



25A Pace Setter

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LIONS OF DISTRICT 25A

International President Joe Preston has a theme of “Strengthen the Pride”. A pride of lions is a group that lives together and each has a different responsibility to help the group survive and grow. To me, this is just the perfect theme for Lions Clubs International at every level.

At our first administrative meeting of Cabinet, Region and Zone chairs, it became very clear to me that we all have responsibilities that impact Lions at other levels throughout our district. As I looked around the room, it was very evident that we have an administrative team that wants our district to grow and get better. The interaction was terrific, with everyone asking questions and sharing in such a respectful manor, that it just made me proud to be your governor.

Everyone seems to be on board with the idea of having a Zone project and most already have a project in mind to share at the first zone meeting. We hope to get our first report at the next administrative meeting on August 20, at Butch Weston’s house in Westville. Having a zone project will “Strengthen the Pride” in your Zone as clubs will support and help one another as needed when having a project activity.

We also talked about President Joe Preston’s “Ask I” buttons. It seems so simple to wear a button to recruit Lions. Every time I wear the button, people ask me what it means? “There’s the opening” to introduce them to Lions. Always have a brochure or some other Lion’s information to get them interested. After a week, make a follow-up call and invite them to a function or meeting. When the time is right, ask them to become a member of the world’s largest service organization. You may need to ask 3 times. Zone Chair Pat Kalina says the secret is “Ask them three times to join”.

I want to thank the cabinet team, region chairs & zone chairs for taking time to meet in Wanatah. For some of you, to rush there after working all day, and sit through a two hour meeting had to be tough. But when I left and was driving back to La Porte, I was just so proud to be your Governor. To be in a room full of people who just want to serve and make the district stronger is so rewarding. We are a “Pride”, and it gives me great pleasure to be a small part of the district that “Sets the Pace”.

District Governor Glenn Swanson,

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1st District Meeting
Sunday, August 24



A Day at the Ballpark

A Lions Meeting & Ball Game

RailCats Stadium
One Stadium Plaza, Gary IN

Gates open at 12:30
Meeting at 12:45
Lunch at 1:15
Game Starts at 2:10

Fee: \$20.00

Includes Grand Slam lunch, Ticket for Game, Parking
"GRAND SLAM"

HOT DOGS & HAMBURGERS & BBQ CHICKEN SANDWICHES

Served with hot dog & hamburger buns, ketchup, mustard, onions, relish, lettuce, tomato, and cheese

COLE SLAW * BAKED BEANS * POTATO CHIPS * SOFT DRINKS & WATER

Send registration
BY August 8th TO

Cabinet Secretary Lion Roy (Bo) Zimmerman
602 E. Hamilton St.
Union Mills, N 46382
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Name	Number	Cost	Total
		\$20	
		\$20	
		\$20	
		\$20	

Ask 1

**MD 25 Lions
Membership Safari**



Lions of Indiana * 25-A District GMT Seminar

**Sunday, September 7, 2014
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. CT**

Being Offered at:

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church
507 Rose Street
Kouts, IN 46347**

**No Charge
Free Meal**

Click Link Below
Need Directions? [St Paul's Church](#)

**We are *Hunting* for Lions Who Are Interested in
Learning the Most Effective Membership, Retention,
And Extension Strategies for the World's Largest
Humanitarian Service Club ... Your Lions Clubs!!!**

**Designed for District Governor's Leadership Teams, Region
& Zone Chairpersons, Club Presidents, Officers, Club
Membership Chairs and Lions All.
*Certificates of Training Will Be Issued.***

***Complimentary* Snacks and Drinks**

***Complimentary* Sloppy Joes, Sides and Dessert * 4:00 p.m.**

***Essential* Global Membership Team Strategies * 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

Three 55-minute Sessions: Membership * Retention * Extension

Training will be Facilitated by:

Lion Buzz Melton, MD-A GMT Coordinator * Chiefbuzzmelton@aol.com

Lion Tawny Hall, Past District Governor, 1-H * tawny.hall@projectsuccess.com

**Please RSVP to Lion Doug Schmeltz, 25A GMT Chair
doug_schmeltz@hotmail.com or 219-374-9714 by August 31, 2014**

Do Something!



**Lions District 25A Banner Night
Saturday, September 27**



A Night at the Stadium

Throwback Basketball Game

Winamac vs La Porte

Players provided by Purdue North Central

Civic Auditorium

1001 Ridge St La Porte, IN

Doors open at 3:30 pm—Game starts at 4:30 pm

Admission \$1.50 with pair of glasses to recycle—\$2.00 without



**Banner Parade at Halftime
Followed by Banner Exchange**



**After Game Buffet for Leo's, Lions and Guests
Fee: \$12.00**

**Free Vision Screening for Pre-School and Elementary Age Kids
State Projects will be Represented**

Come and Find Out What Lions Do!!

**Register BY September 20th With
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Name	Number	Cost	Total
		\$12	
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Welcome New Members!!



Club	Member	Sponsor
Hanna	Bill Clark	Daren Hunsley
La Porte	Sandra Burkhart	Charles Schnable
	Teri Burkhart	Charles Schnable
Lowell	Angela Davis	Paul Palmer
	Bryan Hyde	Paul Palmer
	Jacki Hyde	Paul Palmer
	Shannon Tetrault	Clifford Tetrault
Merrillville	John Yllich	Re-instated
	Eugene Guernsey	Carol Miano
	Jacki Guernsey	Carol Miano
Michiana	Ellen Hennesey-Herstad	Carol Miano
	Timothy Fizer	James Cross
Mill Creek	Emily P. Howard	Carol Hunt
Portage	Edwin Bowers	Kenneth Anderson
	Holly Schmidt	Kenneth Anderson
Rensselaer	Steven Clapp	Mike Steinke
	Angela Clapp	Mike Steinke
	John Sirianni	Phillip Evers
	Stephen Wood	Phillip Evers
Schererville	Sue Beach	Sharon Moore
	Susan Newman	Ken Jones
Union Mills	Jean Smith	Roy Zimmerman
	Kelsey Tuholski	Nolan Sampson
Valparaiso	Tim Norman	Eldon Zulich
Westville	Katy Hauter	Melissa McCaughey
Whiting	Norbert Dudzick	Andrew Dybel
	Abigail Dybel	Susan Dybel
	Timothy Gard	Olga Papp

And Remember those who have Completed their Service to Lions.

Frank King—Cedar Lake
 Janes Alred—Michigan City
 Dean Squire—Ogden Dunes
 Leonard Pera—Valparaiso

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A Well Hidden Secret in The Thriving Metropolis of Medaryville, IN

Population 650

Karen's Angel's

A very special Lady by the name of Beverly began a fund raiser dedicated to her daughter Karen's memory. Several years ago both mother and daughter had cancer. Sadly her daughter Karen succumbed to Cancer leaving behind a family. It was after the tragedy of Karen's death that Beverly made herself a promise that as long as she could, she would participate in fund raisers to advance the works towards a cure for cancer. It was after several years of participation that she decided she would like to begin a fundraiser of her own dedicated to Karen – thus Karen's Angels. She had heard about the Indiana Lions Cancer Control fund because of Loving Individuals Offering Needed Services (LIONS). It was then that she contacted Lion Dottie Flack and explained to her what she wanted to do – a Fund Raiser with proceeds to benefit the Lions Cancer Project. After much thought, Beverly decided she would like to have a chicken and noodle supper. She then contacted her family and discussed this project with them. Without hesitation her family told her that they would support her 100%.

Word spread rapidly of her intent, resulting in friends, neighbors, Lions, churches and neighboring communities jumping on board to support this worthy project. What began as a small adventure has grown in leaps and bounds. "Karen's Angels" is usually held the third Saturday in April at the Lions building in Medaryville. Chicken and Noodles is the main entrée of the day graced with a homemade salad bar and homemade desserts – so many that one cannot begin to even have a taste of everything. "Oh what excellent cooks and bakers". In addition to the supper, a bake sale is held.

Let us also not forget the Silent Auction, the Handmade Quilt, Angel Bracelets, and Luminaries.

People come from far and near to get a first hand peek at this celebration. Yes, everyone who participates in any way, is truly one of "Karen's Angels".

This past year, 275 people were in attendance and dined with us. Many cash donations were received from businesses and friends unable to attend. This has become a very successful endeavor for this community.

Watch your Governor's Newsletter after the first of the year for the date in April, or contact one of the Cancer Control Trustees.

THANK YOU Mrs. Beverly for all the support you have given to our Cancer Control State Project. To each and everyone – why not join us and become a Karen's Angel.

Lion PDG Margaret Verkuilen, Trustee



We have a new Facebook site thanks to Lion Jodi Greer. Please check it out —

<https://www.facebook.com/25Alions>

**Please send information pictures, articles, etc for the newsletter to Lion Patty Cooke
by the 20th of the Month patty.cooke@gmail.com**

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25TH ANNUAL STEAK FRY
FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2014
4-7PM



Donation: \$15
At Hobart Community Center
Located at 111 Old Ridge Road

District "Team" Meeting

What: Where are we with Zone Projects

When: Wednesday, August 20 at 6:00 pm CST

Where: Butch Weston's Home
2222 S 900 W. LaPorte, IN

Zone Chairs, Region Chairs, GLT, GMT, or Anyone else who wants to see what our District has done to make "Fishing for Life" a reality are Welcome!!

Bring a dish to share and we will cook on the grill!

If you have anything you would like to discuss, please let DG Glenn know so we can put it on the agenda

LOFS  LIONS

STEAK FRY DINNER

SUNDAY AUGUST 24, 2014 — LOFS CLUBHOUSE

Serving 4 P.M. — 7 P.M.

COST \$15.00

For Tickets Call Lion Chris Derisi 219-613-1159

Munster Lions Annual Steak & Chicken Fry

The Munster Lions Club recently held their annual Steak and Chicken Fry—always scheduled for the first Saturday in August. They served over 900 dinners! This and their Pancake Breakfast in the spring are their two major fundraisers. The Munster Lions have made significant contributions of time and money to local park efforts, raised funds for bullet proof vests for police, participate in all Lions state projects, work with scouting programs, assisted people during 2008 flood and much, much more. Please check them out at

www.lionsofmunster.com



Munster Lions serving steak or chicken, corn, potatoes, tomatoes and all the fixings.

Salvation Army Receives Proceeds From Door Village Candy Day Collections

Members of the Door Village Lions Club have created, as Harry Caray so frequently said, *deja vu* all over again. Just six months ago the club donated \$500 to the food pantry of the La Porte Salvation Army much to the delight of Envoy Pastor Greg Irwin. This past May club members outdid themselves, perhaps we should say the generous public outdid their selves as the total collection was 725. If memory serves correctly that is a record collection, or near the record, for our great little club, and members were understandably pleased with the results of their efforts. But no more pleased than Pastor Irwin when Immediate Past President Lion Carol Pahs presented him with the check to again bolster the reserves of the well run Food Pantry. In fact Pastor Irwin commented that this generous donation would serve as a prelude to the Christmas in July effort that was about to take place on the coming weekend, because a large portion of the Christmas in July proceeds will also go to the Food Pantry. This serendipitous occasion made the presentation even more special for both Pastor Irwin and the Door Village Lions.

After the presentation Envoys Pastor Irwin and his wife Bethany gave current club President and Candy Day Chairman Lion George Morley, Eyeglass Committee Chairman Lion Joe Pahs and Immediate Past President Lion Carol Pahs a tour of the Food Pantry and the Backpack packaging area. The well managed Food Pantry was impressive to say the least. Pastor Irwin explained how the food is obtained from several sources and it is used by so many needy families. He explained how every effort is taken to make sure that the food supplied was as nutritious as they can make it, so it's not just any old food. Envoy Bethany told about her Backpack Project and how it started with just her and one other woman who were touched

by a true story of a young girl who filled her tummy with paper towels so she could give her food to her little sister.

Now with this project that supplies weekend meals to hundreds of needy school children, she is comforted just knowing many are being helped by this one program which she is planning to expand to include another twenty-five more students in the near future.

Pastor Irwin thanked the Door Village Lions for the donation, and each of the Lions thanked Pastor Irwin and his wife Bethany for all the good work they are doing in the community, and it was a win win for everyone. Small wonder that so many people like to support both of these great organizations.

For more information please call George Morley at [219-362-5653](tel:219-362-5653). Photos by Joe Pahs



Left to Right: Lion George Morley, Door Village Lions Club President; Lion Carol Pahs, Immediate Past President; Envoy Bethany Irwin, Backpack Program Director; Envoy Pastor Greg Irwin La Porte Salvation Army



We Serve

	<p>2016 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION PIN DESIGN FUKUOKA, JAPAN</p>	
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Lions are creative at finding solutions, so let's get our genes engaged and generate an amazing design for our MD-25 International Pin for 2016!

Start thinking about Ferris wheels, cherry blossoms, temples, beaches, culture.

This design does not have to be created by a Lion, but can be submitted by Lions friends and family members, Leos or students in our communities.

Remember, we are looking for concepts, not finished art

Each club is asked to submit 1 design to DG Glenn Swanson by November 15, 2014.

One design will be selected as our District's pin design and submitted to our State Council in January for consideration.

Other districts will also be submitting 1 design. One of these will be selected to be our MD25 state pin for the 2016 International Convention in Japan.

The pin design must include:

<p>MD 25 Indiana (as text) 2016 The Lion Club Intl. Logo</p>	<p>Fukuoka or Japan graphic representation MD25 graphic representation</p>
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Pin usually includes a race car and/or the outline of Indiana.

Other than these criteria, the design options are pretty much open.

And remember, we Lions just love slides or other mechanicals.

Get your "yin-yang" going and let's see a winning design for 2016!

2013 Hamburg	2014 Toronto	2015 Honolulu	2016 Fukuoka, Japan
			 <p>Your Design Here</p>

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Club Visitation Schedule

Bass Lake	Wednesday	TBD
Burns Harbor	Thursday	November 20, 2014
Cedar Lake	Tuesday	October 7, 2014
Chesterton	Tuesday	March 10, 2014
Crown Point	Thursday	September 1, 2014
Door Village	Monday	December 8, 2014
Dyer	Saturday	October 18, 2014
East Chicago Evening	Wednesday	September 1, 2014
Francesville	Tuesday	October 14, 2014
Goodland	Wednesday	August 13, 2014
Griffith	Tuesday	November 4, 2014
Hamlet	Monday	January 5, 2015
Hammond	Monday	October 13, 2014
Hanna	Tuesday	January 20, 2015
Hebron	Thursday	August 21, 2014
Highland	Tuesday	November 11, 2014
Hobart	Wednesday	December 3, 2014
Indiana Harbor East Chicago	Saturday	October 25, 2014
Kentland	Tuesday	August 26, 2014
Koontz Lake	Tuesday	March 3, 2015
Kouts	Thursday	August 7, 2014
La Crosse	Tuesday	August 5, 2014
La Porte	Monday	October 6, 2014
Lake Station	Monday	February 2, 2014
Lakes of the Four Seasons	Wednesday	October 8, 2015
Laporte Maple City	Wednesday	December 10, 2014
Medaryville	Thursday	January 15, 2015
Merrillville	Thursday	December 18, 2014
Michiana L C	Thursday	July 10, 2014
Michigan City	Wednesday	November 19, 2014
Mill Creek	Monday	December 15, 2014
Monterey	Wednesday	November 12, 2014
Morocco	Tuesday	August 26, 2014
Munster	Wednesday	October 15, 2014
Ogden Dunes	Monday	March 2, 2015
Portage	Tuesday	January 6, 2015
Remington	Tuesday	September 23, 2014
Rensselaer	Tuesday	September 9, 2014
Rolling Prairie	Tuesday	February 3, 2015
Schererville	Tuesday	November 25, 2014
Schererville Central	Tuesday	October 21, 2014
Shelby	Thursday	September 18, 2014
South Haven L C	Thursday	December 11, 2014
St. John	Thursday	November 6, 2014
Star City	Tuesday	August 19, 2014
Union Mills	Tuesday	January 27, 2014
Valparaiso	Tuesday	December 2, 2014
Wanatah	Monday	October 20, 2014
Westville	Thursday	January 5, 2015
Wheatfield	Monday	September 15, 2014
Whiting	Thursday	October 16, 2014
Winamac	Tuesday	September 16, 2014

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August 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	Aug 1 District 25C Banne	2
3 Cedar Lake Golf	4	5 Lacrosse OV	6	7 Kouts OV	8 LOFS Golf	9
10	11	12	13 Goodland OV	14	15 Hobart Steak Fry	16
17	18	19 Star City OV	20 Teem Meeting	21 Hebron OV	22	23 District 25F Banne
24 LOFS Steak Fry District 25A Meetin	25	26 Morocco OV	27	28	29	30

September 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	Sep 1 Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6
7 Membership Semi	8	9 Rensselaer OV	10	11	12	13
14	15 Wheatfield OV	16 Winamac OV	17	18 Shelby OV	19	20 District 25D Banne
21	22	23 Remington OV	24	25	26	27 Banner Night 25A
28	29	30	Oct 1	2	3	4