

# District 25Digest - January 2022 District Governor Scott Smith Proud To Be A Lion



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## **PROUD TO BE A LION**

As we begin the second half of this Lion Year, I wanted to take the opportunity to talk about the last month of the first half of the Lion Year. As many, if not all of you know, my Mother passed away on December 19, 2021.

From the minute it was learned by many of you that my Mother had passed, I began to receive emails, text messages, phone calls and cards of sympathy. You can't imagine the feeling it gave me to see the outpouring of support during such a deeply personal and difficult time.

Many Lions from around the State came to my Mother's Funeral Service, and I was simply humbled and overwhelmed. District Governor Jeff Locke and his wife, Cabinet Secretary Angela Locke stayed by my side from the beginning of the day to the end.

I mention all of this to tell each of you that this very thing is what makes me proud to be a Lion. This is the second major event during my term as your District Governor that has taught me what it is to be a Lion.

I appreciate each of you, and I again tell you that I will continue to serve each of you to the best of my ability. After all you have done for me, it is the least that I can do to repay your friendship, support and your love.

God bless you, and God bless Lions.

DG Scott Smith

## **NEW YEAR, NEW BEGINNING**

By FVDG Eric Schuman, PDG

2022 starts a new year for all of us.... It also starts a new beginning. A new beginning in so many ways and Lions Club is one of those ways.

Let us all start by re-dedicating ourselves to the ideals of Lionism, namely "We Serve". Our Lions clubs are more than just a club, they are a family. A family that supports each other in serving the less fortunate. A family that works together whether it's at the club, district, multiple district (state), or international level. A family that plays together by enjoying fellowship and fun at our meetings. And a family that brings in new members to continue the traditions of our service to others.

I often wonder - what if this Lions Club lapel pin could speak? What would the LIONS PIN say?

I think it would say - Don't overlook me, Lions - I am the LIONS PIN - right up front here - put the spotlight on me, because I'm proud to play a part in the lives of men and women who wear me as a symbol of their commitment to serve their community.

I'm worn by proud men and women in over 160 countries around the world - I've witnessed excitement - sadness - and happiness - I've been with my wearer as the eyes of a deceased Lion were removed for deposit in the Lions Eye Bank - so that another might see - I was there, too, in Ethiopia, when Lions Food Caravans arrived to feed thousands of starving human beings - fellow human beings - I've seen a Guide Dog instill in blind persons a new kind of confidence as they move about their sightless world - I've seen a Canine Companion make a person's life more complete - I am the LIONS PIN - I've heard the hearts of the retarded pounding with joy when the Lions come to visit - I've seen and heard the joy and laughter of children playing in

Lions Parks - or playing on Lions-sponsored teams - Yes, I'm the LIONS PIN - I've travelled all over the world, and I can recall thousands of incidents where sadness was changed to gladness, because those who wear me made it so - I am a symbol of service to the world!

With all that in mind, as you make your new year's resolutions, re-dedicate and re-constitute yourself to give your fair share (and maybe a tad more) towards your Lions Club family. You won't regret it!



## **LeadeRship**

Continuing through the letters of LEADERSHIP, this month's focus is R for Recruitment.

January is the month of fresh starts and new habits. What better time to invite a friend to a meeting and give them a new opportunity? Many folks make resolutions to do more service and become more engaged in their communities. We can help people achieve both goals by inviting them to join our clubs.



As you put away your holiday cards, think about which of your friends you will invite to your next club meeting. Then ask your club secretary or membership chair to have an application ready or a link to the online application on hand. Fortune favors the prepared, so be ready and let's recruit!

Yours in Lionism, SVDG Julia



## **State Administrative Secretary position available**

Must have a good working knowledge of the workings of Indiana Lions and work well with others. Please contact Council Chair Jim Query at <a href="mailto:jpmq77@yahoo.com">jpmq77@yahoo.com</a> (or 812-829-4496) to apply.

All applicants must apply by January 15, 2022.

All applicants must be available for interviews following the Council Meeting on January 23, 2022.



For complete list of duties please go online to <a href="www.e-district.org/sites/md25/">www.e-district.org/sites/md25/</a> click on Constitution & By-Laws and Policy Manual and click on the Policy Manual, Duties start on page 15.

## **IMPROVING CLUB MEETINGS**

(PART ONE OF A TWO PART SERIES)

By PDG Mary Jane Bodnar

## Increase Involvement!

- Share Your Enthusiasm Attitude is Infectious
- Visit Another Club Club visitations are a valuable way to strengthen your club and have fun while doing it.



- Share Praise Freely Important to all members and especially new members is positive reinforcement for a job well done.
- Find the Key to Involvement It is important to involve each member in the club.
- Use a Member to Give a Program Have a member present a program or perhaps have a different member plan a program for each meeting.
- Communicate Constantly Open communication is vitally important to the success of your club. It creates a comfortable, productive environment that will motivate members to do their best.



## **District Zone Chairs**

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

## **Preparing for a Potentially Tough Start to 2022**

## Jeff Larrison, Zone Chair – Region 1, Zone B

For a while during 2021 it felt like we might be on the road to getting our lives — and our Lions Clubs — back to something closer to "normal". The clubs in District 25D were becoming more active and actually participating in service projects and fundraisers. *We were Lions again!* And then along comes the Omicron variant....

Hopefully we learned some lessons on how to run our clubs during the darker days of the original Covid-19 virus and its nasty cousin, Delta. It was not easy, and it was definitely a drain on our morale as clubs struggled to find ways to hold the members together and, at the same time safely serve our communities. If we learned anything, we learned that our desire to serve is deep, and it will persevere as long as we don't lose focus on how to balance our members' drive to serve with keeping them healthy and safe.

Each of our clubs' leadership need to take inventory on how their clubs functioned (or didn't) during our previous problems with the Covid virus. We can build on the things that worked for us and avoid the things that didn't. We can also draw from the clubs in the District that successfully navigated the earlier problems with Covid. Drive-thru events, low-contact interactions with the community and members, and virtual meetings may need to be considered if we are faced with another difficult round of Covid.

For more help or ideas on what your club can do to maintain the momentum you've regained from 2021, contact your Zone Chairs or District leadership. We are all in this together and we can all help each other through it.



## **February Cabinet Meeting**

Saratoga Lions Club

2/12/2022 Social 6:00pm and Dinner at 6:30pm

See the flyer on page 20 of this newsletter for more detailed information.

## **Dixie Loreda "Sissy" Smith**

Dixie Loreda "Sissy" (Robbins) Smith, 86, of Anderson, passed away at home on Sunday, December 19, 2021.

She was born on June 27, 1935 in Anderson the daughter of Bertram R. and Delia A. (Clark) Robbins.

She attended Anderson High School and was retired from the United States Postal Service. Dixie was a member of the Middletown Legion Auxiliary—unit 216 and the Daleville Darlings.



Dixie is survived by her children; Scott J. Smith of Marion and Deborah L. Smith-Barnes of Terre Haute; three grandchildren, Jacob Charles Barnes, Jarrett Kent Barnes, and Jo Dee Lynn Barnes; sister, Cheryl (Bill) Carter; sister-in-law, Carolyn Julius; nephew, Roman Carter and niece, Robyn (Carter) McGrady; and special friend, John Harrington, Sr.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Kent Roy Smith, whom she married June 19, 1961, and her parents.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, December 23, 2021 at Rozelle -Johnson Funeral Service with burial at East Maplewood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lion's Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc. in Sissy's name at https://www.lionscancercontrol.org/give/donate/.

Our thoughts and prayers are with DG Scott and his family during this difficult time.



## **Silent Auction Items Needed**

There will be a silent auction at the Mid-Winter Conference on January 22. We are in need of items for the auction. If you would like to donate something, please contact PDG Alan Arnold at 260-216-

1101 or email at <a href="mailto:pamalarn@myfibersolution.com">pamalarn@myfibersolution.com</a>. I would like a short description of the item so bid sheets can be created. Funds raised from this auction will go towards offsetting meal costs for the conference. Thanks for your willingness to make this event a success.

PDG Alan Arnold
Lion Pam Arnold
Silent Auction Co-Chairs



## **MyLion Reporting**

Global Service Team – Lion Cindy Wright

By the time you get this newsletter, all the club secretaries and club presidents will have received an email from me about filing your service reports in a timely manner. Which means, they must be filed by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month so your club's name does not appear on Lions International's "naughty list". I know that time goes quicker than most of us think, but if you would get in the habit to post each of your service projects or fundraisers as soon as it is over, you would save yourself a headache. I have been guilty of this too. But I have worked hard to change my habits and even as much as put a post-a-note on the face of my computer as a reminder.



Part of the reason I got behind in filing my reports was that I could not figure out how to get on *My Lion* to file my reports. I'm not real computer literate and it was embarrassing for me to have to contact someone for help. I finally decided to bite the bullet and call for help. You have access to Lion Betty Weist or Lion Linda Tincher, if you cannot reach me. Either of these

ladies will be more than glad to help you. Once you have done this a couple of times, it is really easy.

I receive a report each month from LCI informing me of the clubs that have not filed their reports for



the month and how many months you are behind. It is important that LCI has been made aware what your club has done so they will know the programs that have been designed and are working. Your reports are very important so Lions International can let all the clubs of the world plus the world to know what they Lions Clubs are doing as service to people.

Lions Clubs all over the world are very proud to be Lions. They are proud to be the largest service organization in the world. So you see how important it is to get your reports in. If you don't report to LCI, what is the use in doing service to your community at all. Let's live up to our motto "We Serve" and let's let everyone know what your club is doing.

## **DG Scott Smith's Official Visits**

## **Russiaville**







Visits to Eaton and Matthews Lions Clubs have been rescheduled.

## **DG Scott Smith's January 2022 Calendar**

1/1—Ball State Basketball Game Fundraiser—Albany Lions Club

1/4 4pm—Marion Lions Club Board Meeting— Marion Public Library

1/8 9:30am—District B Cabinet Meeting—Newhaven

1/10 7pm— Greentown Lions Club Official Visit

1/12 6:30pm—Noblesville Lions Club Official Visit

1/15 9am—District A Cabinet Meeting—East Chicago

1/20 6:30pm—Portland Lions Club Official Visit

1/22—Mid Winter Conference - Indianapolis

1/23 8:30am—Council Meeting - Indianapolis

1/25 6pm—Carmel Lions Club Official Visit

## **JANUARY 2022**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

## **Indiana Speech and Hearing Annual Holiday Luncheon**

District 25D had three scholarship recipients from Ball State University that Indiana Speech and Hearing presented on December 5th. Congratulations to all three!















## **Council Christmas Party**





















## 25D Lions who have passed away since July 1, 2021

#### **Dunkirk**

Joseph Schlegel-Aug

#### **Fowlerton**

Paul Taylor—July

#### Gaston

John Pugsley—Sept

#### **Greentown**

Osrow Prince—July

Jonnie Webber-Dec

#### Lapel

Judy Brantlinger—July

Donald Moore—Jult

#### **Noblesville**

Clayton Fleming—Sept

#### **Portland**

Philip Stolz— Oct

#### Redkey

Lawrence Cook—Sept

#### **Union City**

Roger Hoover— Aug

#### **Upland**

Donald Brankle—Aug

#### **Yorktown**

Ollie Wirick-Sept



## New 25D Lions since July 1, 2021

## Anderson-Noon

Carol Grace—Oct

#### Carmel

Darren Murphy—Aug

Casey Alexander—Sept

Jeff Craig-Nov

Seamona Swearingen—Nov

Malinda Taylor—Nov

#### Cowan

Toby Pence—Sept

Jesse White-Nov

#### **Dunkirk**

Tom Dornberger—Nov

Donna Duty-Nov

Jay Miller-Nov

Jacqueline Miller—Nov

## **Fowlerton**

Patricia Ford—July

## Gaston

Travis Coffey—July

Emilio Stanley—July

David Willard-Oct

Whitney Willard—Oct

#### **Greentown**

Ann Cox—July

Dylan Clark—Aug

Blake Huston—Aug

Corey Stinson—Aug

Dennis Cohee-Oct

Rene Matthews—Dec

#### Lapel

Donald Bennett-July

Jason Laycock—July

#### Marion

Susan Smith—July

Larry White—July

#### **Matthews**

Amy Richards—Sept

Judy Trees—Sept

#### <u>Noblesville</u>

Tim Baker—Oct

Scott Baldwin-Oct

#### **Pendleton**

Latoya Allen-Davis—Nov

Nathan Davis-Nov

#### Russiaville

Reba Casler—Oct

Tiffany Fulkerson-Oct

Mary Shuck—Oct

#### Saratoga

Kevin Keller—Nov

#### <u>Selma</u>

Kellie Teal—July

#### **Sheridan**

Oliver Wise—Aug



#### **Union City**

Jack Anderson—Sept

Dan Green—Sept

Jeremy Hart—Oct

Michael Peden-Nov

Lovie Farrington—Dec

### <u>Upland</u>

Amber Crane—Aug

Yvette Cushard—Aug

Frederick Heater—Aug

Janet Makowski-Aug

Linda Nelson—Aug

Kristen Nelson—Aug

Patrick Nelson—Aug

Bobby Sneed—Aug

Vanessa Stephens—Aug

Kevin Stephens—Aug

#### Van Buren

Jennifer Plummer—Oct

## **Have You Thought of This?**

We are going to start providing you and your Club with ideas for service projects and growing members over the next several months. It never hurts to think outside the shoe.

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. Use group email to promote your club
- 2. Put posters in public areas
- 3. Ask corporations and employers to sponsor or subsidize membership
- 4. Have a reward program for those who bring in new members
- 5. Create more fun
- 6. Give a money back guarantee—if after 3 or 4 months a new member does not want to be a club member, return their fees
- 7. Invite the media to cover well known speakers
- 8. Use word of mouth
- 9. Network with coworkers, friends, and family
- 10. Follow up with guests



## Helping the place you love, doing the things you love.

Community service is exactly what it sounds like: services that you do to benefit your community. If that sounds a little broad, it's because it is -- community service can take a lot of different forms since there's SO much you can do to help folks out in your area.

Remember, if you are wearing a Lions vest/polo/t-shirt and representing the Lions, you can count it as a Service Project, people served, etc. AND collaborating with others, gets OUR message and who we are as Lions out to the community in broader ways.

## **Fix Things in Your Community:**

- 1. If you see a problem in your community, consider doing something about it!
- 2. Clean up your local park.
- 3. Adopt a highway/street for regular cleanup.
- 4. Collaborate with other non profits/groups to plant trees/flowers/etc. create a community garden in an empty lot.
- 5. Help a neighbor or work with other community orgs. paint fences or building.
- 6. Spruce up a run-down playground.
- 7. Clean up empty lots, yards of abandoned houses/bldgs. Etc.
- 8. Help the elderly and those in need with household repairs/yard cleanups.
- 9. Offer to patch and clean up clothes and stuffed toys for children in need.
- 10. Organize books at the library.
- 11. Give IT help to local adults.



MEMORANDUM FOR: Lions of District 25-D

SUBJECT: Nominations for Lion Year '22-23

FROM: Lion Dick Creger, Chair, District 25-D Nominations/Elections

DATE: October 16, 2021

In accordance with District 25-D Constitution & By-Laws, nomination for the following Lions year must be received by the Chair of the Nominations/Elections Committee no later than sixty (60) days prior the District's Convention.

District 25-D's District Convention is scheduled for March 5, 2022; thus, nominations for the District's project Trustees, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG and DG must be received by the District's Nominations Chair no later than **Tuesday**, **January 4, 2022**.

Lion Leaders requiring club nominations to be included on the March 5 ballot include:

DG - 1<sup>st</sup> VDG PDG Eric Schuman, Greentown Lions Club

1<sup>st</sup> VDG - 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Julia Kozicki, Noblesville Lions Club

2<sup>nd</sup> VDG - Lion David Simpson, Greentown Lions Club

## Trustees:

Leader Dog - PDG Isabel Atcheson, Marion Lions Club

Speech & Hearing - PCC Lee Flower, Carmel Lions Club

ISBVI - Lion Katherine Holtzleiter, Anderson Noon Lions Club

Lions Foundation/Holding Corporation - DG Scott Smith, Marion Lions Club

Cancer Control - PDG Betty Weist, Pendleton Lions Club

Vision First - Lion Steve Gross, Carmel Lions Club

As a courtesy, incumbents who choose not to run for re-election are asked to notify the District leadership so it may be announced that a vacancy will exist and encourage other District Lions to seek nomination from their club and such nominations received by the Nominations/Elections Chair by the **January 4, 2022,** deadline.

Nominations may be sent to the Nominations/Elections Chair at: 10433 S. State Road 9, Pendleton, IN 46064 or emailed to: dpcreger@hrtc.net.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Dick Creger, Chair 25-D Nomination/Election

## **Around the District**

## **Pendleton Lions Club**

Each year the Pendleton Lions Club recognizes a local community member (non Lion) for his/her contributions to our community at its annual Christmas Dinner. The Club receives several nominations each year which the club members evaluate based on the Lions Motto of "We Serve".



This year's selectee as the Pendleton Lions Club's 2021 Citizen of the Year is Denise McKee. Denise was recognized for her total commitment to Falls Park as a staff member going above and beyond her normal duties to include the founding of the "Friends of Falls Park". Denise also stepped forward when asked to organize and then make possible the celebration of Pendleton's 2020 Bicentennial.

Currently, Denise works as a Town Hall staff member, routinely stepping forward again volunteering to serve on several town committees, one again epitomizing the Lion's Motto of "We Serve".



## **Noblesville, Marion and Carmel Lions Club**

On December 11th the local Noblesville Lions Club, and Kiwanis Noon Club, rang bells and collected donations for the Salvation Army. We are proud that two local clubs can combine for a worthy cause.

The Marion and Carmel Lions Club also rang the bell.







Photo: Lions and Kiwanis Members Jake Doll and Joe Arrowood

## **Saratoga Lions Club**

Saratoga Lions Club celebrated the holiday season with our annual Christmas Party. Several members and guests were served a delicious meal prepared by Diana Dubeansky. Entertainment for the evening was Tom Cox playing Christmas songs on the saxophone. The club recently completed two fundraisers netting over \$3000 to support our many service projects. Some of our Christmas time donations are to the Susie Green Fund, Christmas baskets for Randolph County, Secret Families for Randolph County, and new holiday street banners for Saratoga. We wish everyone a healthy and happy holiday. Merry Christmas!









Noblesville Lions Conduct Memorable December Meeting

The December 8th meeting was held in the "Farm" of the B&G Club in Noblesville. The "Farm" is a remodeled gymnasium into a conference center, beautifully done. Many projects were discussed, and the night was highlighted by speaker Scott McClelland, the NHS Boys Basketball Coach.



Photo 1 – The Farm facility



Photo 2 – Lion Julia Kozicki and guest Beth Lively (w/guitar) singing Christmas songs



Photo 3 – Lion Kim Luckey, VP and Scott McClelland

## **Albany Lions Club**

**Annual Christmas Party** 













## **Upland Lions Club**



Members of our Uplands Lions Club volunteered to wrap presents at the Santa Shop at Eastbrook South Elementary. Very challenging but very fun.



## **Saratoga Lions Club**

Saratoga Lions Club participated in Union City's "A Community Christmas" lighted parade opening up the huge display of lights in Harter Park. Thank you to Lions Don Blunk, Don Young, Gary and Stacy White. Jim Nunez, Jr. Lavetta Kenworthy, Jennifer, Doyt and Nina Johnson for all their help!





## **Westfield Lions Club**

Westfield Lions worked at the Open Doors Food Pantry's Christmas Project. On December 9th, the Lions assisted with preparing boxes of food for over 250 families in the Westfield area.

Lions pictured are (L to R) Bill Nesbitt, Don Collins, Larry Clarino, Carrie Larrison (Open Doors Project Manager), Dwight Gossett and Jan Skinner. Not pictured are Lions Ted Engelbrecht and Jeff Larrison.



## **Tipton Lions Club**

Lions Club participated in the Tis the Season event tonight. Great weather and lots of happy faces picking up their Caramel Apple Slices! Served over 400! See y'all next year! Thanks to Kathy Cook Dell, Amy Hinshaw Bullick, Karen Cook Bocock.

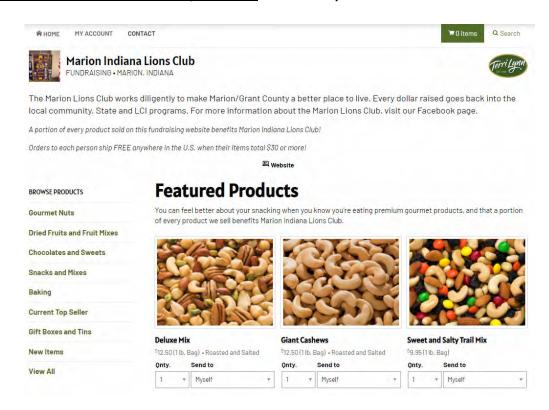




## **Marion Lions Club**

The Marion Lions Club has set-up a new fundraising site.

Visit it at marion-IN-lions-club.terrilynn.com to order your assorted nuts and snacks!



## **Noblesville Lions Club**

The Noblesville Lions collected jigsaw puzzles and delivered them to several local assisted living/nursing homes and the Senior Citizens Organization for the holidays. Club Treasurer Jeff Kozicki organized the activity for the club. Here is Jeff with packages for 6 locations.





## **Pendleton Lions Club**

Pendleton Lions Club got to welcome two new members at our November Program meeting- LaToya and Nathan Davis. Special thanks to Lions DG Scott Smith, Lions VDG Eric Schuman and Lions 2nd VDG Julia Kozicki for their help!



## **Union City Lions**

The Union City Lions Club welcomed new member, Lovie Farrington, at the Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday, December 21, 2021. Lovie was sponsored by her husband, Lion Sam Farrington.

Larry Amspaugh is the membership chairman.

Lovie is the third new member in the Union City Lions Club this fall.

Pictured is Lovie and UC Lions President, Doug LeMaster.



From the December 16th edition of The Times, Hamilton County's Only Daily Newspaper.

## **Lions Assist Gleaners**



Photo courtesy of Nobelsville and Carmel Lions

On Saturday, December 4th, the Noblesville and Carmel Lions helped distribute food from Gleaners. This is done the first Saturday of the month. In the photo above, Unidentified Carmel Lion, Bob Yunker, Tim Baker, Joe Connerley, Bill Ryan, Christine Woodward, Lane Sims, and Steve Shaw



Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> Social 6pm

Dinner 6:30pm

Cabinet Meeting 7pm

Saratoga Lions Club 125 W. Pearl Street, Saratoga, IN 47382

Cost \$13

RSVP by Feb 9th TO: Lion Anita Hines

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Winchester, IN 47394

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## **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.



## ENVIRONMENTAL PHOTO CONTEST

The 2021-2022 Environmental Photo Contest is open to all Lions in District 25-D, and Leos. This year's contest will depict four categories and one special theme. No people in photos submitted in the categories BELOW.

Animal Life

Plant Life

Urban or Natural Landscape

Weather phenomenon

Special Theme Environmental Service projects—This category can include individuals in the photo. (Example: Lions planting trees, or kids playing in a new park, etc.)

Photos should be original, unaltered and taken in your area this Lion Year. Photos should measure 8"x10" and printed <u>borderless</u> on high quality photo paper. Photos with white borders will be disqualified. All photographers accept responsibility for the cost of taking and processing all photos. Lions Clubs and Leo Clubs are invited to submit one photo in each category to the District Environmental Chair pdf Mike Imbler by January 1, 2022. The photographer should specify which category they want their photo(s) entered. Each photo should list location where picture was taken and date.

Winners and awards for the contest will be announced at the District 25-D Convention in March 2022.



#### 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 bettyweist@aol.com







# Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference

## Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport January 21-22, 2022

## Greetings, Fellow Lions:

The 2022 Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference will include two service projects designed to help the less fortunate in communities throughout the state, and we need your help to make these service projects successful.

We will continue the "Sock It To Me" project we introduced in 2019, collecting NEW socks, winter hats, gloves, winter scarves, and blankets.

We will introduce a new "Care-ing Cases" project to make personal first aid kits and personal hygiene kits, using clean used hard eyeglass cases.

Please encourage Lions Clubs and individual Lions in your district to donate the following items.

For "Sock It To Me": New socks, new winter hats, new gloves, new winter scarves, new blankets. We need all sizes, from infants to adults.

For "Care-ing Cases": Soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, wipes, small combs, band-aids, small antiseptic ointments, alcohol wipes. All items should be travel-size, like you find in hotel rooms.

We will have a collection site for donations for each project set up in the hotel and we will ask conference attendees to help assemble personal first aid kits and personal hygiene kits after dinner on Friday evening.

At the end of the conference, the "Sock It To Me" donations, first aid kits, and hygiene kits will be divided between the District Governors to be distributed to those in need in their respective districts.

We hope you can help us make these projects successful and we look forward to seeing you at the 2022 Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference.

Yours in Lionism, Lion Jennifer Drapalik, Lion Gail Robbins, Lion Erica Thomas MWC Service Project Co-Chairs



## THE LIONS OF INDIANA 33<sup>RD</sup> MID-WINTER CONFERENCE SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2022

## CROWNE PLAZA INDIANAPOLIS AIRPORT INDIANAPOLIS, IN

## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Registration & Continental Breakfast	8:00 am - 9:00 am	Lunch - Buffet	11:30 am - 12:15 pm
Displays And Silent Auction	Open until 3:00 pm	Program and Keynote Speaker	12:15 pm - 1:15 pm
Opening Session	9:00 am - 9:30 am	Third Session Semi	nar 1:30 pm – 2:15 pm
First Session Seminar	9:45 am – 10:30 am	Fourth Session Sen	ninar 2:30 pm – 3:15 pm
Second Session Seminar	10:45 am – 11:30 am	Closing Session	3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

## Official Conference Hotel – Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport Hotel

The location of the hotel is 2501 S. High School Road, Indianapolis, Indiana 46241.

TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 317-244-6861.

LIONS ROOM RATE IS \$113 PLUS APPLICABLE TAXES.

Specify your choice of a king room or room with two double beds.

Hotel Reservations must be made by 6:00 pm EST Tuesday, December 28, 2021.

Directions to Crowne Plaza: From the north via I-465 - Take I-465 to Exit 11 (Sam Jones Expressway).

Turn right (to the west) on Sam Jones and be in left lane. Turn left at High School Road and the hotel is on your left.

From the south or Northbound I-465 – Take I-465 to Exit 11(Sam Jones Expressway). Turn left (to the west) on Sam Jones but keep to the left to High School Road. Turn left at High School Road and hotel is on your left.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Cancellations requested ten (10) days before the conference will receive full refunds, but cancellations requested after that date will not receive any refund. Refunds will not be granted because of the weather.

\*Note: The Mid-Winter Conference Committee would like those attending for the First Time to indicate who is sponsoring them to attend or who has influenced them to attend their first Mid-Winter Conference. There is a line on the registration form for this information.



## 33<sup>RD</sup> MID-WINTER CONFERENCE FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER JANUARY 21, 2022



Make your plans now to join us at the Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport Hotel for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship.

Menu: Down Home Hoosier Buffet with Pot Roast and Vegetables, Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Country Green Beans, Corn, Fresh Garden Salad, Sugar Cream Pie Bars or Derby Pie, House Bread and Butter, Coffee and Tea

Price: \$ 27.50

Social Time: 6:00 P.M. Dinner: 6:30 P.M.

## SATURDAY CONFERENCE LUNCHEON JANUARY 22, 2022

Menu: Buffet with Cider-Brined Pork Loin, Sweet and Smoky Rotisserie Chicken, Macaroni and Cheese, Vegetable Medley, Fresh Garden Salad, Chilled Fresh Fruit, Dessert, House Bread and Butter, Coffee and Tea

Price: Included in Registration Fee

## TWO SERVICE PROJECTS

"Sock It To Me" - Bring new socks, gloves, mittens, scarves, and knit hats that will be collected and divided among the district governors to distribute to needy people in their districts.

"Care-ing Cases" - Friday night after the dinner program, we will assemble first aid kits and toiletry kits using cleaned hard eyeglass cases that our district governors will share with the needy people in their districts.

## SATURDAY KEYNOTE SPEAKER

#### PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT CHANCELLOR BOB CORLEW



Chancellor Bob Corlew, from Milton, Tennessee, USA, served as president of Lions Clubs International 2016 to 2017. Past President Corlew is retired as chancellor for the State of Tennessee and a professor of law. A member of the Murfreesboro Noon Lions Club since 1978, he has held many offices within the association. He is also a Vanguard of the Melvin Jones Memorial, a Progressive Lindsey-Jennings Fellow, and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. In addition to his Lions activities, President Corlew has been active in the Boy Scouts of America, the Jaycees, and the American Red Cross. He has also served as a councilman in Milton and was a Major in the U.S. Army Reserve. President Corlew is married to Dianne, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

## Seminar Selections

CHOOSE: Two (2) Seminars in the Morning and two (2) Seminars in the Afternoon.

## Morning Session One: 9:45 am to 10:30 am

## Seminar #1 LCI LEGAL DIVISION IS THERE TO HELP YOU. COME FIND OUT HOW!

Presenter: PDG Mark Clark

Everything from insurance to general legal information.

#### Seminar #2 VISION SCREENING FROM PRESCHOOL TO HIGH SCHOOL

Presenters: Lion Sheila Christoff and PCC Steve Winegardner

This session will help you know the difference between Operation KidSight and school age screenings, the equipment used, and how to get started.

## Seminar #3 ZOOM MEETINGS, DON'T BE AFRAID OF THEM!

Presenter: Lion Jennifer Drapalik

From hosting to attending, this session reviews what you need to know to host or attend a zoom meeting.

## Seminar #4 TIPS FOR CONDUCTING A NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

Presenters: PID Nick Xinopoulos and PDG Mark Anderson

Discuss the importance of new member orientation and how to make it happen.

## Morning Session Two: 10:45 am to 11:30 am

## Seminar #5 KNOW THE LAWS BEFORE YOU PLAY.

Presenter: Indiana State Gaming Commission Mark Mason

Does your club host any games that fall under the Indiana Gaming laws? This session will help you stay on top of these laws and how they that affect your club.

## Seminar #6 SERVING BEYOND THE CLUB

Presenters: PDG's Tom Robbins, Mike Imbler, and Robin Smith

This session will discuss leadership opportunities beyond the club level from zone chairs and cabinet positions, to project trustees and committee chairs and District leadership.

## Seminar #7 HOW TO CREATE A SPECIALTY CLUB

Presenters: GAT Area Leader PDG Dave Wineman & PID Tom Matney

This seminar will explain the special focus club concept and explain growing our membership in this way.

### Seminar #8 SUCCESSION PLANNING FOR CLUB AND DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

Presenter: PID Doug Lozier

PID Doug will discuss what succession planning is for officers and committees and why it is important to your Lions Club and to your district.

## Seminar Selections

## Afternoon Session Three: 1:30 pm to 2:15 pm

## Seminar #9 WOMEN... WE WANT YOU FOR LEADERSHIP ROLES!

Presenters: Gretchen Xinopoulos, 2VDG Julia Kozicki, 1VDG Linda Scott, Lion Erica Thomas, and Lion DeLene Worsena

Panel discussion to encourage women to step up to leadership roles.

## Seminar #10 MAKING LION CEREMONIES INTERESTING

Presenter: PDG Mary Jane Bodnar

Let's explore some fun and interesting ways to conduct new member inductions and officer installations.

## Seminar #11 TAKE THE SCARINESS OUT OF GRANT APPLICATION WRITING

Presenters: Lion Denisse Jensen and MD25 LCIF Coordinator PDG Ken Faulkner

Does your club need additional funds? Of course it does! Come and learn about grants like where to find them, how to write them.

## Seminar #12 LEO SEMINAR

Presenter: Lion Dara Guse

Leos, come to a session for Leos by Leos!

## Afternoon Session Four: 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm

## Seminar #13 NEW AND CREATIVE FUNDRAISING IDEAS

Presenter: PID Linda Tincher

Something for Everyone...whether your club is big or small, or is made up of younger or older Lions, there's a project just right for you! Join us to find exciting fun ideas for fundraisers and service projects for your community.

#### Seminar #14 NEW ON-LINE TOOLS FOR LIONS:

Presenter: PDG Charlie Short

Check out this introduction to the top online products and services to strengthen your club, district, and MD25.

#### Seminar #15 DIABETES AWARENESS...LIVING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

Presenters: Tasha Lane and Amanda Grarant

Join in to learn the importance of good nutrition and the importance of keeping your body moving.

### Seminar #16 WANT TO LEARN HOW TO START A LEO CLUB?

Presenter: Lion Dara Guse

Lion Dara will help you learn what you need to know to start and keep a Leo club.

## REGISTRATION FORM

33rd Annual Lions of Indiana Mid-Winter Conference SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2022

(Each Attendee is Asked to Complete a Separate Form)

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION: \$40.00

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED OR EMAILED BY NOVEMBER 30, 2021

Registrations made after DECEMBER 1ST and ON-SITE REGISTRATION: \$50.00

Registration price includes morning coffee and pastries and the Buffet Luncheon.

To guarantee meal availability, Registration must be received by January 15, 2022

CANCELLATION POLICY: Cancellations must be received prior to January 10, 2022, TO RECEIVE A REFUND. CANCELLATIONS REQUESTED AFTER THAT DATE WILL NOT RECEIVE ANY REFUND. REFUNDS WILL NOT BE GRANTED BECAUSE OF THE WEATHER

Seminars will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

Send registrations early to assure getting the seminars of your choice.

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM AND CORRECT REMITTANCE TO:
Lion Angie Crouch, 9051 Greystone Court, Indianapolis, IN 46234
mwam2893@gmail.com 317-518-4070

Make Checks Payable to: Lions of Indiana, Inc. OR

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# 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

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