



# Lions Tales

**DISTRICT 25-G**

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## A Message from District Governor Warren Allender

Let's just start off with a HUGE THANK YOU to all who made the 104th Lions of Indiana State Convention in Shipshewana a success!! Yes, there are too many individuals to mention specifically. However, we can start with the Leadership of PDG Marlyn Fast and PDG Brian Thomas. I do not want to even venture a guess on how many hours they worked at organizing the convention and how many sleepless nights they had worrying about what needed to be done. From there it is easy to point to the hosting club, Dunlap Lions, and recognize the many, if not all, of their members who were in one way or another involved in the convention activities. The same holds true for the Elkhart Lions Club. And lastly, workers from various clubs from District 25-G who answered the call for volunteers. You Lions, YOU SERVE, THANK YOU!!



Next in line for a shout out of thanks goes to the many Lions of 25-G who attended the convention. I do not know that number, yet I do know I saw Lions from a great many clubs from District 25-G. I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

Now, there are several Lions who I do wish to recognize individually. First would be, Past District Governor Lion Ann Haffner, who received the greatly coveted 2025 Indiana Distinguished Lion of the Year award. Truly a legacy of service to Lionism.

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## Have you scheduled the District Governor's visit to your club?

District Governor Warren Allender would like to attend one of your club meetings, share his vision for our district, and hear your concerns. Check his calendar in this newsletter, then give him a call at 574-361-7942, or send an email message to warrenallender@comcast.net.



**"What does it mean to Make Your Mark? It means stepping up in our clubs and our communities and changing lives. It means amplifying the voices that may go unheard. It means showing the world that Lions care and we are here to stay." 2024-2025 Lions International President Fabrício Oliveira**



## **A Message from District Governor Warren Allender**

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Next the Lydick Lions Club President, Lion Wendy Yuhasz received the Lions Club International Presidential Award, the second highest award given by Lions International. It was presented by Past International President Jimmy Ross. Lion Wendy is a very deserving candidate for the award for her tenacity, perseverance and dedication as a member and leader of the Lydick Lions Club. I couldn't be prouder of her achievements and honored to be in her presence.

From there we go to Lakeville Lions Club. Their President, Lion Jim Tibbs was awarded the Lions Club International Leadership medal, the third highest award given by Lions International. That, too, was presented by PIP Jimmy Ross. Lion Jim is always out front helping and leading the way not only with his home club but anywhere help/service is needed. Lion Jim leads by example.

Lastly, I humbly mention that I received an award from Cancer Control, recognizing me as an Operation Cancer Hero. The award was truly a surprise, presented during our Saturday morning caucus by Lion Beverly Coombs, chairperson of Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana. While I may have received the award, recognition needs to be given to ALL of the Lions Clubs and members who helped support the Walther Cancer Foundation matching grant fundraising drive. We, you and I, raised over \$5000.00 for that matching grant or you can say \$10,000.00 for Riley Hospital. You Lion, We Lions, way to go Lions, We Serve.

I'm going to change gears now and talk about money, dollars and cents. More specifically, two of my heroes, President George Washington and President Abraham Lincoln. Washington appears on the one-dollar bill and Lincoln on the penny. Each on the lowest, smallest denomination of their respective currency, paper dollars and coined cents. It is from those smallest denominations that our currency grows. They are the foundation, thus the most important. Recently I received a communication from a smaller Lions club in the district alluding to the fact that I didn't care about their club's activity/project. That hurt and couldn't be further from the truth. I care about ALL the clubs in the district. In fact, it is from some of the smallest clubs that the biggest impact is made in our communities. You are the foundation of service, small or large and I will do everything I can to promote your good deeds. You, too, have a responsibility to convey that same message of service. We have two months to finish the Lions year strong. Promote your club, record your activities, recruit new members, and install new officers. Be the foundation of service.

Lion Warren Allender, District Governor

## A Message From 1st Vice District Governor Jackie Kurley



You will understand if you were at the final business session of the State Convention. What a wonderful way to show the other Districts in the State how to have an enjoyable time at a convention. We should be so proud of ourselves the way things were set up for being a "barn." The rooms were wonderfully comfortable, and my room had a recliner in it. I cannot tell you how good it felt to get my feet up after all that walking. But I got my steps in for the week! I thought the registration went smoothly if you devoted attention to the form and filled it out correctly. I agreed with the silent auction items placement, I thought the exhibits were properly displayed, and the outside vendors had ample space to sell their wares.

I might be partial, but I thought the Haystack dinner was a success, and the homemade desserts were the icing on the cake. At the luncheon, you anticipated the meatloaf would be delicious, and indeed it was along with more delightful desserts. Gary Sieber was quite entertaining, and it was interesting how he just fell into that role because the opportunity knocked right at his door. He was one of the things I liked about coming to the area. You could count on a good Saturday Morning laugh when the weather forecast was coming up. My hats off to the crew that had to do the changeover for the dinner meal. Not only did they need to clean up the previous meal, but they also had to completely redo several tables. I do not think that the crew had time to rest at a seminar because they wanted to make this event special for all of us.

Past International President Jimmy Ross made sure everyone had the opportunity to get to know him. I do not think I have witnessed anyone engage with the people as much as he did at an event. The dinner program ran long but I do not think anyone cared because we were laughing so much.

Then on to the hospitality room. I prefer having it in one wide area because you could talk to everyone without hoping you "run into" them at the next hospitality room. Thank you to all those that took a pie in the face for LCIF and the donations on the squares for a chance to get a Melvin Jones Fellowship. It really is a good 99% discount.

The business meetings were informative and there is a need for the message to get down to the other 8000 members in our Multiple District.

Now we really need to start planning for the next Lion year. July 1 is just around the corner. If your elections are uncontested the secretaries need to get the officers in LCI now. Do not forget that if you did not choose an LCIF Club Coordinator, the previous president will also take on that role. List them as well. Incoming District Governors have given their Zone Chairs the task of verifying their zone presidents correct spelling of names, correct addresses, emails, and phone numbers. Along with their secretary's information and the times and locations of meeting places. Think of it this way, how are potential members to find clubs they want to belong to if they cannot find out when and where they meet? So, get this information to your Zone Chairs as soon as possible

Again, we have training sessions for ANYONE but especially for officers who are seasoned or new to help them learn their ever-changing role. In addition to the in person training, there are prerequisites that should be completed before your training. Dates, times, and locations will be listed in this newsletter.

I am looking forward to this coming year and hope you have ideas for spreading Lionism in your community. If you have fun projects along with fun Lions we will have no problem getting new members and keeping the members we already have in our clubs. Next District meeting is at the Roann Christian Church 240 E Allen St in beautiful Roann, IN. Let's have some fun!

Lion Jackie Kurley, District Governor Elect

## A Message From 2nd Vice District Governor Steve Weld



Lions International developed the Global Membership Approach (GMA) to enhance the skills and create the capacity to grow at the Club and District levels. GMA has become a fundamental building block for Mission 1.5. The four-step process of the Global Membership Approach is specifically designed and intended to grow membership in Lions Clubs and Districts. So, if your Club wants to grow, and decides to give this approach a shot, here are the four steps to the process.

### **Step 1 • BUILD A TEAM**

In this first step, consider the skills, motivations, experience, networks connections, creativity, and other characteristics of the members of your Club.

With all these elements in mind, start building a team of workers who can take on the challenges of growing your Club, and invite your team to commit a portion of their precious time and attention to this important work.

Effective teamwork is powerful and can be tremendously rewarding. However, it can be very difficult to actually do, so building a team that can work well together is an important foundation for taking on the work ahead.

Consider also if there are Lions outside your Club -- in your Zone, District, or elsewhere -- who may be available to serve as resource, or provide assistance and advice. Consider, also, if there are non-Lions in your community who are already connected with your Club somehow which may offer local insight, resources, or support.

### **Step 2 - BUILD A VISION**

Your team can now conduct an analysis of your community and develop goals to best serve its needs. Tools like the Club and Community Needs Assessment and SWOT (Strengths Weaknesses Opportunities Threats) analysis can be very useful for understanding what your Club offers and where your Club fits within your community. Understanding these things enables building an honest and accurate vision for where your Club is going, what you can offer new members, and where your Club can focus your efforts to grow and serve your community.

### **Step 3 • BUILD A PLAN**

Now your team can use the vision you built to guide you in building a detailed series of coordinated tasks to move the Club from where you are at to where you want to be, using the resources you have (or will have) available.

### **Step 4 • BUILD SUCCESS**

Next, your team, with a vision for where it wants to go and a plan to on how to get there, needs to implement the plan, translating all your hard work in preparation into a reality benefiting your community and your Club. A famous military saying is, "No plan survives first contact with the enemy." This experience requires the team to stay engaged and focused on its goals, adjusting and adapting the plan to overcome obstacles and seize unexpected opportunities. As your team carries out your plan, make sure you capture lessons learned and observations for improving the prospects of success for future teams, and celebrate the many successes you will have along the way simply for having worked together as a team.

Would you like to know more? Check out the Global Membership Approach page on the Lions Club website, <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/global-membership-approach>.

Lion Steve Weld, 1st Vice District Governor Elect

## We Need Your Help to Fill District Positions

Lions of District 25-G:

Please let me know if you have an interest in becoming more active in your district.

There are a lot of committees that fuel the passion of specific causes that we focus on as a Multiple District. We are looking for representation of our district in those conversations. We have all the tools you need to be successful in your role. We have a Global Leadership chairperson that is anxious to expand anyone's knowledge in any of those multitude of positions we have in the district. We also have plenty of Past District Governors that yearn to share their knowledge of these areas and will even be your partners in those causes. Even if you are just curious about what these committees do, we would like to know your interest.

Let us keep 25-G "Quite possibly the best Lions District on Earth"! I look forward to hearing from all of you.

Lion Jackie Kurley, District Governor Elect

## Celebrating 369 Years of Service

District 25-G recognizes Lions Clubs chartered during the month of May. These clubs have been serving their local communities for a total of 369 years. Each has impacted its local community in its own unique way, and has supported district, state, and international projects. Each is an example of DG Warren Allender's theme - "Cooking Up Service - Back to the Basics" and IP Fabricio Oliveira's theme - "Make Your Mark".

**Congratulations on your years of service and leaving your mark on your community and beyond!**

CLUB NAME	CHARTER DATE	YEARS OF SERVICE
Converse	May 3, 1929	96
New Carlisle	May 19, 1939	86
Syracuse	May 3, 1950	75
Laketon	May 11, 1951	74
Denver Community	May 6, 1987	38





## A Message From District Cabinet Secretary Lion Kim Polk



### **Better Together: Teaming Up to Make a Bigger Difference**

As a Lion, I've seen firsthand how much we can accomplish—but I've also learned that when we work with other groups in our community, we can make an even bigger impact. Partnering with local clubs, businesses, or community leaders not only helps reach more people—it strengthens our work and shows what service is really all about.

Recently, my club had the opportunity to work with the LaFontaine/Liberty Township History Club on a special dinner honoring our local veterans. It wasn't just a meal—it was a meaningful evening filled with gratitude, stories, and a true sense of community. It was wonderful to see people engaging and connecting with one another.

We are also working with the LaFontaine Community Alliance to help promote our town and all the things that make it special. It shouldn't be about who gets credit—it's about coming together, pitching in, and doing what's right for LaFontaine. That's the heart of service.

These kinds of partnerships don't just benefit the people we serve—they help our clubs grow in meaningful ways. When others in the community see Lions actively working alongside history clubs, community alliances, churches, or local businesses, it sends a clear message: we're here to build something bigger than ourselves. That kind of spirit is contagious. It sparks curiosity, opens up conversations, and often inspires others to step forward and ask, "How can I be part of this?"

Every handshake, every shared project, every moment spent working together plants a seed. And those seeds can grow into new friendships, new members, and new opportunities to serve.

So, keep looking for ways to collaborate—reach out, make the call, join forces. I've seen firsthand how powerful it can be. When we serve together, we truly shine brighter—not just as Lions, but as a community.

As the Lions year comes to a close, make sure that you have held your officer elections and updated the information on MyLCI. If you need help or have questions, please contact me at [kkpolk61@gmail.com](mailto:kkpolk61@gmail.com).

Lion Kim Polk, Cabinet Secretary, District 25-G

## A Message From District Cabinet Treasurer PDG Ron Guth



Hello to all and it is a great day to be a LION!

This month I will comment on the importance of getting your 2025-2026 new officer information entered on the portal. Also, letting DGE Jackie Kurley and CS Lion Kim Polk know who the President and Secretary are and if all their information is correct for the directory and LCI portal. As for myself I would appreciate knowing who your treasurer is for the 2025-2026 year and any contact information changes.

All officers should have an email address listed. If they don't have an email address, they can't login to the portal and will not get critical information sent to them via LCI or our district 25-G.

All of this is important but doubly so for the club treasurer position because of this statement from LCI that was sent to Lion Bob Yunker who is our Indiana MD 25 state controller.

*Dear Lion Robert*

*Thank you for your email. **Please note ALL payments are due upon receipt.***

*The clubs are normally given 30-day grace period to pay.*

***Please note that LCI will no longer be sending out statements as of July 15, 2025.***

***Treasurers will have access to statements through the Portal moving forward.***

Ok, what does this mean? Effective 7/15/25 statements will no longer be mailed to the club treasurer. It is imperative that you have the treasurer position entered on the portal and that the email address for the treasurer is accurate and will be checked often. So, what do you do if your treasurer does not have an email address or is not comfortable or willing to use the portal? The best option is to find a club member who is willing to be the treasurer and has the ability to use the portal to make payment online via the club PayPal account or direct withdrawal from your club checking account. Another option is to create an email address for the treasurer that will be checked by another officer in the club that can download the statement, print it and give it to the treasurer to generate a check and mail to LCI. **Do not enter a treasurer into the portal without a valid email address!**

I know that I'm being direct here, but times are changing and much of what was done in paper is now done electronically. I need to change as well and my goal is to have the option for you to pay the district for dues, meal payments etc. other than by check. Nothing is in place yet but will keep you informed of my progress to that end.

I've included a page from LCI on payment instructions and as always please contact me if you have any questions on the portal for access to statements/payments.

We Serve,

CT PDG Ron Guth

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## **LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR UNITED STATES CLUBS**

### **I. Online Payment Options**

Club Treasurers can visit the **Lion Portal** on the Lions International website. After logging onto the **Lion Portal**, choose **My Club**, **Club Statements** and select either **'Pay with PayPal'** or **'Pay Now.'**

### **II. CHECK PAYMENTS, VIA MAIL:**

You may pay the balance of your account with a US dollar draft drawn on a United States bank or branch. Please mail your check directly to the Association's Lockbox:

**THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS  
35842 EAGLE WAY  
CHICAGO, IL 60678-1358**

Please allow a sufficient amount of time for the check to be received and processed to your account. Please include the top portion of your statement with your check or write the complete club name and club number on the front of your check. If we cannot identify a payment, there will be a delay in posting the payment to the correct account.

NOTE: Please do not mail your checks to Oak Brook.

### **III. Please contact the Accounts Receivable & Club Account Services Department with any questions.**

E-mail: [accountsreceivable@lionsclubs.org](mailto:accountsreceivable@lionsclubs.org)

Phone: 1-630-203-3810

Fax: 1-630-571-1683

Web: [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)

### **IV. Correspondence only should be sent to the address below**

Lions Club International  
300 W. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Oak Brook, IL 60523

**\*\*Please note: Donations by check** intended for **Lions Clubs International Foundation** should be mailed to: Lions Clubs International Foundation, Department 4547, Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547 USA.

For LCIF donation options please visit [lionsclubs.org/Donate](http://lionsclubs.org/Donate) or make an online donation at [lionsclubs.org/Donate](http://lionsclubs.org/Donate)



## Global Leadership Team

### Now What Am I Supposed To Do?



Too long ago, District Governor Elect Jackie Kurley asked me to send out brief job descriptions of what Club officers do, geared for incoming Club officers. Now, as Club elections are being held and new officers selected and inducted, this seems like a good time for these thumbnail sketches. All the officers named below are members of the Club's Board of Directors without actually being named Directors, just with more specific duties.

Directors serve to help formulate and carry out the goals and policies of the Club, faithfully attending meetings, especially caring for the financial health of the Club, and assisting the other officers as requested.

Lion Tamers keep track of Club property and records, make sure the meeting space is ready for each meeting, and make sure that there is space for all attendees, particularly new or prospective

members. By doing so, the Lion Tamers help serve a membership growth function of the Club.

Tail Twisters encourage fellowship, enthusiasm, and goodwill during Club meetings using humor and good sportsmanship. They also work to make everyone feel welcome, all the while collecting small "fines" for sundry offenses in the name of fun. This also serves as a membership growth function of the Club.

Membership Committee Chair is a critical office for the Club by helping to develop growth programs as approved by the Board of Directors, encouraging members to bring qualified and quality new members in to the Club. The Chair also helps to orient and welcome these new members. On the other hand, the Chair works to minimize the loss of Club members.

The Treasurer serves as the custodian of all Club funds, depositing all monies received and disbursing funds only as directed by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer is responsible for keeping itemized financial records for historical and budgetary purposes and issuing financial statements as requested.

The Secretary has perhaps one of the most important positions in the Club. The Club's success depends largely on the efficiency of the Secretary in maintaining records, serving as liaison between the Club and the District, the District Governor, the Zone, and Lions International, particularly by making sure the Club is in compliance with the District and Lions International by submitting reports quickly and correctly.

The Vice Presidents serve to assist the Club President as well as to prepare themselves to act as Club President when their turn comes. While in some Clubs, the position is largely honorary, each Vice President is a student of the workings of the Club so that when their year does come, they can step into the role seamlessly.

The Club President acts as the "face" of the Club by serving as its chief executive officer and presider at Club meetings. The President sees that committee chairs perform their duties in pursuit of the Club's goals. The President does not act as a dictator but as directed by the Board of Directors to pursue the best ways to exemplify "We Serve" in the community.

Other Club officers are the Lions Clubs International Foundation Coordinator, a Service Activities Coordinator, and a Communications Coordinator.

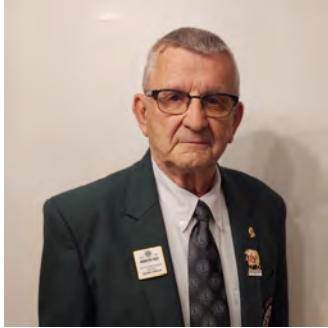
There are jobs in any Club for Lions seeking to better the Club, themselves, and the service they provide. All you need to do is ask how you can serve and propose your ideas. You can find out more about each office by attending the officers training sessions offered annually. This year, our District will offer three sessions: the first following the District Meeting on Saturday, May 17th, in the Roann Christian Church, in Roann; the second will be in the Atwood Civic Center, in Atwood, on Wednesday evening, May 28th, at 6:30 p.m.; and the third will be at the Jamestown United Methodist Church, in Jamestown, on Wednesday evening, June 11th, at 6:30 p.m. No pre-registration is needed. The second way to find out more is to visit the Lions International website through the Lions Learning Center. If you need instructions, contact your Club officers. As always, you are invited to attend Zone Meetings, and if you are too shy to ask your questions there, contact any District officer.

Clubs are always seeking enthusiastic, qualified officers. Which position will you pick?

PCC Dave Eisen, Global Leadership Team Coordinator

## Global Membership & Extension Team

### MISSION 1.5 \* We are on a Mission to Grow



#### Lions of District 25-G: Are you challenged in being a Lion Member?

Here are some of the clubs that have taken on the challenge of the 1.5 Mission to grow:

- ★ Akron Lions Club has inducted 11 new members,
- ★ Peru Lions Club inducted 10 new members, and
- ★ New Paris Lions Club inducted 8 new members.

Great work!! Are there other clubs ready to step up?

As always, THANK YOU FOR BEING A LION! Your efforts in your club and in your community are appreciated and you are helping to change the world for the better.

WE SERVE

PDG Marlyn Fast, Global Membership & Global Extension Coordinator

## Here We Grow Again

Since the start of the current Lions year, 24 district clubs have welcomed 76 new Lions to the largest and greatest volunteer service organization in the world. We welcome these new Lions and thank their sponsors for offering them the opportunity to make a difference in their communities and the world.

The following new Lions were not previously reported in the district newsletter.

#### Lydick Lions Club

New Member: Lion Marcia Labelle  
Sponsor: Lion Elaine Gaulin  
New Member: Lion Cathy Rieder  
Sponsor: Lion Elaine Gaulin

#### Mexico Lions Club

New Member: Lion Joe Grant  
Sponsor: Lion Dolores Greer  
New Member: Lion Debbie Moore  
Sponsor: Lion Marvin Reed

#### Milford Lions Club

New Member: Lion William Weaver  
Sponsor: Lion Gervas Schafer

#### New Paris Lions Club

New Member: Lion Donn Neff  
Sponsor: Lion David Neff  
New Member: Lion Thomas Rondo  
Sponsor: Lion Larry Solyom



## Global Service Team

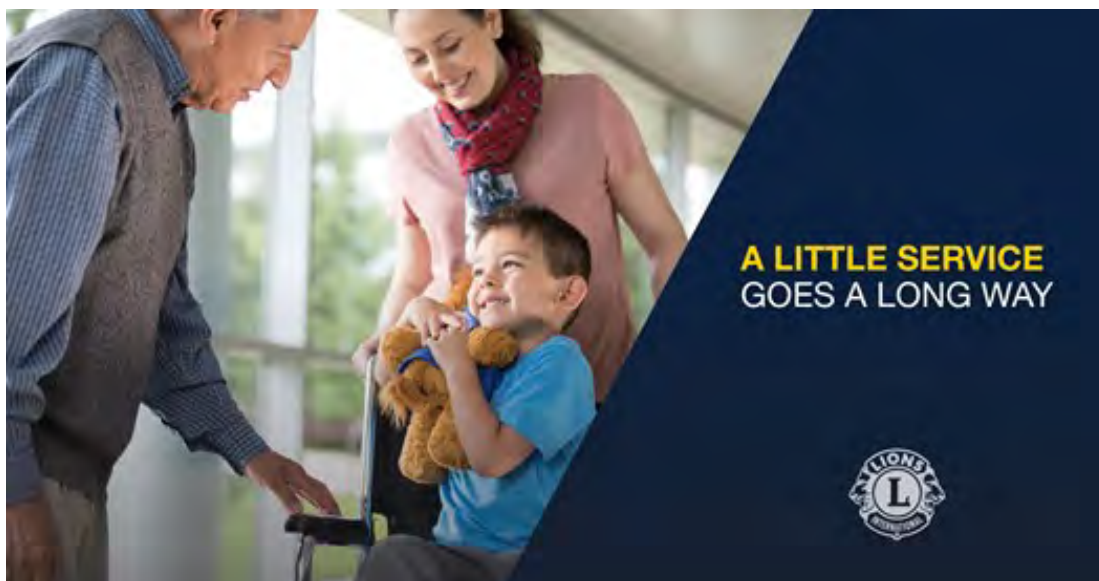


Here we go, it's that time of the month for our updated information on how we are doing with our Service Projects. Many clubs still have not added information to their Service Activities in the Lion Portal. I would like to see if we can help you get your Club updated. Documented club achievements reveal what's working and what's not. For example, what if your diabetes education program is growing in attendance, but your annual club fundraiser is shrinking? Reviewing past service reports helps your club make better decisions, including choosing service activities and setting realistic goals.

Details give stories power. Saying you fed 87 families is more powerful than saying you organized a food drive. Saying your club contributed 1,265 volunteer hours last year is more powerful than saying your club serves the community. When your club reports service, you collect the details needed to share powerful stories of your club's impact. I know many clubs that provide information like packing meals from Cultivate Food Rescue with over 10,026,800 Pounds of Food Rescued, 78,659 Hours Volunteered, and 1,728,786 Meals Distributed. This is just some information to help you with how our Service data works.

This gives us the ability to communicate how We Serve around the world! We take pride in that achievement, thanks to the leaders who reported over 1 million service activities. Through our service reporting, your club joins in with pride and is eligible for service awards. Lions International service hours are important because they demonstrate the impact of club activities, inspire more service, and provide valuable insights for donors and partners. By tracking service hours, Lions Clubs International can demonstrate the value of their work, build community engagement, and attract new members.

PDG Mary Klempay, Global Service Team Coordinator  
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## LCIF Coordinators Update

What a convention for LCIF! I am so proud to be a member of District 25-G Lions! We certainly proved we are "Quite possibly the greatest Lions District on Earth!". We proved our dedication through all the challenging work that was done to make this a successful State Convention. All the totals are not in, but once again, more people came to this District's State Convention than had come to any convention for a long time.

Our Area includes Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, and LCIF continues to give out grants with the funds collected throughout the years. I am sure you have seen all the flooding and disasters right here in our own state and in our country. That is where your money goes. 100% of those donations go towards global causes, and several dollars have been coming to our area to help. Did you know that as a country, we receive more than we give?

So, NOW is the time to turn in those donations from "Change for Change". We only have until June 13th to turn our money in to get credit for this Lions' year. Also, how close are you to getting a Melvin Jones Fellowship? That little extra cash could push you right over the top. How about doing a recurring donation? For the price of a couple of cups of coffee a week, you could have a Melvin Jones Fellowship or a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship each year. Seriously, for less than \$20 a week, either taken out of your checking account, or why not get points and charge it to your credit card, you could say you are helping all over the world. Not to mention the swag you could get!

Secretaries and Presidents, this is for you: Get your Club's LCIF Coordinator in the system, just like you are supposed to do for every officer. We are holding District Officer training and LCIF is one of those training courses. In fact, I know who is giving the class. The job is not difficult, all we are looking for is a contact person by which we can filter down information. Remember, if your club does not elect a club coordinator for the position, the previous year's president gets the title.

Were you aware we were going to throw whipped cream pies in the faces of important people for a donation? Dunlap Lions put out a challenge to see who could raise the most during the convention for LCIF. Did you know about that? Also, time is running out on getting your LCIF presidential supporter pin for this year. International President Fabricio Oliveira can only be president once, so it is a collector's item. A fifty-dollar donation will get you a bronze pin, a one hundred dollar one will get you a silver pin, and two hundred dollars or more will get you a gold pin, but only while supplies last.

I want to thank every individual that donated, that counted as a club donation. I want to thank every club president that donated, that counted as a club donation. I want to thank every treasurer that told the president and the board to make a donation, that counted as a club donation. I encourage every single member to give just one dollar and make your heart swell with pride as an LCIF donor.

DGE Jackie

## News from Around the District

### PDG Ann Haffner Receives Indiana Distinguished Lion Award



Past District Governor (PDG) Ann Haffner of the Syracuse Lions Club in District 25 -G was the recipient of the Indiana Distinguished Lion Award for 2024-2025. She was one of 12 nominees from throughout the state of Indiana.

The Indiana Distinguished Lion Award is presented annually by the Indiana Lions Foundation at the Indiana Lions State Convention. A nominee must be a Lion in good standing in a Lions Club in Indiana, and must have been a Lion for at least 25 years.

PDG Ann joined the Syracuse Lions Club in 1998, when her late husband, PDG Charlie, was District Governor. She has served in several positions at the Club, District, and Multiple District levels, including Club President, Club Secretary, Zone Chair, District Cabinet Secretary, District Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer, Vice District Governor, and District Governor. At the District level, PDG Ann has also served as Peace Poster Chairperson, Parliamentarian, Membership Chairperson, Constitution Chairperson, and MyLCI Administrator. She also served as the Constitution Chairperson for Multiple District 25 (Indiana).

PDG Ann served as a district trustee for the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, and as a member of the Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference Committee.

PDG Ann has been a presenter at the Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference, the Tennessee Lions Learning Retreat, and the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. She served on the MD-25 Leadership Faculty, participating in VDG training, ZC/RC training, and the MD-25 Leadership Workshop.

PDG Ann has participated in 4 Lions eyeglass missions to Mexico and 1 to Romania.

PDG Ann assisted in the formation of 5 new Lions Clubs in District 25-G during the 1998-1999 Lions year.

PDG Ann is a graduate of the Indiana Lions Leadership Workshop, the Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute, the LCI Senior Leadership Institute, and the LCI Faculty Development Institute. She has attended 24 District Conventions, 21 State Conventions, 15 International Conventions, and 20 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forums.

PDG Ann is a Melvin Jones Fellow and a Progressive W.P. Woods Fellow.

In recognition of her service at the Club, District, and Multiple District levels, PDG Ann has been the recipient of a 100% District Governors Award, several International President's Certificates of Appreciation, 2 International Leadership Medals, and 2 International President's Medals.

In addition to her service in Lions Clubs, PDG Ann has been active in her community and church, serving as an officer and/or board member of several community organizations, a member of her Parish Council, a Sunday School teacher, and a Lector and Eucharist minister in her church.

PDG Ann is a retired elementary school teacher, and her late husband, PDG Charlie, was also a retired educator.

PDG Ann and PDG Charlie were married for 63 years. They have 3 children, 5 grandchildren, 3 step-grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren.

PDG Ann is a graduate of Kendallville High School, Indiana University (BS, Elementary Education), and St. Francis University (MS, Elementary Education).

We congratulate PDG Ann for this richly-deserved award, and thank her for her many years of selfless service to her Lions Club and her community.



## News from Around the District

### Indiana Lions Dedicate Historic Marker to Honor PIP Wayne Madden

On Friday, April 25th, the Lions of Indiana held a special dedication in memory of Past International President Wayne Madden. This plaque was unveiled in Rieke Park, in Auburn, Indiana, next to the playground that Lion Wayne spearheaded the design, fundraising, and construction. Past International President Jimmy Ross, Texas, shared kind words of his time working with Lions Wayne and Linda, and their dedication to the Lions "In a World of Service".

*(Photos by PCC Reed Fish & PCC Lee Flower; text based on Indiana Lions Facebook post)*



### Dunlap Lions Club & District 25-G Lions Host Indiana Lions State Convention

The Dunlap Lions Club and District 25-G Lions hosted the 2025 Indiana Lions State Convention at the Farmstead Inn and Conference Center in Shipshewana, Indiana, April 25-27, 2025, with 382 Lions, Leos, and guests in attendance. Past International President Jimmy Ross of Texas was the keynote speaker for the All-State Banquet on Saturday evening.

On Friday evening, attendees enjoyed an Amish haystack dinner prepared and served by members of the Dunlap Lions Club, then attended the first business session. Other business sessions were held on Saturday morning and Sunday morning.

On Saturday, WNDU weatherman and poet Gary Sieber was the speaker at the awards luncheon, and PIP Jimmy Ross was the speaker at the All-State Banquet.

PDG Ann Haffner of the Syracuse Lions Club was named the Indiana Distinguished Lion by the Indiana Lions Foundation, Lion Wendy Yuhasz of the Lydick Lions Club received an International President's Medal, and Lion Jim Tibbs of the Lakeville Lions Club received an International Leadership Medal. Several Lions from District 25-G were among those "branded" by PIP Jimmy Ross.

On Sunday morning, we honored the memory of those Lions who had completed their service in the past year in a memorial service led by PDG Kathy Lozier of the Carmel Lions Club in District 25-D. Lion Beth Guth of the Peru Lions Club also had a role in the memorial service.

At the awards session on Sunday morning, PDG Marlyn Fast and PDG Brian Thomas were recognized for their service as co-chairs of the convention organizing committee. At the business session on Sunday morning, DG Warren Allender received an award from the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana (CCF) for his support of this state project by encouraging Lions Clubs in District 25-G to raise funds for the CCF "Riley Challenge".

At the Council Meeting following the close of the convention, DG David "Rocky" Simpson of the Greentown Lions Club in District 25-D was elected Council Chair for the 2025-2026 Lions year.

## News from Around the District

### Photos of District 25-G Lions at the 2025 Indiana Lions State Convention



Above, left: The "Merlot" DGE's of MD-25 at the Amish dinner on Thursday evening, sponsored by Vision First—Indiana Lions Eye Bank.



Above, center: Lion Doris Yoder (right), President of the Syracuse Lions Club, accepted the Indiana Distinguished Lion Award on behalf of PDG Ann Haffner, who was not present at the convention. The award was presented by Indiana Lions Foundation President PDG Kathy Lozier.



Above, right: Lion Larry Ort (far right), Past President of the Lakeville Lions Club, was one of twelve nominees from throughout the state of Indiana for the Indiana Distinguished Lion Award. Some nominees were not present.



Above, left: Lion Wendy Yuhasz of the Lydick Lions Club was the recipient of an International President's Medal.

Above, right: Lion Jim Tibbs of the Lakeville Lions Club was the recipient of an International Leadership Medal.



Above, left: Lion Marlin Culp (Elkhart Lions Club) received a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Above, center: Lion Kori Fortunato (Dunlap Lions Club) received a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship pin.

Above, right: Lion Rosemary Miller (Dunlap Lions Club) received a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship pin.



Above (left to right): Lion Beth Guth (Peru Lions Club), PDG Brian Thomas (Elkhart Lions Club), and PDG Marlyn Fast (Dunlap Lions Club) were among those who were "branded" by PIP Jimmy Ross.



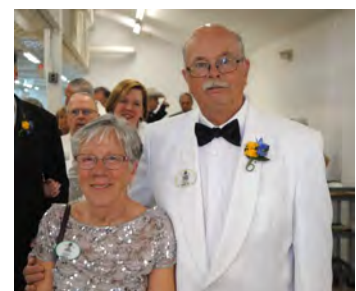
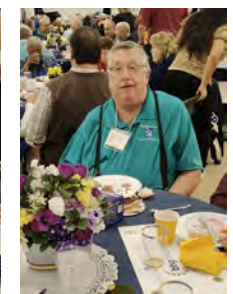
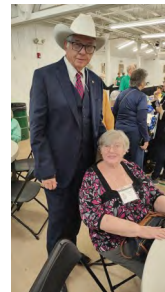
## News from Around the District

### Photos of District 25-G Lions at the 2025 Indiana Lions State Convention



Above, left: Trustees of the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc. (CCF) displayed a \$50,000 check for the Riley Children's Foundation. In the past two years, the Lions of Indiana have donated \$150,000 that will be matched by the Walther Cancer Foundation, and we are committed to raise another \$50,000 by June 30, 2027.

Above, center: DG Warren Allender was the recipient of a special award from the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc. (CCF) in recognition of his efforts to encourage clubs in District 25-G to raise funds for the CCF "Riley Challenge".





## News from Around the District

### LaFontaine Lions Collaborate to Honor Area Veterans

LaFontaine Lions and the LaFontaine/Liberty Township History Club honored local Veterans on March 26<sup>th</sup> with a meal and time to visit, share stories and visit the LaFontaine Museum Room which had a special display honoring local veterans. The groups plan to make this an annual event. LaFontaine Lions host the local Veterans group monthly, April – December by providing coffee and a place for them to meet. LaFontaine Lions donated space for the Veteran's Memorial in 2015.



*(Submitted by Lion Kim Polk, LaFontaine Lions Club)*

### Lydick Lions Set Personal Record Packaging Meals at Cultivate Food Rescue

WE DID IT!! Our club along with our friends from B & B Molders in Mishawaka hit a new **personal** record of packaging 2,081 meals in one night at Cultivate Food Rescue!!! WooHoo!!! We were rolling those trays of carrots, corn, and a protein down the assembly line like they were on fire! Congratulations Lions Lori & Bernie Ferro, Grace Downey, Stephanie Szczepankiewicz, Cindy Finney, Howard Morse, Jim Day, Elaine Gaulin, Leroy Wise, Marcia LaBelle, Karen Trzaskowski, and our mascot Leo on a job well done!

*(Submitted by Lion Lori Ferro, Lydick Lions Club)*



### Lydick Lions Help Lydick UMC Fill Easter Eggs



After their April meeting the Lydick Lion members helped Lydick United Methodist Church fill eggs for their Easter egg hunt. Great teamwork!

*(Submitted by Lion Lori Ferro, Lydick Lions Club)*

## News from Around the District

### Lydick Lions Club President Receives Melvin Jones Fellowship at District Convention

On March 8th, our President, Lion Wendy Yuhasz received a Melvin Jones Fellowship at the District 25-G convention. The Melvin Jones Fellowship is named for the Founder of Lions Club International. It represents a commitment to humanitarian service to the highest degree. Congratulations Wendy, our club is very proud of you!!



Pictured here (l. to r.) Lion Duane Griner (Lake City Lions Club), PDG Ron Guth, PDG Tom Polk, Wendy Yuhasz, ID Maria Cuning, and PID Nick Xinopoulos.

*(Submitted by Lion Lori Ferro, Lydick Lions Club)*

### Mexico Lions Hold Record-Setting Fish & Tenderloin Dinner

The Mexico Lions Club held a fish and tenderloin dinner at the Mexico Community Center on Thursday, April 10th, with a record-setting 631 attendees, including 611 adults and 20 children.

The club extends its sincere thanks to co-chairpersons Lion Andy Whitaker and Lion Chad Chamness, to the volunteers involved in ticket sales, promotion, event setup, food preparation, and other activities required for this event, and to the community members who purchased tickets and made this event successful.

Most importantly, we want to thank GOD for making this all possible. For with HIM, nothing is impossible!

*(Submitted by Mexico Lions Club)*





## News From Around the District

### Milford Lions Keep Busy & Welcome New Member

The Milford Lions have been doing a lot of fundraising for our annual Milford Lions Festival which will be held on Saturday, May 24, 2025 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. in downtown Milford Indiana. This is a free carnival for families in our community. The Milford Lions Club is recognized for hosting this event.

The Milford Lions Club hosted two fish fry fundraisers with Harry's Pub in downtown Milford with a portion of the proceeds going towards our Milford Lions Festival. We had outstanding gun raffles. The donut fundraiser held in March brought the town in for donut pick up from Rise n Roll Bakery.

Lion Dr. Bruce Lamb headed up the Lions Club highway clean up on April 17th with Milford Lions Club members and a local 4-h Club, as well.

DG Warren Allender challenged us to bring in 10 new members this year. We are working hard to meet that challenge, and are halfway there with 5 new members.

Milford Lions Club took on the responsibility for the Milford Community Food Locker in September 2024. We have had a wonderful response along with compliments and interaction from the community and the club, as it is well managed by the Milford Lions Club.

Milford Lions Club is always busy serving in many areas, including Operation KidSight. On March 19th, we screened 105 3rd graders and a few kindergarten children at Milford Elementary School. This is a yearly service that the Milford Lions Club provides along with the school nurse. Lion Dr. Gerv Schafer and Lion President Lisa Enszt participated with great success.

Lion President Lisa Enszt is so proud of her club and all the great accomplishments in the soon to be 81 years as a Lions Club.



Left: Our new member Lion Steve Bartels was sponsored by Lion Dr. Gerv. Schafer.

Right: Lion Lisa Enszt and Lion Dr. Gerv Schafer performed vision screening at Milford Elementary School for 105 3rd grade students and several kindergarten students.



*(Submitted by Lion Lisa Enszt, Milford Lions Club)*

### Roann Covered Bridge Lions Club Holds Easter Egg Hunt



What do you do while waiting for the egg hunt in the rain? Find a puddle.

The Lions Club sponsored the annual Easter egg hunt in Roann on Saturday morning, April 19th. It was a rainy morning, but 30 children showed up with umbrellas and boots to hunt for eggs. Those who found a numbered egg received a prize, and there was a cash prize for the golden egg. There were four age groups. Each year a special lady, Janet Shoue, makes huge monster cookies for each child. We would like to thank Carol Long and LuAnn Layman for organizing the egg hunt each year.

*(Submitted by Lion Donna Harman, Roann Covered Bridge Lions Club)*

## News from Around the District

### Roann Lions Club Serve Concessions at RC Races, Coffee & Donuts at Raber's Store



The Roann Covered Bridge Lions Club served concessions for the last trophy race for the season at the RC Brickhouse Raceway in Roann. For the last race some of the cars raced with little trailers behind the cars. As you can see, they had some big trophies. Racing will begin again in October of this year.

On Saturday, April 26th. the Lions Club made their famous donuts, and served coffee and apple cider at the customer appreciation day at Raber's County Store.

*(Submitted by Lion Donna Harman, Roann Covered Bridge Lions Club)*

### Rochester Lions Club Honors Lion Dale Landis with Melvin Jones Fellowship



DG Warren Allender presents a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Dale Landis.

The Rochester Lions Club recently presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Dale Landis.

This Fellowship honors a Lion who has a heart filled with generosity, compassion and has concern for the less fortunate. Lion Landis is instrumental with being a prime force with annually conducting the Kids Vision eye checkups for preschool students usually serving over 300 students.

Dale was born and raised in Peru, Indiana. He and his wife Linn have been married for going on 58 years (this year). They have two sons, Lee and Mark, and have two grandchildren, Kennedy and Erin.

Lion Dale attended Indiana University on an Air Force ROTC scholarship. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees. Lion Dale served this Great Country for 29 years in the Air Force and retired as a Colonel. Dale taught history at both public schools and universities. Lion Dale's committed service and heart are proven not only by his 50 years as a Lion, but also through his dedication with other remarkable commitments as a Boy Scout leader, football coach, basketball coach, Church leader, Sunday school teacher, Board Member of the Fulton County Foundation and even put on the old Santa suit to bring beautiful memories to local youth.

Even though Melvin Jones died in 1961, his memory lives on through the fellowship with honoring Lions Club Members who embody the traits of commitment to generosity, compassion, and caring for those who are less fortunate just as Lion Dale Landis has and continues to do.

*(Submitted by Lion Jeri Good, Rochester Lions Club)*

## News from Around the District

### Urbana Lions Accept School Donation to Sponsor 2 Leader Dogs



Lion Michael Snell went to Sharp Creek School to meet with the 4th Grade Teachers Kelly Ross and Kim Baer along with the K-Kids. The K stand for Kiwanis. They gave me a check of substantial amount to sponsor two dogs. I want to thank them, plus the school for their participation in this venture. The Urbana Lions are going to add their sum of funds to the check and send it to the Leader Dog Foundation. The teachers, K-kids and the school will receive recognition for their efforts in raising the funds. They will also receive photos, names, and breed of dogs they will be sponsoring.

This Leader Dog program is for the blind and has been in service for over 85 years. This started around 1939 in Detroit, Michigan by a Lions Club. Urbana Lions are a sponsor of this program and have been for several years and will continue to do so. If you want to know more about becoming a sponsor, you can contact me at (260)774-3665. I will answer all. Help us continue to give the gift of independence to a blind person for years to come.

Pictured are Sharp Creek's 4th grade teacher Kim Baer, the K-kids, not in any order, Karmyn, Addi, Marshall, Tilly, Arie, Grant and 4th grade teacher Kelly Ross who presented me with a check for the Leader Dog Foundation.

*(Submitted by DG Warren Allender on behalf of Urbana Lions Club)*

## Random Thoughts From A Random Mind

I woke up one morning with an old song going through my head, over and over and over again.

*Make new friends,  
But keep the old.  
One is silver,  
The other is gold.*

The serenade continued as I shaved, showered, and dressed for work, and I began to think about the meaning of the words. One thought led to another and it occurred to me that the first two lines of the song – "Make new friends, but keep the old" – describe the life of our Lions Club, as we offer new members an opportunity to make a difference, while encouraging existing members to remain active and involved.

Family members are bound by blood; friends are bound by common interests and experiences. In Lionism, our common interest is, in the words of our founder, Melvin Jones, "the betterment of our local community and the world at large", and our common experiences are our clubs' service projects and fund-raisers. Individual differences which might, in other contexts, define the boundaries of our social circle, disappear in Lionism, where we find bankers and bus drivers, plumbers and poets, lawyers and laborers working side-by-side to help our neighbors around the corner and our neighbors around the globe meet the challenges which life throws at them.



**Saturday**  
**MAY 17**

Breakfast: 9-9:30  
Meeting: 9:30-Noon



Hosted by  
**Roann Covered Bridge Lions Club**

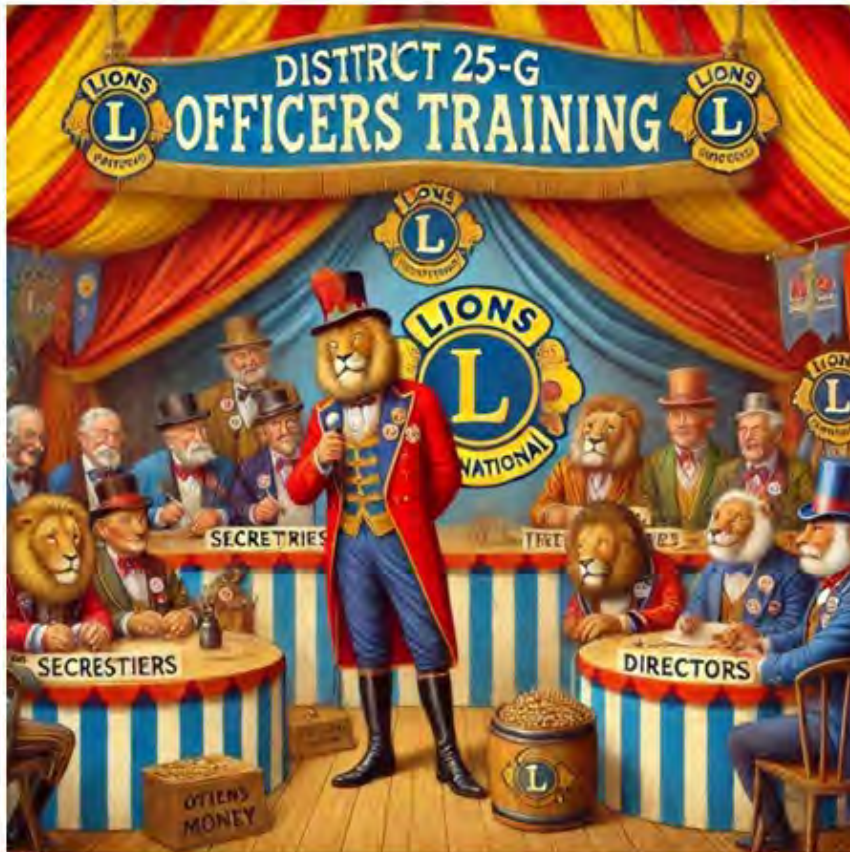
Roann Christian Church  
240 E. Allen St.  
Roann, IN 46974

\$8<sup>00</sup> Breakfast includes casseroles,  
biscuits and gravy, fruit, juice, coffee

**4<sup>th</sup>**

**District**  
**25-G**

**Meeting &**  
**Officers**  
**Training**



Don't miss DG Warren Allender's FINAL district meeting! This will be a special meeting (shortened as promised by DG Warren!) which will include a time for club officers training. Be sure to bring your new officers and help them get a 'jump start' when the new year begins. What happens if you have repeat officers? Be sure to bring them also to 'retune' their skills. Any current or new officers, as well as anyone interested in learning about what officer need to do in their positions are encouraged to attend.

**4th District Meeting Reservations**

Name _____	Club _____
Name _____	Club _____
Name _____	Club _____
Name _____	Club _____
Name _____	Club _____

Mail this reservation and your check payable to District 25-G to:

CT PDG Ron Guth  
2386 W. Broadway  
Bunker Hill, IN 46914  
765-460-7177 • guthron@comcast.net





# Lead the Pride- Serve with Strength

**LIONS CLUBS OFFICER  
TRAINING SESSION will  
help new and returning  
officers empower  
excellence in their  
respective clubs**

**Saturday, May 17**

**9:00 AM – Noon**

Hosted as part of the District Meeting in Roann,

Indiana. Officer training will begin at the conclusion of DG Warren Allender's district meeting.

See below for additional stand-alone training sessions.

## Calling All Lions Officers!

Get ready to lead with impact in the new Lions year! Whether you're a **first-time officer** or a **returning leader**, these officer training sessions are built to help you succeed.

### New Officers Will Learn:

Your role and expectations; Club operations and collaboration tips; How to lead with confidence from day one.

### Returning Officers Will Refresh:

Best practices for your role; Updates and new resources; Insights to level up your impact.

### Pre-Training Assignment – Recommended!

Before attending, go to [lionsclubs.org](https://lionsclubs.org) and complete the online learning path for your role:

Log into the **Member Portal**; Navigate to **Lions Learning Center**; Click on the **Content Library**; Select the **Learning Path** for your incoming officer role; Complete the modules **before whichever date you will be attending**.

### Additional Officer Training sessions

There will be two separate Officer Training sessions on **Wednesday, May 28** at the Atwood Civic Center in Atwood, and again on **Wednesday, June 11** at Jamestown United Methodist Church in Jamestown (Jintown). Both those sessions will begin at 6:30 pm.

**Be ready to connect, learn, and step into your role with confidence.**

**Questions?** Contact your Zone or District Leadership Team.



**Previews of Coming Attractions**



**Clay-Granger Lions Club  
Scout Troops 572, 3572 & Pack 572**



**Port-A-Pit Chicken & Pit-Tatoes**

**Saturday, May 10, 2025**

**10 AM to 2 PM**

**Pre-Sales Guaranteed Until 12:30 PM**

**Charlie's Express 66**

**215 W. Cleveland Road, Granger, Indiana**

**Chicken Half \$10    Pit-Tatoes \$5**

**Carry Out Only**



**Madison Township Lions Club**

**Pork Chop Sale**

**Saturday, May 17, 2025**

**11 AM to 2 PM**

**Madison Township Fire Station**

**66341 SR 331, Wyatt, Indiana**

**Pork Chops**

**\$8.00 each**

**10 or more \$7.50 each**

**Baked Beans with Pork \$3.00/pint**

**Carry Out Only**



## Indiana Lions State Projects & Foundation



## State Projects & Foundation Trustees

**Contact one of our district trustees to schedule a program for your club.**

### **Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc.**

Lion Beth Guth (Peru)	guthbeth@comcast.net	765-210-3318
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PDG Paul Russell (Lakeville)	pdgpaul25g@gmail.com	574-250-2621

### **Vision First Indiana Lions Eye Bank, Inc.**

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PDG Ron Guth (Peru)	guthron@comcast.net	765-460-7177
PDG Tom Polk (LaFontaine)	pdgtompolk@gmail.com	260-571-5123

### **Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, Inc.**

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2VDG Steve Weld (Dunlap)	smweld.af@gmail.com	574-742-1357
Lion Jerry Wright (Syracuse)	(no email address)	574-457-6811

### **Indiana Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Inc.**

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Lion Steve Page (Dunlap)	ndpage12@aol.com	574-226-8945

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PDG Brian Thomas (Elkhart)	brian10k@aol.com	574-596-7411

### **Indiana Lions Foundation**

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Lion Rose Russell (Lakeville)	RoseWRussell@gmail.com	574-250-0125

## Indiana Lions Foundation

Trustees of the Indiana Lions Foundation, Inc. met on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at the Lions of Indiana State Office Building and approved ten matching grants totaling \$9,385. In addition to these matching grants, an emergency disaster assistance grant was approved for District E in the amount of \$1,000 to assist with relief supplies for the tornado and flooding events in southeastern Indiana. Matching grants were approved for the following clubs:

- Camp Woodsmoke – Remodel camp infirmary addressing structural issues
- Centerville – Remodel outdated kitchen in the historic Mansion House
- Mexico – Replace outdated plumbing system in the community center
- Plainfield – Purchase a surgery light for the Hope Free Medical Clinic
- Riley Township – Erect marquee signs containing various community organization's signs destroyed by severe weather
- Peru – Purchase a PlusOptix® vision screening camera to be used in the club's reading action and vision screening program
- Noblesville – Purchase and plant trees in a greenspace area created as a result of a new White River bridge
- Griffith – Provide 'Blue Bags' containing sensory stimulation items that help to de-escalate Autistic and special needs patients during over-stimulation emergency situations.
- New Paris and Leesburg partnership – Purchase materials and assemble beds for needy families in their communities

The Trustees approved an increase in the club matching grant maximum to \$1,500 effective July 1, 2025.

Funding for matching grants is derived from Lions license plate sales, funds earned as a result of Lions working at the State Fair, sales of W. P. Woods Fellowships, and investment earnings on the Foundation's endowment.

Lions and your friends and family members are invited to access the Foundation website to select your shift for the 2025 State Fair running from August 1<sup>st</sup> through August 17<sup>th</sup>.

[Indiana State Fair Volunteer – Indiana Lions Foundation](#)





## District Governor's Calendar

May 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	<b>5 DG Visit Lapaz LC</b>	6	7	8	9	<b>10 Leader Dog Meet- ing</b>
11	12	13	14	15	16	<b>17 Cabinet Meeting— Roann CC</b>
18	<b>19 Leader Dog Pro- gram Baugo LC</b>	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	<b>28 Officers Training Atwood CC</b>	29	30	31



## District Governor's Calendar

June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	<b>2 DG Visit New Paris LC</b>	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	<b>11 Officers Training Jamestown UMC</b>	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	<b>19 DG Visit Dunlap LC</b>	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

### **District Global Action Team**

#### **Global Leadership Team (GLT)**

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### **Mark Your Calendar**

Sat, May 17, 2025 District Meeting & Club Officers Training  
Roann Christian Church, 4917 W 400 N, Wabash  
  
Wed, May 28, 2025 Club Officers Training  
Atwood Community Center, Atwood  
  
Wed, Jun 11, 2025 Club Officers Training  
Jamestown UMC, 59218 CR 3 South, Elkhart

### **Directory Updates**

p. 30 Lydick Lions Club  
Meeting location:  
Lydick United Methodist Church  
26510 Edison Rd.  
South Bend, IN 46628

