



**DG Don Hartvig  
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**We Serve**

**September, 2017 Newsletter**

Hello Lions and Lioness,

First and foremost, I want to thank all of you for the opportunity to serve as your District Governor for the 2017-18 Lionistic year. My wife, PCC Evett, and I are excited about visiting with all of you throughout the year and working with you to continue doing great things as we serve.

There is so much information to get out to all of you this time of the year that I thought it would be best if I concentrated on the District Convention with this newsletter and follow-up with other things shortly after the Convention.

Our District Convention is coming up fast and it's going to be a great one. The Convention Committee has been working hard to put together a schedule that will be of interest to all. Many things happen that weekend and I don't want any of you to miss out on the fun and fellowship with your fellow Lions.

It all starts with a Vision Screening training held on Friday afternoon for those who want to get certified, or re-certified, to screen area children for eye issues that could affect the rest of their lives if not treated. If you plan to attend the screening, please call PCC Evett Hartvig at 715-572-6842. We will have chart and PlusOptix screener training.

Don't miss the Friday Night chicken and seafood buffet, followed by the famous live Auction. We need all of you to donate items for the Friday Night Auction, as well as a prize or two for the raffle. If you have an item to donate, please contact PDG Jim Schiferl right away so he can get the item put on Auction Bill. See Auction Flyer attached.

We will be holding our Necrology Service on Saturday morning, where we honor our deceased members from the past year. If you have a member that passed away since last year's District Convention, please get their name and a photo, if possible, to Convention Chair IPDG Diane Wasniewski at 715-693-6457 or [wasniewskide@gmail.com](mailto:wasniewskide@gmail.com) as soon as possible. She is also asking that you contact members of the deceased family to attend our Necrology Service and light a candle on behalf of their loved one.

Our International Guest, ID Pat Vannett from North Dakota will address convention attendees at our Saturday Luncheon. She is sure to bring greetings from International President Naresh Aggarwal and bring us up to date on the latest happening at the International level.

There will be a section for clubs to "Toot Your Horn" again this year. Just contact our Exhibit Table Chair, Lion John Zimmer at 715-218-2190 or [johncz2190@gmail.com](mailto:johncz2190@gmail.com) to let him know you need a table. This is a great time for your club to show others what kinds of service activities and/or fundraisers you're doing to carry out this year's International theme, We Serve.

Do you want to know how to increase your administrative fund account? Check out the ad flyer attached and see how easy it is just by selling ads for the convention booklet.

You don't want to miss the Saturday night banquet where we will hear from Christy Hinkens, whose son, Michael, passed away at the age of 30. She will talk about the experience she and her family went through donating his organs and tissues. Typically, we hear from transplant recipients, but now we're going to hear from the donor's family – a whole new perspective.

Remember, first-time convention goers get their meals half price and again this year, PDG Jim and Lion Pauline Schiferl, will be drawing two names on Friday night from the first-timers list and will reimburse them for what they paid to register and meal costs. Simply use the registration form attached and get members signed up right away!