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Amazing April

Have you checked out page 12 of the Lions International

Magazine this month? Our district's very own Whiting Lions has been selected as LCI Club of the Month for April! Amazing! Way to go Whiting Lions! I know there are a lot of clubs out there doing amazing things so let us be sure that all the wonderful things you are doing for your community and around the world are getting promoted and your secretaries are completing their activities on the



LCI website. It is crucial to our future success to use all the tools at hand. With all the current ways to promote at our fingertips; Facebook, E-Clubhouse, Club Brochures, local media, etc. we should not have an excuse. And the best part-they are all free! Make a plan and pledge to help do away with the 'Best Kept Secret' title we seem to have. If you do not have someone in your club that can do these things, reach out to a neighboring club or your Region or Zone Chair for help. We are Family! (That was a song by Sister Sledge, right?)

In other news, the day of our district convention we did not have a qualified endorsed candidate for 2nd Vice District Governor but we do now. Congratulations Zone Chair Patty Cooke from the Schererville Lions Club for stepping forward to fill this leadership position! Since Lion Patty was not able to be on the election ballot at the convention, a special cabinet meeting is being held on April 6, 2014 to elect a 2nd Vice District Governor. We will be meeting at 11:30 am central time at the Kout's High School. While the immediate cabinet has been notified in writing in accordance with Lion Clubs International guidelines, you are more than welcome to join us. This also happens to be the day of Kout's Lions Club Pancake Breakfast. Bring your support for Lion Patty and your wallet as PDG Dennis says we get the advance sale price for the breakfast of \$7.00 but it is not free!

In other-other news, many of you now know that Past District Governor Bob Morgan from Valparaiso Lions Club is an endorsed candidate for International Convention Committee. He is requesting help at the State Convention this year to promote his candidacy by passing out promotional items and getting the good word out in his support. He is not running unopposed as Past District Governor Dan Wilcox is also a candidate. I certainly hope if you have not already, you are making plans to attend this outstanding and amazing gathering of Lions. And, we also have two Lions in our district that will be receiving Leadership Awards and one Lion that is receiving the Presidential Medal this year. These prestigious awards will be presented by International President Barry Palmer at the Saturday Night Allstate Banquet. Lions of district 25A let us ROAR and show our support for these outstanding Lions! Unfortunately I cannot tell you who they are as it is a surprise!

In other-other news, Now is the time to be thinking about the Club Excellence Award. This distinguished Lions Clubs International Award is given with honor to clubs that meet certain criteria. Check out the requirements that must be completed by June 30, 2014. The form must be signed by the District Governor (that's me) and forwarded to LCI by September 30, 2014. The link for the requirements and form is: http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/da1.pdf

Lions are amazing and...apparently grilled cheese. Did you know that April is National Grilled Cheese Month? Well, at the risk of sounding cheesy...I say, Lions are more amazing...We Are International Every Day!

Have an Amazing April....DG Connie





Words from 1st VDGE Randy Greer

Think Spring!

Let's think Spring. Hopefully the snow is gone for the most part. This Winter has been the worst in 35 years. Lions are resilient though and that didn't stop them from helping those in need in their communities.

Spring is the time for growth and new ideas. It would be great if clubs could try a new service project in their area. Have your club do a community needs assessment and find out how your club can serve your community better.

Spring is also, the time to find out which club has the best Pancakes. There is plenty of Pancake Breakfasts every weekend for the next two months. So take the family out and enjoy the company of Lions from other clubs. You'll be surprised at your next Pancake breakfast when other Lions show up at yours. This is a great way to meet Lions and show your support for their community.

Remember State Convention is April 24-27 in Columbus, Indiana. You can meet Lions from all over the state. The current International President Barry Palmer will be the guest speaker for the Saturday banquet. Our own Past International President Wayne Madden will be the guest speaker at the Melvin Jones Luncheon on Saturday. Hope to see you at the Convention.

2nd VDG Randy Greer

Subject: 2014 ISP Law Camp Application

The 2014 Indiana Law Camp Applications for ALL the State Police Camps; Note this is a 2 page application. Parents can file online by going to www.Trooper.org there is a fee for paying online.

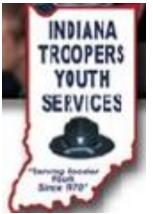
ALL CLUBS ARE REQUESTED TO SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS AND FEES MADE OUT TO INDIANA LIONS LAW CAMP TO State Chair PCC Linda Tincher, PO Box 158, Riley, IN 47871..... not the Angola address on the form!

Please note that the 2nd page of the Law Camp Application that the medical form says 2013 NOT 2014. That is a typo..Please use the from, they are in the processing of correcting it and to continue to use that form.

This is the only way we can keep track of which clubs are participating! If applications are sent to address on application then we do NOT know which clubs have sent campers.

PCC Linda Tincher State Law Camp Chair 812-240-0545 vtincher@ma.rr.com

2014 application forms can be obtained from www.Trooper.org
Or
Contact State Chair Linda Tincher







Upcoming Zone Meeting



ordinary people amazing things

Region 1 Zone B

Cedar Lake-Crown Point-LOFS-Lowell-St. John-Schererville Central

May 5, 2014 ** 6:30pm CT

Guest Speakers: LOFS Steve & Georgiann Pangere
Information Lions about

The Pangere Center for Inherited Retinal Disease at the Chicago Lighthouse & The Pangere Fund for Retinal Research

Piazza & Buffet (cost TBA) at: South Side Restaurant 3335 Lincoln Plaza, Cedar Lake, IN 219-374-6400

(Location: North side of Strack & Van Til Parking Lot)

RSVP to: Lion Doug Schmeltz 219-374-9714

Hosted by the Cedar Lake Lions Club

I hope to see you there,

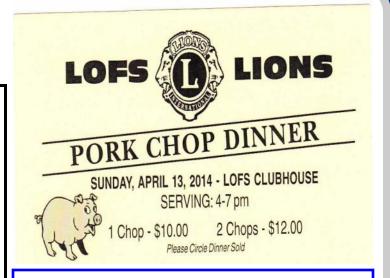
Zone Chair Lion Jeanne DeLasCases



The Lion's family of Randy & Pat Greer would like to say 'Thank-You' for all your support throughout the last year for Pat's mother.

Everyone was always asking about her and we were grateful for all the Lion's that attended the wake, sent cards and gave for masses. It meant a lot to us that our Lion's family was so thoughtful during this time.

Sincerely Yours, Lions Randy, Pat & Jody Greer



Bass Lake Lions Annual Smelt Fry

Bass Lake Clubhouse 210 Lake St, Knox

Wednesday ** April 2, 2014 6:00 pm Central Time

All Lions are welcome and best of all, as usual, there is no cost. Come and enjoy all the smelt you can eat and visit with Lions members from other clubs!

Chicken BBO

April 5th from 11am to 2pm CT **
In front of Napa store on Hwy 35 in
Knox



ISBVI Spring Work Day-May 31 2014

Details to be announced in next newsletter

October 5, 2014-Brian's Trike Race details later this year





Lions District 25 a



Friday, May 23



Sponsoring Clubs:

LaPorte Noon Lions Maple City Lions Michiana Lions Mill Creek Community Lions Michigan City Lions **Rolling Prairie Lions**

How to enter:

Fill out form and and mail in from:

- 1) Download form online at: www.rollingprairielions.org
- 2) Available at Beechwood Golf Course
- 3) See a Lion member for forms

Projects Done by our Clubs:

Campaign First Sight Cancer Research Leader dog for the Blind Indiana School for the Blind Eye and Tissue Bank **Diabetes Awareness** Lions Alert **Eyeglass Assistance Program** Reigns of Life Food Baskets, Food Pantry Deserving Children Shopping Tour Senior Luncheons Scholarships Community Cleanups Bicycle Tour Easter Egg Hunt Halloween Party

Date: May 23, Friday, 2014

Donation: \$75/golfer, \$300/Team Donation includes golf, cart, dinner, light lunch, team and individual awards 11:00 Registration & Light Lunch 11:30 Chipping & Putting Contest 12:30 Shotgun start ~ scramble format 5:30 Dinner, team awards, cash bar. Deadline for entries: May 9, 2013 Location: Beechwood Golf Course, LaPorte, IN Limited 144 golfers max

Golf Format: 4 man scramble, no rain date.

Make payments to: Lions L.P. County Golf

Mail to: LaPorte Lions 346 Holton Rd

La Porte, In. 46350

E-mail: webmaster@rollingprairielions.org







Hobart Lions Club 85th Anniversary Celebration

When: Sunday May 10, 2014 ** Time: Social 6pm Dinner 6:30

Where: Elks Club, 3580 W 61st Ave., Hobart In Cost: \$30 ** Guest Speaker: PID Gene Rice

Entertainment by Wolfgang ** Cash Bar Available

Reservation and payment due by May 1, 2014

Please return this form with your payment of \$30 for each person attending no later than May 1, 2014. Call Lions Sally or Clarence Davis at 219-942-4433 with any questions.

| Make checks payable to: Hobart Lions Club | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Club | | | | | |
| Names of attendees: | | | | | |
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| | | | | | |
| Number attending | X\$30=\$ | enclosed | | | |
| Mail to : Lions | s Sally Davis, 4767 E | ast 61st Ave, Hobart IN 46342 | | | |



Rolling Prairie Lions 75th Anniversary Celebration

Chartered May 17, 1939

Saturday, May 17, 2014 ** Dinner 6:30pm ** Cost \$25.00 Per Person Beacon Hills Banquet Center in LaPorte

Guest Speaker is: PID Robert Browning

Of West Virginia.

PID Robert comes from small club in W. Virginia and is looking forward to his time with us. DGE Glenn Swanson will be the Master of Ceremonies.

Will be sending out reservations to various clubs and individuals soon.

<u>Please RSVP by May 1st.</u> Check and number attending can be sent to: Rolling Prairie Lions, Po Box 576, Rolling Prairie IN 46371

Contact Lion Ron King with any questions: kingron1537@comcast.net





South Haven Lions Club "PANCAKES AND

MORE" (O)

Saturday May 3, 2014 7:00AM to 11:00AM American Legion Post 502 429 West 750 North South Haven (Valparaiso) Adults \$6.00 Family of 4-\$16.00 Children Under 10 \$3.00 Proceeds to: South Haven Little League, Boys & Girls Club and Scout Troops

Union Mills Lions Pancakes & More

April 13, 2014 ** 8 to 12:30 CT

Eggs

Biscuits

\$6 per person



Sausage

Pancakes

Union Mills Conservation Clubhouse

100 Mill Pond Rd., Union Mills 219-767-2275



Kouts Lions Pancake Breakfast

Sunday April 6th **

7:30 to 12:30 Central Time

Location: Kouts High School

Adults \$7:50 at door

Children (5-12) \$6.00 at door

** Under 5-Free**

Proceeds will be donated to the Kouts Police for a bullet-proof vest









Lowell Lions Club ** Since 1938 62nd Annual Pancake Breakfast

All You can Eat

Saturday, April 12, 2014 ** 6 to 12 CT

Lowell Middle School Cafeteria, 19250 Cline Avenue, Lowell In

Adults-\$6 ** 12 & Under-\$3 ** 2 & Under-Free

Breakfast includes: Fluffy pancakes, sausage links, egg & sausage casserole, regular & decaf coffee, white & chocolate milk, orange juice, regular & sugar free syrup

Homemade Cookies, Pastries, Pies, Cake & Baked Goodies for Sale

50/50 drawing at noon, winner notified after drawing

Tri Creek Ambulance E.M.T.'s-Free Blood Pressure Checks Lowell Police-Free Picture & Thumbprint I.D. Card for Youngsters

For more info contact: Jeff Greco 708-906-9800, Leon Morrow 219-696-6607, Bill Rankin 219-696-2730, Paul Palmer 219-696-1987

Www.facebook.com/lowelllionsclub Click 'Like' & 'Share'







Welcome New Members!



Bass Lake Lions

Member: Susan Reinholt Sponsor: Michael Samack

Cedar Lake Lions

Member: Michael Kopec Sponsor: John Schutz

Crown Point Lions

Member: Gerald Nibert Sponsor: Vern Segert

Griffith Lions

Member: Daniel Warnock Sponsor: Margaret Verkuilen

Indiana Harbor East Chicago

Member: Patrick Rodriguez Jr Sponsor: Naomi Rodriguez

Member: Melinda Rodriguez Sponsor: Patrick Rodriguez

Sponsor: Patrick Rodriguez

Lakes of the Four Seasons

Member: Richard Hall Sponsor: Jon Policicchio

Merrillville Lions

Member: Craig Lamb Sponsor: Carol Miano Member: Lori Vorkapick Sponsor: Carol Miano Member: Ann Myatovich Sponsor: Carol Miano

Rensselaer Lions

Member: Rick Odle Sponsor: Not Listed

St John Lions

Member: Kimm Maznaritz Sponsor: Allen Konieczka Member: Mitch Moneta Sponsor: Allen Konieczka Member: Nancy Moneta Sponsor: Allen Konieczka

Union Mills Lions

Member: Karen Coooper Sponsor: Wesley Heironimus Member: Chad Haschel Sponsor: Lucille Heironimus Member: Robert Cooper Sponsor: Lucille Heironimus

17 new members for February and March.

We Remember...

PDG Luis Aguilera, East Chicago
Nolan Parr, Crown Point
Harold Wente, Crown Point
Fernando Rodriguez, Indiana Harobor
Mark Essling, LaPorte
Mary Utley, Michigan City
William Carter, Munster

"The angels are always near to those who are grieving, to whisper to them that their loved ones are

safe in the hand of God."

- Eileen Elias Freeman -

Membership Note: Right before district convention we were a NET 49. We are as of April 1, 2014 a NET 39.

Let us work hard in April to grow our Legacy of Lions! April is the 2nd membership growth award month for Lions Clubs International!

April 26th is Lions Worldwide Induction Day Celebrate New Members

Lions Worldwide Induction Day is a worldwide event that welcomes new members and gives Lions the opportunity to stimulate membership growth and increase public awareness. Take action and start planning for Lions Worldwide Induction Day, taking place Saturday, April 26, 2014 by downloading the Lions Worldwide Induction Day Planning Guide. Your district or club can use the event as an opportunity to:

Celebrate new members and recognize their commitment with special <u>commemorative certificates</u> signed by the international president

- Join Lions worldwide, and together induct thousands of new members
- Demonstrate the importance Lions clubs have in helping and serving the less fortunate
- Launch a membership campaign and reward membership recruitment Increase membership satisfaction

Initiate a <u>public relations campaign</u> to raise awareness for your club For more information, contact the <u>Membership and New Club Programs Department</u>.





Volunteer for East Chicago Tri City Special Games!

Lions of 25-A would you like to get that "warm fuzzy feeling" all over? How you ask?

By signing up to volunteer at the *East Chicago Tri City Special Games* on <u>Saturday</u> *May 17, 2014*. For any question contact: June Tellez at 219-391-4100 ext.2360 or e-mail her at <u>itellez@ecps.org</u>, or myself

PDG Lion Patrick G. Rodriguez Sr. at 219-902-6459 email: patrodsr@hotmail.com.

And Lions of 25-A... thank you all, for what you do, and thank you all, for what you will do.

You can download your Tri City Special Games volunteer application from http://www.scec.k12.in.us/ and mail it to:

June Tellez c/o Administration Building, 210 E. Columbus Dr. East Chicago, IN 46312



Volunteer Application

The Tri-City Special Games will be held on Saturday, May 17, 2014 at the Soccer Field at East Chicago Central High School, located at 1100 W. Columbus Drive, East Chicago, IN. We are asking volunteers to register between 8:00 and 8:15 a.m. You will receive your assignment and t-shirt at that time. If you are available for early assignments (ex: balloons, etc.) please report by 7:30 a.m. Events should end by 1:00. Volunteers must be 16 years of age or older.

| Name: | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Address: | City/State/Zip: |
| Phone: | E-Mail: |
| Organization/Affiliation: | |

Shirt Size: (ADULT SIZES: Please check one) __Small __Medium __Large __XL __XXL __XXXL

Please return this form by APRIL 24, 2014, via:

- U.S. Mail to: JUNE TELLEZ at the Administration Building 210 E Columbus Dr., East Chicago, IN 46312; -or-
- Email to: <u>jtellez@ecps.org</u>; -or-
- Fax to: 219.391.4146

PLEASE PRINT

If you have any questions, please contact June Tellez @ 219.391.4100 ext. 2360 -or- jtellez@ecps.org



Crown Point Lions



Lion Jerry Nibert, newest member of Crown Point Lions, proudly get his membership pin. Lion Prez Bob Vanek looks on with pride.

The club is planning a Steak Fry for September 25th and their Fall Bingo will be November 20th. The club is also currently working on a membership drive and Lion Ron has made up a packet that includes information about LCI and membership applications. Recently the club held their Spring Bingo, Steak Fry and Casino Night.

Their annual Golf Outing is coming up on May 17, 2014

12:30 CT Shot Gun Start * \$90 per golfer * \$360 foursome Price includes golf and dinner

Contact Lion Ed for details: 219-663-7390 or 219-680-6485

Whiting Lions On March 30th the Whiting Lions prepared the apples, raffle drum ready and got the hall ready for their Famous Pancake Breakfast and served over 300!

This year's toppings were: strawberries, apples, whip cream, bananas and chocolate chips. The children enjoyed the Mickey Mouse chocolate chop pancakes the best but the adults were torn between the many flavor choices. Every year the Lions men stand behind the grill and get ready to flip their famous cakes. The students from Clark and Whiting National Honor Society Clubs come and spend their Sunday morning helping serving beverages and dishing out the sausage patties, while getting service hours. Thank you to all that came to help make this a success. Roar!









Lions Clubs International

The Extension and Membership Division conducts monthly webinars on important membership topics each month. Webinars are web-based forums designed to be interactive. Lions are able to ask questions of the panelists and share success stories of their own. The goal is to provide an opportunity for Lions to learn and motivate each other. We encourage you to pass along this information to your club members and promote their participation.

Webinars are recorded and posted on the LCI <u>Web site</u>. Below is the schedule of upcoming webinars. Space is limited so register today!

| Date | Topic |
|--|--|
| April 29, 2014 12 p.m 1 p.m. (CDT) | Conducting Informational Meetings for New and Existing Clubs Learn how to conduct an informational meeting for a new club or an existing club. Find out tips and tricks on how to get prospective members to join and |
| Register | tools and resources available. |
| May 22, 2014 | Membership Planning for Next Fiscal Year |
| 10 a.m 11 a.m. (CDT) | Start the next fiscal year off ahead by having a membership plan in place for your club, district, and/or multiple district. |
| Register | |
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If you have any questions regarding upcoming webinars, please contact the Membership and New Club Development Department.

Clever Signs

In a Podiatrists' office

'Time Wounds all Heels'

At an Optometrist's Office

'If you don't see what you are looking for, You have come to the right place.'

At a Tire Shop in Milwaukee

'Invite us to your next blowout!'

On an Electrician's Truck

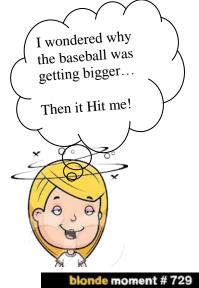
'Let us remove your shorts.'

In a Non-Smoking Area

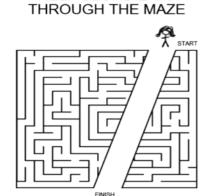
'If we see smoke, we will assume you are on fire and take appropriate action.'

Chicago Radiator Shop

'Best place in town to take a leak.'







HELP BLONDIE GO

Police Station Toilet Stolen Cops have nothing To Go On







2014 State Convention Committee

"Celebrate your DREAM in Columbus" April 25-27, 2014

2014 INDIANA LIONS STATE CONVENTION

Hosted by the Lions of District 25C

With Special Guest

International President Barry Palmer & Lion Anne



CLARION HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER

2480 Jonathan Moore Pike | Columbus, IN 47201 | (812) 372-1541

Room Rate: \$89.00 plus tax (includes complimentary breakfast) For room reservations call (812) 372-1541 and mention "Lions of Indiana" to receive convention room rate.



Registration Form (one per person or child)

| Name & Lion, DG, | Title PDG, PID, VDG etc.) | Please | print na | me as desired o | n hadve. | |
|---------------------|--|----------------------------|----------|-----------------|-------------|---|
| Address | PhonePrint name as a control on badge. | | | | | |
| City, Sta | te & Zip Code | | | | | |
| District | Club | | Email | | | |
| | Friday Golf Outing - 9:00 am (lunch included) | \$ 40.00 | = | | | |
| | Friday Evening Dinner | 15.00 | = | | | |
| | Saturday Lunch | 12.00 | = | | | |
| | Saturday All State Banquet | 24.00 | = | | | |
| | Please check any dietary needs: Ve | getarian 🔲 | Glute | en-free 🗌 | Other | |
| | Childcare provided w/ Pizza (ages 12 and under) | 5.00 | = | | _ | |
| | Sunday Brunch | 15.00 | = | | _ | |
| | 2014 Convention Pin/Convention Bag | 4.00 | = | 4.0 | 00 | |
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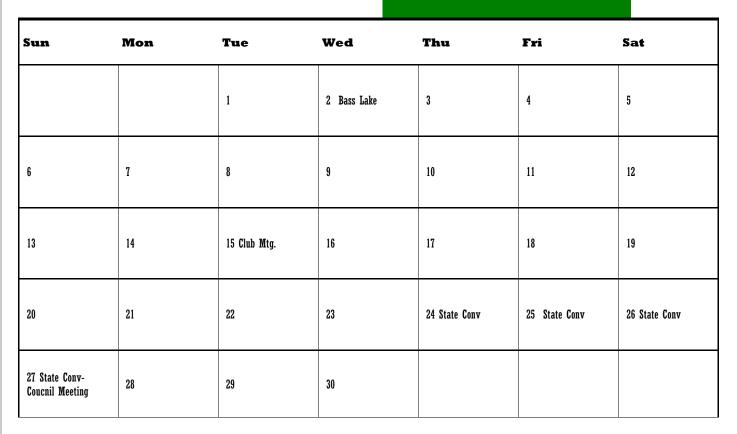
Email: committee@2014convention.com

www.2014convention.com





April 2014



If you want to make it in the newsletter, please have information to Karlene no later than the 25th of each month!

See an open date? Contact DG Connie to schedule your clubs official visit: H: 574-946-4701 C: 219-863-2556 or kroegwen@embarqmail.com

LCI Calendar of Events

Indiana Lions Calendar of Events

| April 1 | Leo of the Year award applications due | April 5 | Rescheduled Leader Dog Mtg |
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| April 4 | Lions Word Lunch Relay | April 11-13 | Leadership Workshop-Baymont-Plainfield |
| April 5-13 | Family Week | April 12 | Foundation Meeting |
| April 22 | Earth Day | April 24-27 | State Lions Convention-Columbus |
| April 25-28 | Faculty Development Inst. Area III | April 27 | Council Meeting-Columbus |
| April 26 | Lions Worldwide Induction Day | - | - |
| April 28 | Deadline for Standard-Core4-IAG grants | May 18 | Dist. B 4th Cabinet Meeting |
| | | May 21 | Dist. D 4th Cabinet Meeting |
| May 1 | Deadline to cancel with refund for Int. Conv. | May 31 | Dist. C Cabinet Meeting |
| May 1 | Advanced Int. Conv. Registration deadline | | |
| May 11-17 | White Cane Week | June 7 | Pre-Council Meeting |
| May 15 | Annual Leo Club Officers and Membership | June 8 | Cancer Control Meeting |
| | report form (Leo-72) due. | June 21 | Dist. A Cabinet-LOFS & Foundation Mtg. |
| May 15 | PU101 due-officer rerpoting form for LCI | | _ |







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