of Howard County Sheriff Deputy Carl Koontz (KIA -2016) .

Lion Lori Seaman promotes activities at KHCPL.



## Tipton Lions Club

DG Julia inducted new Lions to the Tipton Lions Club during her visit on February 27th.

Photo (L to R) Sponsor Lion Mike Spurlock, new Lion Abby Ripberger, new Lion David Terwilliger, sponsor Lion Ron Hinshaw and DG Julia Kozicki



## Union City Lions Club

Union City Lions Past President, Jim Dubeansky, accepts the First Vice District Governor Elect of 25D at the District Convention in Noblesville, Indiana on Saturday March 3rd.



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## Union City Lions Club

Indiana Lions Club District 25D Governor Julia Kozicki presented Union City Lions Club Past President Jim Dubeansky with the 2022-2023 President's Excellence Award at the District Convention .



## Union City Lions Club

The Union City Lions Club met on February 27th for its second regular meeting in February. Sixteen members and one guest enjoyed the meal prepared by Diana Dubeansky. The program for the evening was presented by Stacy Burk-Chesterfield. Stacy has been the HR Manager at Workhorse in Union City since 2021. Stacy talked about the path Workhorse has taken in the past few years as they navigated changes in management and vehicle production. Workhorse invested in plant upgrades and has now focused its production on the W56 all-electric delivery vehicle it launched in August of 2023. This vehicle has a range of around 120 miles which makes it ideal for delivery companies. Stacy talked about the workforce they employ and said that 70% of their laborers live within a 20-minute drive of the plant. Workhorse feels they are positioned to do well in the next few years as the push for electric vehicles moves forward. Thanks to Stacy for a very informative program.

Picture: UC Lions Program Chairman Len Hindsley, and Workhorse HR Manager Stacy Burk-Chesterfield.



## Westfield Lions Club

The Lions' initial support was in the form of a \$1500 donation to Student Impact's "G.I.R.L.S Group", a program targeted specifically to help empower girls and develop their confidence, leadership skills, and strong self-images.

Westfield Student Impact was established in 1999 and its mission is to "build relationships through love and acceptance in a safe and consistent environment". As part of that safe environment, students who go to Student Impact's building, "The Rock", are provided a meal and snack bag each day.

At the Lions' business meeting on February 15th, the members put together 200 snack bags that were then delivered to Student Impact.



## Westfield Lions Club

### Westfield Lions Club Announce 2024 Scholarship List Club Increases Number and Value of Scholarships

Each year the Westfield Lions Club provides a variety of scholarships for graduating Westfield High School seniors. A combination of factors has led to the club adding more scholarships and increasing the dollar amounts for them. The sizes of the graduating classes each year has continued to jump; the cost of college increases each year; and the Westfield Lions Club has had tremendous success with its largest fundraising event, their semi-annual "Poker for Sight" Texas Hold 'em Tournament. All of this has led the Lions to expanding their scholarship offerings and raising the amounts of each scholarship.

For years the Club offered three scholarships – the Florence Benson Memorial Scholarship, the Lester Tudor Memorial Scholarship, and one or two scholarships for the Westfield H.S. LEO Club. Together these scholarships typically totaled \$3000. In 2023 the Club decided to aggressively expand their list to total 9 scholarships worth \$16,500.

A major change in the scholarship offerings involves the introduction of scholarships for students interested in pursuing an education at trade and vocational schools, including the culinary arts. The Lions recognized that not all graduating students are interested in going to the traditional 4-year colleges, and there seems to be a need to encourage students to consider pursuing careers in the trades.

The 2024 list of Westfield Lions Club scholarships is:

**Don Russel Career Development Scholarship (\$2000):** Named in honor of one of the most outstanding Lions in the Westfield club's history, this scholarship is awarded to a student who will be attending a trade or vocational school.

**(2) Trade & Vocational Scholarship (\$2000):** These two scholarships are also for graduating seniors intending to attend trade or vocational schools.

**Culinary Arts Scholarship (\$2000):** The Westfield Lions Club has long been a financial supporter of the WHS Culinary Arts program. In 2023 they offered their first scholarship specifically targeted to a graduating culinary arts student who will be continuing their training for the food service industry.

**Service Over Self Scholarship (\$3500 total to be divided between 2 students):** These scholarships (formerly known as LEO Club scholarships) are awarded to students who demonstrate a commitment to serving in their community. The Lions Club works closely with the SOS Club to help support their service work in Westfield.

**Lester Tudor Memorial Scholarship (\$2000):** Named in honor of a former Lion who also was a principal at Westfield H.S.

**Florence Benson Memorial Scholarship (\$2000):** Named in honor of a former Westfield H.S. home economics teacher who was recognized as an outstanding educator and community volunteer. This scholarship is awarded to a student who demonstrates a commitment to serving others in the community.

**Outstanding Male Athlete of the Year (\$500):** Selected by the Westfield Athletic Department.

**Outstanding Female Athlete of the Year (\$500):** Selected by the Westfield Athletic Department.

Applications for these scholarships are available in the Westfield High School guidance department.

For more information on the scholarships and the Westfield Lions Club, go to [www.westfieldlions.org](http://www.westfieldlions.org).

## Westfield Lions Club

The Westfield Lions made a donation of \$5000 to the Westfield Library Foundation to help with programming in the future library. The 43,000 square foot library is expected to be open in late 2024 and will be a huge improvement over their existing facility. Included in the design of the new library are event spaces, "makerspace" for laser cutting and 3D printing, digital media lab and podcast room, homeschool meeting spaces and classrooms, and an on-site coffee shop. The Washington Township Trustee's office will also be housed in the building and will provide much needed space for the employees and clients.

Photo: L to R, Sheryl Sollars (Executive Director, Westfield Library), Lions Bob Benson, Jeff Larrison, Bill Nesbitt, Carrie Larrison, and Westfield Library Foundation Executive Director, Erin Downey



## Westfield Lions Club

Throughout each school year the Westfield Lions find numerous ways to provide support to the Westfield schools and their students. As part of this commitment, the Westfield Lions are donating \$750 to the 2024 Westfield High School After Prom.

The WHS After Prom offers “a safe, fun-filled event of games, music, inflatables, food, casino, and raffle with prizes for students to enjoy...*free of charge*”. In addition to this, the students who attend After Prom make a commitment to be alcohol and drug-free.





WESTFIELD LIONS FOUNDATION

Where There is a Need There is a Lion

WHS SOS CLUB & LIONS FOUNDATION

# All-You-Can-Eat PANCAKE BREAKFAST

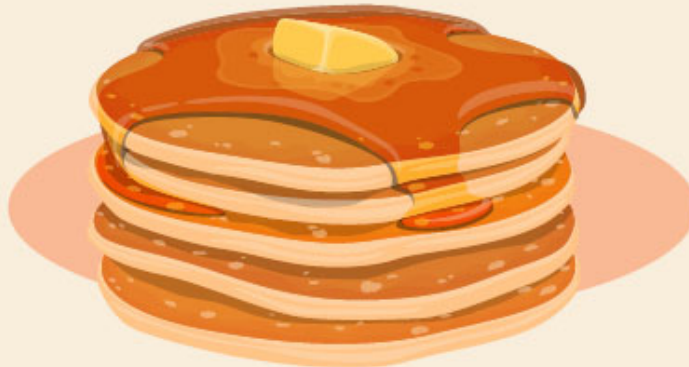
FUNDRAISER FOR

MIRACLE LEAGUE  
OF WESTFIELD

**SAT.**

PROVIDES  
OPPORTUNITIES FOR  
CHILDREN AND  
ADULTS WITH  
DISABILITIES TO  
PLAY BASEBALL

**23  
MAR**



8am-10am at the WHS Main Cafeteria  
\$8 for adults, \$5 under 12, & free for 2 and  
under

**PANCAKES, DONUTS,  
SAUSAGE, MILK, OJ, &  
COFFEE**



A **FREE PAIR** of Solar Eclipse Glasses  
to the first 50 kids.

Union City Lions Club



# Spring Pancake Day

At the Union City Elks Club - 318 N. Columbia St, UC IN

**Saturday, April 6, 2024**

**\*\* 2024 Total Solar Eclipse Weekend \*\***



6:00 a.m. — 12 noon

... While Supplies Last ...

**Dine-In**



**(or Drive-Through and Carry-Out)**

The drive-through line will go through the alley on the north side of the Elks Club building heading west and will exit onto Columbia St.

1 lb. packages of sausage will be available for purchase.

**Ticket Prices:      Adult: \$10.00**

**Child: \$5.00 (12 and Under)**

**Purchase tickets at the door.**



# Carmel Lions Club is hosting Designer Purse Bingo

Saturday, April 13th



[Buy Tickets](#)

# Carmel Lions Club's Spring Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, April 20th

8:00—11:00am





**TIPTON LIONS CLUB FISH FRY**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 18th 4:30 – 6:30 P.M.**

**AT OUR CLUBHOUSE 1003 N East St, Tipton, IN**

**ADULTS \$12.00\***

**12 & UNDER \$5.00**

**CHILDREN 5 & UNDER EAT FREE**

**MENU INCLUDES: FISH, BAKED POTATO, BAKED BEANS, COLE SLAW, DESSERT & DRINKS**

\*\$13.00 for Credit Card Payment



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## PRESS RELEASE

Submitted by: Caele Pemberton, Head of Marketing and Community Engagement

For Release on: Immediate

Date Submitted: February 26, 2024

### Library to host mile-long line dance in Russiaville

The town of Russiaville will become the site of a mile-long line dance in April, thanks to the library and other community partners.

In partnership with the Russiaville Community Outreach Board, the Kokomo-Howard County Public Library will host a mile-long line dance alongside the Gene Parks 5K run and walk. The event will take place April 13, the final day of National Library Week.

Each year, Russiaville hosts the Gene Parks race. This year, the race will be paired with a mile-long line dance stretching from KHCPL's Russiaville location to the Russiaville Lion's Club.

Lori Seaman, KHCPL branches assistant and Russiaville Lion, said people can join the line dance at either the library or the Lion's Club, with dancers meeting in the middle. Seaman hopes as many people join in as possible, adding that she encourages groups to consider participating together.

In addition to the line dance and race, a group of Scouts will host a pancake brunch at the Russiaville Lion's Club from 8:30-11:30 a.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 3-12 years old. The funds will support scouts raising money for a trip to Iceland.

Seaman said she hopes residents of Russiaville and beyond will come out to participate and support local organizations.

The line dance will be free for anyone wishing to participate.

Registration for the Gene Parks race costs \$25 for the 5K, \$15 for a one-mile fun run or \$30 for both. Registration will take place from 8:30-9:15 a.m., with the fun run taking place at 9:15 and the 5K starting at 10 a.m.

Proceeds from the 5K will support the Carl Koontz Scholarship, and proceeds from the 1-mile fun run will support Ainsley's Angels, an organization that works to ensure everyone can participate in endurance events regardless of physical ability. Participants can also learn more about and donate to a planned inclusive playground for the town of Russiaville.

To sign up for the Gene Parks race, visit <https://www.townofrussiaville.com/5k-registration>.



2024 Indiana Lions 103rd State Convention

Hosted by District 25D  
April 26 – 28, 2024



**Embassy Suites Noblesville Indianapolis Convention Center  
With Special Guest Past International President Frank Moore**

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY APRIL 1, 2024

Embassy Suites Noblesville Indianapolis Conference Center  
13700 Conference Center Drive South, Noblesville, IN 46060  
(317) 674-1900 (Group Code LIO) or click [here](#)

Room Rate: \$175/night. Includes cooked-to-order hot breakfast and manager's reception  
For those not staying at the hotel who wish to enjoy the breakfast or reception,  
the cost is \$20 per – please register below.

Friday Golf Outing at Top Golf, 9200 E 116th St. Fishers  
\$20 per person / limited to 48 golfers

**Registration Form (one form per person)**

**Deadline: All Registration Forms must be Postmarked by April 12, 2024**

Please print name/Lions title as desire on Name Badge:

Name and Lion Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your FIRST Indiana Lions State Convention (circle one) YES NO  
Special Dietary Needs, list here: \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Top Golf	\$20	_____
Friday Evening Hors D'oeuvres	\$10	_____
Saturday Lunch: Beef Tips with Buttered Noodles	\$25	_____
Or Chicken Parmesan (circle one)		
Saturday Strides Walk T-Shirt Size (S to 3XL)	\$20	_____
Saturday Dinner: Grilled Ribeye or Filet of Salmon (circle one)	\$35	_____
Non-Hotel Guest: Breakfast ticket(s)	\$20	_____
Non-Hotel Guest: Manager's Reception ticket(s)	\$20	_____
<b>Total Registration Paid</b>		_____

Mail this form (**postmarked by 4.12.24**) and your check,  
payable to: **Indiana Lions State Convention** to:  
Lion Christine Woodward, 13862 Kickapoo Trail, Carmel, IN 46033  
[Woodward1999@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Woodward1999@sbcglobal.net) or 317-716-0622

## 2024 State Convention Tentative Schedule of Events

Time Begin	Time End	Event
<b>Friday, April 26, 2024</b>		
9:00am	11:30am	Council of Governors
2:00pm	4:00pm	Top Golf
2:30pm	3:00pm	Credentials Committee Meeting
3:00pm	5:30pm	Registration and Packet Pick-Up
3:00pm	5:30pm	Exhibits and Silent Auction Open
3:00pm	5:00pm	Credentials Certification
5:30pm	7:30pm	Manager's Reception/ Lions Reception with Hors d'oeuvres
7:30pm	9:00pm	General Business Session 1
9:00pm	11:00pm	DJ with cash bar
<b>Saturday, April 27, 2024</b>		
8:00am	4:00pm	Exhibits and Silent Auction Open Service Project
8:00am	4:00pm	Registration and Packet Pick-Up
8:30am	9:30am	District Meetings
9:00am	4:00pm	Credentials Certification
10:00am	11:30am	General Business Session 2
11:45am	1:45pm	Luncheon Katie Stam Irk, 2009 Miss America Presentations (MJF, WPW, etc)..... State Awards
2:00pm	2:45pm	Seminars
3:00pm	3:45pm	Strides Walk for Diabetes
4:15pm	5:00pm	Past District Governors Meeting
5:30pm	7:30pm	Hotel Manager's Reception
6:00pm	6:50pm	Receiving Line
7:00pm	9:30pm	All-State Banquet Past International President Frank Moore
<b>Sunday, April 28, 2024</b>		
6:30am	7:00am	Credentials, Nominations, Elections Breakfast
7:00am	10:00am	Voting
7:00am	10:30am	Full Service Breakfast – For Embassy Suites Guests
10:00am	10:45am	Worship and Memorial Service
11:00am	11:30am	Morning Session Jeweled PDG Pin Presentations Membership Award Presentations
11:30am	1:00pm	General Business Session 3
1:15pm	4:00pm	Council Meeting (starts 15 minutes after General Business Session 3 concludes)



**2024 Indiana Lions 103<sup>rd</sup> State Convention**

Hosted by 25 D  
April 26, 27, & 28, 2024

**Embassy Suites Hotel, Noblesville, IN**

with special guest: Past International President Frank Moore



**EXHIBIT AND VENDOR APPLICATION**

EACH 8' X 10' Booth Includes

8' skirted table

2 chairs

Lions Exhibitor - \$25

Non-Lions Exhibitor - \$50

w/electrical per booth - \$25

Additional Booths - \$50 each

Please return the completed form and payment by March 16, 2024 to:

PDG Mike Imbler  
7609 E. 50 N.  
Greentown, IN 46936

Make checks payable to: Lions of Indiana, Inc State Convention

Questions, please contact PDG Mike Imbler  
[mikeimbler@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mikeimbler@sbcglobal.net) or (765) 776-0424  
(if no answer, please leave message)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Club \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Lions Exhibitor - \$25

\_\_\_\_\_ Non Lions Exhibitor - \$50

\_\_\_\_\_ Electricity - \$25

\_\_\_\_\_ Additional Booth - \$50 each

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for supporting the Lions of Indiana!!!**



## Indiana Lions 2024 Convention Committee



Dear Friend of the Indiana Lions,

The Lions of Indiana have a mission to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities and support those in need through humanitarian services and grants that impact lives globally and locally. For more than one hundred years, Lions have embodied our motto of 'We Serve' by supporting life-changing research at the IU Med Center in vision and hearing and by a multitude of projects in 331 cities and towns across the state of Indiana. Our 8500 members are the glue holding communities together by providing leadership and service supporting those in need.

In April 2024, the Lions of Indiana will be gathering for the 103<sup>rd</sup> state convention in Noblesville to celebrate the many great works accomplished by Lions and Lions Clubs across the state. We anticipate 400 members will join us at the Embassy Suites over the three days of the convention to learn and have fun while serving.

As a friend of the Indiana Lions, we hope that you would consider sponsoring or advertising at our event. The details for sponsorship and advertising are shown on the next page. All sponsorship and ad information must be submitted by March 15, 2024 to meet our publication deadline. Please know that your support will allow our members and clubs to pour more into their communities, supporting the Hoosiers we know and love.

In appreciation,  
The 2024 Indiana State Lions Committee

For questions regarding sponsorships, call Lion Jeff Kozicki (765) 481-0822  
For questions regarding program ads, call PID Nick Xinopoulos (317) 797-8730



Indiana Lions 2024 Convention Committee



### Convention Sponsorship Levels

- **\$10,000 Premier Level:** This sponsorship includes your logo on all printed materials, including a full page ad in the program book, logo in all ads in the *Hoosier Lion* newspaper (sent to all members in December, February and April), logo in the convention information on the state website, public acknowledgement at all meals and 10 minutes to speak to the attendees during the Saturday lunch.
- **\$5,000 Platinum Level:** This sponsorship includes your logo on all printed materials, including a full page ad in the program book, logo in all ads in the *Hoosier Lion* newspaper (sent to all members in February and April), logo in the convention information on the state website, and public acknowledgement during all meals.
- **\$2,500 Gold Level:** This sponsorship includes a half page ad in the program book, logo in the April *Hoosier Lion*, logo in the convention information on the state website and a public acknowledgement during the Saturday lunch
- **\$1,000 Silver Level:** This sponsorship includes a half page ad in the program book and a public acknowledgement during the Saturday lunch.

### Program Book Ads

- \$250 – Full page ad
- \$150 - Half page ad
- \$75 - Quarter page ad
- \$50 - Business Card size ad

Please contact and provide the following information:

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

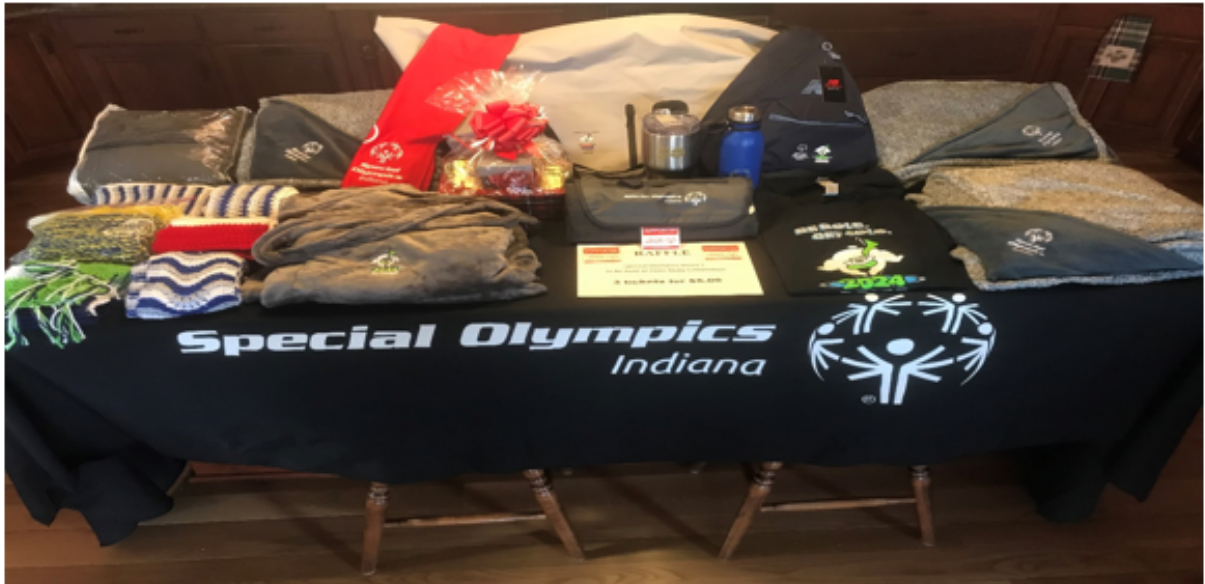
Sponsorship Level \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Invoice needed? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_



## Indiana Lions Special Olympics Committee Random Raffle



Benefits the Indiana Special Olympics Winter Games and Corn Hole Tournaments

# Tickets are 3 for \$5.00.

Drawing to be held at the Indiana Lions State Convention April 27<sup>th</sup>.

S.O. Polar Plunge Large Dry Bag, S.O. Sling bag, Insulated Tumbler & Water Bottle, S.O Winter Games Scarfs, S.O. Gray Fleece Blankets, S.O. Snack Basket, Wayne Convention Bureau Blanket. S.O. Picnic Blanket, S.O. Fleece Bath Robe, Polar Plunge tee's- size large, Additional Items will be added up to the day of drawing.

**Donations Accepted.**

See any S.O. Committee Member or contact Bill McDonald 812-689-6699 or  
[lionmcdonald53@gmail.com](mailto:lionmcdonald53@gmail.com)

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