25 D rocked this month! Some of you got to enjoy my Banner Night in Greentown, Indiana. I think it was a wonderful night to just get together with Lions, have a great dinner by Main Occasions Catering and spend the night having Fun. The Theme was "Anchors Aweigh" and my Team from Greentown was happy to set up the night and enjoy the program too. Thanks to my Greentown Family of Lions who came through with a wonderful night.

The MC was our own 3rd Vice President from Greentown Lions, Thom Pemberton. The entertainment was all of us as we sang *Anchors Aweigh* in our beautiful voices. The song was led by CC Julia Kozicki. Thanks for all who showed up, even those who forgot their poles. All's good when we all have a good time.



I want to THANK ALL THE CLUBS who have taken on the Special Olympics Challenge, grabbed a bucket, and collected funds for this special cause. The amount of money raised has not been finalized, but \$120.00 was raised the night of Banner Night. Thank you to PDG Mike Imbler for your noted donation. I'll have PDG Steve Holtzleiter give an update at the October 12 cabinet meeting to see where we stand. Please continue to collect, and if you need a bucket, call Steve or myself. I'd like to have the collections done by the December 14 Council Christmas Meeting. Please give the money to PDG Steve or Dist. 25 D Treasurer, Christine Woodward. Thanks for all your efforts for this great cause.

I was kicking around Mission 1.5 goals in my head last night. I have had so many clubs turn up the heat on getting new members. I have a few off the top of my head that I'm thankful for: Saratoga 2; Pendelton 3; Winchester 2; Greentown 2; Westfield 2; and, we can't forget Matthews, 6. Please don't stop... we are trying to get to 50 for the year. (If I missed a club, I'm sorry!) I thank everyone who has contributed. Greentown Club President would like to have as many in his club as when he was President in 2017-2018, which was 163 members. Set the goals for your club and challenge everyone to reach and exceed the goals you want. "Hey! You want to become a Lion?"

October 12th is a busy day for me. I'm looking forward to the cabinet meeting in Lapel at (0930 or 9:30 AM) with coffee and donuts, kicking off the cabinet meeting at 10:00 AM, and a break about 11:00 or so for some tailgating fun. It's that time of year with football on Fridays for high school games, Saturday for college, and Sunday for pro. I don't really know who cheers for whom, but the fun of the occasion brings people together. That hopefully will get our 25 D Lions to come and enjoy some time with the District Cabinet and Learn what's happening in our district.

I have to return to Greentown right after that and then, I'm going to Russiaville for a Fish and Chicken Fry from 4:30 - 7:00 PM. That will be a busy day and into the evening with lots of close friends that I have meet through the Lions Clubs in our district. I think this district has lots of Fun things going on.

Now that we are getting new members, I have 50 new member packets at my house. New Certificates and new Sponsor Certificates signed by this year's President. My goal is that I want to give them to the new members and their sponsors. Help me do that by January 21, 2025... My Birthday... I have goals too.

I don't usually put in personal notes, but this is one exception to all rules. I'm asking for prayers for a Greentown Lions Member, Lion Larry LaRowe. He's gone through a couple of surgeries and is in a rehab facility. He does so much for the Fairgrounds here in Greentown, as we have been mustering 2-6 people to do the mowing of the Fairgrounds. He schedules all events at the Fairgrounds and does many other tasks that no one knew about until Larry wasn't there. Let's get the prayers going because we need Larry back on his feet to a least tell us what needs done. Get Well Larry!

I got an interesting quote during Banner Night, and it seems to be an awaking of the term keep on being Lions, underway for the service you provide.

Yours in Lionism Rocky District Governor 25 D "Dynamic D"



Photo: Charlie Short wins the Navy Terminology Quiz, with 27/30 correct!



Photo: Christine Woodward won the best dressed as her dress was the them, Anchors Aweigh!



Photo: Past District Governors get together to pass the scroll.



Photo: Banners of some of the clubs present at Banner nigh

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2nd Cabinet Meeting

Lapel, Indiana

Come Tailgate with District 25 D!

Purdue is at Illinois (time TBD) Notre Dame is at home (3:30 PM) Indiana has a Bye

Cabinet Meeting starts at 10:00 AM, with social at 9:30 AM.

We'll have donuts and coffee to start the morning.

Lunch will be around 11:00 AM



<u>Menu</u> Bar-be-que and Buffalo style Chicken Wings Assorted Veggies & Dip Chips with Salsa/Nacho cheese Assorted Fruits Dessert Drinks

The cost will be \$20.00 a person if preregistered. If not preregistered, the cost will be \$25 at the door.

Please let Steve Berninger know by email <u>smbern@embarqmail.com</u> or

phone 765-617-2436.

The only game we may miss is Purdue if Illinois is having TV coverage.

Hello fellow Lions!

It's been a while since I've written a newsletter, but I am back and hope everyone is doing great. I am feeling good myself and doing wonderful; my wife Diana is doing the same. We both had the opportunity to attend a weekend in Rochester Hills, Michigan at Leader Dog for the Blind. It was a fabulous learning experience and a very well put on program. We me lots of great Lions from many different states and got to visit with them. We learned lots of things from each other.

As First Vice Governor this year, I see things getting busy and a lot more to take in as the days approach. I continue to follow Our Governor to clubs when close to my area. He came to Union City this past Tuesday to visit my club. Anita Hines and Jeff Manning also made a visit to Union City Lions Club. Union City Lions is selling candy and nuts online as a money maker and is starting out pretty good. Rocky has flyers he will share. I hope all fellow Lions will help Union City and place an order. It would be a great Christmas gift.

Big congratulations to Winchester Lions Club for bringing in 2 new members! Great job, guys. I am proud of you. Keep up the good work.

Congratulations to Saratoga because they also brought in 2 new members. Rural clubs way down here are doing our part in bringing in members. I'm proud of all of my clubs. Keep bringing in those new members and don't forget to mentor them. We want to retain them for life membership and not have them leave.

Hope to see everyone at the council meeting in Shipshewana, Indiana. This is pretty country.

Please also use caution when driving and watch out for farm equipment that's out doing their job and harvesting our crops. Give them some space. Also watch out for the Amish and buggies when traveling to Shipshewana. There are several in this area so use caution.

God bless all my fellow Lions and safe travels and prayers with you all.

Sincerely Yours: First Vice Governor Jim Dubeansky, 25D





Photo: The group from Indiana that attended.



Photos: Jim and his wife attending leader dog for the Blind in Rochester Hills, Michigan.

What does a future Lion look like?

We have a whole generation of future Lions just waiting to be asked to join the Lion family. We can start with those closest to us. We all have friends and family who see the great things you do in your community. Start a conversation with those you talk to on a regular basis and are comfortable talking to. It takes practice to have a successful "sales pitch" for recruiting Lions. Start with people you already talk to regularly. It will not be a big deal if you stumble on your words as you develop your technique.

A future Lion may be sitting beside you at lunch, at work, or even on your own couch. I recently inducted my own two sons into my club. Do you know someone close to you that you could ask? As you practice asking people to join, you will be prepared for why they "cannot" join. The most common response I hear is "I can't make it to meetings". I remind them our motto is "We Serve", not "We Have Meetings". We are Volunteers In Action, not volunteers in a meeting. We will put your time and your skill to good use no matter how much time you have or what your skill is.

We have Lions who drive around at the park with their grandkids and pick up trash with their "grabber." That is service. We have Lions that kayak down the river like they did before they ever heard about Lions. Now they grab trash from the river on their outing. That's a Volunteer In Action, and they are having fun while doing it.

Look for Volunteers In Action in your community and tell them how you like what they are doing. Ask them if they would like to make a global impact with what they are already doing. That's where I like to start the conversation.

So, what does a future Lion look like? That's up to you.

Michael Careins SVDG 25D

Lions of District 25-D: What does it mean to be a member?

We are all members of our local Lions Club as well as the great community of Lions around the world. But have you stopped to think about what it means to be a member? The first dictionary definition I found states a member is "a person who joins with others in some activity or endeavor." I really like this definition because of three key words:

- 1 Joins being a member is an act of decision. You are not a Lion until you decide to be one.
- 2 Activity We are not Lions just to have the name. We are active in serving our community.
- 3 Endeavor This word has a definition of "to try hard to do or achieve something." What we do as Lions is not easy. We are working hard to do something significant and help others.

Thank you and congratulations for being a member. I encourage you to push the boundaries of the activities and endeavors you undertake as a Lion because there is definitely more need than there is us. I also encourage you to invite others to be members so we can expand our service. Just think of the good we could do in the world if more people made the decision to join and act.

-- Global Membership Chair Jeff Kozicki

STATE FAIR UPDATE

THIS SUMMER, 233 LIONS, LEOS, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS REPRESENTING 67 LIONS CLUBS AND LEO CLUBS FROM THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF INDIANA WORKED 6,971 HOURS FOR THE INDIANA LIONS FOUNDATION AT THE 2024 INDIANA STATE FAIR.

THIS PROJECT IS THE FOUNDATION'S SINGLE LARGEST FUNDRAISER AND WE WANT TO THANK EVERY VOLUNTEER WHO HELPED MAKE THIS OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

ATTACHED IS AN ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT WAYS TO REDEEM W.P. WOODS FELLOWSHIP CREDITS EARNED AT THE INDIANA STATE FAIR, AND A FORM THAT CAN BE USED TO TRANSFER CREDITS TO ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL OR CLUB, OR TO REQUEST A \$200 COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANT FROM THE INDIANA LIONS FOUNDATION.

Rules for Redeeming State Fair Credits Announced

A person (Lion or non-Lion) may use their state fair credits in one of three ways as follows:

- Expend 10 of their accumulated credits for a W. P. Woods Fellowship for oneself or to give to another person (Lion or non-Lion) in recognition of their commitment to community service
- Expend 10 of their accumulated credits for a \$200 Community Service Grant for a Lions club located in Indiana. A check for \$200 will be made out to the designated club and mailed to the person using the credits for their presentation to the club in a manner of their choosing.
- 3. Expend 10 of their accumulated credits for a grant to one of the five Indiana Lions state projects, LCIF, one of the seven MD25 districts or the Indiana Lions Foundation. A check for \$200 will be made out to the designated state project, LCIF, district or the Foundation and mailed to the requesting person for their presentation to the receiving organization. A person may wish to present the check to one of their district trustees of the designated state project or perhaps mail the check with a cover letter to the state project with a personal note relating why they are supportive of the work of that state project.

A person (Lion or non-Lion) can transfer their credits to an Indiana club, an MD25 District or to another Lion. Two or more Lions who don't have 10 accumulated credits as individuals could band together and decide to transfer their credits to one person or to a club, who could then amass the required 10 credits to use in one of the three ways stated above. A Lion or non-Lion may wish to transfer their credits to an MD25 District to allow the District Governor to present W. P. Woods fellowships.

In a fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) a person or club may only use 10 of their accumulated credits either for the \$200 Community Service Grant to a club or for a \$200 grant to one of the state projects, LCIF, MD25 district or the Foundation.

If you have any questions contact one of the Indiana Lions Foundation trustees in your district or one of the following individuals:

Lion Rose Russell	574-250-0125	RoseWRussell@gmail.com
PCC Sue Topf	317-332-5450	pccsue@indianalions.org
Lion John Wilkins	317-408-7515	jw6222@earthlink.net

TRANSFER STATE FAIR CREDITS

Transfer Credits From: ____

(Name of individual or club)

Transfer Credits To:

(Name of individual, club, or district)

APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANT

CLUB REQUEST (One \$200 grant allowed per year)

Club Name:

Club Address:

APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANT

INDIVIDUAL REQUEST (One \$200 grant to an Indiana Lions State Project, LCIF, or Indiana Lions Foundation per year)			
Individual Name:			
Individual Address:			
Check will be made payable to Grant Reci	pient specified below and mailed to individual named above.		
Grant Recipient (check one):			
Cancer Control Fund	Complete this form and send it to PCC Sue Topf.		
Eye Bank	Email: PCCSue@indianalions.org		
ISBVI	Mail: PCC Sue Topf		
Leader Dog	9152 Key Lane Clermont, IN 46234		
Speech & Hearing			
LCIF	This box is for Indiana Lions Foundation use only.		
Indiana Lions Foundation	Credits verified by:		

Noblesville Lions Introduced to Ivy Tech

On Wed, Sep 25th the Lions Club entertained speaker Dr. Rachel Kartz, Chancellor of Ivy Tech Community College. Ms. Kartz's career experience is quite extensive, and she is very proud of Ivy Tech. The program offerings at Ivy Tech are quite extensive from nursing, entrepreneurship, health sciences, manufacturing, business, IT, to social services and arts, science & education. Ivy Tech is a full service campus, and one can learn more at IvyTech.edu/CareerLink. Ivy Tech is a major contribution to the successes of Hamilton County. Photo: Rachel Kartz being thanked by Lion Vp Hayden Parsons



Noblesville and Zionsville Lions Eye Test Hazel Dell Elementary

On Monday, the 23rd the Lions Clubs eye screened 225 students. Eye testing is a major goal of Lions Clubs. *Photo: (L-R) Lions John Einsfeld, Greg Barth, Gary Hipes, Dan Dumbauld, Josh Kozicki, Steve Shaw, Kathy Terrell, Walt Scheid, Ann Delpozzo, Jeff Kozicki*



Noblesville Lions Eye Testing at Alphabet Academy

On Tuesday, Sep 17th the local Lions Club were testing student's eyes at Alphabet Academy.



Photo: (L-R) Lions Steve Shaw, Vicki Neddenriep, Dave McCord, and Dale Unger

Noblesville & Zionsville Lions Eye Screen Two Schools This Week

On Tuesday, Sep 10th the Noblesville and Zionsville Lions did student eye screening at Hinkle Creek. They screened around 275 students. On Friday, Sep 13th the Noblesville Lions screened around 200 students at White River Elementary.



Photo Hinkle: (L – R) Lions Walt Scheid, Lisa Tabor, Vicki Neddenriep, Donna Fisher, Gary Hipes, John Einsfeld, Ron Williamson, Kathy Terrell, Kathy Ravenstein, Dan Dumbauld, and Steve Shaw



Photo White River: (L-R) Lions John Einsfeld, Walt Scheid, Andy Luckey, Ron Williamson, Steve Shaw and Julia Kozicki not pictured



Want to Help Others? Join the Noblesville Lions Club!

You may have seen a sign for the Lions Club as you entered Noblesville. You may have seen Lions handing out candy in the Fourth of July parade with our mascot, Stanley. You may have even had a great meal at our annual Pork Chop Dinner and Pancake Breakfast. But who are the Lions and what is Lionism?

Lions International started in 1917 in Chicago Illinois. Led by the simple motto of "We Serve," Lions Clubs quickly grew in towns and cities around the world with members working to help where help is needed. The ideal expressed as "Lionism" is to find projects and areas of need and help, not for any personal gain, but for the knowledge of doing something to make the world just a little better.

The Noblesville Lions Club was founded in 1942 and we are celebrating our 82nd anniversary this year. Our Club's primary focus is helping the kids of Noblesville, particularly around vision and hunger, and we do this by providing free eye exams to all 3rd, 5th, and 7th grade students at each school as well as younger kids at many day care facilities and other locations by appointment. We work with the Boys and Girls Club of Noblesville, Fueled for School, and many other local projects as well as giving six scholarships annually to Noblesville and Hamilton Heights High School seniors for their continuing studies. Our members come from all backgrounds and have a lot of fun working on our projects and fundraisers.

The Club will be hosting an Information Open House on Wednesday October 9th at Ginger's Café, 1111 S. 10th Street at 6:30pm. If you would like to know more about what the club does to help the community, please come check us out. You can find out more on our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/noblesvillelionsclub or visit our website at https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/noblesville. Another way is to talk to a Lion member you may know.

Noblesville Lions Hear About Noblesville Youth Assistance Program

On Wed, Sept 11th, the Noblesville Lions Club was informed about the NYAP from Todd Thurston as the evening speaker. The program helps troubled youth in the Noblesville and Hamilton county area. Todd started in the program as a mentor, and is now an active board member. Referrals to the group come from Noblesville schools and the Prosecutor's office. Todd detailed the group's activities and needs and informed the Lions how they could help. This can be done by volunteering as a mentor, funding, or calling NYAP or Todd for information on current needs.



Photo: Todd *Thurston being thanked by Lion VP* Hayden Parsons

Noblesville, Carmel, Westfield Lions Assist Gleaners in September

On Sep 3rd the Noblesville, Carmel, and Westfield Lions Clubs assisted Gleaners with their mobile pantry at Grand Park in Westfield. Over 150 families received food from the pantry this month. The pantry, normally on the first Tuesday of the month, will be on the second Tuesday in October (October 8) at Grand Park Lot C.



Photo: (L-R) Westfield Lions Bill Nesbitt, Jack Waldroup, Gary Smith, Judy Waldroup, Jim Kahler, and Carrie Larrison – Carmel Lions Bill Ryan and Paul Cardinal – Noblesville Lions Duke Miller, Carol Miller, Jeff Kozicki, Jerry Baker, Lana Buckman, Linda Williamson, Ron Williamson, Gary Hipes, and Joe Connerley. Not pictured are Noblesville Lions Josh Kozicki and Steve Shaw

Union City Lions Club

The Union City Lions Club met on Tuesday, September 24th in the Union City Community Room. Fifteen members and five guests enjoyed a meal of lasagna, garlic bread, salad, and cobbler. The UC Lions had some special guests attending this meeting including David "Rocky" Simpson, our Indiana Lions District 25-D Governor. Rocky is a member of the Greentown Lions Club. Also with us were Anita Hines and Jeff Manning visiting from the Saratoga Lions Club. Blake Clevenger and two Union City High School students, seniors Trenden Spence and Jace Connor presented the program for the evening. They are part of the UC Skoolies.

The UC Skoolies are a Workforce Wednesday group that is turning a retired school bus into an RV. Their goal is to have this project completed by March so eight students and two adults can take it on a 7-day trip to Glacier National Park with several other stops along the way. This project is very "hands-on" with students making design decisions and doing the actual work.

Workforce Wednesday started at Union City Jr-Sr High School last year. It is an effort by RESC to redesign the high school experience with a focus on workplace skills. RESC received a grant to start this program.

If you want to learn more about the UC Skoolies, visit their website <u>https://ucskoolies.com/</u> or their Facebook page @UC Skoolies.

by Lion Kevin Lehman



Pictured: Teacher Blake Clevenger and UCHS seniors Trenden Spence, and Jace Connor.



UC Skoolies Flier





Photo: The bus inside

Photo: The bus outside

In other news, the Union City Lions Club President Len Hindsley presented Lion Gary Miller with his 35 year membership pin at the September 17 board meeting, which was held at the Union City Community Room. Gary has served the UC Lions in many capacities as well as serving on the Indiana State Lions Sight Committee. Congratulations to Gary for his years of service.



And one more thing - the Union City Lions Club met for its first meeting of the new Lion's year on Tuesday, September 10th at the Community Room in Union City. The fifteen members present enjoyed a meal prepared by Diana Dubeansky. The club dealt with some first-of-the-year business items and honored five members with membership awards. Lion Jim Dubeansky was given a Membership Key and Lion Larry Amspaugh was awarded a Membership Advancement Key for their work in bringing new members into the club. Four Union City Lions were honored with a Years of Membership pin. They included Rick Lacy - 35 years, Gary Miller -35 years, Larry Amspaugh - 15 years, and Troy Rose - 15 years. Congratulations to these five Lions for their dedication to the club!

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Photo: Rick Lacy - 35-year membership pin



Photo: Jim Dubeansky -Membership Key



Photo: Larry Amspaugh - 15-year membership pin



Photo: Troy Rose - 15-year membership pin



Photo: Larry Amspaugh -Membership Advancement Key

Westfield Lions Serve As "Famous Flippers:" Lions Cook Breakfast for Student Impact

On Wednesday, September 11th, Lions Jon Dartt and Jeff Larrison were the "Famous Flippers" at the weekly Westfield Student Impact breakfast. Lions Dartt and Larrison cooked up 4 pounds of bacon and what seemed like a thousand pancakes for approximately 35 hungry students.

Westfield's Student Impact, established in 1999, helps students "develop friendships, connect with mentors and learn skills that will inspire them in their next season of life". They accomplish this through all kinds of different events and opportunities, including an After School Program, Small Groups, Student Impact Basketball, and Camp Impact.

The Lions have been a long-time supporter of Student Impact and have made significant donations to the organization over the years, including a \$1500 donation in 2023 to Student Impact's "G.I.R.L.s Group" program. For more information on this tremendous organization, and how you can support it, go to <u>www.therockwestfield.org</u>.

For more information on the Westfield Lions Club and all that it does to support the Westfield community, go to <u>www.westfieldlions.org</u>. They are looking for men and women interested in making a difference in Westfield.







<u>Westfield Lions Resume Fish Fry Tradition: Event Raises \$3000 For Westfield H.S.</u> <u>Scholarships</u>

After not holding a fish fry in 2023, the Westfield Lions Club brought back their annual fish fry on September 6th and 7th at Christ United Methodist Church – making this their 92nd fish fry since the club was founded in 1930! Covid caused them to miss one fish fry and renovation work at the Lions' clubhouse and at CUMC forced them to cancel the 2023 event.

This year's event went off smoothly with energized Lions, some great weather, and a lot of support from the community. Over the years the Lions' fish fry has become just as much of a community gathering, as it is a fundraiser. The customers rave about the quality of the fish – arguably the best fried fish in Hamilton County – and they enjoy getting a chance to see and talk to so many of their friends in the Westfield community.

This year's fish fry brought in approximately \$3000, which will be used to help fund the growing annual scholarship awards the Lions announce each spring. The past two years the Club has set records with awards totaling over \$16,000 in 2022 and \$16,500 in 2023.

The Westfield Lions want to thank their sponsors for this year's event – BMO Bank and Sunbelt Rentals. Their support of the Lions helped make this fish fry the success that it was.

The Lions also want everyone to know what a great partner Christ United Methodist Church has been to the Lions Club this year, as well as over the past several years. While the Club was searching for a new clubhouse, CUMC allowed the Lions to hold their meetings at the church. And during the times that the Lions' old clubhouse was unavailable due to the downtown redevelopment, CUMC let the Lions use the church for the past three fish fries.

Next year the Lions expect to be able to hold their fish fry at their new clubhouse, located at 1101 E. 169th Street. The renovation work on the building should be completed in the next couple of months and will feature an expanded meeting room, conference room, ADA-accessible restrooms, and a full kitchen. The Club will be hosting an open house event once the project is completed so that the public can see firsthand what Westfield's Lions have done to make the building an attractive (and affordable) option for event rentals.









Saratoga Lions Club Inducts New Members

Saratoga Lions Club inducted a third new member into the club on September 9th. Lion President Gary White performed the ceremony inducting Selena Burk sponsored by Lion Anita Hines.



Saratoga Lions Club members received chevron pins from Lion President Gary White for their years of service and dedication: 45 year awards to Lions Phil Zicht and Doyt Johnson; 30 year awards to Lions Denis Wiist, Jim Nunez,Jr., and Rick Fisher; 15 year award to Lion Ted Snyder. There are 225 years of combined service from these great Lions.

Also presented was the Lions Club Excellence Award for the year 2022-23 to Lion Stacy White for her great year as President guiding the club. The club will proudly display the award on our banner.

If you are interested in joining our Saratoga Lions Club, please message or call us. 765-546-0643.





Saratoga Lions Club

Saratoga Lions Club is proud to welcome new members, Robin & Greg Williams sponsored by Lion Anita Hines. Lion President Gary White performed the induction ceremony at our club meeting August 26th. If you are interested in joining us, please message me.



Pendleton Lions Add Three New Members

We had an induction of three new members for the Pendleton Lions Club. The meeting was capped off with a group picture.



Photo: Pendleton Lions enjoyed an evening with DG Rocky. Lions Tracy Walters, Wendy Hitch, Betty Weist, Linda Courtier, Pat Peterson, Kevin Hitch, Jeff Peterson, DG, and Joann Karraffa-Owens.



Photo (from left): Sponsor Betty Weist, Lion Pat Peterson, Lion Jeff Peterson, Sponsor Kevin Hitch, Lion Jeremiah Walters, Sponsor Fletchyr Owens (stepping in for Dick Creger), and DG Rocky.

Russiaville Lions Club

Russiaville Lions delivered more than 400 copies of the Indiana Lions Liberty Day (US Constitution and Declaration of Independence) booklets to our Western's 8th & 11th grade students on September 17. This is the 12th year the Russiaville Lions have organized this effort.

Last year, when Lion Frank Faulkner and wife Peg attended the Lions International Convention in Boston, they spent one evening at a dockside restaurant near Boston harbor, near where the Boston Tea Party was held. Lion Frank also carried the US flag in the Lions International Parade.



Photos: Lion Frank & Peg Faulkner; Lion Frank carrying the flag at the International Conference in Boston.

The Russiaville Lions also hosted their annual RLC Golf Outing at Green Acres Golf Course on Saturday, September 14. Congratulations and thank you to Lion Bryan Altmaier for pulling together another very fun golfing event. We all recall Lions are F.U.N. - Friendly, Upbeat and Nice.



Do you have something you want to share in the 25D district newsletter? Please submit stories, photos, and other news to Lion Cindy Hurst, <u>cindyhurst2017@gmail.com</u>.



Craft and Direct Sales Fair

Save the Date!

Saturday, October 5, 2024 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

> 555 N. Liberty St. (Lion's Club Bldg. and 650 N. West St. (Community Bldg.) Russiaville, Indiana



Over 40 booths of hand crafted items and quality products from direct sales companies. Shop early for Christmas.

Community members are invited to join our crafters for lunch at

Tastefully Indiana El Mata Autojos and more





Russiaville Lions Club

555 N Liberty Street

Come & Enjoy our Fall Fish Fry

All You Can Eat

Saturday





Oct 12, 2024

4:00 to 7:00 pm

Adult dinner: \$14 The Lions Club is partnering Children 5 to 12: \$9 Cash or Credit card accepted



with Hawg Heaven to prepare the Fish & Tenderloins Fish Tenderloins **Baked Beans French Fries** Cole Slaw or Applesauce **Bread & Butter** Lemonade, Water, and Coffee

> Pie available \$2 per slice

Carmel Lions Club

Several Carmel Lions attended DG Rocky's Banner Night in Greentown on Saturday, Sept 14th.

The Lions who made the trip were PID Doug Lozier, PCC Lee Flower, PCC Scott Smith, PDG Mary Jane Bodnar, PDG Kathy Lozier, State Comptroller Bob Yunker and Lions Betty Yunker and Christine Woodward.



This is Lion Christine Woodward represented all the Carmel Lions during the Parade of Banners.



Also from Carmel, Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Trustee and Carmel Lion Angela Swenson presented Lions Rick Dossey and Christine Woodward the ISBVI Fellowship for their humanitarian service with IPP Bryan Ferry. If you haven't seen one yet, the certificate is even in braille.



Matthews Lions Club

Mike Careins presents the winning Plaque to Don Richards At the Matthew's Lions Club sponsored Tractor games. The Matthew's Lions Club Sponsored the competition during their Matthew's Lions Club sponsored Covered Bridge Festival.



Marion Lions Club

Marion Lions Club was at the Covered Bridge Festival at Matthews, Indian where Don Berkett and John Leach are pictured with the DG Rocky Simpson cooking the Spirrel Chips. Laura is pictured making sure the Cotton Candy gets into the bag. The three Day event was perfect as the weather cooperated and fun was had by all.





Greentown Lions Club

Congratulations to new members! Here is a picture of PDG Mike Imbler, the sponsor, with new Lions members from Greentown Lions Club. New members are Cricinda Hall and her Husband Andrew Eshelman who celebrated with the Greentown Lions club on 9 September. DG Rocky Simpson was pictured with the group.





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LEADING THE WAY

Partner with Leader Dogs for the Blind for Your LCIF DCG Project!

What Are District and Club Community Impact Grants (DCGs)?

- DCGs allow clubs and districts to utilize a portion of the funds they donate to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). Clubs that donate at least \$5,000, and districts that donate at least \$10,000 within a fiscal year, qualify to apply for a grant equal to 15% of their total contributions (excluding disaster donations).
- Eligible Projects: DCG funds support specific humanitarian activities that highlight the role of Lions in their communities. The funds cannot be used to pay membership dues or establish reserve funds.

Why Choose Leader Dogs for the Blind as Your Project?

- By choosing Leader Dogs for the Blind as your DCG project, you are directly supporting a nonprofit that serves individuals in your own community who are blind or visually impaired.
- Founded by Lions Club members in 1939, Leader Dogs for the Blind has a longstanding, deep connection with the Lions Clubs International community. We've partnered with over 4,900 Lions clubs worldwide to serve more than 17,000 clients across the globe, including many in your own neighborhoods.
- Lions are integral to our mission. They identify community members who could benefit from our services, provide direct assistance to clients, and help spread awareness about our programs. Lions contribute as Leader Dog Chairs, puppy raisers, and hosts for breeding stock dogs, while also advocating for the blind and visually impaired in their communities.
- By choosing Leader Dogs for the Blind, your club will help empower people with independence and mobility, fostering stronger, more inclusive communities.

Join Us in Making a Difference!

By selecting Leader Dogs for the Blind as your DCG project, you are contributing to a legacy of service and support that spans across the globe while directly impacting your local community. Together, we can empower individuals with vision loss to live more independent, fulfilling lives. **Contact Us** today to learn more about how your club or district can partner with Leader Dogs for the Blind!



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