

# LIONS DISTRICT 25 A NEWSLETTER

*Coming Together to Serve*

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District Governor: Patty Cooke-Furlong

Hello Lions of 25A:

A year ago, I was working to get all the District information together – club officers, zone chairs, project chairs, meeting schedules, etc. It was not an easy task, especially when the Portal became our only tool. But we persevered and got it done with a little help from Cabinet Secretary Robin Smith and District Administrator Steven Helmken.

Then it was off to Australia with Lion Jim to attend the International Convention with Lions from all over the world. We had a great time, so the long journey there was worth it. By the time we got home, I was your 24-25 District Governor.

There was no looking back, it was time to move forward with the tasks of a DG – visit clubs, have the requisite cabinet meetings, hold a District convention, work with my Zone Chairs to keep an eye on the clubs. Then came Mission 1.5.

But that was not a bad thing. Yes, now there were lots of Zoom meetings with DG's from everywhere. Plus, everyone was watching their numbers – were you up or down in membership. But that was a good thing – we had been inattentive far too long. We had watched as clubs died and told ourselves that people just no longer wanted to be Lions.

But you, District 25A Lions, turned our numbers around! From being negative for multiple years, we have had positive growth this year. **Currently we are a plus 33!!!** But don't rest now – make sure you are also keeping the members you have. Get in touch with that Lion you haven't seen for a while – automatically dropping him on 6/30 will negate all our gains!

**We serve more people with more Lions!**

We have had a great year! Let's finish on a high!

It has been fantastic being your Governor for 2024-2025.

Thank you 25A Lions for all you do to Serve your communities.

Lion Patty Cooke-Furlong  
District Governor, 25A



**My Favorite Things of The Past Year**

Banner Night

Attending club meetings

Pancake Breakfasts

The International Convention in Melbourne, Australia

The State Convention in Shipshewana

Inducting new Members

Working with the 25A Leadership Team

Installing new Officers E

Insuring that District 25A has a valid Constitution and ByLaws

Being part of 2024-25 Council and working with my fellow Governors

Lacross Sausage sandwiches

Meeting Lions from everywhere and making new friends

Hearing about all way you serve your communities

The District Convention at Fair Oaks Farm and meeting ID Steven Middlemiss

Getting our District 25A gambling license

The Mission 1.5 Zoom meetings – seeing how everyone was focused on the goal to welcome new Lions

Driving through Indiana and seeing the sign for a Lions Club everywhere!

We Serve!



## District Governor Elect Jim Furlong

630-699-4278  
Jimfurl179@aol.com



*My District Gov Pin*

### *Just Call*

As we approach the end of the Lions year, we often see a drop off in membership due to the fact clubs drop members who have not paid their dues. Since LCI bills clubs based on their membership rolls on June 30, club officers (rightfully) don't want to be billed for those members who haven't yet paid their dues. However, history has shown us that many of the members we drop are reinstated shortly after July 1. I'm not exactly sure what the number is who are dropped and reinstated but it's a sizeable number. Now if you're a club officer I'm not sure I blame you. You send out the dues statement every year and when people don't respond to their dues payment, we simply drop them figuring they will just be reinstated when they do pay.

This year, with the emphasis on membership, I'm asking you to take another approach. **JUST CALL.** In fact, we should take a more proactive approach rather than simply dropping them. We should take a hierarchical approach.

1. Call any member who hasn't yet paid their dues. People respond to a personal phone call. You could also take the time to reinforce in them how valuable they are to your Lions Club. If they assure you they will pay and still the payment is not there on time, **TRUST THEM** and keep them on the rolls.
2. Text them. We have cell phone numbers for the vast majority of our members. In fact, many people prefer to get information by text and are responsive to that. Texting ranks ahead of the next method I'll mention here.
3. Email. Believe it or not, most people respond to texting faster than email. But everyone has their unique take on this, so you need to try emailing also. Sometimes emails get lost in inboxes. I know I get a ton of junk mail and tend to respond to text messages more quickly. But to each his own.
4. Offer an alternative way to pay. I know this year with my own Club, I paid with Zeffy. Zeffy is an online payment system that is free to the club and free to the payor. It's quick and easy. You get a unique QR code that the member scans and then **BINGO**, you're paid.
5. Presidents, Treasurers, Secretaries and Membership Chair talk to each other. Maybe the Club Secretary knows this person better and will respond to them quicker. Also, maybe when two or more club officers try to contact them, they'll get the message. So, try more than one officer.

I'm very proud of District 25-A this year. We have 7 districts in the State of Indiana and District 25-A is one of only two districts that are plus in net membership. We are up 33 members year to date. So, take a bow, all clubs, and keep up the good work.

## ***Just Ask***

I go to several clubs and zone meetings throughout the district. I've been impressed by many clubs this year who are increasing their membership, and many even smaller clubs are doing so. I'm always curious what the magic formula is but I'll bet you already know when I ask the Club how they do it-they tell me they SIMPLY ASK. Yes, there are many people out there who want to join Lions Clubs. We are the world's largest service organization. I know I consider my fellow Lions my second family. I'm proud to be a Lion and you should be too. The world is a better place because of Lions. So ***Just Ask*** family, friends, neighbors, children and co-workers. Many are just waiting for you to ask. They're waiting.

## ***State Fair***

Mark your calendars, save the date.

Tuesday, August 12 is going to be District 25-A Day at the Indiana State Fair.

For several years now DG Patty and I have gone down to Indy for the State Fair. We tend to spend four days down there, kind of like a mini-Staycation. Last year PDG Paul Russell, also from a Northern Indiana District (either B or G), challenged me to bring down a District 25-A contingent like his district does. Challenge accepted.

So, on Tuesday August 12 I have arranged for a bus (thank you Blind Social Center) to take as many Lions as I can get (19 passengers) to go to the State Fair. The bus will leave the Lakes of the Four Seasons Lakehouse parking lot at 8:30am to work an afternoon shift at the State Fair. The gates close at 8:00 and since we are leaving the Eastern Time Zone we should all be back at LOFS no later than 9:30. You can sign up for the afternoon shift at [indianalionsfoundation25.org](http://indianalionsfoundation25.org) and then call me or text at 630-699-4278 or email me at [Jimfurl179@aol.com](mailto:Jimfurl179@aol.com)

Let's all go to Indy and have a great time together 25-A

DGE Jim

## Notes from the Editor: Newsletter Submissions

With an entire year under my belt (or computer) editing our newsletter, I have some notes for everyone on how to successfully submit images and articles. In addition, the Hoosier Lion has specific requirements for submissions to them, so consider those the same as my own. These notes are not meant to be negative; the goal is to help clubs get their work and service into the newsletter without error, omission, or reduction in quality.

Receipt of Articles: Make sure that first and foremost, that I have emailed you that your article, images or flyer were received. If you don't hear from me, I don't have it.

Deadline: That's the most common question. I take things until the last week of the month. The newsletter is approved by the District Governor, which means a few late articles get in while the DG is reviewing the content.

Repeating Articles: I check the date of the event and repeat them all the way up until the start of that month. You can still remind me to repeat your event for the next month or so.

Importing, opening articles: The goal is to make sure that I have received every submission and that each picture or article can be opened and imported into the format that is being utilized. We'll split this topic into categories of can use, can't use, and preference.

### Can Use:

- Can use for images: Any PDF, jpg or gif format for images.
- Can use for articles: Any doc file or PDF. Excel is ok for data tables or calendars.

### Can't Use:

- Can't use for images: PNG or HEIC. If you send a PNG or HEIC, I'll convert it to a screenshot, which reduces the quality of the image.
- Can't use for articles: PNG. Same as above, I convert it to a screenshot.

### Preference:

- Articles or images should be sent as an attachment.
  - If you put any text, image or flyer into the body of your email, it may be overlooked. I do keep emails for a few months, and I recheck each email for content. As I have missed at least two articles or flyers this year, it's important that your hard work and service is recognized.

Thanks to everyone who submits to the newsletter! I enjoy reading each club's submissions and plan to continue this role for the next year.

*Respectfully, Lion Jackie Katz*

News Around the District—Crown Point Lion's Club

**CROWN POINT LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS**



**Welcome New Member Toni Kosaris.**

Lion Toni was inducted into the Crown Point Lions Club by 1st Vice President Lion Jennifer Bamrick. She was sponsored by Lion President Carla Smolek. **Be sure to welcome her into our club.**



Paul Beck (pictured left) of Calumet Numismatic Coin Club spoke to the club May 15 about coin collecting and specifically the JFK half dollar.

You might like to attend their next event September 20, 2025, 9 am to 3 pm at the Lake County Fair Grounds.



Julie Zasada, Executive Director of the Museum at Lassen's Resort, (pictured above) gave an amazing presentation of history in Cedar Lake and Lassen Resort where **"Summer starts sooner and lasts longer"**. Check out the website, [www.lassenresort.org](http://www.lassenresort.org) for more information and book a ride on the "steam boat" around Cedar Lake.



Lions Carla Smolek and Phylis Porio (left) were honored to present the \$1000.00 Crown Point Lions Club scholarships to Vanessa Del Real and Isabella Sevenz-Coleman April 5, 2025.



Rotary and Crown Point Lions partnered to plant flowers at the Wittenberg Center.

Lions Julie Wendorf, Carla Smolek and Kate Lodovisi volunteered with two Rotarians (pictured left).



Dennis and Gina Geiss of the Italian Americans Club joined Lions Phylis Porio and Carla Smolek in presenting the Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Mary Jane DiMichele in memory of her late husband Lion Dom DiMichele. The Melvin Jones Fellowship is among the highest honors bestowed on Lions of service.

# Whiting Park STORYWALK DEDICATION



*Walk the path and read a story!*

**SATURDAY, JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup> - 10:00 AM**  
**WHITING LAKEFRONT PARK**

Light refreshments will be served!

**A COLLABORATION BETWEEN**



Whiting Public  
**Library**



District 25A 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting

District 25A 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting



**Governor Patty Cooke-Furlong**



Sunday, June 8, 2025

Lakes of the Four Seasons Lakehouse  
1048 Lakeshore Drive, Crown Point, IN 46307

1:00 PM CST

**Cost: \$20** (cook your own steak)  
(strip steak, baked potato, vegetable, salad, roll and dessert)

**TIME TO CELEBRATE A GREAT YEAR!**

All reports must be submitted via email to CS Robin Smith no later than 6/4/25 - [mswolfen@aol.com](mailto:mswolfen@aol.com)

**Please RSVP to CS Robin Smith by May 25, 2025**

***MUST BE PREPAID, NO PAYMENTS ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_ X \$20.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to the **Lakes of the Four Seasons Lions**

**Mail to:** CS Robin Smith  
745-1 Capitol Rd, Valparaiso, IN 46385  
Cell: 219-916-4549

## Indiana Lions State Fair Project



Indiana Lions Foundation Indiana State Fair Project  
It's not too early to start thinking about fun and fellowship with other Indiana Lions at the 2025 Indiana State Fair. This is the Foundation's single largest fundraiser. Proceeds support the operation of the Indiana Lions State Office Building and provide funds for the Foundation's new Community Service Grants. The Fair will be held in Indianapolis, August 1-17, 2025, and we will need volunteers to work at six gates during the Fair. Scan the QR code above to go to:

<https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/what-we-do/indiana-state-fair-volunteer/> Sign up to work for the Foundation at the 2025 Indiana State Fair. If you like our ferris wheel and carousel pins, you'll love

our new roller coaster pin. The proposed design is shown here. The only way to get one of these pins is to work for the Foundation at the Indiana State Fair. When you work for the Indiana Lions Foundation at the Indiana State Fair, you receive State Fair credits. Work an early morning shift and receive 1 credit; work a regular morning or afternoon shift and receive 2 credits. You may redeem 12 credits for a W.P. Woods Fellowship for yourself or another individual. This past July, the board of trustees of the Indiana Lions Foundation approved a proposal to allow State Fair volunteers to redeem State Fair credits for Community Service Grants to benefit Indiana Lions clubs, Indiana Lions districts, Indiana Lions state projects, or LCIF. For more information about Community Service Grants, visit the Indiana Lions Foundation website at <https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/>. If you need assistance signing up for this project, please contact Lion Rose Russell at 574-250-0125 or [RoseWRussell@gmail.com](mailto:RoseWRussell@gmail.com). If you have questions about the Foundation, please contact one of the Foundation trustees in your district.





**SOUTH HAVEN LIONS CLUB**

# 2025 GOLF OUTING



**Saturday, June 21, 2025**



**Check in 7 am / Shotgun 8 am**



**Duck Creek Golf Course  
638 N. 700 W. Hobart, IN 46342**



**Cost per person: \$75.00  
Cost per team: \$300.00  
Team deposit: \$75.00**



**Skins & Pins, Raffles, Door  
Prizes, 1st place wins \$400,  
Food & Drink is included with  
registration.**

## Golf Outing Registration Form Scramble **FOUR** a Cause!



Benefiting South Haven Lions Club Projects

Location: Duck Creek Golf Course  
638 N. 700 W. Hobart, IN. 46342

When: Saturday, June 21st, 2025  
Registration @ 7 am / Shotgun @ 8 am

Cost: \$75 per person / \$300 per team / \$75 deposit per team

Contact Information:

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Participation Entry:

Individual (\$75)

Foursome (\$300)

Deposit (\$75)

Payment Method:

Cash      or      Check

For questions, please contact Randy Greer (728.8432)  
or Lion Ken Laviolette (741.4915)

Submit Payment & Form to:  
Lion Ken Laviolette 3017 Bender St. Portage, IN. 46368

News Around the District—South Haven Lions Club



*We Serve*

TIN: 23-7332967

***South Haven Lions Club***

The South Haven Lions Club has been an active group in our community, helping when & where there was a need since 1965. We continue to do so to the best of our ability. We don't just collect eyeglasses & hearing aids (both important projects) but we also provide other valuable services such as loaning durable medical equipment to those with a need, providing eye screening to pre-schoolers (when assessable) and helping those of all ages in need of eyeglasses. We donate monies to our Boys & Girls Club, Gabriel' Horn Homeless Shelter, and Family Promise, just to name a few. We gave out three scholarships to graduating seniors from Portage High School this year. Haven Hallow Fest, in October, finds us partnering with the Portage Township Trustee's office for an evening of family, food & fun. We have provided lunches for the first responders and continue to donate monies to our local food pantries. We especially enjoy ringing the bells for the Salvation Army & plan to do so again this year.

But our favorite activity still remains our *South Haven Lions Club Christmas Event* where we provide Christmas presents and food baskets to families less fortunate in our community. Our coffers have been strained as everyone's has been. But again we have an opportunity, with your help, to continue assisting our community (especially with our Christmas Project)!

Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 at the Duck Creek Golf Course, the ***South Haven Lions Club*** will be hosting our annual Scramble Golf Outing, open to any and all golfers! Check in time is 7AM with the Shotgun Start at 8AM. (See attached flier)

With your support we will be able to continue reaching out to the youth and others with needs in this community. There are various ways that you can contribute to the success of this event:

- A. Sponsor a hole(s) sign(s) for \$50 each**
- B. Provide a door prize (i.e. gift certificates, items from your businesses, etc)**
- C. Become a golf ball sponsor for \$250.00**
- D. Donate items for our "goody bags" for the golfers (approx. 100 items)**
- E. Make a donation towards our food & beverage fund**

Whichever option(s) you choose, you can be sure that your support and that of many other businesses will be helpful in our efforts to serve this community. Monetary donations can be made by cash or check (***South Haven Lions Club***) For more information, contact **Lion Ken Laviolette** (219-741-4915, KDLC89@HOTMAIL.COM) or **PDG Lion Randy Greer** (219-728-8432, lionrandy@yahoo.com).

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!***  
***THE SOUTH HAVEN LIONS CLUB***

JUNE 2025

News Around the District—Crown Point Lion's Club Golf Outing

**Coming!!!**

**Crown Point Lions Club**

**31st Annual Golf Outing**

**Saturday, Sept 13, 2025**

**River Pointe Golf Course**

**Hobart, Indiana**

For more information contact

Ed Schiesser – 219-680-6485

**10:00 AM Shotgun Start**

**Lunch and Prizes**

**\$110.00 per golfer**

## News Around the District—South Haven Lions Beautify Community

South Haven Lions Club teamed up with our Portage Trustee's office to clean up our community from the winter! These sturdy ladies, Lions Fayettea Reed, Denise Demers and Deb Rousselle braved the day to cook for and serve 140+ volunteers who worked to "beautify" the community for the summer of family fun!



**Munster Lions Club & Town of Munster  
Proudly Present The Annual**

# *Independence Day Parade*

**July 4 | 2pm**

## **JOIN THE FUN!**

**REGISTRATION IS *NOW OPEN* FOR PARADE PARTICIPANTS!**

**REPRESENT YOUR BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION &  
BE A PART OF BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY SPIRIT!**

**PARTICIPATING IN THE PARADE IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY!**

- GROW YOUR VISIBILITY - BUILD AWARENESS OF YOUR BRAND!
- SHOW YOUR SUPPORT - STRENGTHEN YOUR CONNECTION TO THE COMMUNITY
- NETWORK - CONNECT WITH OTHER BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS
- FUN, CAMARADERIE AND PRIDE IN OUR TOWN

**HURRY, REGISTRATION ENDS *JUNE 16TH***





# MUNSTER LIONS

SERVING MUNSTER SINCE 1938



## 40<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL STEAK & CHICKEN GRILL

**Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>  
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

**At  
SOCIAL CENTER  
8751 LIONS CLUB DRIVE, MUNSTER**

**Donations**  
**Adult - \$20.00 • Child - \$7.00**  
Under 12

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# First Annual Raffle

Sponsored by  
Valparaiso Lions Vision  
Care, Inc and Currie  
Motors Ford of Valpo.

**Currie Motors  
FORD of VALPO**





2025 Bronco with 2.3L ecoboost 1-4 engine, Azure  
Gray Metallic with Black Onyx Interior Soft top cloth

**Only 1,000 Tickets Available! ★ Price Per Ticket: \$100**

## GRAND PRIZE DRAWING

**1st Prize** Choose a brand new Ford Bronco or \$40,000 cash!

**2nd** \$1,000 Cash

**3rd** \$500 Cash

**\$1,000 Early Bird Drawing! – August 7, 2025**  
**Grand Prize Drawing – October 16, 2025\***

### Currie Motors Ford of Valpo

**Complete the form below and mail with check/money order.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

Proceeds benefit future  
improvements in our  
community.

Make check/money order payable to:  
**Valparaiso Lions Vision Care Inc.**  
P.O Box 64, Valparaiso, IN 46384

**VOID WHERE PROHIBITED BY LAW**

**Stay tuned for more details! Follow Currie Ford of Valparaiso for updates.**

License # 017908, Reference # 162685.

The Valparaiso Lions Club reserves the right to extend the raffle drawing date for the 2025 Ford Bronco. If all raffle tickets are not sold by October 16, 2025, the drawing will be postponed to December 16, 2025. This extension is to allow additional time for ticket sales and to ensure the success of the fundraising effort, with a goal of 1,000 total tickets sold. All purchased tickets will remain valid for the rescheduled drawing date. No refunds will be issued based on the change of drawing date. Winner is responsible for all taxes, fees, and associated costs. Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a ticket.

## News Around the District— Valparaiso Lions Club

The Valparaiso Lions Club has a low vision charity: Valparaiso Lions Vision Care, Inc. which we founded in 1998. It's purpose is to provide devices to people who are visually impaired and reside in the seen counties of District25-A. We have helped over 100 individuals at the cost of \$150-200,00 in that time.

This year we are teaming with Currie Ford in Valparaiso to have a CAR RAFFLE. Tickets are \$100 and only 1000 will be sold. The winner gets either a brand new Ford Bronco or \$40,000. The drawing will be on October 16 at Currie Motors in Valparaiso. There will be an early bird drawing on August 7 for \$1000. That winner will still have a chance for the car. The October drawing will have a second prize of \$1000 and a third prize of \$500.

I have attached our flyer for this project and would appreciate it if you could publish it in all the upcoming District newsletter between now and October.

The proceeds will go to our charity to help the visually impaired in District 25-A.

Richard Ireland  
Secretary, Valparaiso Lions Club.

PS if you need any more information or want to purchase a chance to win, contact me at [lionireland@hotmail.com](mailto:lionireland@hotmail.com), or call me at 219 241 3496.

**See flyer previous page**

## News Around the District—Door Village Lions Host Bingo

### Door Village Lions Host Senior Bingo for Local Seniors

Last Friday Seniors from the surrounding area were honored by members of Door Village Lions club with Free Bingo and a Sweet Treat snack and drinks. Members had wrapped various items and had them setting on the table for bingo winners to pick up and enjoy, and about half way through the event seniors were treated to a large variety of cakes and cookies and cheesecakes. The games then started again and continued till all the prizes on the table were picked up by the 40 or so bingo players attending.

Lion Bonnie Olson brought all the prizes and sweet treats, and she and Lions Cindy Fischer and Sue Kaiser wrapped the prizes and prepared the treats. Lion Cindy Polito called the numbers and mixed the games up to make it more interesting, Lions Dennis Fischer, bonnie Olson, Sue Kaiser, Nancy Weaver and Cindy Fischer circulated the crowd and verified the winners. Seniors responded with a big yes when Lion Cindy Polito asked if they enjoyed the games and treats. This was the third year in a row that Door Village Lions have presented the bingo games for area seniors.



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## News Around the District—Door Village Lions Host Bingo



## News Around the District—LOFS Lions Present Scholarships

On May 21<sup>st</sup>, the LOFS Lions presented five \$1,000.00 scholarships from students within the Winfield, LOFS and Boone Grove areas.

The five exceptional students submitted an essay, their transcripts, and types of volunteer work they have done.



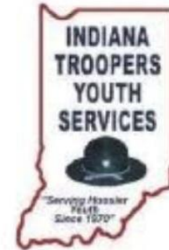
Project Chairs Yolanda and Juan Hernandez, President Dan Moynihan and VP Jennifer Niemeyer pose with scholarship recipients Mitchell Saco, Rileigh McGinty, Ariana Hall, Lucas Barton and Grier Goetzinger. Parts of each recipient's essay was read, and all of the scholars said a few words to family, friends and the Lions at the reception.

All of the students were very impressive, and their scholarships were well deserved.

News Around the District—Indiana State Police Summer Camps



**Indiana State  
Police Summer  
Camps**



**2025 Dates:**

**PIONEER CAMPS ARE BY  
RECOMMENDATION ONLY: AGES 11-14**

Lincoln Pioneer Camp: June 23-26, 2025

Mounds Park Camp: June TBD, 2025

Mollenhour Camp: June 9-12, 2025

**LAW CAMPS: 6<sup>TH</sup>, 7<sup>TH</sup> AND 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

Columbus Law Camp (Columbus Indiana): July 6 - July 10, 2025

Anderson Law Camp (Anderson Indiana): June 29 – July 2, 2025

**CAREER CAMPS: HIGH SCHOOL AGE**

Vincennes Career Camp (Vincennes Indiana): June 22 – 27, 2025

Trine Career Camp (Angola Indiana): July 6 -11, 2025

Anderson Cadet Camp (Anderson Indiana): June 22-28, 2025

**SHIELD PROJECT**

Anderson College (Anderson Indiana): June 4-8, 2025

Check out our website:  
**[HTTP://TROOPER.ORG](http://TROOPER.ORG)**  
GET INVOLVED AND FIND OUT HOW TO BE PART  
OF THE CAMPS AS A SPONSOR OR CAMPER!  
**ALSO CHECK OUT FACEBOOK!**  
**[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/ISPYOUTHCAMPS/](https://www.facebook.com/ISPYOUTHCAMPS/)**

Contact Us Today:  
Email: [itysinfo@trooper.org](mailto:itysinfo@trooper.org)  
Phone: 1-317-951-3882  
Indiana Troopers Youth Services, Inc.  
8660 East 21st Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46219

## News Around the District—Annual Golf Scramble Zone 3A

Four Lions Clubs from District 25A, Zone 3A, La Porte, Michiana, Mill Creek and Rolling Prairie, are hosting their annual golf scramble, Friday, June 20, 2025, at Whispering Pines Golf Course, 32280 State Rd. 4, Walkerton.

Donation is \$75 per golfer, which includes golf, cart, light lunch, team and individual awards. Registration begins at 8 a.m. (7 a.m. central time), with chipping and putting contests at 8:30 a.m. (7:30 a.m. central time) and shotgun start at 9 a.m. (8 a.m. central time).

There are prizes for the longest drives and \$10,000 for a hole-in-one. Contact Lion Glenn Swanson at 219-379-4086; Nancy Hawkins at 219-363-7128; Sandra Provan at 219-362-5618 or Mike Berby at 219-608-1339 for an entry form. **See also next page.**

Participants Entry Form	
Contact Name _____	
Address _____	
City _____	
State _____	
E-mail _____	
Phone _____	
For each player	
1. _____	Cut on dotted line
2. _____	
3. _____	
4. _____	
OR	
<input type="checkbox"/> Please place me on a team.	
Amount Enclosed _____	
Signature _____	
Date _____	
Make Payments to: <b>Lions L.P. County Golf</b>	
Mail to:	
7128 N. 300 W	
Michigan City, IN 46360	

### Indiana Lions Zone 3A Lions Club of District 25A: w/projects

**LaPorte Lions-** Lions Alert  
**Michiana Lions-** Little Free Libraries  
**Mill Creek Community Lions-** Dictionary Project, Gift Cards for Veterans  
**Rolling Prairie Lions-** NPHS Scholarships, Dictionary Project

### Whispering Pines Golf Course



### Indiana Zone 3 A Lions

#### Committee Members:

Mike Berby  
 Ron King  
 Nancy Hawkins  
 Glenn Swanson  
 Tom Sharp

Sandra Provan  
 Jen King  
 Barb Berby  
 Haley Whicker



Friday, June 20 2025



#### State Projects done by our clubs:

- ♦ Speech and Hearing
- ♦ Cancer Control
- ♦ Leader dog for the Blind
- ♦ Indiana School for the Blind
- ♦ Eye and Tissue Bank
- ♦ Diabetes Awareness



"We Serve"

## News Around the District—Annual Golf Scramble Zone 3A

### Outing Information

**Date:** Friday, June 20 2025

**Time:** 8:00/7:00 C.S.T. registration  
 8:30/7:30 C.S.T. Chipping and Putting Contest  
 9:00/8:00 C.S.T. Shotgun start ~ Scramble format

Lunch served after outing  
1 drink included

1:00/12:00 C.S.T. Team Awards

Deadline for entries: June 14, 2025

**Location:** Whispering Pines Golf Course

32280 State Rd 4

Walkerton, In 46574

Limited 144 golfers max

**Golf Format:** 4 man scramble, no rain date.

**Donation:** \$75/Golfer, \$300/Team

Donation includes: golf, cart,

Light lunch, team and individual awards

**How to enter:** (several ways)

- 1) Fill out form on back and mail in
- 2) Available at Golf Course
- 3) See a Lions member for forms

Sponsors on :

Meal Sponsor	\$100
Beverage Sponsor	\$200
\$10,000 Hole-in-one	\$350
Putting Green Banner	\$300
Hole Sponsor	\$100
Cart Sponsor	\$50
2 prizes Longest Drive	\$50/ea

"Goodie Bag" gifts (need 80)

Indicate on registration form what type of ad (above) you would like.

Please submit a business card and/or info on ads when you mail your registration



Any questions regarding this event or Lionism, please contact any of the following:

Glenn Swanson (219-379-4086) Rolling Prairie  
 Ron King (219-379-6009) Rolling Prairie  
 Nancy Hawkins (219-363-7128) Michiana  
 Sandra Provan (219-362-5618) LaPorte  
 Mike Berby (219-608-1339) Mill Creek

**If you are interested in becoming a Lion in your community, please call one of the above 5 contacts and you will be directed to the appropriate personnel.**

### Sponsor Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last \_\_\_\_\_

First \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Tele \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Advertisement \_\_\_\_\_

Indiana Lions  
 Zone 3 Lions Club of District 25A:

LaPorte Lions

Michiana Lions

Mill Creek Community Lions

Rolling Prairie Lions



## News Around the District—East Chicago Lions



**Lions and Leos participated in a Memorial Day Event**

### **Buddy Benches**

A big thank you to the Hijos de Borinquen, East Chicago Evening Lions Club, Iris Cares Charity and the EC Public Works Department for supporting our buddy bench project. Our Girls on the Run team and our House Leaders finished up a project with was started by our STEM classes.

Our school collected plastic caps that will be recycled and turned into buddy benches.

Buddy Benches were invented to combat loneliness and bullying in schools. Sometimes called a friendship bench, these benches are provided on school playgrounds as a way for students to signal to others that they are feeling lonely and isolated and need a friend to play with or someone to talk to.



## News Around the District—East Chicago Lions

[philsfriends.org](https://philsfriends.org)

Donate \$50 to receive a copy of Phil's new book "Seeing the Good in It."

[DONATE NOW](#)

**Our Vision:** Phil's Friends will expand to a sustainable international organization by implementing new programs, increasing services, expanding volunteer opportunities, and developing needed support for individuals and families affected by cancer.

**Our Values:** We are committed to carrying out our mission in a Christ-centered, caring culture dedicated to supporting individuals and families impacted by cancer. We adapt to the dynamic needs of the people we serve by acting responsibly, with a sense of urgency, and a passion for excellence. With integrity, our team serves with compassion, respect, and kindness, offering hope and peace to all.



Our Leo's Group created Cards of Hope for Phil's Friends.

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News Around the District—East Chicago Leos



ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE EAST CHICAGO LEO'S CLUB TO SUPPORT LOCAL YOUTH PROGRAMS.

## JUNE 2025

### Governor Patty Cooke-Furlong's Calendar

New Officer Training	Saturday	5/31/2025	
Chesterton Installation	Tuesday	6/3/2025	
Crown Point Installation	Thursday	6/5/2025	
Last Cabinet Meeting / Celebration	Sunday	6/8/2025	
Father's Day in LA	Thursday	6/11/2025	6/15/2025
LOFS Installation	Wednesday	6/25/2025	
GAT Tream Training in Vegas		6/27/2025	6/29/2025
PreConvention Vacation	Saturday	7/5/2025	7/11/2025
International Convention in Orlando	Saturday	7/12/2025	7/17/2025

## Membership

**Lions Who Have Completed Their Service**

Richard Gideon	Hebron
Beverly Dickinson	Westville

**District Membership—Welcome New Members!**

Poluma Luso Badillo	East Chicago Evening	Benjamin Flores
Juan Vazquez Espinoza	East Chicago Evening	Veronica Flores
Rhonda A. Babic	LOFS	Thomas Snowden
Shannon M Otoolis-Vargas	LOFS	Daniel Moynihan
Suzanne Vale	LOFS	Linda Kroner
Regina Wagoner	LOFS	Jennifer Neimeyer
Gloria Welsch	LOFS	Becky Wright
Steven Welsch	LOFS	Becky Wright
Andy Rasutis	Ogden Dunes	Edward Maxwell
Brian Brackins	Schererville	John Brackins
Carol Brackins	Schererville	John Brackins