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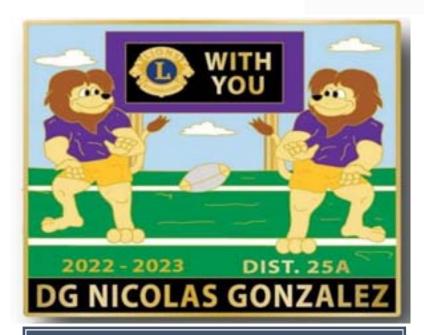
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"IN RUGBY, YOU SAY THE PHRASE
'WITH YOU' WHEN YOU WISH TO HELP
YOUR TEAMMATE.

LIONS, I AM 'WITH YOU' WHEN A FELLOW
LION NEEDS HELP WITH A SERVICE
PROJECT, FINDING NEW MEMBERS OR
NEW LEADERS."



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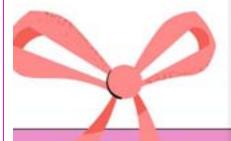
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DG Visits

2/1-Michigan City 2/2-Westville 2/14-LaPorte



Greetings fellow Lions of 25A!

I hope everyone has had an excellent start to 2023. If you have met as a club or completed a project, you HAVE had an excellent start. It was a pleasure seeing many of you at our Cabinet meeting. We are social creatures; it always nice to reunite with fellow Lions a few times a year. You all work wonders for your communities; keep up the great work! We are a very short time away from our District Convention. We will have a welcome dinner on March 31 st for our International guest, with the majority of our events on April 1 st. I have had the honor of meeting our guest, International Director Ken Ibarra, at the 2021 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. As you can see by the picture, plenty of fun was had. ID Ken and his partner-in-service, Lion Amy Fink, look forward to meeting you all. You will gain knowledge through our seminars and business sessions. But there is another event which will bring lifelong memories. Note that my theme is 'With You' with you in service, with you in camaraderie, with you in silliness. WHAT?? Did you say silliness, DG Nick?? I did! The Convention includes our 3rd annual Chant Contest. The previous 2 contests have been memorable, and I hope this year's rendition follows suit. You don't need to be perfect; just willing to have fun. If you win, you get to hold the traveling trophy for a whole year. In 2021, the Crown Point Lions took home the giant megaphone. In 2022, it was South Haven LC's turn.

In 2023, it could be YOU! Please contact me between now and March 28th if your club wishes to participate. The more the merrier! Thank you again for all the hard work you have put in! Your communities would not be the same without you. If I have not visited or scheduled my visit with your club, please contact me. I want to visit all of you. Please contact fellow Lions in your club who have not been active. A simple hello could go a long way.

We are all in this together!

Yours in Lionism,

DG Nick Gonzalez

1st VDG-Stephen Helmken

February 2023



Good Day Lions,

This past weekend, Lion Alice and I along with DG Nick, 2 nd VDG Patty & DG P

I attended a workshop on Finding and Applying for Grants. Not only from LCIF but from businesses in your own communities. Walmart, Meijer, Lowes, and others offer help if your club is doing a project. All you have to do is a little research to find out what companies or businesses provide grants. If your club is building something like a ramp for a person in the community, check with Lowes about a grant that will donate all the supplies you would need. They don't give out money, but they will donate everything for your project.

I also attended a seminar on Recruiting Membership. We all know our numbers are down. What can we do to get new members into our clubs. One idea was to hold a winter membership drive. The time between February and May is good because there isn't much going on. In Fall most clubs are very busy. But that time at the end of winter and beginning of Spring is best.

I hope to see many more Lions from District 25A in attendance next year at the Mid-Winter Conference. The dates will be January 19-20, 2024, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Indianapolis, IN. Please put these dates on your calendar and plan now to attend. More information will be available next year.

A very important item that came up at most of the seminars was reporting on your club's service projects in MyLION. This is something that DG Nick, 2 nd VDG Patty and I have been writing about in every newsletter these last few months. If your secretary or president is unable to enter this information for your club, see if someone else would like to and make them the Club Administrator. Or give one of us a call, we would be happy to help. There is no reason why every club isn't entering this information into MyLION. If every club entered one service project the District would be at 100%

reporting. This is what we need to aim for.

We have awesome clubs in our District doing some outstanding projects so let's all work hard to achieve this goal.

> Together We Can 1 st VDG Stephen J. Helmken

February 2023

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2 VDG-Patty Cooke

Hello Lions of District 25A

Lion Jim and I have just returned from the MidWinter
Conference in Indianapolis. What a great event!
We met with some old friends, made some new friends and
learned a great deal. In one session, a Lion from Zionsville
explained how her club has developed the practice of
'mentoring' new Lions. Each new Lion is assigned a
'Mentor' who then reviews a new membership packet full
of

Club and District information. The Mentor helps steer the new Member to Club activities that he/she would enjoy. In this manner, they retain many of their new members. One thing we did do differently at this years Conference, was to say the Lions Pledge at the beginning

the general sessions:

I pledge allegiance to my country and to the cause of peace throughout the world.

I believe in the principles of Lionism as contained in the Code of Ethics.

I am proud to be a Lion, dedicated to the service of others.

Lion Patty Cooke, 2nd Vice District Governor

February 2023

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I have said the pledge at other large events and conventions – where the words were displayed on a huge screen. This weekend that was not the case, so I stumbled my way through by just mouthing the pledge – and I was not the only one. But I was surprised when some Lions said that the Pledge is part of every meeting of their clubs! I did like that idea and I will propose it at the next meeting of my club.

The pledge reminds us of who we are and what we –
We Serve.

I hope you all have the District 25A Convention marked on your calendars! This is a great opportunity to connect with other Lions and also to learn more about who we are and what we do! See you there!

Take Care and Thank You for All You Do.



District 25-A "WITH YOU" February 2023



Meet International Director Ken Ibarra

Ken Ibarra, from San Bruno, California, USA was elected to serve a two-year term as international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 103rd
International
Convention, June 25 through June 29, 2021.

Director Ibarra has 41 years of experience as a licensed architect and is the owner of Ibarra Associates. Over the course of his career, he has designed more than 400 residential and 60 commercial projects throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. He has also served for 22 years as a councilman for the City of San Bruno. During his tenure several housing, transit and redevelopment projects were created in the community. He also served on many regional committees such as the San Mateo County Transit Authority and the Airport Roundtable for San Francisco International Airport.

He became a Lion in 1992 as a member of the San Bruno Lions Club. He has held a number of offices with the association including district governor, leadership coordinator, LCIF coordinator as well as serving many years as a Leo Club advisor. He has been a presenter at three USA/Canada Forums as well as a presenter at the 95th Lions Clubs International Convention in Busan, South Korea. He has also served as a Certified Guiding Lion for four clubs.

In recognition of his service, he has received numerous awards including an International President's Award, two International President's Leadership Awards and multiple International President's Certificates of Appreciation. Director Ibarra is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. In addition to his Lions activities, Director Ibarra remains active in numerous civic and business organizations.

Director Ibarra and Lion Amy Fink, also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have been together for 22 years and have a blended family of four children and four grandchildren.



2023 DISTRICT 25A LIONS CONVENTION HOSTED BY DG NICOLAS GONZALEZ "WITH YOU"



MARCH 31 & APRIL 1, 2023 Barbara & Dean White Community Center 6600 Broadway, Merrillville, IN 46410

Special Guests: International Director Ken Ibarra and Lion Amy FINK

For those needing overnight accommodations, a block of rooms has been reserved at the Hilton Garden Inn 7775 Mississippi St, Merrillville, IN 46410 Phone: 219-768-7000

Room Rate: \$123 + tax per night Be Sure to Ask for the LIONS rate

An \$8 Voucher for breakfast may be purchased with Reservation

Make reservation directly with the hotel-this rate is good until February 28th

FRIDAY NIGHT WILL BE ID WELCOME DINNER
SATURDAY LUNCH WILL BE DOWNTIME TO EXPLORE THE VARIOUS EATERIES IN MERRILLVILLE
SATURDAY NIGHT WILL BE OUR BANQUET

("SEE MORE DETAILS BELOW")

Payment Deadline for Pre-Registrations and Meals is March 23rd, 2023
NO PRE-REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MARCH 23"

REGISTRATION FOR CONVENTION SATURDAY, APRIL 1" IS FREE BUT YOU MUST STILL REGISTER

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Indiana Lions, District 25A EIN # 35-1792616

Dear Friend of the Lions Clubs International,

The Lions of Indiana District 25A will be holding our annual convention on Saturday, April 1, 2023 at the Dean & Barbara White Community Center, 6600 Broadway in Merrillville Indiana. The Lions of Indiana are 9,000+ strong and are represented by 360 Lions Clubs from throughout the State. District 25A represents the 7 northwest counties of Indiana and consists of 50 Lions Clubs. Over 250 Lions from Northwest Indiana will be attending our convention.

The Lions of Indiana are a part of the world's largest service organization, Lions Clubs International. As Lions, we focus our service activities on local community needs as well as projects addressing Vision, Cancer Control, Hunger and the Environment. As a part of our convention, the Lions of District 25A are requesting your help in one of three ways.

| There will be a silent auction. We are looking for baskets or items that could be incorporated into one. Contact Lion Laurie Haussman at 219-973-1615 or beannie1516@comcast.net . |
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| There will be an ad book given to all participants. This has the potential to reach the 1,200 Lions in District 25A. Prices and directions for placing an ad in the book are enclosed. Contact Lion Patricia (Pat) Greer for questions at 219-759-2865 (H), 219-928-3618 (C) or patricia.agreer6@gmail.com . |
| There will be "gift bags" for attendees. This could include pens, cards, candy, etc. or any item with any business logo. To provide items contact Lion Joy Robinson at 219-973-3457 or email irobinson28@hotmail.com . |

The Lions of Indiana District 25A appreciate your consideration. **Any support you can provide to help make our convention a success is appreciated**. If you have any questions regarding our convention, please contact me directly.

Yours respectfully,

Lion Clarence Davis
District 25A Convention Chairman
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csdavis61@comcast.net

DISTRICT 25A 2023 CONVENTION AD BOOK 2022-2023 District 25A District Convention, April 1, 2023

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∞Upcoming Club Fundraisers

∞Honor your Melvin Jones Members

∞Foundations: Thank the Lions for their donations

∞Give a hearty "Welcome" to our Special Guests

∞Congratulate the DG & VDGs

DO YOU OWN A BUSINESS? PLACE AN AD --- SUPPORT THE LIONS!

All Business Ads, ½ page or larger will be posted in the Registration Area & placed in 2 editions of the District Newsletter

| Full Size page 8 5 X 11 | ş | Actual ad Size W x H | |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------------------|------|
| Color Front Inside Cover | \$150.00 | 7 x 9 | SOLD |
| Color Back Page | \$200.00 | 7 x 9 | SOLD |
| Color Back Inside Cover | \$150.00 | 7 x 9 | SOLD |
| Color Regular Page | \$100.00 | 7 x 9 | |
| Color 1/2 Page | \$_60.00 | 7 x 4.5 | |
| Color ¼ Page | \$.40.00 | 3.5 x 4.5 | |
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Make checks payable to: <u>District 25A District Convention</u>
Mail to: *Lian Patricia Greer, 744 Acadia Rd, Valparaiso IN 46385*PH: 219-759-2865 (H), 219-628-6727 (C)

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District 25-A "WITH YOU" February 2023

Diabetes Awareness

Attention all Lions clubs:

Are you looking for a new service project that supports the State cause of Diabetes Awareness? Well guess what?

All Districts in the state of Indiana have a Diabetes screening kit for your club to use.

The District Governor or your Diabetes Chair has the kit, provided by our State Diabetes funds. It has two systems you can use. Instruction for using both systems are included in the kit. If we can setup a sufficient number of trainees, I will come conduct training.

The key is to get trained and setup an event (Health fairs, conventions (doesn't have to be Lions), ball games etc.). You must publicize it any way possible. Check your supplies to make sure they are not outdated (MD 25 Diabetes funds will reimburse the resupply). If you don't screen a lot of people, don't feel bad. Not everyone wants a finger stick.

No matter the number, you just identified whether someone has Blood-Glucose problems. The benefits of this new service project are Lions Clubs visibility, helping our communities, identifying health problems and increased membership.

The project does not require many people, two to three Lions can easily conduct the screening.

If you have questions, don't hesitate to contact your District Diabetes
Chair, DG, or me.

My contact information is Cell: 812-320-4258 or kennywilliams78@hotmail.com. Yes We Can PDG Kenny Williams MD 25 Diabetes Chair

2022 -2023 Nominations and Elections State Convention Report to Council

January 22, 2023

MD Positions open for candidates:

STATE COMPTROLLER

Term: 2 years, starting on July 15, 2023, thru July 14, 1025. (State Constitution, Article IV, Section 4)

Each District shall conduct an investigation to determine if it has a qualified candidate for State Comptroller. One (1) candidate from each District can be submitted. Election for that candidate will follow District election format. The candidate shall furnish a statement in writing showing that such candidate is willing to be nominated, will serve if elected. Each such written statement shall be submitted by the District Governor to the State Council Chairperson with a copy to the State Nominations and Elections Committee Chairperson at least ten (10) days before the opening of the State Convention.

INDIANA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Term: 3 years, starting after the International Convention, 2023 thru 2025. (State Constitution Article IV. Section 6)

Qualifications: A PDG from Districts: C, D, E, F or G, ONLY.

Elected members of the Indiana International Convention Committee shall be elect at the State Convention from among candidates nominated at their District Convention, shall follow the procedure set forth in the By-Laws of that district. Such nominations shall be submitted by the District Governor to the State Council Chairman with a copy to the State Nominations and Election Chairman at least thirty (30) days before the opening of the State Convention.

If no nominations are received on time, nominations will be taken from the floor at a State Convention business meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Toosley

Lion Barbara Toosley, PDG 25A 13700 Lantern Drive St John, IN 46373 lionbarb@comcast.et 219-798-5950

CC: State Council Chairman Scott Smith 4472 N. Wabash Rd. #2 Marion, IN 46922 All DG's to be forward to District Newsletter Editor



South Haven Lions Club



The South Haven Lions provided wish lists to the teachers at South Haven and Paul Saylor Elementary before Christmas break.

Teachers could write items that they needed for their classroom like Kleenex, markers, books, games, etc.

Lion members adopted a teacher and bought items on the list. The goodies were delivered to the teachers in January.









Please join the Westville Lions Club for there
ALL YOU CAN EAT CHILI
Saturday, March 11, 2023
Westville Methodist Church
From 4 PM to 7 PM
\$10.00 Per person
All you can eat chili, cornbread, a hot dog
and drink.

Michigan City Lions Club





Left to right, Major Dale Simmons, The Salvation Army, Mary Anderson and Deb Varnak, Stepping Stone Shelter, Sharron Hutton, Michigan City Housing Authority, Harry Holtcamp, Interfaith Community PADS Program, Susan Baldwin, MCAS Vision and Hearing Department, Jim Musial, Citizens Concerned for the Homeless and Keys to Hope, Larry Smith, Intrepid Phoenix Program.

Representatives above each received \$500 for their agencies from the Michigan City Lions Club.













Frene Rosevear presenting check to Larry Smith of Intrepid Phoenix.

Harry Holtcamp of PADS Program and Frene Rosevear.

Deb Varnak, Stepping Stone Shelter, Frene Rosevear and Mary Anderson, Stepping Stone Shelter.

Major Date Simmons, The Salvation Army, and Irene Rosevear. rene Rosevear and Jim Musial, Citizens Concerned for the Homeless and Keys to Hope. Irene Rosevear and Susan Baldwin, MCAS Hearing and Vision Department.



Michigan City Lions Club

A delicious prime rib lunch provided by Cafe Elite Catering was enjoyed by members of the Michigan City Lions Club and guests at their annual Christmas party held in December at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

The highlights of the event were the delightful versions of Christmas carols sung by the Marquette Singers led by Director, Amy Crane, and the presentation of Lions Club checks to support several local charities. Recipients included the following:

The Salvation Army, Stepping Stone Shelter, Interfaith Community PADS Program, Michigan City Area Schools Hearing and Vision Program, Citizens Concerned for the Homeless, Keys to Hope and the Intrepid Phoenix Program all of whom received \$500 checks presented by President Irene Rosevear on behalf of the Lions Club. Receiving \$500 in gift certificates, to be allocated to senior citizens, was the Michigan City Housing Authority.

A Holiday poem was presented by Cindy Hall and a reminder to Marquette students of the Lions Club scholarships to be presented in May.

After thanking all who attended, President, Irene Rosevear, shared the thought for the day.

Peace on Earth comes to stay when we live Christmas everyday!

Mills Creek Lions Club



The Mill Creek Community Lions held their first blood drive of 2023 at the Lincoln Township Community building in Fish Lake.
Twenty six (26) donors contributed.

Pictured is Chairperson Lion Sherry Evenberg welcoming a donor.

Laporte Lions Club





LA PORTE LIONS ARE MAKING THEIR
ANNUAL DONATION OF \$250 TO EACH OF
EIGHT LA PORTE COMMUNITY SCHOOL
CORP. SELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.
PICTURED ARE LION SANDRA PROVAN
(FROM LEFT) GIVING A CHECK TO
AMANDA PETERSON, LIBRARIAN AT
HANDLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND
LION PAUL MARSH GIVING A CHECK TO
KATHY BRADLEY, LIBRARIAN AT INDIAN
TRAILS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THE WEEK
OF JAN. 23. CHECKS WERE TO BE
DELIVERED TO THE OTHER SIX SCHOOLS
THE WEEK OF JAN. 30.

Looking for an Easy and Meaningful Club Project to Promote Civics? Lions Clubs Urged to Help Their Local Schools Learn About the Constitution: By Lion Don Parker, District Liberty Day Chair

January 2022

Lions Clubs can help promote civics and citizenship education with a great and easy-to-do project: **Liberty Day:** Wed. March 16, 2022 (birthday of Pres. James Madison, major author of the Bill of Rights).

Schools are giving increased attention to Civics classes. Clubs can distribute pocket US Constitutions to their local schools to use in Civics education, which as we all know is more critical now than ever for our nation. This is a great opportunity to promote Civics education AND the goals of Lionism!

- Pocket Constitutions are available to order from either <u>Amazon.com</u> or <u>Walmart.com</u> for only \$1.00 each.
- Civics education takes place at about the 5th to 8th grade level, so contact your local schools, and arrange to deliver pocket Constitutions for classroom use, or in connection with a Citizenship-related activity.
- As with The Dictionary Project, be sure to attach a sticker or mailing label with your local Lions Club's contact info or web site.
- · Report your Liberty Day activities on your Monthly Activity Report.

For more ideas or for a speaker about Liberty Day, contact Lion Don Parker at 219-801-5275.



Leader Dog T-Shirt Fundraiser

We are doing t-shirts in Safety Green 50/50 Cotton/Poly no pocket They will have the Lion Medallion on the front – upper – left The back will have "LIONS AT WORK" in large letters

They are modeled after a shirt used by the Bird Island Lions – home of International President Brian Sheehan – to identify the wearer is a LION – not specific to any geographical location – keeping the emphasis on

"WE Serve"

The shirts are available in youth sizes and adult sizes through 3X

Youth cost \$10 and Adult \$15

Please contact Lion Joy Robinson for ordering.

4514 Cameron Ave Hammond, IN 46327

The plan is to accept orders through March 1 and deliver at the District Convention on April 1. (If you can not attend the convention – we will work out delivery)

*Note - Please pay in advance as they are paid when ordered



Crown Point Lions Club Spring Bingo

Thursday, March 30, 2023

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM * FIRST BINGO AT 6:00 PM

St. Elijah Church 8700 Taft Street - Merrillville, IN

Tickets are available at the door or presale from a Crown Point Lion

\$6.00/Person



Bingo and Door Prizes

Bring used eye glasses and receive extra Bingo cards

Tip Boards for Bacon, Sausage, Hams, etc.

50/50

Money Bingos

Loads of Prizes and Fun.

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Cedar Lake Lions Club 75th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, March 12th
Harry O's Family Restaurant & Banquets
13226 Wicker Avenue
Cedar Lake, IN
2:00PM Cocktails
3:00PM Dinner

Family Style Dinner Cash Bar \$25.00 per person

To reserve your place, phone 708-710-5936, Terri Yauger Or email: yaagootj@aol.com



DISTRICT



RAFFLED OFF AT THE LAST CABINET
MEETING HELD ON JUNE 29TH.
TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE
NEXT CABINET MEETING, JAN. 29.
THE COST IS
\$5 PER TICKET.
ONLY 300 TICKETS AVAILABLE

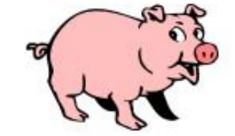
Funds will support District 25A.

District 25-A "WITH YOU" February 2023



Hobart

Lions Club



PORK CHOP DINNER

CARRY OUT ONLY!!!!!

DATE: February 5th TIME: 3:30-5:30 PM

LOCATION: DRIVE THRU - TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

891 LINDA ST. HOBART

COST: \$12 one chop; \$15 two chops

For tickets call Joe at (219) 781-9604

Profit supports: Pack Away Hunger and Hobart Food Pantry



Happy New Year from the Hobart Lions

DONATIONS WANTED!

The Indiana Lions State Convention is quickly approaching. The Convention

Committee is asking for silent auction items to help achieve our mission of providing relief to those in need. We can use items unique to your geographic locations.

Perhaps there are very talented members in your local clubs that love to craft. And... who can't use a spa/relaxation treatment, or maybe a movie night would interest people.

Please bring your auction items to the Convention Center. If you know in advance what item(s) you are bringing, contact me and I will prepare a bid sheet.

Thank you in advance.

If you have any questions, please contact Lion Cheri Faulkner at 317-271-3314, via text or voicemail or you can email me at clermontlionlady58@yahoo.com.

Lion Cheri Faulkner, Silent Auction Chair for the Indiana Lions State Convention.

Your State Convention Needs You.

The Indiana Lions State Convention being held in Bloomington IN, May 12th through 14th needs your help. We would like every club to donate an item for the silent auction. Where the money will go will be determined by the International President at the convention. IP Brian is a penguin guy so he or his wife may possibly bid on an item or two...

Please assist if you can. You can contact me for more information at clermontlionlady58@yahoo.com or calling me at 317-271-3314.

Thank you Lion Cheri Faulkner

District 25-A "WITH YOU" February 2023

TOGETHER WE WILL (IN BLOOMINGTON IN MAY, 11-14, 2023)

PDG Gary Ochs and I want to give EVERY Lion a personal invitation to attend the

102nd 2023 Indiana Lions State Convention in Bloomington, Indiana on May 11-14-2023. All
Lions will have a great opportunity to meet other Lions, hear great speakers, attend wonderful
seminars and learn what wonderful things that the Lions are doing across the State of Indiana.

But for one especial reason to come to the convention, you will have the opportunity to meet one
particular Lion, OUR INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT BRIAN SHEEHAN. President Brian and his
wife will be the special guests of Indiana Lions and will be traveling to Indiana just TO MEET
YOU, HEAR FROM YOU, AND TO GET YOUR INPUT FOR THE BETTERMENT
OF LIONS.

The convention will start on Friday, May 12, 2023. You can come into Bloomington and stay at either the Courtyard at the Monroe County Convention Center or at the Hyatt Place on Kirkwood. Both of those hotels have blocks of rooms reserved for the Lions at rates that you will not want to pass up. See the registration form for the specific details to register with the block reserved from the Lions.

On Friday morning, there will be a presentation in the Monroe County Convention Center on the limestone industry of Lawerence and Monroe Counties. This industry has in the past provided the limestone for major monuments and buildings in Washington DC as well as in numerous states and countries. We will have a special speaker from Bloomington to make this presentation to the Lions. This will be given on Friday morning at 9:00 am, so you will want to plan to attend this event.

Friday night the Ellettsville Lions will be sponsoring a bar-b-q dinner with the High Sierra band performing at the Monroe County Fairgrounds. This will take place prior to the first general business session of the convention at the convention center. The dinner will be sure to be a good time to catch up with old friends and make new friends over great food and music. The first business session will be the official beginning of the convention.

Saturday is filled with the district caucuses, vendors, exhibits, the second general business session, seminars, and the ALL STATE BANQUET. See the full schedule of events for the convention at www.indianalionsconvention.org. One seminar will be led by But make sure to plan to attend the All State Banquet. Not only will be have the keynote address from IP Brian, but will lead a seminar at 1:30 in the afternoon and his wife, Lion Lori, will lead a seminar at 2:30 pm. But at the All State Banquet, you will want to enjoy the presentation from the INDIANA SINGING HOOSIERS that will perform during our dinner meal. This will be a great performance given just for the Indiana Lions.

Sunday will be a special day of remembrance for those Lions whom we have lost in the past year. PDG Newell Cliffton and his wife Lions Judy, will lead the memorial service and help us remember those we cherish for their past service. The brunch will fill you up and we will conclude the convention with the third business session. At the end of the third business session all the ladies will receive a gift for attending the convention on Mother's Day.

All in all, the convention will be a busy and exciting time for the Lions of Indiana. Make plans now to attend in Bloomington and have a great experience being a Lion. We both look forward to seeing you in May.



2023 Indiana Lions State Convention

Monroe Convention Center 302 S. College Ave. Bloomington, IN 47403

May 12-14, 2023

CONVENTION PROGRAM BOOK ADVERTISING APPLICATION FORM

WHAT MAKES A GOOD AD?

- Events-Advertise a Club, district, community or business event...
- · Honors-Thank a Lion, recognize an employee, congratulate a VDG...
- Welcome IP to Indiana and thank sponsors
- · Show Club pride! Share Club History!

Email Address @

The 2023 Convention Program Book will be the standard 8.5" x 11" page. Please circle to indicate chosen size/price. **Deadline for submission is Saturday, April 1, 2023.**

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| \$250 | \$150 | \$75 | \$50 | |
| | | ad to <u>PCCJim.Query@y</u> ayable to Lions of Indi | | onvention), |
| with this completed a | pplication to: PCC Jir | n P.M. Query | - | |
| | 2408 5 | hepard Patrick Rd. | | |
| | Spence | er, IN 47460 | | |
| Your Name | | | | - |
| Club, Organization, B | usiness Name | | | - |
| Address | | | | |
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| Phone Number | | | | |



2023 Indiana Lions 102nd State Convention



Hosted by District 25E May 12,13,14, 2023

Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center with special guests: International President Brian Sheehan and Lion Lori PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY APRIL 11, 2023

Courtyard by Marriott Convention Hotel (attached to Convention Center)
310 South College Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47401 (Free Parking available at Convention Center)

Room Rate: \$109.00 per night, plus tax, until April 11, 2023.

Call 1-812-335-8000 for Reservations and mention LIONS CLUB 2023 in making the reservation

Hyatt Place Hotel: 217 S. Kirkwood Avenue, \$119 per night w/ breakfast

Hyatt Hotel does charge for parking; 1 ½ block north of Convention Center & free parking

Call 812-339-5950 and use block code LION for the reservation.

Come and visit several Lions project tables and related booths including a USA/Canada Forum apparel vendor. Friday Golf Outing to be at Stonecrest Golf Club – 18 holes at \$39. Meet in the hotel lobby.

Scooter rental is \$120 for Friday thru Sunday.

Friday, May 12th 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, MONROE COUNTY LIMESTONE PRESENTATION

Registration Form (one per person)

Register Online and pay with PayPal: www.indianalionsconvention.org
Deadline: All Registration Forms must be postmarked by April 30, 2023.

Please print name/Lions Title as desired on name badge:

| Name and Lio | n Title: | | | |
|--|---|--|-----|-------------------|
| Address: | | Phon | e: | |
| City/State/Zip | | | | |
| District: | Club: | Email: | | |
| Is this your FII | RST Indiana Lions State C | onvention (circle one) | Yes | No |
| Attend the Frie | day morning Monroe Coun | ty Limestone Presentation (circle one) | Yes | No |
| Choose pulled Saturday Lun Choose warm | pork: or | easonal fresh fruit, pickle spear & drink e & tomato: | 5 | ns Club 18.00= |
| | ht Banquet: Choose I En glazed pork chop | trée below mushroom chopped steak | 5 | 28.00 = |
| | | ed eggs, fresh fruit, bacon, french toast | 5 | 20.00 = |
| Saturday Stri | des Walk T-shirt Size (S t | o 3XL, other) | 5 | 18.00 = |
| 2023 Indiana | Convention Pin | | 5 | 4.00 = |
| Scooter Rent | (Friday thru Sunday) | | 5 | 120.00 = |
| Total Registrat | tion Paid: | | 5 | |
| Special dietary | needs, list here: | | | |

Mail this Registration Form and Your Check, payable to Indiana Lions State Convention 2023 to CT Debbie Ellis, 8262 East Center Road, Sullivan, IN. 47882 Contact Info: 1-812-798-2096 or ellisdebbie259@gmail.com

2023 Indiana Lions 102nd State Convention Schedule

Friday May 12th

9:00 am-11:00.am Welcome to Monroe County Limestone Quarries Presentation in Bloomington Indiana. Enjoy a historic limestone slideshow presentation with Duncan Campbell, an experienced preservationist with a passion for limestone. During the presentation you will learn about the deep history and heritage of the world-renowned limestone industry that exists in Monroe County and nearby Lawrence County, Indiana. Campbell's presentation will last approximately one hour. A special 2023 Convention limestone gift will be presented to you for attending.

| 9:00am | Golf Outing | Courtyard Lobby |
|------------------|---|----------------------------|
| 9ат-брт | Convention Committee Staging / Break | Cook Group West |
| 9am-11am | Monroe County Limestone Quarries Presentation | Cook Group East |
| 9am-noon | Exhibits setup | Olcott Young/Upstairs Hall |
| 9am-noon | Silent Auction setup | Convention Hall Lobby |
| 9am-noon | Blue Frog Vendor setup | Finch Room |
| 9am-noon | Registration Table Setup | Information Desk |
| Noon-5pm | Registration open | Information Desk |
| Noon-5pm | Exhibits open | Olcott Young/Upstairs Hall |
| Noon-5pm | Silent Auction open | Convention Hall Lobby |
| Noon-5pm | Blue Frog Vendor (LCI Apparel vendor) | Finch Room |
| 1pm-2:30pm | Cabinet Secretary Training | Ralph Rogers |
| 2pm-4pm | Service Project | Zebendon/Hansen |
| 2:30-3pm | Credentials Committee Meeting | Ralph Rogers |
| 3pm-5pm | Credentials open | Lobby |
| 5:00-7:30pm | BBQ at the Monroe County Fair Grounds | Fair Grounds |
| 7:30-8:30pm | General Session #1 | Duke Energy East/West |
| 15 minutes after | er General Session Hospitality | Hospitality Area in Hotel |

Saturday May 13th

| 8am-4pm | Registration open | Information Desk |
|---------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 8am-4pm | Exhibits open | Olcott Young/Upstairs Hall |
| 8am-3pm | Silent Auction open | Convention Hall Lobby |
| 8am-5pm | Blue Frog Vendor | Finch Room |
| 8:00-9:00 | District A | Cook Group West |
| | District B | Cook Group East |
| | District C | Zebendon |
| | District D | Hansen |
| | District E | Duke Energy West |
| | District F | Duke Energy East |
| | District G | Ralph Rogers |
| 9:00am-4pm | Credentials open | Lobby |
| 9:15am-10:00 | Strides Walk | Back Parking Lot |
| 10am-11am | Leader Dog Quarterly Meeting | Ralph Rogers |
| 10:30-11:45an | n General Session #2. | Duke Energy East/West |
| 11:55-1:15pm | Awards Luncheon | Great Room |

2023 Indiana Lions 102nd State Convention Schedule

| | minars First Session: 1:30 pm to 2:20 pm | |
|---------------|---|------------------------|
| | Seminar #1 "Together We Can, Together We Will" | Duke Energy West Room |
| with I | P Brian Sheehan for Club Presidents and Vice Presidents (| Everyone Welcome) |
| 1:30-2:20pm | Seminar #2 Indiana Lions Foundation and Holding Corp. | Hansen Room |
| | Presented by PDG Don Cooper | |
| 1:30-2:20pm | Seminar #3 Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing Inc. | Cook Group East Room |
| | Presented by PDG Alan Arnold | |
| 1:30-2:20pm | Seminar #4 Indiana School for the Blind and Visually | Cook Group West Room |
| | Impaired. Presented by PDG Connie Roe | |
| 1:30-2:20pm | Seminar #5 Indiana Lions Leader Dogs for the Blind | Ralph Rogers |
| Presented by | Lion Pauline Ulrey | |
| Afternoon Ser | minars Second Session: 2:30 pm to 3:20 pm | |
| 2:30-3:20pm | Seminar #6 Lions in Motion and LCIF | Duke Energy West Room |
| - | Presented by Lion Lori Sheehan and PDG Ken Faulkner | |
| 2:30-3:20pm | Seminar #7 How to add new members into your Club | Hansen Room |
| | Presented by PDG Charlie Short | |
| 2:30-3:20pm | Seminar #8 Indiana Lions Cancer Control Fund | Cook Group East Room |
| | Presented by Lion Bey Coombs | - |
| 2:30-3:20pm | Seminar #9 VisionFirst Indiana Lions Eye Bank | Cook Group West Room |
| | Presented by PDG Kevin Roe | |
| | | |
| 3:30-4:00pm | PDG meeting | Cook Group East Room |
| 5:15-5:45pm | Receiving Line prep (Council, IP, & PIDs) | Cook Group West |
| 5:45-6:45pm | Receiving Line | Outside Great Room |
| 6:45-7:00pm | Introductions | Great Room (Spotlight) |
| 7:00pm | Welcome and Opening | Great Room |
| 7:15pm | Begin Serve Dinner | Great Room |
| 7:15-7:50pm | the "Singing Hoosiers" Perform | Great Room |
| 7:55pm | Formal Introduction of IP Brian Sheehan | Great Room |
| 8pm | Keynote Speaker and Awards | Great Room |

Sunday May 14th

15 minutes after All State Banquet - Hospitality

| 6-7am | Credential Committee Breakfast (not on printed schedu | ıle) Ralph Rogers Room | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------|--|--|
| 8am-noon | Blue Frog Vendor | Finch Room | | |
| 8am-10am | Voting | Hansen Room | | |
| 9am-noon | Exhibits open (if they choose to open) | Olcott Young | | |
| 9am-10am | Memorial Service | Duke Energy East/West | | |
| 10:30-noon | Key Member Brunch/Keynote Speaker | Great Room | | |
| "Mother's Day Presentation at Brunch" | | | | |
| 12:30-1:30pm | General Session #3 | Duke Energy East/West | | |
| 1:45pm | Council Meeting | Zebendon/Hansen | | |

Hospitality Area in Hotel

2023 DISTRICT 25A - DISTRICT ELECTIONS

District 25A Officers & MD25 Foundation Officers

Nominating Committee Checklist

For District Governor Candidate *

This checklist must be completed for each candidate and submitted to the Elections Committee (DATED) via US Mail to Barb Toosley, 13700 Lantern Drive, St. John, IN 46373 or Email 30 days to lionbarb@comcast.net prior to the ELECTION, before or on MARCH 1, 2023.

| Name of Candidate: | |
|--|--|
| Name of Candidate's Lions Club: | |
| Date of Nominating Committee Meeting: | |
| Date of Election: | |
| Candidate has submitted sufficient evidence show | ing that he/she has met the following Requirements: |
| his/her single or sub-district. | ding of a chartered Lions Club in Good Standing* in a majority of the Lions Clubs in the District. (Attach |
| minutes of club meeting or signed form by r | |
| $\ \square$ Candidate is currently serving as the first | t vice district governor within this district. |
| ☐ Club President: | Year Served |
| □ Club Board of Directors | Two (2) Years Served |
| □ District Cabinet (check one) | |
| □ Zone or Region Chairperson | Year Served |
| ☐ Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer) | Year Served |
| □ One (1) additional year as a member of | district cabinet |
| Position held: | Year Served |
| □ With none of the above being accomplis | shed concurrently. |
| I have reviewed this checklist and certify that the can Governor in accordance with the International By-La | didate listed above has met the requirements for District |
| Governor in accordance with the international by-La | ws, Article IA, Section 4. |
| Nominating Committee Chairperson | Date |
| Nominating Committee Member | Date |

Any questions contact Chair Barb Toosley, 219-798-5950

For office of 1st Vice District Governor

Nominating Committee Checklist

First Vice District Governor Candidate *

This checklist must be completed for each candidate and submitted to the Elections Committee (DATED) via US Mail to <u>Barb Toosley</u>, 13700 Lantern Drive, St John, IN 46373 or Email 30 days to <u>lionbarb@comcast.net</u> prior to the ELECTION, before or on MARCH 1, 2023.

| Name of Candidate: | |
|---|---|
| Name of Candidate's Lions Club: | |
| Date of Nominating Committee Meeting: | ů- |
| Date of Election: | |
| Candidate has submitted sufficient evidence showing | that he/she has met the following Requirements: |
| ☐ Candidate is an Active Member in good standin his/her single or sub-district. | ng of a chartered Lions Club in Good Standing* in |
| □ Candidate endorsed by his/her Lions Club or a minutes of club meeting or signed form by maj | majority of the Lions Clubs in the District. (Attach ority clubs to Nomination Chair) |
| □ Candidate is currently serving as the second □ Has not completed a full term, or majority por *This amendment shall take effect on July 1, 20 | tion thereof, as district governor |
| | ernor does not stand for election as first vice district and vice district governor exists at the time of the alifications for the office of second vice district |
| ☐ Club President: | Year Served |
| □ Club Board of Directors | Two (2) Years Served |
| □ District Cabinet (check one) | |
| □ Zone or Region Chairperson | Year Served |
| □ Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer) | Year Served |

With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

^{*}Please note that if the club has any outstanding dues, the candidate should be notified and provided up until fifteen (15) days prior to the close of credential certification to ensure that his/her club pay outstanding dues.

2023 DISTRICT 25A - DISTRICT ELECTIONS

Nominating Committee Checklist

For Second Vice District Governor Candidate *

| This checklist must be completed for | r each candidate and submit | ted to the Elections Committee. |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| Name of Candidate: | | |
| Name of Candidate's Lions Club: | | |
| Date of Nominating Committee Meeting:_ | | |
| Date of Election: | | |
| Candidate has submitted sufficient evide | nce showing that he/she h | as met the following Requirements: |
| This checklist must be completed for each via US Mail to Barb Toosley, 13700 Lar | tern Drive, St John, IN 46 | 373 or Email 30 days to |
| lionbarb@comcast.net prior to the E | LECTION, before or on N | ARCH 1, 2023. |
| □ Candidate is an Active Member in his/her single or sub-district. □ Candidate endorsed by his/her Liminutes of club meeting or signed | ons Club or a majority of the | Lions Clubs in the District. (Attach |
| Club President: | 그림 이 이 사람들이 이 목표를 하고 있는 사람들이 가지 않는데 그렇게 되었다. | rved |
| □ Club Board of Directors | | Years Served |
| ☐ District Cabinet (check one) | | |
| ☐ Zone or Region Chairperson | Year Se | rved |
| ☐ Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasa | | rved |
| ☐ With none of the above being acc | | |
| ☐ Has not completed a full term, o *This amendment shall take effec | majority portion thereof, a | s district governor |
| *Please note that if the club has any outsta until fifteen (15) days prior to the close of dues. | | |
| I have reviewed this checklist and certify t Vice District Governor in accordance with | | |
| Nominating Committee Chairperson | Date | |
| Nominating Committee Member | Date | |

Any questions contact Chair Barb Toosley, 219-798-5950

District and Multi-District Offices

Each condidate most submitted in writing to the Elections Committee (DATED) via US Mail to <u>Barb Toosley</u>, 13700 Lastern Drive, St. John, IN 46373 or Email 30 days to <u>lignbarb@comcast.net</u> prior to the ELECTION, before or on MARCH 1, 2023, 11:50PM, your intent to run for any office listed below to be placed on the ballot. Election by your club is not a requirement.

Nominations will also be taken from the floor and be entered on the ballot as a "Write-in Candidate".

State Projects & Foundation

One Candidate from each Project or Foundation *

- 2023 2026 Indiana Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind & Visually Impaired, Inc.
- 2023 2026 Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing, Inc.
- 2023 2026 Indiana Lions for Leader Dog, Inc.
- 2023 2026 Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc.
- 2023 2026 Indiana Lions Foundation
- 2023 2026 Indiana Lions Eye Bank/Vision First

District 25A - Ed Paine Care & Helping Hands

One candidate from each Region

Candidate must be a member in good standing from one of the Clubs listed below.

Region 1 – (Clubs) East Chicago Evening-Hammond-Indiana Harbor East Chicago-Whiting-Cedar Lake-Crown Point-Lake of the Four Seasons-Lowell-Schererville Central-St. John-Dyer-Griffith-Highland-Munster-Schererville

Region 3 – (Clubs) LaPorte - Michiana - Michigan City-Mill Creek Community-Rolling Prairie- Door Village-Hamlet-Hanna-Koontz Lake L. C.-Union Mills-Wanatah-Westville-

- *Please note that if the club has any automoting dues, the candidate should be notified and provided up until lifteen (15) days poter to the close of credential certification to ensure that binder club pay outstanding dues.
- * All CANDIDATES must be a member in good standing of a club in good standing in this district. Delinquent dues may be paid and good standing acquired up to fifteen (15) days prior to the close of credential certification, as such closing time shall be established by the rules of the respective convention. For the 2023 District 25A Election, closing is April 1, 2023.

All International, State & District DUES must be paid by MARCH 17, 2023, 11:59PM,

Door Village Lions Club

Door Village Lions Deliver School Supplies To Three Elementary Schools

For Immediate Release

Jan 23, 2023

Last Thursday three members of the Door Village Lions club delivered school supplies and various requested items to Kingsbury, Kingsford Heights and Riley Elementary schools. Principals from all three schools had shared that near the end of the school year, budgeted funds for emergency needs and discretionary purchases are exhausted and special projects and occasionally emergency purchases have to be funded by the teachers or go by the wayside. Club members upon hearing of this need decided to take the proceeds from their Fall Candy Day Sales and split them equally between the three schools that most of the students from Scipio Township attend, (Door Village Lions being based in Scipio Township).

Members have conducted this project for many years now and never tire of hearing from the teachers how very much they appreciate the requested items. Kingsbury school third grade teacher Carla Marhanka commented that several of her special projects funded by the Lions were some of her students most memorable classroom experiences. Lion members Dennis Fischer, Bonnie Olson and Cindy Fischer were overjoyed too learn that club members efforts are truly contributing to the extra efforts of teachers in spurring the interest of students in their classes.

Kingsford Heights principal Amy Kosier and Riley principal Christen Jody were equally enthusiastic in thanking Door Village Lion members for the supplies that contribute so much to the special projects teachers are able to bring to their students.

Kingsbury Elementary, Left to right: Donna Council, third grade beacher, Lion Bonnie Olson; Lion Dennis Fischer, Lion Cindy Fischer, Mrs Carla Marhanka, third grade teacher.



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL GEORGE MORLEY AT 219-575-3575.



Riley Elementary, left to right: Lion Dennis Fischer, Lion Cindy Fischer, Lion Bonnie Olson and Mrs. Christen Jody, School Principal.



Kingsford Heights Elementary, left to right: Lion Bonnie Olson; Lion Dennis Fischer; Mrs Arny Kosier, School Principal; Lion Cindy Fischer.







Come play games and eat dinner with Merrillville Lions and other community members!

February 16, 2023 5pm-8pm

American Legion Post 430

Food and drinks will be for purchase





Welcome New Members

FEBRUARY 2023

Crown Point

JENNIFER BAMRICK

Sponsor: DONNA WORST

AARON WHITTEN

Sponsor: PAUL BREMER

PATRICK BAMRICK

Sponsor: DONNA WORST

East Chicago Evening

JOSE L. RIVERA JR

Sponsor: CESAR PEREZ

Merrillville

BRYON MESARCH

Sponsor: JAMES FERRELL

Munster

VIVIAN CARBALLO-BROWN

Sponsor: TOM BROWN

CINDY SPECKMAN

Sponsor: DAVID SPECKMAN

DEBRA PILAWSKI

Sponsor: EDWARD PILAWSKI

DAVID SPECKMAN

Sponsor: DAVID NELLANS

ST JOHN

KARL SEGER

Sponsor: NANCY MONETA

Star City Lions

JAKE W. DAY

Sponsor: KATHLEEN THOMPSON

MARJORIE A OVERMYER

Sponsor: MELVIN GOOD

DOUGLAS W DRACH

Sponsor: JAMES RUFF

THOMAS A OVERMYER

Sponsor: MELVIN GOOD

Members that have completed their service

ADOLPH FERBER SAINT JOHN, IN

FRANK STIMSON OGDEN DUNES, IN

Betty (Ron) Tennant South Haven, IN



Remembering a life of service