



# Lions Tales

**DISTRICT 25-G**

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## A Message from District Governor Jackie Kurley

### *Finishing Strong Together*

As we enter the final quarter of this Lions year, we find ourselves at a pivotal moment—a time to **finalize service projects, celebrate achievements, and prepare for leadership transitions**. These last few months are not just about wrapping things up, but about **finishing with purpose, pride, and impact**.



Our district has consistently shown an incredible commitment to serving our communities. Now is the time to **bring those remaining projects to completion** and ensure they are entered into the reporting portal. Let's make sure we receive the recognition our hard work deserves—because every act of service matters.

As you plan your final efforts, consider reaching across all of Lions Clubs International's focus areas. And don't forget—our third *required* service project for the **Club Excellence Award** takes place during **Earth Week (April 19–25)**. Even if your project is still in progress, you can enter it now as a reminder to complete the reporting later. Let's challenge ourselves: **can your club complete just one more service project than last year?**

This is also a perfect time to **share the joy of service**. Invite neighbors, friends, and community members to volunteer alongside you. Ask them what they care about—what energizes their soul—and show them how Lions can help bring those passions to life.

Equally important is taking care of one another. Reach out to a fellow Lion you haven't seen in a while. A simple message or call can mean more than you realize. Sometimes, knowing someone cares makes all the difference.

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

District Governor Jackie Kurley would like to attend one of your club meetings, share her vision for our district, and hear your concerns. Check her calendar in this newsletter, then give her a call at 219-689-8424, or send an email message to kurmon@comcast.net.

## A Message from District Governor Jackie Kurley

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As clubs hold elections, let's **celebrate those stepping into leadership roles**. Remember when you were new? Offer encouragement, guidance, and mentorship. Strong leaders don't just step up—they lift others along the way. Now is also the time to **set clear goals for the coming year**, giving your club direction and shared purpose.

Finally, let's not forget our opportunity to support **LCIF**. This is our last push of the year to contribute to life-changing humanitarian efforts both locally and globally. No gift is too small—**every dollar makes an impact**.

These final months are about more than finishing tasks—they are about **transforming hard work into lasting memories** and ensuring a smooth transition into the next Lions year.

As International President **AP Singh** reminds us: **"Lead to Serve and Serve to Lead."**

Let's finish strong, District 25-G—together.

Lion Jackie Kurley, District Governor  
"Energize Your Soul Through Service"

## Celebrating 278 Years of Service

District 25-G proudly honors the Lions Clubs that were chartered during the month of April. Collectively, these clubs have dedicated an impressive 278 years of service to their local communities. Each club has made a unique and lasting impact—supporting not only local initiatives but also district, state, and international projects.

Their enduring commitment to service exemplifies District Governor Jackie Kurley's theme: *"Energize Your Soul Through Service."* These clubs are living proof that when service is fueled by passion, it uplifts both the giver and the community.

CLUB NAME	CHARTER DATE	YEARS OF SERVICE
Culver	April 15, 1943	83
Urbana	April 15, 1952	74
Madison Township	April 8, 1958	68
Grass Creek	April 11, 1973	53
Fulton Liberty	April 23, 1999	27

## A Message From 1st Vice District Governor Steven Weld



Our district has a great reputation for our outstanding support of the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF), thanks both to the creative and enthusiastic promotion by our district LCIF coordinators, District Governor Jackie Kurley and Lion Sophie Long, and to the tremendous generosity of you, the Lions and the Clubs of District 25-G.

Even as you may recognize the many ways LCIF, "our foundation for service through grants and programs," serves communities across the nation and around the world, have you ever considered how an LCIF grant might be able to transform how your Lions Club can serve your own community? Maybe your club has been thinking about a project which could greatly benefit your community, if only you had more financial resources available. Grants are intended to provide the additional resources which may be needed to accomplish that larger effort, leveraging locally available funds for a significantly bigger impact.

LCIF grants are offered in a variety of flavors. All grants have a clear intent and requirement for using funds to meet humanitarian needs, with each having particular rules for how the funds can or cannot be used. Most have a requirement for matching funds, that is, some portion of the total project funds must come from the local club or other local sources.

Four categories of grants are directly tied to four of the Association's long-standing Global Causes: Vision, Diabetes, Hunger, and Childhood Cancer. Each of these grants enable local Lions Clubs to invest in solutions for local needs, ideally in partnership with other local organizations meeting those needs and serving the community.

A number of grants are available to address the Foundation's Global Cause of Disaster Relief. Beyond the large grants awarded by the international president and LCIF chair for Major Catastrophes, grants for emergency assistance, disaster preparedness and community recovery are available to local Clubs. Our fellow Lions in District 25-A just received such a grant to provide relief from tornado damage last month.

For the Global Cause of Youth, Leo Service Grants enable our Leos to assess, plan and implement their own service projects. Additionally, Lions Quest Grants aid the implementation and expansion of Lions Quest, our Association's premier social-emotional learning program for youth.

If a project to address local needs does not fit into one of the Global Causes aligned grant programs, then a Matching Grant may be more appropriate. Similar in structure and requirements as other grants, this can be used to provide equipment and construction for almost any humanitarian need.

Finally, District & Club Community Impact Grant (DCG) enables clubs to fund local projects with up to 15 percent of their previous unrestricted LCIF contributions. Unique among the grants, this one not only does not require local matching funds, but can be used as a local match for another LCIF grant.

Would you like to know more? Reach out to your club's LCIF coordinator, or check out the LCIF Grants Toolkit at <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lcif-grants-toolkit>.

Lion Steven Weld  
1st Vice District Governor / District Governor Elect

## A Message From 2nd Vice District Governor Jim Steen



### **Bridging the Gap: Strengthening Our District Through Our Zone Chairmen and a Call to Action!**

Fellow Lions of District 25G,

Communication is the lifeblood of any successful organization. As your Second Vice District Governor, I have been reflecting on how we can better support our clubs, share our successes, and stay aligned with our mission of service. To do this effectively, we must look to one of the most vital—yet often underutilized—roles in our district: the **Zone Chairperson**.

The Zone Chairperson is more than just a title; they are the primary link between your club and the District Governor Team. They are our "eyes and ears" on the ground, tasked with motivating, counseling, and ensuring every club has the resources it needs to thrive.

#### **Our Goal: A Two-Way Street of Communication**

For District 25G to reach its full potential, communication cannot just be top-down. We need a vibrant exchange of ideas. I am asking our Zone Chairmen to step up as proactive communicators, and I am asking our Club Presidents and Secretaries to welcome them as partners.

Through more effective use of our Zone Chairmen, we aim to:

- **Share Best Practices:** If one club in our zone has a stellar fundraiser or service project, every club should hear about it.
- **Identify Challenges Early:** Zone Chairs are here to help struggling clubs regain their footing before problems become insurmountable.
- **Streamline District Updates:** Instead of sifting through endless emails, your Zone Chair will provide concise, relevant updates tailored to your local needs.

#### **A Call to Action**

To my fellow Lions, I encourage you to actively engage with your Zone Chairperson. To our Zone Chairmen: you are the heartbeat of this district. Your leadership is what turns individual clubs into a unified force for good.

Let's commit to talking more, listening better, and serving stronger. Together, we can make District 25-G a model of connection and service.

#### **We Serve.**

Lion Jim Steen  
2nd Vice District Governor / 1st Vice District Governor Elect

## A Message From District Cabinet Secretary Lion Kim Polk

### Spring Clean-Up for Club Records



April is a time when many of us start thinking about spring cleaning. My granddaughter Matilyn found “dust bunnies” under a chair. She had to take a picture to show Grammy that they needed to be taken care of. Just like under my chair, it is great time for **club secretaries to do a little “spring clean-up” of club records.**

The club secretary plays an important role in keeping the history and records of the club. Meeting minutes, membership lists, officer reports, and important documents help tell the story of what the club has done and how it serves the community.

But over time, records can pile up. Files may become hard to find. Important information can get buried under older papers. Taking a little time each spring to review and organize records can make things much easier.

Start by gathering your club’s records. This might include meeting minutes, membership reports, financial reports, and important correspondence. Make sure these items are clearly labeled and stored where future club leaders can find them.

Next, look at how your records are organized. Are the files easy to locate? Are digital files stored in a clear folder system? If not, this is a good time to create a simple system so information can be found quickly when needed.

It is also helpful to make sure that key documents are saved in a place where future officers can access them. Clubs change leadership each year, and good records help new leaders understand what the club has been doing.

Finally, remember that good records protect the club. They provide a clear history of decisions, activities, and service projects. When records are organized, it helps the club operate smoothly and with confidence.

Spring cleaning does not have to take long. Even a small amount of time spent organizing records can make a big difference.

By keeping records clear and organized, club secretaries help ensure that the club’s story of service continues for years to come.

Thank you for the important work you do for your club and for Lions. Together, **We Serve.**

Remember to Energize Your Soul Through Service,  
Lion Kim Polk,

District 25-G Cabinet Secretary



## A Message From District Cabinet Treasurer PDG Ron Guth



Fellow Lions,

One of the best parts of serving as your Cabinet Treasurer is getting to see the incredible work happening across our district—and the exciting new service projects clubs are launching to meet needs in fresh, visible ways. When we invest our time and resources into meaningful service, we don't just help our communities; we also help our local clubs grow stronger, attract new members and build lasting partnerships.

As you plan upcoming projects, I encourage every club to think about service that is both **high-impact and highly visible**. Projects like community vision screenings, eyeglass collection and recycling drives, food pantry partnerships, school supply events, park cleanups, and diabetes awareness activities are powerful because they meet real needs—and they naturally create opportunities to tell the Lions story.

From a treasurer's perspective, here's the good news: well-planned service projects can also be financially smart. When a project is clear, organized and community-focused, it becomes easier to secure donations, sponsorships and in-kind support from local businesses. It also helps clubs build trust with community leaders—trust that can open doors for future projects and funding.

A few simple ideas to help your next project promote your club:

- **Invite the public to serve alongside you** (even for one day).
- **Partner with schools, libraries, and community groups** to expand your reach.
- **Use consistent Lions branding** on flyers, shirts and signage.
- **Take photos and share results** —who you served, what you accomplished, and why it matters.
- **Always include a clear invitation** : "Want to serve with us? Ask how to join!"

Every new project is a chance to show our communities what Lions do best: step up, work together, and deliver real results. Thank you for the care you put into serving—and for the responsible stewardship that keeps our clubs strong and ready for what's next.

**On a different subject, let me talk about expected changes in state dues for the next billing cycle on July 1<sup>st</sup>.**

There are no changes in LCI dues for the 2026-2027 year but we have several amendments that will be voted on during the Indiana Lions state convention in May that will likely cause an increase in our members' State/District dues billing in July.

The options are: No dues increase, \$1.00 annual increase, or \$3.00 annual increase. We will not know the outcome until the convention ends on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please consider this when sending out dues notice to your members.

We are Lions, and we Roar!

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## Global Leadership Team

### Hey! You Wanna Be A Lion?



About 13 years ago, Lions International published a booklet called "Just Ask: A New Member Recruiting Guide for Clubs" and started the "Just Ask" campaign that still lingers on today. The concept was simple: just ask community members to join your Club and then get prepared for an onslaught of new members. It was a well-considered and positive campaign.

The campaign is probably still working to some extent. Lions are still being encouraged to "Just Ask" although it now seems to be more of a desperate "just ask" as pressure mounts to form new Clubs to replace Clubs which have folded, or save those Clubs which are losing members faster than they gain them.

I just read an online article by Thomas MacEntee called "Your Genealogical Society Didn't Lose Members. You Ghosted Them First". Before you ignore this article because you aren't into family history, change the words "Genealogical Society" to "Lions Club". Then it tells the Lions' story exactly.

MacEntee describes the five reasons why members leave:

- (1) The Time Loop repetitive meetings and recycled content alienate veteran members;
- (2) They Never Belonged, when cliques or isolation lead new members to quick exits;
- (3) Life Happened, losses due to health, family pressures or job changes;
- (4) The Value Collapsed, free online Lions Club materials made physical meetings irrelevant; and
- (5) Volunteer Burnout, when every Club interaction seems to be a "job ask" leading to member exhaustion.

We use different words, but aren't these so true of Lions as well?

So, how do we stop this? Club leaders must lead and encourage a careful, thoughtful evaluation of their Club by asking ghosted members why they left or simply stopped attending. Club leaders must promise each other to make the necessary changes to win back lost members and attract new ones. True, while we should expect to lose a few die-hard veteran members, the possibilities for member growth and meaningful service are tremendous.

Only after Club leaders have completed the two steps above is it leadership's time to stress winning back lost members and seeking new members. How? No mass emails. Personal phone calls only. No canned sales pitches. No guilt trips. People want to be noticed in person. Explain the changes you are making and how prospective members can better fit in with the club. As MacEntee writes:

*"The Clubs that will thrive in the next decade are the ones which treat membership as a relationship, not a transaction. They check in, they listen. They adapt. They make people feel seen. ... The big question is whether your Club can give your inactive Lions a compelling reason to be Lions together."*

This will not always be easy or quick, but the Clubs and their members will be the winners. All we have to do is want to grow and thrive. Then, just ask.

Let's get started!

PCC Dave Eisen  
Global Leadership Team Coordinator



## Global Membership Team

### **MISSION 1.5 \* A Mission to Grow!**

#### **March Madness Membership Challenge**



Congratulations to the 10 Lions who have sponsored 13 new Lions during March Madness. Guess what? The Madness has been extended to June 30, 2026!

Marketing a Lions Club can help increase awareness, attract new members, and engage with the community service projects.

We are serving a world in need, one act of kindness at a time.

Our net gain goal is still 50 new members by 6/30//26. At 3/31/26 we are at 35.

THANK YOU FOR BEING A LION!

PDG Marlyn Fast, Global Membership Coordinator

## Welcome New Members

Since the start of the 2025-2026 Lions year, 25 district clubs have welcomed 93 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.

#### **Akron Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Terry Smith  
Sponsor: Lion Christina Morehouse

#### **Argos Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Jay Smith  
Sponsor: Lion Monty Peden

#### **Atwood Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Kathy Groninger  
Sponsor: Lion Clifford Newsome  
New Member: Lion Richard Grossman  
Sponsor: Lion Jay Robinson  
New Member: Lion Sara Grossman  
Sponsor: Lion Richard Grossman

#### **Greene Township Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Kayla Sawdon  
Sponsor: Lion Laura Sawdon

#### **LaFontaine Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Gary Herring  
Sponsor: PDG Thomas Polk  
New Member: Lion Vicki Herring  
Sponsor: PDG Thomas Polk

#### **Lakeville Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Daniel Fey  
Sponsor: Lion Larry Ort

New Member: Lion Jessica Fey  
Sponsor: Lion Larry Ort

#### **Lydick Lions Club**

New Member: Mary Lucas  
Sponsor: Lion Wendy Yuhasz  
New Member: Lawrence Makaniankhondo  
Sponsor: Lion Wendy Yuhasz

#### **Silver Lake Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Jennifer Duff  
Sponsor: Lion Jean Weller

#### **Urbana Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Hunter James Harry  
Sponsor: Lion Tonna Yoder



### From “Join Our Club” to “Serve With Us”

Imagine someone in your community saying, *“Tell me about Lions.”*

For many years, service clubs often responded with an invitation like this: **“Come to our meeting and learn about joining our club.”**

That approach worked for a long time. But today, something important is changing.

People still care deeply about helping their communities. Many people want to make a difference more than ever before. But life is busy. Work, family, and activities fill their schedules. Many people want to **start by doing something meaningful right away**, not by attending several meetings first.

Because of this, many service organizations are learning a new approach:

Instead of saying *“Come join our club,”* we say, *“Come serve with us.”*

This small shift in attitude can make a big difference.

When people are invited to serve first, they get to experience what service really feels like. They meet members, see the impact of the work, and build friendships naturally. Often, after serving together a few times, joining the club becomes the next step.

In other words, **service becomes the doorway to membership.**

Think about how people discover organizations today. They may see a service project on social media, hear about an event from a friend, or notice volunteers helping in the community. When people see others serving, it sparks interest. They may ask, “How can I help?”

That moment is a great opportunity.

Instead of handing them a membership form right away, we can say something simple:

*“We’d love to have you help with our next project.”*

That invitation feels welcoming and low pressure. It allows people to experience the mission before making a long-term commitment.

Clubs can take a few simple steps to encourage this approach:

- **Invite people to service projects, not meetings or fundraisers.**

When someone shows interest, invite them to the next **hands-on service activity**. Let them experience what Lions do in the community and see the impact of service firsthand. Fundraising and meetings supports our mission, but service is what people remember.

- **Make it easy to help.**

Offer simple ways for guests to participate. They might pack food boxes, collect eyeglasses, plant trees, clean a park, or help at a community event. Small roles help people feel part of the work right away.

- **Share the story of service.**

After a project is completed, tell people what happened and who was helped. When others hear how lives were touched, they are more likely to want to get involved.

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## Global Service Team

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- **Welcome guests warmly.**

Introduce new volunteers to members and thank them for helping. A friendly welcome and a simple thank-you can turn a first-time helper into a future Lion.

- **Let service lead to membership.**

After someone has served a few times, it is natural to say, "You seem to enjoy serving with us. Have you ever thought about becoming a Lion?"

This approach reflects what Lions are really about.

Our organization is not just about meetings. **It is about service to our community and the world around us.** When we invite people to serve first, we invite them to experience the heart of Lionism.

Across our communities, Lions help in many ways. Clubs support local needs, assist families who are facing challenges, contribute to statewide projects, and support international efforts that improve lives around the world.

All of this happens because people are willing to serve.

When others see that spirit, they want to be part of it.

So, the next time someone asks how they can help, remember the invitation that speaks to today's world:

***"Come serve with us."***

Service brings people together. Service builds friendships. And very often, service leads someone to proudly say:

***"I'm glad to be a Lion."***

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*"At the end of the day, we're not remembered for what we do, but by the people that we impact." — Doug Smith*

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### **April Environmental Week of Service Projects**

*April 18-26, 2026*

April is a great time for Lions to care for the environment. Spring is starting, people are outside more, and **the week of service** reminds us how important it is to protect our planet. Remember, participation in the week of service is a requirement of the club excellence award. Make sure you report it in the portal.

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## Project 1. Community Clean-Up Project

Cleaning up parks, roadsides, and public spaces is one of the easiest ways to improve the environment.

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## Global Service Team

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### **Small Club (1–5 members)**

**Goal:** Clean one small public space.

#### **Steps**

1. Choose a small park area, trail, or roadside section.
2. Contact the town or park department to let them know your plan.
3. Bring gloves and trash bags.
4. Spend 1–2 hours picking up trash.
5. Separate recyclables if possible.
6. Share photos of the results.

### **Medium Club (6–10 members)**

**Goal:** Clean several areas in the same neighborhood or park.

#### **Steps**

1. Choose a larger park or several nearby streets.
2. Divide members into small teams.
3. Provide gloves, trash bags, and safety vests if near roads.
4. Work for 2–3 hours.
5. Track how many bags of trash are collected.
6. Share results with the community.

### **Large Club (10+ members)**

**Goal:** Host a community clean-up day.

#### **Steps**

1. Partner with the town or park department.
2. Invite the public, schools, or youth groups.
3. Promote the event through social media and local news.
4. Assign Lions to lead different areas.
5. Provide supplies and safety instructions.
6. End with a group photo and report the impact.

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### Project 2. Tree or Pollinator Planting Project

Trees and pollinator plants help clean the air, support wildlife, and beautify communities.

#### **Small Club (1–5 members)**

**Goal:** Plant a small pollinator garden.

#### **Steps**

1. Choose a small location such as a library, school, or community building.
2. Ask permission from the property owner.
3. Purchase native flowers that support bees and butterflies.
4. Prepare the soil and plant the flowers.
5. Water the plants well.
6. Place a small sign recognizing the Lions.

#### **Medium Club (6–10 members)**

**Goal:** Plant several trees or a larger pollinator garden.

#### **Steps**

1. Work with a park, church, or school.
2. Select native trees or pollinator plants.
3. Assign teams to dig holes and plant.
4. Water and mulch the plants.
5. Take photos and share the project.
6. Plan a follow-up visit to check on the plants.

#### **Large Club (10+ members)**

**Goal:** Host a community planting day.

#### **Steps**

1. Partner with the town, parks department, or a local environmental group.
2. Invite students, families, or other volunteers.
3. Provide tools such as shovels and watering cans.
4. Divide volunteers into planting teams.
5. Plant multiple trees or a large pollinator area.
6. Install a sign explaining the environmental benefit.

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### Project 3. Recycling or Electronics Collection Event

Many people have items at home they want to recycle but do not know where to take them. Coordinate this event with your local solid waste district – you can locate yours at: <https://www.in.gov/idem/recycle/solid-waste-management-districts/>

#### **Small Club (1–5 members)**

**Goal:** Collect recyclable items at a meeting or small drop-off site.

#### **Steps**

1. Select a common item such as eyeglasses, batteries, or plastic bags.
2. Place collection boxes at a library or local business.
3. Promote the effort for two weeks.
4. Pick up and deliver the collected items to a recycling location.
5. Share the results with the community.

#### **Medium Club (6–10 members)**

**Goal:** Hold a short community recycling drive.

#### **Steps**

1. Choose a parking lot or community center.
2. Partner with a recycling company if needed.
3. Promote the event in advance.
4. Set a 2–3 hour drop-off time.
5. Assign Lions to unload and sort items.
6. Track how much material was collected.

#### **Large Club (10+ members)**

**Goal:** Host a full community recycling event.

#### **Steps**

1. Partner with a recycling provider for electronics or metals.
  2. Use a large parking lot such as a school or church.
  3. Advertise the event widely.
  4. Set up traffic flow for vehicles.
  5. Assign Lions to direct traffic, unload items, and sort materials.
  6. Report how many pounds of items were recycled.
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## LCIF Coordinators Update

### LCIF: The FUN in Fundraising — and a Final-Quarter Push!



Hello Lions of 25-G!

One of the best parts of being a Lion is that we can do serious good...while still having a great time together. At our recent District 25-G Convention, we proved exactly that. Thanks to your energy and generosity, our LCIF fundraising activities brought people together and made giving enjoyable. With a live Amish auctioneer, plus a variety of silent auction items, we raised \$1,700 for LCIF. That's \$1,700 that will help Lions serve people in need through grants and humanitarian programs around the world.

To everyone who donated items, bid, volunteered, and encouraged others to participate—thank you. You helped turn a fun event into real impact.

### It's the last quarter—let's finish strong!

Now we're in the final quarter of the year, and I'm asking every club and every Lion in District 25-G to help us make one more push for LCIF.

Please remember: there is no gift too small.

When many Lions give what they can, it adds up quickly—and it matters.

### LCIF responds when disaster strikes

We've seen how quickly needs can arise close to home. When a tornado hit District 25-A, Lions received LCIF support fast—a grant in 48 hours—so help could get to people right away. That's what LCIF does: it empowers Lions to respond swiftly and effectively when disaster strikes.

### GIVE. GIVE. GIVE.

If you've already given this year—thank you. If you haven't yet, please consider making a donation now. And if you can, consider setting up a recurring gift so your support continues all year long.

Donate here: <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/donate>

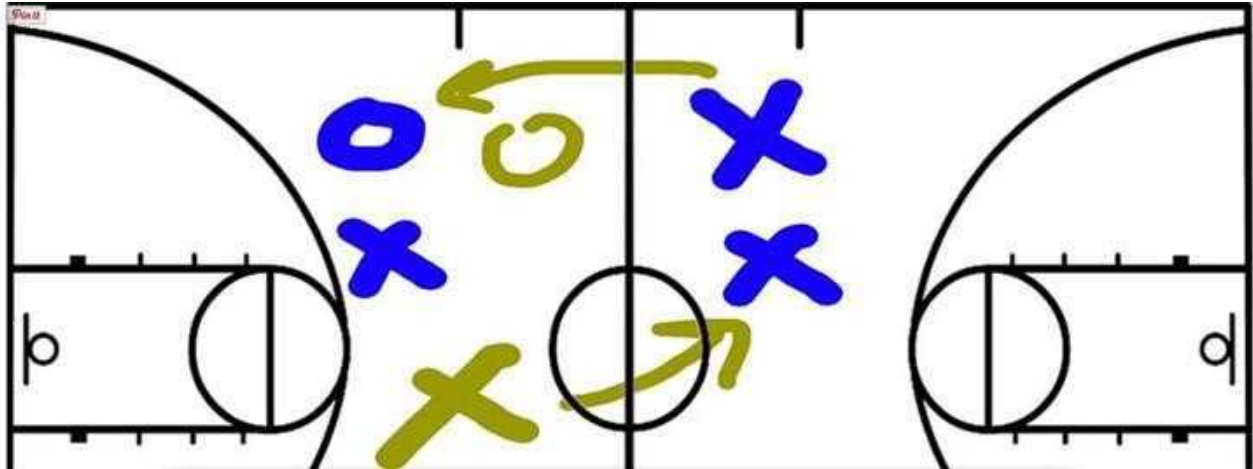
Let's keep the fun in fundraising—and let's finish this year strong for LCIF.

Yours in Service,

Lion Sopheap Long, LCIF District Coordinator



## A Message from the District Marketing Chairman



### **That makes it much clearer, doesn't it?**

Go to any basketball game and you're sure to see someone holding on to a clipboard when the team huddles during a timeout. Then the coach gets out a marker and feverishly makes a few sketches on it and sends his team back to the game. So what does this exercise have to do with Lions?

Standard Oil did a study back in the late 1950's that came up with the conclusion that teachers who used graphic illustrations (we used to call them 'audiovisuals') had a dramatically improved retention rate of the material taught to their students. In fact the retention rate of verbal material alone after three days was at approx. 8%, while material that was accompanied with pictures or graphics had a retention rate of nearly 24%, or three times better. When a coach SHOWS his/her team the X's and O's of plays during a game, the expectation is greater, and the stakes (for the coach) are much higher. Incidentally, in today's football games you often see photos being printed and reviewed by the teams on the field during the game to reinforce what coaches are trying to get players to do.

As Lions we often 'talk' a great game, but all too often the material becomes lost, due to a lack of clarity of that material received by the rank and file. Club goals, especially those relating to membership programs, can be more convincingly met if we would take the time and 'diagram' plans to achieve them. Instead of verbally announcing them, a written plan with action steps to be taken with precise dates, assignments, and expected results will increase our chances of success.

The simple act of writing down goals, the expected results of a club's plan to attract and add prospective members to the club's membership, can significantly improve the overall success of recruiting efforts. But clubs need to not only define their desired results; they must map out the steps required along the way to achieve those results. Clearly identify the list of prospects, list those who will make contacts, and plan and schedule meetings or projects to attract them. Then we need to create 'buying situations' that will convince prospective members that their affiliation with a Lions club will not only meet their individual needs and personal satisfaction through membership, but will be responsible for doing good or improving the lives of those in their communities.

Sound simple? All it takes is a little planning. Putting the X's and O's in your club's playbook can be the difference between so-so results and outperforming your expectations. Don't forget, this same process will work for all your projects.

*(Submitted by PDG Marty Juel, Elkhart Lions Club)*

## Getting Started With the Lions Portal

The Lion Portal is the "Grand Central Station" of information for our Association, and an important place for Lions to navigate easily. Like any place with lots of complexity and activity, the Portal can be intimidating. I want to offer some encouragement for every Lion in our district to dive in and start exploring.

To begin your adventure, check out the resources created by Lions International to introduce the Portal (<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/member-resource-center/leaders/resources/lion-portal-resources>), providing basic navigation through some common tasks. If you are brand new to the Portal, start with the Frequently Asked Questions section towards the bottom of that page.

If you appreciate learning through videos, the Portal has a YouTube channel offering tutorials, walk-throughs, and instructions for some common tasks. A good first video is "Navigating the Lion Portal as a Lion or Leo" (<https://youtu.be/EY4BYToys1c?si=MCOOrVAgrF3JlyVDI>).

Creating an account and logging in for the first time might seem a significant barrier to many. First, confirm with your club secretary that your membership information is already entered in the Lion Portal, including a unique email address. After this confirmation, pull up the login page for the Portal (<https://lionsinternational.my.site.com/>) on a web browser, and select the "Don't Have An Account?" link. The page that opens will ask you for your first and last names and your email address. If what you enter matches your Lion membership information, you should then be able to enter a password, which is what you will then use to login to the Portal.

Think of Google Maps: most people first search for their own home -- a familiar place to help them orient to an unfamiliar environment. So, let's do that in the Portal: look up what information the Portal has for you and your membership. The Home page should be the first page offered after you login in, and normally has four large icons in the middle of the page. Select the one labeled "My Membership", which is probably the icon on the far left or upper left. This will take you to a page with your club and your Member ID, as well as your Details — name, address, phone numbers.

From here, start exploring, and remember to bring along your fellow Lions club members on the adventure. Do you still have more questions, or need more help? Talk with your club secretary or administrator, or send me a message (Lion Steven Weld, [smweld@pm.me](mailto:smweld@pm.me), (574) 742-1357) and we will find the information or assistance you need for success. Good luck, and happy hunting.

Lion Steven Weld  
1st Vice District Governor / District Governor Elect

## News From Around the District

### Akron Lions Support Local Health Center



On March 23rd, the Akron Lions Club made a \$1,350.00 donation to Compassionate Health Center in Fulton County. Compassionate Health Center is a non-profit organization that provides healthcare services to those in Fulton County that are low income and have no insurance. The Akron Lions have helped support this mission in their community for decades now.

Pictured (Left to Right): Lion Craig Brouyette, Lion Kirk Robinson, Lion Chris Herrell, Mary Kay with Compassionate Health Center, Lion 2VDG Jim Steen,

and Lion Woodney Francois.

*(Submitted by Lion Faith Kamp, Akron Lions Club)*

### Argos Lions Host Zone Meeting

Region 3, Zone 1 had their 3rd Zone meeting of the year on Thursday, March 13th, at the B&R building in Argos. District GLT Coordinator PCC Lion Dave Eisen was the guest speaker and spoke about LEADERSHIP. The zone did a small service project and wrote thank you cards to the local Argos food pantry volunteers. The Zone even had a guest, an almost real Lion! Argos Lion Shawn Webster, the soon to be 2nd Vice President of the Argos Lions, dressed up in a Lions costume to bring some entertainment to the group.

*(Submitted by Lion Faith Kamp, Akron Lions Club)*



### Lydick Lions Partner with Fire Territory & LUMC for Fundraiser

The Lydick Lions Club, along with St. Joseph County Fire Territory and Lydick United Methodist Church, hosted a Fish Fry and Bake Sale on Friday, March 20th, and what a success it was!

We had an incredible group of volunteers who generously gave their time and energy, along with an amazing community that showed up in full support of the event.

When we come together, great things truly happen. We are so grateful for the support, teamwork, and community spirit that made this event such a memorable success!

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



## News From Around the District

### Madison Township Lions Support Many Causes

The Madison Township Lions Club continues its commitment to serving the community while also supporting Indiana Lions state projects and international efforts. The club's mission is to assist those in need and bring a little kindness to individuals and families who may be struggling. Anyone aware of someone within the community who could use assistance is encouraged to contact a Lions member. The club also welcomes service-minded individuals interested in becoming members.

During the past three months, the club made several donations and sponsorships. Locally, the Lions donated to **A Rosie Place for Children**, a not-for-profit specialty hospital that provides respite care for families of medically fragile children. The club also sponsored the **Madison Township Elementary School PTO's annual Fish Fry fundraiser** and the **Open Class Show at the St. Joseph County Fair**. Members additionally collected and cleaned used eyeglasses for the District 25-G Eyeglasses Recycling Center.

Donations were also made to several **state projects** and to the **Lions Clubs International Foundation**, which provides humanitarian assistance worldwide.

The club thanks the community for supporting its pork chop sales, which make these donations possible. The next sale will be held May 16, 2026, with more details coming soon.

*(Submitted by Lion Al Beehler, Madison Township Lions Club)*

### Peru Lions Recognize Peace Poster Contest Winners

On March 17th, the Peru Lions hosted our Peace Poster winners with a pizza party and presented them with monetary awards for their efforts. District Governor Lion Jackie Kurley was in attendance and gave an inspiring presentation to the winners and their families.

Pictured here (left to right) are Lion President Dave Frushour, 3rd place winner Trace Clemons, 2nd place Emma York, first place Jasmine Wohlford and Peru Community Schools Art teacher Julie Brower. It should be noted that Jasmine was the second place winner at the state competition.

*(Submitted by Lion David Frushour, Peru Lions Club)*



**Your club news could be here. Send articles and photos to PDG Paul Russell <pdgpaul25g@gmail.com> by the 25th of the month.**

## News From Around the District

### New Paris Lions Club Helps Bring Literacy to Life

In a meaningful collaboration focused on literacy and student encouragement, the New Paris Lions Club partnered with the New Paris Elementary PTO to bring an exciting new opportunity to students at New Paris Elementary School—a book vending machine.

The idea was sparked by Brandi Prater, a dedicated member of the New Paris Lions Club and President of the New Paris Elementary PTO. She envisioned a creative way to reward students while also promoting a lifelong love of reading. Her vision became a reality with the installation of a book vending machine that allows students to “purchase” a brand-new book using a special token.



Students earn these tokens from teachers and staff who recognize them for positive behavior, acts of kindness, or academic achievement. The reward is more than just a prize—it’s a book the students can take home and call their own, helping to build personal libraries and encourage reading beyond the classroom.

The project was made possible through a combination of PTO fundraising efforts, strong community support, and a significant contribution from the New Paris Lions Club. In addition to traditional fundraising, the PTO secured generous support from local sponsors during their walk-a-thon events, which helped raise a portion of the funds needed for the project. The vending machine cost \$8,000, with the Lions Club proudly contributing \$3,000 toward the project.



(l. to r.) Lion Ken Smith, PTO VP Amanda Welty, Lion Keri Silcox, Lion Kevin Silcox, PTO President Lion Brandi Prater, Lion President Joas Eash, PTO member Lion Andrea Kelsey, Lion Brandon Kelsey, District Governor Lion Jackie Kurley

Books for the machine are sustainably funded through the PTO’s partnership with Scholastic. Through school book fairs, Scholastic returns a portion of sales in the form of “Scholastic Dollars,” which the PTO uses to purchase books to keep the vending machine stocked and ready to inspire young readers.

This initiative highlights the power of community collaboration and the Lions Club’s continued commitment to supporting youth and education. By rewarding positive behavior and fostering literacy, the New Paris Lions Club is helping shape a brighter future—one book at a time.

*(Submitted by District Governor Jackie Kurley, Dunlap Lions Club)*

### Tell Us About Your Club’s Signature Service Project

Does your club have a signature service project ... an ongoing or recurring project in your community that wouldn’t be done if it weren’t for your Lions Club ... a service project that everyone in your community associates with your Lions Club? Write a short article about your club’s signature service project and send it, with photos, to PDG Paul Russell <pdgpaul25g@gmail.com> for publication in the district newsletter.

## News From Around the District

### Roann Covered Bridge Lions Club News

The month of March was a busy month for the Roann Covered Bridge Lions Club. On March 14th, the club sold concessions for the last RC race of the season at the Brickhouse RC Raceway. This was their biggest race with 74 racers from all over the midwest.



On March 21st, the Lions Club held a soup supper at the Roann Community building. There were 5 different kinds of soup, and taco soup seemed to be the favorite this year. Other choices were cheeseburger, chili, vegetable, and ham & beans, with a choice of desserts. This was a free will donation and the second year for this event.

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

## Editor's Note

### The Rest of the Story

On the last page of this newsletter, you will find some images promoting the upcoming Indiana Lions State Convention. One of those images includes a photo of Dr. Dan Neely, the Medical Director of Operation KidSight. You will almost certainly notice a yellow and orange "blemish" on the side of his face. If you zoom in on the image, you will discover that the "blemish" is a tiny image of Tigger the tiger from Disney's version of Winnie the Pooh. Why, you may wonder, does Dr. Neely have Tigger on his face? Here's the explanation, from PCC Ross Drapalik:

*The Tigger toy is something that he uses to get children to look at during his examinations, and he typically holds Tigger by the tail in his mouth.*

And now you know the rest of the story.



# Certified Guiding Lion Training:

Be the Leader Your Community Needs!

What is a Guiding Lion?

A Guiding Lion is a trained leader who helps guide and mentor Lions Clubs (new and existing) to ensure their success and community impact.



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April 26, 2026

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Held on Zoom- register via QR

Who should attend?

- Experienced Lions who want to take on a leadership role
- Those who are passionate about helping others grow and make a difference
- Anyone looking to contribute to the success of new and existing Lions Clubs.

Questions? Contact PCC Julia Kozicki at 317-294-8064 or [julia@thekozickis.org](mailto:julia@thekozickis.org)

## Indiana Lions State Projects & Foundation



## State Projects & Foundation Trustees

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

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### **Indiana Lions for Leader Dog, Inc.**

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

## Indiana Lions Foundation



### State Fair Credits Policy

Funds are raised through volunteer work contributed by the Lions of Indiana and their friends by selling tickets and doing other jobs at the Indiana State Fair and by working on other designated Foundation projects. For each shift worked at the State Fair, each Lion or friend of Lions will earn two (2) credits for each regular morning or afternoon shift worked. One credit is awarded for the early morning (5:30AM) shift. Gate Captains and State Fair Committee members will also receive an additional one bonus credit.

A person may use twelve (12) credits to obtain 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. There is no limit on the number requested.

In addition to requesting W. P. Woods Fellowships, persons may use their credits to obtain a \$200 community grant for 1) a Lions or Leos club located in Indiana, 2) one of the five Indiana Lions state projects, 3) the Lions Club International Foundation, 4) one of the seven MD-25 districts or 5) the Indiana Lions Foundation. The cost is 10 credits per \$200 grant. A person is allowed to redeem up to 20 credits per fiscal year (July 1 to June 30), which would amount to two (2) grants.

A person may transfer their credits to another person.

A person may make a request to the grants committee for a special Lions project outside of the entities listed above.

Use the form on the next page to request the transfer of credits and/or the redemption of credits for the community grants.

You may contact Lion Rose Russell at [rosewrussell@gmail.com](mailto:rosewrussell@gmail.com) to obtain your number of available credits.

## MD-25 Marketing Committee



### Chant Contest

Lions of Indiana, we need a chant! Whenever we are gathered as a group at an event, we need a cheer or chant that shows who we are. We are the Lions of Indiana! We are here to Serve our fellow Hoosiers! Although it is a great song, 'Moonlight on the Wabash' just doesn't have the 'WOW!' we need. And it definitely does not work when we are marching in the International Parade.

I know you've got great energy and ideas! Work with other Lions in your club or district to create something fun and memorable that really expresses who we are.

We will have a Contest at the Indiana State Convention to determine the best Chant. The winning team will be awarded a prize for their creativity.

We can't wait to see what you come up with!

Lion Patty Cooke-Furlong

MD25 Marketing Committee Chair

Complete this form, scan and send to PDG Marlyn Fast at [mafast1107@gmail.com](mailto:mafast1107@gmail.com) or by mail to PDG Marlyn Fast, 24261 County Road 126, Goshen, IN 46526

### State Fair Credits Transfer

Transfer \_\_\_\_\_ State Fair Credits from the Account of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Specify Number) (Name of Individual or Club)

To: \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ / / \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Individual or Club) (Signature) (Date)

### Application for Community Service Grant

Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_ OR

Name of Individual \_\_\_\_\_

Club's or Individual's Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Grants Requested \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Two community service grants in the amount of \$200 per grant may be requested in a fiscal year. Ten credits equal one \$200 grant. Please specify the entity that is to receive the grant (or two entities if two grants are being requested for different entities)

Please select from the following list of eligible entities for which the applicant is requesting a community service grant(s). (One entity per one \$200 grant)

\_\_\_ Indiana Lions Club (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Cancer Control Fund

\_\_\_ Vision First and Kidsight

\_\_\_ Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

\_\_\_ Leader Dog for the Blind

\_\_\_ Speech and Hearing

\_\_\_ LCIF

\_\_\_ Indiana Lions Foundation

\_\_\_ Special Project (please describe \_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_

For Indiana Lions Foundation Use: Credits verified by: \_\_\_\_\_

# FISH FRY



## Lakeville Lions

FRIDAY  
**April**  
**3rd**



**3:30**  
**UNTIL**  
**6:30**

TICKETS \$ **14**

**See a Lions  
member for  
tickets!**

THE BARN  
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INCLUDES:  
1LB OF FISH  
POTATO SALAD, COLESLAW,  
& 2 Cookies

**CARRY OUT ONLY!**



## Indiana Lions State Convention

All roads this May lead to Plainfield and the 105<sup>th</sup> Indiana Lions State Convention, as we welcome Past International President Joe Preston and Lion Joni for a weekend of Lions' fun and fellowship. On behalf of the 2026 Convention Committee, we invite you to make the trip to the "Heartland of Indiana" on May 1-3, 2026.

With construction of I-69 to Evansville now complete, all of our districts now have quick and easy access to the convention. Whether you are traveling I-69 or I-65, I-70 or I-74, or US-231 or even the Old Historic US-40 National Road which runs right through downtown Plainfield, there is no reason not to pack up the car and make a weekend getaway to be with your Lions' family.

The weekend kicks off with tours of the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) on Friday morning, and then a BBQ dinner hosted by the Plainfield Lions Club at Made@Plainfield before the opening plenary session at the Embassy Event Center. Many of our local community police officers have graduated from ILEA since the first class in 1969.

The Saturday luncheon will feature Dr. Dan Neely as the keynote speaker. Dr. Neely is the medical director for Indiana Lions Operation KidSight preschool vision screening program, has served as the team ophthalmologist for the Indianapolis Colts, and gives of his spare time with Orbis flying hospital.

Past International President Joe Preston, of Mesa, Arizona, will be the keynote speaker for the Saturday evening banquet, and will be presenting several Leadership and Presidential Awards to the Lions of Indiana along with what is certain to be an inspirational message about being a Lion.

In between these events, are district caucuses, the second plenary business session, exhibit hallway, seminars, Strides Walk and much more.

Voting happens on Sunday morning, along with a Memorial Service to remember all of those Lions who have ended their service to those WE SERVE before the closing session.

The Embassy Suites and Event Center is located just a couple of minutes from I-70, and your room reservations entitle you to complimentary made-to-order breakfast (a \$40 value\*) and a complimentary "Manager's Reception" each night from 5:00 – 7:00 pm (a \$40 value\*). There is ample free parking at both the hotel and the event center for those coming in for the day.

So why not make the trek to Plainfield on May 1-3, 2026 and celebrate being a Lion?

*(\* value based on double occupancy room)*

**We NEED YOU!**

All money brought in on your donations at the INDIANA LIONS STATE CONVENTION SILENT AUCTION will go to the Riley Pediatric Research Hospital MATCH with the Walther Cancer Foundation!

We will do it though our very own Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc, so they can get credit for it.

Please donate items like ... baked goods, alcohol, household items, adorable items we can't live without, men's stuff, gifts for kids ... or just write a check to the Indiana Lions State Convention, and put Riley / Walther Foundation Match in the memo area.

**This Year It's About Helping Kids!**

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Three special get-away packages will be offered in the Silent Auction this year. They are described on the following pages.

# 6 nights | Sleeps 6 | PRIVATE CONDO in St Simons Island, GA

**Located in Island Retreat**, a gated "south island" condominium community, located within a 10-minute bike ride to the beach or 5 by car, you will enjoy this private, ground-floor condo with 2 bedroom suites + sleeping porch.

Well-stocked with all kitchen & beach needs, 2 bikes, and access to the community's private pool, tennis/pickleball courts & fitness center. Walk to shopping, groceries and several excellent restaurants!

**Nestled in the shade of century-old Live Oaks and Spanish Moss, you have to see the Island to believe it!** Use this as your home base to explore local beaches, the historic light house & Coast Guard Museum or nearby Jekyll Island. Hunt for the famous tree faces of St Simons Island or checkout the plantation on the mainland. Bait crab traps, fish at the pier, shop the Village, take a drive to Savannah or St Augustine, kayak, sleep, eat, read and drink wine.

**Just escape!**

Fully-equipped w/ smart TVs, wifi & laundry. All main-floor living. Featuring a king bedroom & 1 queen + a cute sleeping porch with a full trundle bed (perfect for children).

**Many dates are available in 2026, and all of 2027 is open at this point, but book fast, as this is a vacation rental & availability can change quickly. Contact Jennifer Blandford with questions & to schedule: [jblandford@callcarpenter.com](mailto:jblandford@callcarpenter.com) or 317-847-2695.**

**There will be a \$150 fee paid to the cleaning service @ the end of your stay.**

## \$1500 Value (\$500 minimum)



# 6 nights \* Sleeps 12 \* PRIVATE HOUSE in Sea Palms Resort on St Simons Island, GA

Located in Sea Palms Golf Resort, which is mid island and a 15-minute bike ride to the beach or 5 by car, you will enjoy this private house with 3 bedroom suites + additional sleeping areas, 2 large porches, well-stocked kitchen, golf access and w/in a short walk to restaurants.

Newly renovated golf resort is fantastic! <https://www.seapalms.com>

Nestled in the shade of century-old Live Oaks & Spanish Moss, you have to see the Island to believe it! Use this as your home base to explore local beaches, the historic light house & Coast Guard Museum or nearby Jekyll Island. Hunt for the famous tree faces of St Simons Island or checkout the plantation on the mainland. Bait crab traps, fish at the pier, shop the Village, take a drive to Savannah or St Augustine, kayak, sleep, eat, read & drink wine. **Escape!**

Fully-equipped w/ smart TVs, wifi, laundry, 5 bikes & all main-floor living. Featuring a king bedroom & 2 queens + an oversized daybed that sleeps 2 comfortably, a sweet twin & 2 inflatables (queen & full), fenced back yard and even a 2-person hottub!

Many fall dates are available in 2026, and most of 2027 is open at this point, but book fast, as this is a vacation rental & availability can change quickly. Contact Jennifer Blandford with questions & to schedule: [jblandford@calcarpenter.com](mailto:jblandford@calcarpenter.com) or 317-847-2695.

There will be a \$250 fee paid to the cleaning service @ the end of your stay.

## \$2200 Value (\$750 minimum bid)



# 3-Night Beachwalk Getaway "At Last"

*Michigan City, IN*



Includes 3 Parking Passes

### ENDLESS FUN:

- Swimming Pool
- Tennis Courts
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- Sand Volley Ball
- Basketball
- Canoeing
- Pickle Ball
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W/ \$15-Whistleband

**Sleeps 18 Guests | Labor Day – Memorial Day | \$1,950 Value**  
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# Help a Child's Life

Our children need us. By working together, we can make a difference in the lives of thousands of children diagnosed with cancer.

**Donate Now**

Make Checks Payable to:

Indiana Lions State Convention

Memo Line: Riley / Walther Match

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**We accept CASH, CHECK & CREDIT CARDS**



# District Governor's Calendar

## April 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	<b>7 DG Visit Mentone</b>	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<b>19 Week of Service: Environment</b>	<b>20 Week of Service: Environment</b>	<b>21 Week of Service: Environment</b>	<b>22 Week of Service: Environment</b>	<b>23 Week of Service: Environment</b>	<b>24 Week of Service: Environment</b>	<b>25 Week of Service: Environment</b>
26	27	28	29	30	<b>1 State Convention</b>	<b>2 State Convention</b>



# District Governor's Calendar

## May 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1 State Convention</b>	<b>2 State Convention</b>
<b>3 State Convention</b>	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	<b>23 Flags from the Heart</b>
<b>24 Flags from the Heart</b>	<b>25 Flags from the Heart</b>	26	27	28	29	30
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## Mark Your Calendar

Apr 18-26, 2026, Week of Service: Environment  
(Click [here](#) for more information)

Fri-Sun, May 1-3, 2026, State Convention  
Embassy Suites, Plainfield, IN

Sat, Jun 13, 2026, District Meeting #4  
Fairview Grange, Goshen, IN

Thu-Tue, Jul 3-7, 2026, International Convention  
Hong Kong

