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District 25A News

Grow With Me — The Best is Yet to Be



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Lions of 25A

Finish Strong!

April is 'Join the Lions Club' month. So let's see what we can do. Everybody needs new members. All we need to do is ask — how hard can it be? Just ask the La Crosse Lions—they have a net gain of +6. We are also having a contest for the month of April. Who could bring in the most members and roster them in April. The Lion that brings in the most members will get \$50. The club that brings in the most members will get \$100. Who needs the money and new members?

Finish strong! What does it mean to you? It could mean so many things. Maybe your club is in the middle of a project. Finish strong! Maybe you're in the middle of the membership drive. Finish strong! What ever it takes give it our all. Finish strong!

This is my last newsletter to encourage you to come to the District Convention. If you have never been there, now is the time. Hopefully we will have something of interest that will make you want to come.

I want all Lions to think of the meaning of "We serve". What does it mean to you? What it means to me is serving those less fortunate than me at a particular time of their life. We all need help in our lives at one time or another. Who knows — maybe the person You help, will someday help You. Or better yet, become a Lion to help other people.

Yours in Lionism,

District Governor Dennis Brown



25A Lions

Throughout my childhood attempts at sports, there was a common theme taught by my coaches. During my high school, college, and athletic careers, the theme was even more emphasized. With such consistency, that theme became engrained in my life's endeavors.

The idea of finishing fast and hard in whatever goal I have in front of me is the theme that has become a part of me. Doing the best I could personally and knowing I got the job done. I gave it my all in sports, academics, vocationally, and in my family and social life.

As OUR district year is quickly coming to an end, we must all, under the motto of "Come Grow With Me ... The Best is Yet To Be", finish this year fast and hard!

- ◆ Become a part of a 100% reporting district
- ◆ Get those requested reports to the district secretary
- ◆ Submit your Membership and Service reports on myLCI
- ◆ Get your club activities published in the district newsletter
- ◆ Get your club projects advertised within your own community
- ◆ Get your community involved with Lionism
- ◆ Get at least one new member in April

We can all pull together to have our district finish fast and hard! Leave nothing on the table at the end of June. Meet all your club's 2018 - 2019 promises and goals. Meet all your personal 2018 -2019 promises and goals—including the one about bringing in a new member.

Give it your all to continue making OUR district the top district in MD 25!

Lion Allen Muschett

HAVE FUN

The 2019 25A Convention

Win cash.....

Crazy Hat contest at the First Business Session starting at 11:00 AM

1st Prize \$25 - 2nd \$10 -

3rd 5 District Raffle Tickets

Club with most pre-registered members

First Timers

The GMT Awarding \$50.00 to a Lion who signed the "Just Ask" Pledge Sheet.

Plus a few more prizes....



All attending the Convention **NEED TO REGISTER**

District 25A District Convention

Come grow with me.....



District Governor Dennis Brown

March 15 & 16, 2019



Our Special Weekend Guest **ID Ardie Klemish & PDG Ken**

Make reservation directly with the Hotel *Best Western Plus Conference Center*

444 Pine Lake Ave, La Porte, IN 46350 - 219-362-4585

ROOMS RATE: \$106.39 including taxes - per night – until February 24, 2019 - FREE breakfast buffet

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

FRIDAY NIGHT ID WELCOME DINNER

SATURDAY LUNCH - SATURDAY BANQUET* (see prices below)

Registration & Meal Reservation **Deadline:** Payment received by **March 8, 2019**

No Pre-reservations will be accepted after March 8th – Registration available at the Convention

Limited number of meals will be available for Friday & Saturday—No phone calls will be accepted

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Name: _____		Title: _____ <input type="checkbox"/>	
Name: _____		Title: _____ Guest <input type="checkbox"/>	
Lions Club: _____		Region: _____	Zone: _____ District: <u>25A</u> or _____
Address: _____		Email: _____	
City, State & Zip: _____		Phone: _____	
Friday ID Welcome Dinner - <i>Meatloaf & Fried Perch Buffet</i>	\$ 26.00 X	No. Meals _____ =	\$ _____
Saturday Lunch – <i>Soup, Chili & Salad Buffet</i>	\$ 12.50 X	No. Meals _____ =	\$ _____
Saturday Banquet – <i>Roasted Turkey & Roasted Honey Ham Buffet</i>	\$ 29.00 X	No. Meals _____ =	\$ _____
Friday or Saturday Meals for Child 12 & Under	\$ 13.00 X	No. Meals _____ =	\$ _____
Make check payable: District 25A District Convention		Total Enclosed	\$ _____
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Mail to:		CST BARBARA TOOSLEY, 13700 LANTERN DRIVE, ST JOHN 46373	

Join us at the District 25A Convention



Best Western Hotel
Saturday, March 16th
2nd Seminar (10:00-10:45)



Rockin' the Vest For DIABETES Awareness!

Participants will receive a
free t-shirt, Stride pin,
and ticket to be entered
into a drawing for
a Fitbit!



25A's Convention Silent Auction

We ask each Lions Club to donate a "BASKET" worth \$50.00 (or more) to the raffle.

Not talented, no time? Just buy a \$50.00 gift card or send us the \$50.00 we'll buy a gift card for you.



Make check to: Lions District 25A, note "Convention Auction"

Mail to: CS Barbara Toosley, 13700 Lantern Drive, St John, IN 46373



Your ISBVI Lion Trustees are sponsoring a **work day** at the school in Indianapolis on **Saturday, May 18, 2019**. This is a great opportunity for you/family/friends to walk the walk and put our "**We Serve**" motto into action. Our schedule for the day will be:

- 8:30 am Registration and donuts (of course!)
- 9 am – 1 pm Morning work Session
- 1 pm Lunch (provided by the school)
- After Lunch **Tour of the School** for those interested
- After lunch Afternoon work session until done

Come and help us beautify and improve this campus! Interested? Contact...

Lion Mike Okuly
260-519-3541
mokuly52@yahoo.com

It's a great day of fun, hard work and camaraderie and a chance to meet other Lions from around the state as well as visit this beautiful campus. This is one of **your** Lions State Projects.....take a few hours to help beautify and improve it. You'll get great satisfaction from doing so....and of course, a **free lunch!** Hope to see you there.





2019 Indiana Lions State Convention

In less than 8 weeks, the Grand Wayne Convention Center, Fort Wayne Hilton and downtown Fort Wayne will be rolling out the red carpet for the Lions of Indiana to convene the 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention. The Convention is the time to renew acquaintances, celebrate the great work Lions are doing in Indiana and around the world, be inspired by President Gudrun and return to our clubs energized to serve.

Register for the Convention by March 1 and be entered to win a free night at the Hilton. There are still plenty of rooms available, but make your hotel reservation soon – our block is filling up. The registration form with seminar details and menus is elsewhere in this newsletter along with the State Convention website www.indianalionsconvention.org

Come early to browse the exhibit hall, place your bids at the silent auction and discover all the unique shops and lively attractions in downtown Fort Wayne. www.visitfortwayne.com provides all the information you need to turn the weekend into a great family outing. See you in Fort Wayne April 26 – 28.



Support the **South Haven Lions Club**

WIN "Dinner For A Year"

Dinner for a year is defined as once a month starting March 2019-February 2020. Dinner & soft drink included, max total value is \$20.

Drawing date: March 10th at 6 pm

Portage Texas Corral

5880 US Route 6 Portage, IN 46368

\$5.00 per ticket - Only 200 being Sold



2019 INDIANA LIONS STATE CONVENTION

Hosted by District 25B

April 26 – 28, 2019

120 W. Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne, Indiana

Special Guests**International President Gudrun & PID Jon****Host Hotel – Hilton (attached to the Convention Center)**

1020 S. Calhoun St., Fort Wayne, Indiana

Room Rate: \$115.00 plus tax

Call 260-420-1100 or 1-800-445-8667 for reservations

mention *Lions of Indiana - Group Code LOI***Registration Form (one per person)****Registration Deadline: April 10, 2019***Please print name as desired on Badge*

Name and Title _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City/State/Zip _____

District _____ Club _____ Email _____

Friday Evening Dinner \$20.00 = \$ _____

Saturday Lunch \$20.00 = \$ _____

Saturday All State Banquet \$35.00 = \$ _____

___ Filet ___ Salmon ___ Chicken

Sunday Brunch \$20.00 = \$ _____

2019 Convention Pin (free to 1st 400)

Additional pin \$ 4.00 = \$ _____

2019 Convention Shirt (polo)

___ S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ 2X \$35.00 = \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____**SPECIAL MENU:** Diabetic () Gluten Free ()**SEMINARS:**

1. Fort Wayne Botanical Gardens
2. Allen County Library Genealogy Department
- 3A GAT Leadership – PID Gene Spiess (offered 1st session only)
- 3B ~~VisionFirst~~
4. Diabetes Education, Screenings and Lions

SESSION 1**SESSION 2**

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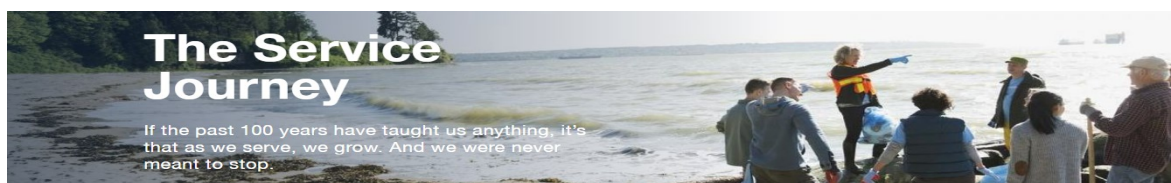
Send registration and check payable to:

2019 IN Lions State Convention

Lion Kevin McDermitt

2227 O'Day Rd.

Ft. Wayne, IN 46818



Women's Membership Symposium

Sunday May 5th from 2:00 to 5:00

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Parish Hall

507 Rose Ave Kouts, IN 46347

Light Refreshments * Raffle * Items for Sale

And a Painting Party!

PDG Peg VanNevel, GMT of 25G, will speak about the Impact of Women as Lions

Enjoy the Afternoon —Bring a potential new Lion—Have some Fun!

Please bring personal care items and paper products to be given to Sojourner Truth Home

Must make reservation by 4/28

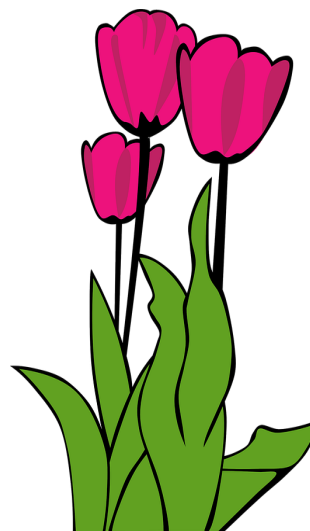
Contact: PDG Patty Cooke 219-801-4626 ** patty.cooke@gmail.com

Or PDG Margaret Verkuilen 219-923-0776



No entry fee, but bring a gift card to be used
for prizes (*gas, grocery, coffee, restaurants*)

Email PDG Peg VanNevel with questions or to register!
pitchinpeg@yahoo.com



Lions International Convention – Milan, Italy July 5th – 9th 2019

One of the great things to be able to do before or after the convention is to tour in these other countries while visiting there. LCIcon host committee has arranged with a local touring company to offer a variety of options to our membership. Additional details of each tour, including price and booking procedures, can be found on the LCI website on the LCIcon page.



Best of Italy: from Venice to Rome (6 nights)

This tour will take you along some of the most beautiful art cities of Italy, a real crab for culture and taste. But besides the iconic sites, we will make you discover also some hidden gems and most authentic sides of each city. You will visit local markets and shops, meeting producers of excellent “Made in Italy” food and wine, artisans and local people.

Puglia & Matera (5 nights)

A tour across two wonderful Italian regions: Puglia with its UNESCO sites, castles, beautiful medieval towns and coastal villages; and Basilicata with the enchanting Matera, elected European capital of Culture for 2019. You will experience the incredible hospitality of the locals and taste authentic flavors of Southern Italy.

Romantic Italy (4 nights)

Treat yourself with a break in the most romantic cities of Italy. Discover the most iconic sites together with hidden corners that only locals know. Experience the Venetian aperitivo in the Jewish Ghetto and the Gelato in Florence. Admire the majestic palaces of Venice on board of an historical Gondola and the art masterpieces with a guided tour at Uffizi Gallery.

Eastern Sicily Discovery (4 nights)

This tour will take you discovering incredible sites, natural landscapes, and the most authentic culinary tradition of Eastern Sicily.

Naples, Capri & Amalfi Coast (3 nights)

This short tour will allow you in few days to discover Naples from above and below and to see the world-famous pearls of the area, the Amalfi Coast and the Island of Capri.

Turin, Alba & Barolo (3 nights)

This tour is specifically designed for wine and food lovers. A total immersion in the Piedmont culture and gastronomy.

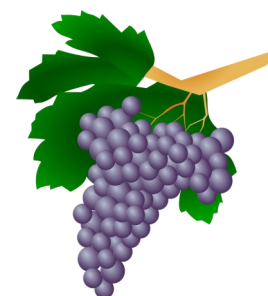


Venice & Padua (3 nights)

Discover two authentic gems of Veneto region. Venice with its monumental San Marco square and Doge Palace, and its most genuine quarters as Jewish Ghetto, where you will have time to taste the Cicchetti (Venetian tapas) as a true local! Padua with the incredible Prato Della Valle and the small tiny squares. Our guide will take you for a true experiential journey.

Genoa & Cinque Terre (3 nights)

Thanks to this tour you will discover one of the most well-preserved historical centers of Europe, walking through narrow alleys the city will reveal ancient food shops and small intimate squares. Proceed with a day trip to the secluded Medieval Abbey of San Fruttuoso enjoying the sea and a fresh fish lunch with locals.



April Shower of Dollars

Are you ready for spring?? Does your club have new members to help you man the barbeques for your steak fries, selling hot dogs at the festivals, running your golf event. Now is the time to add those new members.

The District is having a membership contest in the month of April. Who can add the most new members to their roster this month?

The winning Lion will receive \$50 and the winning Club that brings in the most members will get \$100.

Who needs the money and the new members??? Who needs their April Shower of Dollars??



Indiana State Police Summer Camps

2019 Dates:

PIONEER CAMPS ARE BY RECOMMENDATION ONLY: AGES 11-14

Lincoln Pioneer Camp: June 24-27, 2019

Mounds Park Camp: June 9-14, 2019

Potato Creek Camp: June 17-21, 2019

LAW CAMPS: 6TH, 7TH AND 8TH GRADE

Vincennes Law Camp (Vincennes Indiana): June 12-15, 2019

Anderson Law Camp (Anderson Indiana): June 26-29, 2019

CAREER CAMPS: HIGH SCHOOL AGE

Vincennes Career Camp (Vincennes Indiana): June 23-28, 2019

Trine Career Camp (Angola Indiana): July 7-12, 2019

Indianapolis Career Camp (Indianapolis Indiana): July 14-19, 2019

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!

Contact Us Today:

Email: itysinfo@trooper.org

Phone: 1-317-450-8720 or 1-317-895-5138

Indiana Troopers Youth Services, Inc.

8660 East 21st Street

Indianapolis, IN 46219



The St. John Lions were at it again! They donated two more Buddy Benches! One was given to Lil' Rascals, a daycare in St. John, and the other was given to Longfellow New Tech Elementary School in Griffith.





New Horizons Womens Symposium

9-4 p.m. - Saturday, April 13, 2019
Zionsville Lions Club, 115 S Elm St., Zionsville, IN

9:00 AM Registration Fee \$10.00 – Healthy breakfast snacks & Lunch

Everyone is Welcome & please bring a Non-Lion friend for a special drawing prize opportunity

Participate in a Service Project by bringing a gently used purse filled with toiletries to give to homeless shelters



9:30 AM Welcome **Lion Diane Corlew**, wife of Lions Past International President Bob Corlew, TN - - accompanied by **Aime & Layla Greene, FL.**

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the little girl, with Type 1 Diabetes that inspired so many at the Lions International Convention in Las Vegas, NV.

DOOR PRIZES + FUN SPEAKERS and FELLOWSHIP!

Bring a Non-Lion and win an extra chance for a great door prize!

Lunch – Chicken salad/Croissant, Salads, Fresh Fruit, Dessert

Club _____
 Name & Title _____
 Guest Name _____
 Guest Name _____

Registration Fee: \$10.00 per person
Make Checks payable to: District 25C Lions

Mail to: C/T Karen McKellar, 8805 E 200 S, Zionsville, IN 46077 \$10.00 per person

_____ = \$ _____



Indiana Harbor-East Chicago Lions

Left: Winter coats collected by the Indiana Harbor-East Chicago Lions. The coats were donated to a Haven House Shelter.

Rolling Prairie Lions



Rolling Prairie Lions Sponsoring Cub Scout pack 350

Spaghetti dinner **Saturday, March 23 4:30–7:00pm**

**At the Kankakee Fire station on
Michigan Ave, Rolling Prairie, In**

Adults— \$7. children under 12—\$4

Children under 2—free



Menu: *Spaghetti, bread sticks, cupcakes and drinks*



Michiana Lions Winter Event

Above: Special Delivery of over 40 different snacks & Diabetic snack options collected by Michiana Lions for Keys To Hope Community Resource Center. Lion Alice Helmken, Lion Stephen J. Helmken and Keys to Hope Social Worker Robin Wright helped coordinate the project. Participants were very appreciative of the non perishable food items that were donated. Especially the items for people with diabetes.



2019 ST. JOHN LIONS CLUB

CANDLELIGHT BOWLING FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY MARCH 30, 2019
REGISTRATION 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM
BOWL 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

AT

STARDUST BOWL III

1330 Sheffield Avenue, Dyer, IN 46311

\$25 DONATION INCLUDES 3 GAMES OF BOWLING, SHOES AND FOOD

Door Prize License Number: 149367

For information or to purchase tickets, please call Lion Al (219) 365-1091

Zone 1B Meeting

When: Wednesday March 27th at 6:30 pm

Where: LOFS Clubhouse

For more information, please contact

ZC Will Farrellbegg at 219-669-2385

Or wfarrellbegg@hotmail.com

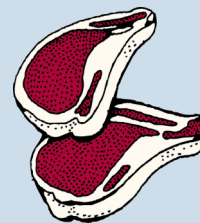
Lakes of the Four Seasons Lions

Pork chop dinner

When: Sunday April 14th 4 to 7 pm

Where: LOFS Clubhouse

What: 1 Chop \$10 2 Chops \$13



Thanks to your hard work at the 2018 Indiana State Fair, the Indiana Lions Foundation received more than \$40,000 to support local Lions Clubs throughout the state of Indiana.

We're still dealing with winter weather, but it's time to start thinking about - and signing up for - the 2019 Indiana State Fair.

A few of you have already signed up, but there are still plenty of open positions. Sign up now to ensure that you get the job you want at the gate you want on the dates you want.

Sign up at <https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/>.

If you have any questions, send me a message or give me a call and I will be happy to try to answer them for you.

Lion Rose Russell, Trustee
 Indiana Lions Foundation
 Lakeville, Indiana, USA

Home: 574-784-9094

Cell: 574-250-0125

**Indiana Lions Foundation, Inc.**

MD25**Mar 09 District G Convention****Mar 09 District E Convention****Mar 15-16 District A Convention****Mar 16 District B Convention****Mar 23 District D Convention****Mar 30 District F Convention****April 6 Indiana Leadership Institute****April 13 Indians Lions Foundation Meeting****April 13 Women's Symposium in Zionsville****April 14 Speech and Hearing Trustees Meeting****April 25 State Convention Welcome Dinner****April 26—28 State Convention in Fort Wayne****LCI**

March 9 41st Annual Lions Day with the United Nations

March 31 Last day for regular LCICON registration fees

April 10 Lions Day with the United Nations

April 22 Earth Day


April 27 Lions Worldwide Induction Day



March 10

Lions Who Have Completed Their Service**We Lost no Lions in February**

March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1	2 25C Convention
3 25F Convention	5	5 Bass Lake Lions	6 Lake Station OV	7 Convention meeting	8	9
11	11	12 Dyer OV	13 Goodland OV	14 25A Convention	15	16
17 	18 Mill Creek OV	19 Star City OV	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 Schererville OV	27	28 Merrillville OV	29	30
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