# The Lions Heartbeat

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# District 25A News



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### **District Governor's Message**

I, along with 21 Eyeglass Recycling Mission members, have just returned from a mission to Actopan, Hidalgo, Mexico, while the remaining 18 members traveled to the next mission site of Tepeapulco. We served more than 7,600 people by giving them the very glasses that you collect, and plan to serve several more thousand before our remaining team members travel home. Your efforts are touching the lives of thousands. It is a humbling experience to witness the impact our local efforts have on those in Mexico. It continually amazes me to see how much can be accomplished with good planning, teamwork and follow through. I am always reenergized upon return to the US. It is a feeling much like the feeling I have when I visit your clubs. To hear of the service performed by our clubs, makes me so proud to be a part of this wonderful district and organization. Please keep our remaining mission members in your thoughts for a second week of successful service and their safe return home to us.

Communication is defined as "a process by which information is exchanged between individuals through a common system.... a verbal or written message". Of course, we know this, but are we doing it? Effective communication is important in all aspects of life. It is essential in our Lions life. It is paramount to grow and strengthen our clubs. There is no time like the present to expand our lines of communication. The use of calling committees, group e-mail, Facebook, newsletters, and websites are all avenues that can be used to get the word out on the events and needs of your club. Do you want to retain happy members? Do you want to increase your membership? Do you want younger members to join you in service to your communities? If you answered yes to just one of these questions, take the time to evaluate your method of communication. Please increase the lines of communication used to ensure information is getting to members and potential members alike. I am confident that once you get through the growing pains of change, you will have a stronger, larger club.

Are you ready to learn and have some fun? There is still time to sign up for our District Convention on March 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. We have a full day of activities planned with lots of fun, fellowship and prizes in store for those who attend. Please encourage your members to attend as this is an excellent opportunity to teach new Lions (and old) and hear what our fellow Lions are doing throughout the District. Make this a "Learning and Sharing" experience, showcase your upcoming events, and hear words of wisdom from our visiting guest, International Director, N. Alan Lundgren. The Convention Committee is working hard to bring you an outstanding event. Hope to see you there! Until then.... keep Touching Lives through Service!

Now, turn the page for more communication from the district and state....

Yours in Friendship and Service ~~ Lion Robin, District Governor

### Message from 2nd VDG Mitch Semans:

#### **Dear Fellow Lions**

A while back I was on the radio, station WKVI, promoting Lions on their morning show. As I was driving there I had no idea what I was going to talk about for 20 minutes. Then the news came on and another person was being accused of inappropriate behavior, and someone is suing someone for something and on and on with the negativity. So I thought what a great opportunity for Lions to be a positive influence in everyone's lives. This is not only to help those who are in need like we do with our state projects, (Cancer Research, Eye Bank, ISBVI, Leader Dog, Speech and Hearing) but to encourage others to be better human beings, to make better decisions and to let people know that they are appreciated and valued. This country needs a hero and I can't think of a better organization than the Lions to step up and be a hero to someone, for your community, for our nation, for the world. What we do in our clubs for our communities really can have an impact globally, but we have to talk about it. It is important to go to zone meetings, district meetings, and council meetings and share those success stories. When I was in Denver for ALLI, I had the opportunity to talk with Lions from France and Tobago and share with them some of the things that we are doing in Door Village with the little libraries, Michiana with the community garden, and District 25A Fishing for Life. I wish I could mention every club because you all do something special. I hope those Lions from overseas take my stories back with them because I know they will have a positive impact. Thank you for all that you do and God Bless



### Mitchell Semans 2ndVDG

### Mission To Mexico—Week 1: February 18—24





Forty Lions from District 25-A participated in the annual "Mission To Mexico" project to provide the gift of sight to rural area Mexican people in Actopan, Mexico. In the first week of service, 7635 people were served. A number of Lions stayed for a second week at another location.

# There is still time......

All attending the Convention NEED TO REGISTER



# District Governor Robin Smith District 25A District Convention



March 16 & 17, 2018

Best Western Plus Conference Center 444 Pine Lake Ave, La Porte, IN 46350 219-362-4585

Our Special Weekend Guest ID N. Alan Lundgren & Lion Terry Pressel

ROOMS RATE is \$90 + Tax per night – until February 17, 2018 - FREE breakfast buffet

It is pass the reservation date, you can still try to call.

Call 219-362-4585 and asking for **District Lions Convention** 

# FRIDAY NIGHT ID WELCOME DINNER SATURDAY LUNCH - SATURDAY BANQUET\* (see prices below)

\*Pre-seating chart available Saturday Morning - Registration & Meal Reservation Deadline: March 2, 2018

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### TIME for EVENTS at the 2018 25A CONVENTION

See complete schedule in the Ad Book

Friday Night Dinner - Gathering 6:00 PM - Dinner 6:30 PM - Cash Bar

### Registration & Certification

8:00 to 10:45 AM & after first Session to 1:00 PM

Display and Sale Tables 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

#### SEMINARS

9:00 – 9:45 Diabetes: 25A Chair Carolyn Toosley & MD Chair Chris Reinhold Your Club, Your Way: 25A GMT Dick Silveira

10:00 – 10:45 How to start a Leos Club: MD25 Chair Cary Green Me a Mentor....Yes: ID Alan Lundgren

#### 11:00 FIRST BUSINESS SESSION

Includes: Necrology Service

#### 2:00 SECOND BUSINESS SESSION

Includes: Presentation of Club Banners

Induction of New Lion & NEW CLUB Leo Members

Nominations Voting

PDG Meeting with ID Alan Lundgren after Session

Hospitality Room opens after Voting

#### RECEPTION & BANQUET SCHEDULE

5:00 to 6:00 Reception-Cash Bar

5:45 Head Table Line Up

6:00 District 25A BANQUET

Hospitality Room opens following Banquet

**Presidents and Secretaries** -- As of this morning, 31 clubs have not completed their Monthly Membership Report (MMR), and 44 clubs have not completed their Service Activity Report (SAR) for the month of February. These numbers are far from our reporting goal of 90%. Please do your part in reaching our goals.

My Members	/2018 11:01 AM	
	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1,283	. 1,288
Added Members	9	99
Dropped Members	3	98
Closing Balance	1,289	1,289
Net Gain/Loss	6	1
Worldwide	1,434,	260

	This Month	This Year
Clubs with Activities	6	32
Clubs without Activities	44	18
2017-2018 Summary		
Number of Lion Hours		9367



### Lions of Indiana 2018 State Convention

Horizon Convention Center, 401 S. High Street, Muncie, Indiana 47305 April 27-29, 2018



### Registration Form

Please Print or Type All Information

Name:							
	Lion Title	First N	lame	Last Nar	ne	Nam	ne on Badge
Name:							
	Lion Title	First N	lame	me Last Name		Name on Badge	
Address:							
	Mailing	Address	City	State			Zip Code
Telephone:			E-Mail:				
Club:				District:			
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#### HOTELS

### PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY MARCH 26, 2018

Rooms and rates cannot be guaranteed after March 27, 2018

Courtyard Muncie at Convention Center 601 S. High Street \$ 129/night plus tax Call: 765-287-8550
Holiday Inn Express on Bethel (off McGalliard) 4201 W. Bethel Ave. \$ 129/night plus tax Call: 765-289-4678
Hampton Inn on Bethel (off McGalliard) 4220 W. Bethel Ave. \$ 129/night plus tax Call: 765-288-8500

### MEALS / CONVENTION MERCHANDISE

Meal Prices Increase by \$5.00 per meal after April 1, 2018. – No Meal Reservations Accepted after April 21, 2018

Make All Checks Payable to: Indiana Lions 2018 State Convention

Send Check and Reservation Forms to: Lion David DeVilbiss, Convention Registrar

10301 Central Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46280

Registration and Meals may be reserved and paid online at: http://indianalionsconvention.org/convention-registration

Event	Entree	Number	Price	Amount
Friday Lunch	Soup and Salad Bar		\$ 20.00	\$
Friday Dinner	Smoked Pork Chop, or		\$ 25.00	\$
	Mediterranean Chicken Breast		\$ 25.00	\$
Saturday Lunch	Herb Roasted Chicken Breast		\$ 20.00	\$
Saturday Dinner	Grilled 8 oz. Beef Ribeye, or		\$ 35.00	\$
	Lemon Caper Trout		\$ 35.00	\$
Sunday Brunch	Breakfast Buffet plus Fried Chicken, Ham Steak		\$ 25.00	\$
Saturday Afternoon	Strides Walk for Diabetes – T-Shirt and Donation		\$ 25.00	\$
	Convention Souvenir Limited Edition Pin		\$ 5.00	\$
	Convention Souvenir Limited Edition Mug		\$ 5.00	\$
	Total Amount Enclosed			\$
If Participating in Strid	les Walk for Diabetes, indicate T-shirt size:			



# Lions of Indiana 2018 State Convention April 27-29, 2018



### **Keynote Speakers**

Friday, April 27, 2018 Dinner Coach Lion Paul Fugate



Lion Paul Fugate is a second-generation Lion since 2009 and a LEO before that in 2007. Lion Paul is a member of the Mt. Vernon Iowa Lions Club and has served with the club on many committees. Paul has also served on the district level as LEO Club Chair, Zone Chair and Region Chair. Paul also is a trustee on the Iowa Lions Foundation. Wear your favorite sport team jersey or other team clothing. Paul will be presenting a video-interactive program of how Basketball, the greatest game ever invented, can relate to Lions and how to be a team and a team player.

### Saturday, April 28, 2018 Luncheon Gold Medalist Chris Perdue

Chris Perdue is an 18-year old student of South Ripley High School in Versailles, IN. He will be competing in the sport of Snowboarding for Team USA in Schladming, Austria. This is a first for his local Special Olympics program – Special Olympics Indiana – Ripley Ohio Dearborn Counties. He has won a gold medal every year since 2014. Chris was initially motivated to get involved with Special Olympics not so much for the medals, but by a simple desire to "be normal" after years of not being chosen to be part of neighborhood teams.



### Saturday, April 28, 2018 Dinner International President Naresh Aggarwal



Dr. Naresh Aggarwal, International President, is from Batala, Punjab, India. Dr. Naresh is chairman of companies specializing in steel and agricultural products. President Aggarwal is trustee and vice chairperson of Lions Quest in India Foundation and has also served on the National SightFirst Committee. He is the chief patron of Dainik Prarthana Sabha, which operates charity projects in Batala and he is vice president of Age-Care India, a charitable society for the care and welfare of elderly people. He is sure that solving our greatest problems is within Lions' reach if we work together for the common good with the Powers of We, Action, Service, and Acting Now.

# Sunday, April 29, 2018 Brunch Kevin OCallaghan

Kevin O'Callaghan is a Regional Human Resources Manager with Advance Auto Parts serving 27 distribution centers across the country. He is a committed architect of well performing teams and driving leaders to win. He is a four-time graduate of Leader Dogs for the Blind and has worked with Leader Dogs as a Graduate Rep speaking at numerous Lion's Club events.

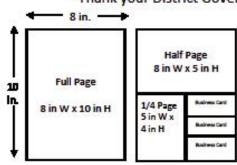




# INDIANA LIONS 2018 STATE CONVENTION MUNCIE, INDIANA APRIL 27-29, 2018

### PROGRAM BOOK ADVERTISEMENT APPLICATION

- Promote an upcoming event for your Club, District, or Business
- Honor your club's Melvin Jones or W.P. Woods Fellows or your PDG
  - Thank your District Governor for a great 2017-2018 Lions Year



 Full Page
 \$200.00

 Half Page
 \$100.00

 Quarter Page
 \$ 50.00

 Business Card Size Ad
 \$ 25.00

Copy may be in color or black & white (same price for either)

Please send your camera ready ad by March 12th to dpcreger@hrtc.net
Please send this application with check made payable to "2018 Lions State
Convention" to Lion Dick Creger, 10433 S. SR 9, Pendleton, IN 46064

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### GOING FOR THE GOLD



SCORE 1320!!

What do Olympic athletes and Lions have in common? Determination, commitment, and a belief their goals are always within reach. While only a small number of Olympic athletes can make it to the podium and receive awards for their efforts, all Lions have the opportunity to make it and claim recognition for bringing new people into our clubs. Hopefully, all Lions will be committed and determined to keep our District independent and strive for reaching 1320 people helping people by July 15, 2018. It will be hard work, but there are rewards:

- One Lion who signed the Just Ask Pledge will step up to the podium to win \$50 at the District convention
- One Lion who sponsored a new Lion will step up to win \$50 at the 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet meeting. (Must be
  on the May 2018 M&R)
- A President whose club ends the year with a plus will be eligible to win \$100 for the club's
  administration fund (NEW)!!!



 Earn the Silver Centennial Lion award once the new member or new club remains in good standing for 1 year and a day.



- Lions automatically qualify to earn additional awards once they sponsor a new member or help organize a new club.
- The longer new members and new clubs stay active and in good standing, the more rewards a Lion can earn!



#### Induct New Members

Induct at least three new members during any one of the fiscal years of the Centennial Celebration, and your club will be recognized as a Premier Centennial Lions Club. (New members must remain active for 2 years and a day)

Centennial Premier Patch



# Brian's Trike Race 20th Running!

# **April 22, 2018**

The Indiana Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired State Project's annual fundraiser "Brian's Trike Race" will be held on April 22, 2018. This change will better align with the ISBVI's calendar and allow students and faculty to participate more fully.

This will be the <u>20th running of the Race</u> and we are working to make the event more fun for all ages while expanding the event to provide even greater visibility and benefit to the ISBVI and Lions! This event raises funds to assist both resident and outreach students of the school through sponsorship of summer programs at the school, to underwrite costs of students attending national conferences for the blind & visually impaired and to assist with technology upgrades.

In addition to the traditional Trike Race, the day will also feature:

- A Disc Golf competition
- Trophies created in the ISBVI's own 3D Print Lab
- other activities yet to-be-announced

A team application form is attached. Please encourage your club to send a team. If your club is not sending a race team, see if it would sponsor a local Leo Club, school or Boy Scout troop that would like to have a fun afternoon racing around the Letterman Track on adult trikes. All are welcome!

PDG Pat Short -- Chair Lions for the ISBVI



# Brian's Trike Race and Disc Golf Tournament April 22, 2018



To benefit children served by the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (ISBVI) at the school and in your community via outreach services.

# Silver Sponsorship

What You Receive:

### \$150.00 by March 30, 2018\*

 Your organization's name displayed at Brian's Trike Race

### \$300.00 by March 30, 2018\*

# Gold Sponsorship

What You Receive:

All perks of a Silver Sponsorship PLUS:

- Your organization's name and/or logo on each of the 250+ T-shirts worn throughout Indiana
- A one-year listing on our webpage.
- Certificate of Appreciation from the Indiana Lions for the ISBVI

### Exclusive opportunity starting at \$500\*

# Platinum Sponsorship

- Priority name/logo placement based on donation!
- All benefits of Silver and Gold

What You Receive:

- Prominent placement on event t-shirts and web page (1-year)
- By-request exhibit space at the event

On-shirt and on-property sponsorship placement to be determined by the Indiana Lions for the ISBVI committee to best group, prioritize, and support the sponsoring organizations and space available.

Name of Sponsoring	Organization:			
Contact Name:				
Contact Phone Numb	ber and e-mail:_			
Sponsorship Level:	Silver	☐ Gold	☐ Platinum	Other
*Deadline - mail b	by March 30 to:	Pat Henning 8447 Stone	ger, Event Chairman s Ferry Road. Indiana	polis IN 46278

For more information about sponsorship or fielding a team, e-mail Pat Henninger at iwtlions@gmail.com or call 317-908-8884

# BRIAN'S TRIKE RACE and DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT April 22, 2018

Please help the children at the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired by participating in Brian's Trike Race. This year sees the addition of a new event: Disc

Golf! Did you know that the ISBVI is home to its own 9-hole Disc Golf Course? It's true! And now you can play on this typically closed course! Four-person team categories for each event are "Adults" and "Student." Students will receive 4 hours service credit. Each Trike team member will receive a race t-shirt; each Disc Golf team member

will receive a commemorative disc. Additional shirts and discs available to purchase.

# BRIAN'S TRIKE RACE & DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT April 22, 2018; Entry Deadline March 30 Doors Open at 11AM Registration & Practice = 12:00 noon Races start at 1PM (rain or shine)\* at the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired 7725 North College Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana Team Name Captain's Name , Phone #, & Email Team category that best describes 4 team members: (circle) Lions Students Adults Leos Mixed Ages Phone # Lion/Leo? T-Shirt List (print): Y/NSize Alternate: Trike Team Disc Golf Team Check One Per Form (\$100 / Team): Include \$10 for each additional t-shirt or disc (please specify) beyond those included. \* For safety purposes, participants must wear closed-toe shoes Please send a check, payable to Indiana Lions for the ISBVI, along with this form to Pat Henninger, 8447 Stones Ferry Road, Indianapolis IN 46278. Questions? Call Pat at 317-908-8884 or e-mail at iwtlions@gmail.com Hosted by the Indiana Lions for the ISBVI and the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired.











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### We Serve!

This is our motto. This is what we do as Lions. In 2014 we were given a challenge for the Centennial – serve 100 Million people over the next four years. We have met and exceeded that goal!



But the only way LCI knows how many people were served is by checking the month Service Activity Reports (SAR). A big Thank You! to the clubs who reported their Centennial activities and earned banner patches for their efforts. For clubs working on their final patch, please note the addition of Diabetes to this effort and plan an associated activity.

Based on this outstanding success, LCI has now set the goal to improve the lives of at least **200 million per year** by 2020-21 through expanded humanitarian service. The key measurement of this effort is once again the SARs. We must all report all that we do — and I know the Lions in 25A do a great deal to Serve their communities. Whether it is eye screenings, or donating to food banks, or road side cleanups, helping a family in need — we are there!

The majority of 25A Clubs are completing their Monthly Membership Reports (MMR) online thru myLCI. Please make the extra effort to enter your club's activities. Is not difficult and if you have any questions, reach out to me or your Zone Chair.

At the close of our Centennial challenge, International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal congratulates Lions on serving 200 million people—double our goal—and encourages us to celebrate this milestone as we continue to change lives! This is the Power of We! The future is ours!

Help us meet our next challenge! Report all the activities you do To Serve your communities!

PDG Patty Cooke 219-671-4668

### Hoosier Lion Newspaper Survey

The Hoosier Lion newspaper has been Indiana's (MD25) method for communicating with its members for more than 30 years. As the change to more digital formats is occurring, the Governors of MD -25 have determined that it is important to survey the Lions of Indiana to determine if changes in the newspaper should be done. Please take a few moments and let us know what you think. The link to access the survey is https://surveyhero.com/c/5165Ofc.

### **District 25-A Acuity Screening Team**





Photo on left shows the 25A Acuity Screening team including PDG Patrick G. Rodriguez, IH-EC Lions Club; Nurse Hines, Lion Mary Andres, and Lion Oscar Sanchez, Hammond Lions Club; Lions Naomi Rodriguez and Oscar Munoz, IH-East Chicago Lions Club. On right, Lion Mary Andres performs a near screening on a student from Thea Bowman Learning Academy.

### Indiana Harbor-East Chicago Lions Club



Governor Robin Smith makes her Official Visit to the Indiana Harbor-East Chicago Lions Club. Members in photo are Lions Oscar Munoz, Richard Rodriguez, Patty Bodnar, and Art Trevino.

DG Robin presents her District Governor's pin to IH-East Chicago Lions President Art Trevino.





their Easter Crafts & Bake Sale

All proceeds help pay for community projects







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# Angie Schmeltz @ (219) 374-9714

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## Welcome New Members

Samantha A. Alberico—Dyer Sponsor: Robert Block

Phillip J. Fabian—E. Chicago Evening Sponsor: Britteny Santiago

Frank Rivera—E. Chicago Evening Sponsor: Britteny Santiago

Roberto Favela—E. Chicago Evening Sponsor: Arcides Santiago

Wanda Gordils—E. Chicago Evening Sponsor: Arcides Santiiago

Gezia Gordils—E. Chicago Evening Sponsor: Arcides Santiago

Bryan B. Burger—Lowell Sponsor: Will Farrellbegg

Margo J. Leabo—Lowell Sponsor: Will Farrellbegg

Amamda J. Thacker—Lowell Sponsor: Jeffrey Greco

Those Who Have Completed Their Service

Lowell—Jack R. Foss



# **District Zone Beats**

"Region 2– Zones A & B: Selling Pancakes and Sausage meals at Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore in Porter on March 3, 4, 10 & 11 to benefit ISBVI. Time: 9 AM to 3 PM

**Rensselaer Lions**: Co-sponsored a community wide blood drive with Rotary Club, local radio, and the Hospital. Collected 24 units of blood.

Planning for club's 75th Anniversary celebration.

Lions 2018 International Convention will take place from June 29 thru July 3rd in Las Vegas, Nevada. The Luxor Hotel & Casino is the Indiana Lions convention hotel. All convention events (except parade) will take place at the MGM Grand Hotel. For more details, contact Indiana Lions Chairperson PDG Gary Ochs at (812)275-7241 or gochsinlions@att.net. After March 31st, late registration fees apply.

Crown Point Lions Club

Save The Date—Sept. 29, 2018

Crown Point Lions Club will be celebrating their 75th Anniversary this year at:

Teibel's Restaurant 1775 US Highway 41, Schererville, IN

Cocktails (cash bar) at 6:00 pm and Dinner at 7:00 pm. Cost-\$50 per person. DJ after dinner and ceremony.

#### **Upcoming LCI Events Upcoming State Events** District F Convention—Batesville Mar 3 March Eye Donor Awareness month Mar 9 District G ID Dinner Mar 24 Lions Day with the United Nations—New York Mar 10 District G & E Conventions; Mar 31 Last regular registration fees—Int'l convention **ISBVI Trustee & Vision Services Meetings** Family & Friends Month Mar 17 District B Convention Apr Leo Club Awareness Protectiong Our Environment Svc Challenge Mar 24 Long Range Planning mtg—State office; Apr 1 Leo of the Year Award application due District D convention Apr 7-8 Leadership Workshop, Plainfield Worldwide week of Service to Protect our Plan-Apr 16-22 Apr 8 Speech and Hearing Trustee mtg—Purdue Apr 22 Earth Day Apr 14 Foundation Mtg—State office Apr 24-30 World Immunization Week Apr 22 Brian's Trike Race—ISBVI Apr 28 Lions Worldwide Induction Day Apr 27-29 State Convention—Muncie

# DG BEATS-MARCH 2018

