

District 25A Directory 2024-2025



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District Governor Patty Cooke-Furlong

District Governor Patty has spent most of her life in Indiana – aside from eight years in California, where she started her career in Lionism as a member of the Mission Viejo Lions. After returning to Indiana and the Schererville Lions, she assumed positions in Club Leadership and soon moved up through District Leadership becoming District Governor for the Centennial Year of 2016-2017.

Since then, DG Patty has held various positions within both the District and Multiple District – including LCIF Coordinator, Newsletter Editor, Women’s Membership Chair, Global Service Team, and a member of both the International and State Convention committees. During her term as LCIF Coordinator, DG Patty’s home club was one of the first Model Clubs in Indiana. In recognition for her service to Lions, she has received the LCIF Chairperson’s Medal, a WP Woods Fellowship and is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Having retired in 2021, DG Patty has been running more -- she finished the 13.3 miles of the Indy Mini last year. She has also worked to build a beautiful garden at her home. Her favorite time of the week is the family zoom meeting – visiting with her children and grandchildren and various other family members. And she has a new partner in service – 1st VDG Jim Furlong of the Lakes of the Four Seasons Lions. Lions Patty and Jim were married on June 17th, 2023, and life has gotten busier. During their first year together, they have travelled to five continents – Australia, home of the recent Lions International Convention, being the last.

DG Patty is an involved mother to three sons and one daughter. And enjoys her two grandchildren. Now, she is very happy to be your District Governor again. She is looking forward to visiting the Clubs, interacting with the 25A Lions and working with her District Team.

COMING TOGETHER TO SERVE



1st Vice District Governor Jim Furlong

Lion Jim joined the Lakes of the Four Seasons Lions Club in November 2019, Jim wanted to serve, so when his brother, Chuck of the Lowell Lions Club, said that Diabetes was one of Lions Club

International's Global Causes, Jim was all in, as his late wife, Jodi, died from complications of diabetes.

Lion Jim has been part of the club's board since joining, and eventually became President. He is actively involved in all aspects of the club and has chaired one of their major fundraisers. At a District level, Lion Jim has served as a Zone Chair, Global Leadership Team Coordinator, and 2nd Vice District Governor, where he was successful at writing a matching grant proposal to LCIF for the Blind Social Center in Gary, IN. In recognition, he has received an International President's Leadership medal. He has attended several District and State Convention, Mid-Winter Conferences and the International Convention.

Lion Jim is an immensely proud Vietnam Veteran. During his service to our country, he saved several members of his company, but sacrificed his leg. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross—this Country's 2nd highest award for valor in combat.

He earned a Master's Degree in Economics from the University of Denver and was Manager of Government Services for a major computer manufacturer, where he possessed a Top-Secret Clearance. Lion Jim is also an accomplished skier and has taught skiing to children who are blind, coached his son's sports teams and has been a volunteer at animal shelters and hospitals.

Lion Jim is married to District Governor Patty. He has one son, Dr. Patrick Furlong, who is a Director of the Center for SERVICE AND ACTION at Loyola Marymount University, and two grandchildren. As you can see, Lion Jim has been dedicated to service for decades and looks forward to serving District 25A.

“Facta non verba”



2nd Vice District Governor Dave Dickinson

Lion Dave has been an active member of the Westville Lions Club since joining in 2004. He has held the offices of President for 3 years, 1st and 2nd Vice-Presidents for 3 years, Secretary 4 times, Treasurer 9 time, LCIF Coordinator 2 times, Global Service Team Coordinator 4 times, and Membership Director 2 times. At a district level, Lion Dave has served multiple terms as Zone Chair, Region Chair, Global Service Team Coordinator and has been a Trustee for the Indiana Lions Foundation as well as 2nd Vice-District Governor. In 2020, he was elected to serve District 25A as 1st Vice-District Governor, however, due to a stroke and severe health problems, Lion Dave was forced to resign the position.

In recognition of his service to Lions, Lion Dave has received two 100% Club President's Award, his club's Lion of the Year, District 25-A Region Chairperson Certificate of Appreciation, International President's Medal, International President Certificate of Appreciation and is a W.P. Woods and Melvin Jones Fellow. Additionally, He is a graduate of the Advanced Lions Leadership Institution, Indiana MD25 Leadership Workshop and has attended many district and state conventions, Mid-Winter Conferences, and USA/Canada Forums.

Lion Dave has an Associate's Degree in Accounting/Business Management. He worked for Carter Lumber for 29 years and has been a coach/leader for girl's high school volleyball, little league baseball, travel club volleyball and Cub Scouts.

Lion Dave is married to his wonderful wife, Tina, and they have three children: Ben, Lion Hannah, and Eliza. His mother and sister are also Westville Lions Club members. He challenges every Lion to bring a new Lion into your club this year and let's get to work. Lion Dave is excited to listen, learn, and help grow District 25-A.

Serving for a better tomorrow



Cabinet Secretary Robin Smith

Lion Robin has been dedicated to serving with Lions since joining the Chesterton Lions Club in 2003. She has served her club as President for three terms and has held various other board positions. At the District Level, Lion Robin has served as Zone Chair, Region Chair, 1st and 2nd Vice District Governor and District Governor. She has been serving as a Trustee for the Indiana Lions of the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired state project since 2009 and is past Chairperson. She is a member of District 25-A Eyeglass Recycling Mission to Mexico team, having attended 21 missions and has served as the Indiana Lions 2022 State Convention Chair.

In recognition of her service to Lions, she has received her club's Lion of the Year, 100% Club President's awards, Leader Dog Founder Awards, an International President's Medal, a President's Leadership Medal, the LCIF Chairperson's Medal, International President's Certificate of Appreciation and is a Melvin Jones and W.P. Woods Fellow. She has earned her Master's Degree from Lions University and is a graduate of the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute. Lion Robin has embraced additional learning opportunities by attending multiple International Conventions, USA/Canada Forums, district and state conferences, conventions and workshops.

Lion Robin graduated from Ivy Tech Community College with an Associate's Degree in Business Administration and Accounting. She is currently employed with Kohl's as a Store Support Lead. A dedicated mother of one son and two daughters and grandma to 6, Lion Robin has a driving passion towards family and Lionism. She is committed to our motto "We Serve" and looks forward to serving District 25A.

Touching lives through Service

Cabinet Treasurer Elinor (Sally) Davis



Sally has been actively involved in Lions since 1981. She was a charter member of the Lakes of Four Seasons Lioness Club, followed by serving nearly every office in LOFS Lions. In 2011 she transferred to Hobart Lions Club. There, she has served as Club President for 3 years. Currently, she is Club Treasurer. She has also served as Cabinet Treasurer and worked on the State Convention Committee in 2022.

Sally has worked for many years testing children's vision with Operation KidSight. She has conducted training sessions using the newest equipment. She has been serving as a Trustee for Vision First since 2018. Currently, she is Treasurer for Indiana Lions Eye Bank. Sally and her family have raised two puppies for Leader Dog and has been an Associate for more than 20 years. Sally has received a Melvin Jones Fellowship, a W. P. Woods Fellowship, and an International President's Certificate of Appreciation. She has attended many Mid-Winter Conferences and 3 International Conventions.

Sally has a master's degree in education. She has worked as a teacher for 25 years in the Catholic Schools, and 12 years as a Director of Religious Education. She has also been a childbirth educator and volunteer doula at Saint Mary Medical Center in Hobart. She also manages the family farms in Hobart and Fowler Indiana.

Besides serving Lions she volunteers with Master Gardeners, Tri-Kappa and her parish, Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Winfield. Her hobbies include quilting, cooking, reading, gardening, and traveling, especially cruises.

Family is especially important to Sally. She and her husband, Clarence, celebrated 53 years of marriage. They have raised two sons and two daughters and have 5 grandchildren.

Making a difference, one service at a time

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59-60	<i>Henry Chilas</i>	<i>Hammond</i>
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66-67	<i>Stan White</i>	<i>East Chicago</i>
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68-69	Gene Rice	Wanatah
69-70	<i>Don Duran</i>	<i>Merrillville</i>
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85-86	<i>Greg Kochale</i>	<i>Hebron</i>
86-87	<i>Elvin H Schultz</i>	<i>Lake Of Four Seasons</i>
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88-89	<i>Robert Paratore</i>	<i>Schererville</i>
89-90	<i>Lloyd Fox</i>	<i>Monterey</i>

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07-08	Barbara Toosley	Schererville Central
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09-10	Dennis Brown	Kouts
10-11	Mike Smith	Chesterton
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13-14	Connie Roe	Winamac
14-15	Glenn Swanson	La Porte Maple City
15-16	Randy Greer	South Haven
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OUR GLOBAL CAUSES



Environment

We serve to sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities.



Hunger

We serve to ensure all community members have access to nutritious foods.



Vision

We serve to prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired.



Childhood Cancer

We serve to help those affected by childhood cancer survive and thrive.



Diabetes

We serve to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those diagnosed.

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As contained in the Lions Code of Ethic.

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Chartered August 12, 1946

Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesday 6:30 PM American Legion Post 485

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SCHERERVILLE CENTRAL LIONS CLUB (40860)

Chartered February 19, 1982

Meets 3rd Tuesday 7:00 PM

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SOUTH HAVEN LIONS CLUB (9457)

Chartered November 3, 1965

Meets 2nd & 4th Thursday 7:00 PM

Only 2nd Thursday during summer (June/July/Aug) South Haven American Legion Post 502, South Haven IN

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ST. JOHN LIONS CLUB (9452)

Chartered February 12, 1957

Meets 1st Thursday 7:00 PM

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STAR CITY LIONS CLUB (9458)

Chartered October 27, 1972

Meets 3rd Tuesday 7:00 PM

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UNION MILLS LIONS CLUB (31211)

Chartered September 30, 1975

Meets 1st Tuesday 7:00 PM

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VALPARAISO LIONS CLUB (9460)

Chartered September 18, 1939

Meets 4th Tuesday 7:00 PM Elks Lodge 500

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WANATAH LIONS CLUB (9461)

Chartered September 25, 1944

Meets 2nd Monday

(Call Secretary for time and location)

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WESTVILLE LIONS CLUB (9462)

Chartered May 26, 1943

Meets 1st & 3rd Thursday 6:30 PM (1st Thursday meeting place varies) Westville
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WHEATFIELD LIONS CLUB (9463)

Chartered June 24, 1947

Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday 7:00 PM Wheatfield Public Library
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WHITING LIONS CLUB (9464)

Chartered June 7, 1929

Meets 1st & 3rd Thursday 6:30 PM Sacred Heart School, Rose Room 1723 La
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Chartered June 13, 1983

Meets 3rd Tuesday 7:00 PM Human Services Building
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CODE OF ETHICS

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position of action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

ALWAYS bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

TO AID others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

Dates to Remember

District 25A Cabinet Meetings

Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM CDT
St Paul's Parish Hall, Kouts, IN

Sunday, October 20, 2024 1:00PM – 4:00 PM CDT
LaCrosse Lions Club

Saturday, January 25, 2025 9:00AM – 12:00 PM CDT
South Haven Lions Club

Sunday, June 8, 2025 1:00PM – 4:00 PM CDT
Lakes of the Four Seasons Lions Club

Mid-Winter Conference

Friday – Saturday, January 17-18, 2025 Crowne Plaza,
Indianapolis Airport

District Convention

Friday – Saturday, March 7-8, 2025 Fair Oaks Farms
Fair Oaks, IN

State Convention

Friday – Sunday, April 25 – 27, 2025 Shipshewana, IN

International Conventions

July 4 - 8, 2025: Mexico City, Mexico

July 3 - 7, 2026: Hong Kong

July 2 - 6, 2027: Washington, DC

June 23 - 27, 2028: Singapore, Southeast Asia

June 29 – July 2, 2029: Minneapolis, Minnesota

The Mark of Great Service

Lions lead by example. We always have and always will. These keys to success can help you unlock your true service potential and inspire the Lions around you to do the same.

Stay Proactive

The needs in our communities are great, so don't wait to act. Seek out a need and take action. This is what allows us to be responsive to our communities — and what separates us from the rest.

Bring Your Vision to Life.

Where others see an obstacle, we see an opportunity. So build your service vision. Rally others around it. Then think boldly, act decisively and bring your service to life.

Focus on Positive Outcomes

When we focus on positive outcomes we achieve the greatest results. Let's define the change we want to see in our communities so we can start building plans to make it a reality



FABRICIO OLIVEIRA
International President
2024-2025



We are serving a world in need.

One act of kindness at a time