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### **District 25A-Newsletter**



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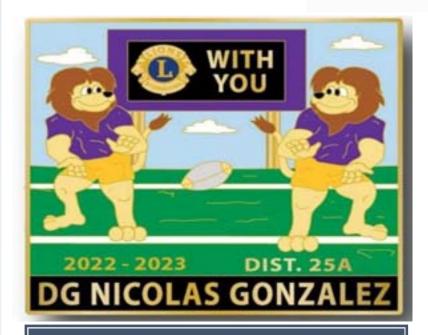
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"IN RUGBY, YOU SAY THE PHRASE
'WITH YOU' WHEN YOU WISH TO HELP
YOUR TEAMMATE.

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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#### March 2023

### District Governor: Mick Gonzalez



### Greetings fellow Lions of 25A!

Spring is near! Soon we will be able to resume outdoor activities.

Don't pack away your winter gear yet. Winter weather sometimes makes a guest appearance in March. Let me rebound by helping you think warm thoughts. Flowers will be blooming soon! This is the last publishing of our newsletter before our District Convention. I encourage you all to share camaraderie with your fellow Lions of 25A. Our welcome dinner on March 31 st will give you a chance to meet our honored guests, International Director Ken Ibarra and his partner-in-service, Lion Amy Fink. Our main event will be on April 1 st . We will offer seminars, induct new Lions, hold a Parade of Banners to welcome all clubs present, and hold a necrology service to remember Lions we lost in the past year. ID Ken will offer some encouraging words as we conclude the day with a banquet. I forgot to mention one thing, though. The Convention includes our 3 rd annual Chant Contest. The previous 2 contests have been memorable, and I hope this year's rendition follows suit. When your club meets this month, set aside time to rehearse a chant so you could participate in the contest. You don't need to be perfect; just willing to have fun. When you win the giant megaphone, you get to adorn it with the names of your club members. Our inaugural winners were the Crown Point Lions. Last year, it was South Haven LC's turn. In 2023, it could be YOU!

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. As I mentioned in an earlier newsletter, I like to drive. I have either been to or passed through every community in the district. I cannot wait to meet you!

Please remember fellow Lions in your club who have not been active. A simple hello could go a long way. We are all in this together!

DG Visits

March 1 - Michigan City March 2 - Kouts March 12 - Cedar Lake Anniversary March 16 - Koontz Lake March 31 - April 1 Convention

Yours in Lionism,

DG Nick Gonzalez

### 1st VDG-Stephen Helmken

March 2023



### Good Day Lions,

During the first week of February, I attended the training for the FVDG/DGE at the Q Center located in St. Charles, IL. What an amazing, exciting, incredible, indescribable week it was. To finally meet the 23 other Lions from all around the world that have been part of Group #28, the group I have been in and have had Zoom meetings with for this Lions year. Many in my group were from the United States, such as Pennsylvania, Kansas, Wisconsin, Kentucky, and Virginia. We had two from India, two from the Netherlands, one from the Republic of Ghana, and one from Iceland. Though we have seen each other at our Zoom meetings and have talked, it is truly different when you get to meet face-to-face. I've made lasting friendships with 3 ladies that were in my service project small group. And two guys from Wisconsin. We can't wait to see each other again when we attend the International Convention in Boston this year.

The highlight of the week was getting to meet and have my picture taken with 1 st Vice International President, Dr. Patti Hill. She is a real pleasure to talk with and to listen to as she shares her stories of Lions. She shared about her vision for the year she is International President and what she expects from her District Governors all around the world. I can't wait for you all to see her and listen to her during the State Convention in May of 2024. I hope you are all making plans to attend this year's State Convention which will be in Bloomington. We will get the opportunity to meet IP Brian Sheehan and his wife, Lion Lori. Lion Alice and I are all registered to attend and I hope we'll see a good turnout from District 25 A. Speaking of District

25 A and Conventions, what's just around the corner? This year's District
Convention. This will be held on April 1, 2023, in Merrillville and I know DG Nick and his
Convention Committee have a lot planned for the Lions of 25-A. If you haven't gotten your
registrations in yet, please do so very soon. Remember, if you're planning to attend but aren't
going to the Saturday evening banquet, you don't have to pay anything. But we do need to
know how many to plan for so get your registrations sent in NOW!

I hope everyone had very nice Valentine's Day celebrations with those you love and hold dear
to your hearts. My Valentine's Day present was bringing my Valentine, Alice, home from the
hospital.What a great Valentine that was. She is doing well, and I want to thank the Lions from
District 25-A and also, from around the state of Indiana who were praying for her, for us. We

With very grateful hearts, Together We Can 1 st VDG Stephen & Alice Helmken

can't thank you enough.

March 2023



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### 2 VDG-Patty Cooke

### Hello Lions of District 25A

Today I am enjoying the beautiful weather and hoping that the snow and cold are gone for good. I am looking forward to spring! I know many clubs are getting ready for their annual pan cake breakfast, but

25A Lions have moved way beyond just being known for their pancakes. I have attended a few Zone Meetings recently and heard Lions discuss a number of diverse fund raisers and projects. The Zone 1C Lions had attendance from four of five clubs in the zone.

At the meeting we transformed

old eyeglass cases into small medical kits. Working with another group at my church – the Labors of Love -- we found five groups who were very happy to receive the kits. There were members from all the clubs in Zone 1B at their recent meeting. Everyone there was enthusiastic about their club activities – from raising funds by putting Easter eggs out on lawns, assisting

with the Easter Egg hunt at the Safety Village and donating to a scholarship fund for the University of St.

Francis in Crown Point. Then I received my LION Magazine and read the article about the Seal Beach Lions. I started my Lions career in 2002 in the same California district as Seal Beach. I remember that back then that they had a

plan to grow their club by involving families. They were also open to new ideas and projects. Now

there are over 400 members in the club. Please check out the article. I know we can all learn from their success. I hope to see many of you at the upcoming District Convention on April 1 st . This is a great opportunity

to visit with other Lions in our District. You can share your success

Take Care and Thank You for All You Do.





### 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 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: 219-769-7100 or 800-774-1500 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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LIONS CLUB:	REGION: ZONE:	DISTRICT 25A OR
ADDRESS		EMAIL:
CITY, STATE & ZIP:		PHONE:
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Buffet: baked chicken, baked atlar	ntic cod, and pork tender an White Community Co avy, fresh polish w/kraut	



## 2023 DISTRICT CONVENTION MENUS:



FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER AT INNSBROOK

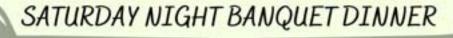
CASH BAR WITH DRINKS ORDERED FROM THE

SERVERS

DINNER INCLUDES: A FRESH GARDEN SALAD W/TRIO OF DRESSING, ASSORTED ROLLS & BUTTER, COFFEE & TEA

CREAMY GRUYERE CAULIFLOWER OVEN ROASTED ROSEMARY GARLIC REDSKINS BAKED CHICKEN EPICUREAN BAKED ATLANTIC COD FILLET SLICED PORK TENDERLOIN W/ AN APPLE DRESSING

DESSERT: CHOCOLATE MOUSSE



CASH BAR

GARDEN SALAD WITH CHOICE OF DRESSING
FRIED CHICKEN
ROAST BEEF IN GRAVY
FRESH POLISH WITH KRAUT
HOUSE SPECIALTY GARLIC MASHED
VEGETABLE MEDLEY

DESSERT: CAKE



### 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.
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 <a href="mailto:patricia.agreer6@gmail.com">patricia.agreer6@gmail.com</a> .
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 <a href="mailto:irobinson28@hotmail.com">irobinson28@hotmail.com</a> .

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
219-942-4433
<a href="mailto:csdavis61@comcast.net">csdavis61@comcast.net</a>

### 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	۶	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	<u>\$.40</u> .00	3.5 x 4.5		
CHECK: \$				

Make checks payable to: <u>District 25A District Convention</u>
Mail to: *Lion Patricia Greer, 744 Acadia Rd, Valparaiso IN 46385*PH: 219-759-2865 (H), 219-628-6727 (C)

ALL ADS A	I have attached an ad or emailed Please design an ad with the atta ARE DUE BY MARCH10, <u>2023_ADS</u> WIL	ched info	ormation. [DUE BY March :	3, 2023]
NAME:				
CLUB OR BUSINESS:				
EMAIL:		PH: (	)	

### 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 <u>Barb Toosley</u>, 13700 <u>Lantern Drive</u>, 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:	
Date of Election:	
Candidate has submitted sufficient evidence showing	g that he/she has met the following Requirements:
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 ma	a majority of the Lions Clubs in the District. (Attach ijority clubs to Nomination Chair)
$\ \square$ Candidate is currently serving as the first v	ice 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 die	
Position held:	Year Served
□ With none of the above being accomplished	ed concurrently.
I have reviewed this checklist and certify that the candi- Governor in accordance with the International By-Laws	
Nominating Committee Chairperson	Date
Nominating Committee Member	Date

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

### 2023 DISTRICT 25A - DISTRICT ELECTIONS

### Nominating Committee Checklist

### For Second Vice District Governor Candidate \*

This checklist must be completed for	r each candidate and su	bmitted 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 evidence	ence showing that he/s	he has met the following Requirements:
This checklist must be completed for each via US Mail to Barb Toosley, 13700 Lar	itern Drive, St John, I	N 46373 or Email 30 days to
lionbarb@comcast.net prior to the I	LECTION, before or	on MARCH 1, 2023.
his/her single or sub-district.	ons Club or a majority o	artered Lions Club in Good Standing* in of the Lions Clubs in the District. (Attach
□ Club President:		r Served
☐ Club Board of Directors		o (Z) Years Served
☐ District Cabinet (check one)	4.10	a land a land a land a land
□ Zone or Region Chairperson	Yes	ir Served
☐ Cabinet Secretary and/or Treass		ir Served
□ With none of the above being acc		
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*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	- 3 %
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:	<del></del>
Date of Nominating Committee Meeting:	11/2
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 major	majority of the Lions Clubs in the District. (Attach ority clubs to Nomination Chair)
<ul> <li>□ Candidate is currently serving as the second</li> <li>□ Has not completed a full term, or majority por</li> <li>*This amendment shall take effect on July 1, 20</li> </ul>	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
<ul> <li>□ Club Board of Directors</li> <li>□ District Cabinet (check one)</li> </ul>	Two (2) Years Served
☐ Zone or Region Chairperson	Year Served
□ Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer)	Year Served

With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

<sup>\*</sup>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.

#### District and Multi-District Offices

Each condidate must submitted in writing to the Elections Committee (DATED) via US Mail to <u>Barb</u>
<u>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-Scherendile Central-St. John-Dyer-Griffth-Highland-Munster-Scherendile

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 autotanding dues, the candidate should be notified and provided up until lifteen (15) days poter to the close of credential certification to ensure that biolise 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,



# DISTRICT RAFFLE



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.

### **Indiana Snapshot**



73

Current Leader Dog Teams in Indiana



919

Leader Dogs matched with clients historically



₹1

Clients provided with white cane training



9

Teenagers who gain leadership and travel skills



\$0

Cost passed on to our clients





### **Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference**







It's not too early to start planning for 2024. Mark your calendar now for the 2024 Mid-Winter Conference.





Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport January 19-20, 2024

### LOFS LIONS CLUB PORK CHOP DINNER



APRIL 23RD 4P-7P

SEASONS LAKEHOUSE



DINNER INCLUDES:

PORK CHOP(S)

PARSLEY POTATOES

**BAKED BEANS** 

APPLE SAUCE

SALAD

DINNER ROLL

DESSERT



TICKET

1 CHOP DINNER - \$12 2 CHOP DINNER - \$15

FREE
HOT DOGS
AND CHIPS
FOR THE KIDS

## COME JOIN US AT THE SEASONS LAKEHOUSE FOR OUR ANNUAL

PORK CHOP DINNER APRIL 23RD FROM 4P TO 7P

THE LAKEHOUSE BAR WILL BE OPEN TO SERVE DRINKS FOR THE EVENT

DINE-IN OR TAKE-OUT

(FOOD ONLY)

FOR TICKETS PLEASE REACH OUT TO ANY LOFS LIONS MEMBER OR CALL: LION TOM SNOWDEN - 219-776-6324 / LION TOM MAGURANY - 219-577-6331 / LION DAN MOYNIHAN - 219-713-9575

### Please join us



### in celebrating our

### 50th Anniversary

Date: April 29, 2023
Portofino Grill, 3233 State Rd. 39
La Porte, IN 46350
Social time - 6:00 PM (CST) Dinner – 6:30 PM (CST)

Buffet dinner, cash bar, \$25.00 per person (Buffet includes Beef tips, Fried chicken, potato, vegetable, salad, and dessert)

RSVP along with payment by April 14, 2023

Please send to: Stephen Helmken, Secretary

6522 W Laura Ln. La Porte, IN 46350

Make checks payable to Michiana Lions Club





Community of Giving

### Merrillville Lions Club Blood Drive

May 18, 2023 1pm-5pm

American Red Cross Donation Center 791 83<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Merrillville, IN Donor Room

Make a Difference in Your Community!

For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org Sponsor Code: MerrillvilleLions Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)



redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | Download the Blood Donor App

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### Crown Point Lion Carla Smolek in Roatan, Honduras

Lion Carla Smolek made a trip to Roatan, Honduras to work with the

Coxen Hole Lions Club in District D8
Health Fairs. (pictured left) Lion Shari
Webster and Lion Carla Smolek.
They worked at eye and medical
clinics for two days. Lions did optical
testing and distributed 250 eyeglasses .(pictured right) Past President Ashley Gutierrez, Lion Carla
and Lion Domingo Velasquez.

Food and hygiene bags were prepared and distributed by ladies of Bethesda Methodist church in Flowers

Bay. School supplies were deliv-

ered to a boys orphanage in Gravel Bay. Good work Lion Carla!







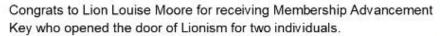
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Welcome new Lion, Aaron Whitten!

Pictured with her sponsor, Lion Paul Bremer and Lion President Donna Worst.

Congratulations also to Pat and Jennifer Bamrick and Julie Gardner who also became members to be inducted in March, 2023. Pictures next month.





#### **Cancer Control Project Expanding to Address Childhood Cancer**



For more than 75 years, Indiana Lions have supported cancer treatment, research, and education through our partnership between the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc. and the Department of Radiation Oncology at the Indiana University Medical Center campus in Indianapolis. The department serves cancer patients of all ages, but the vast majority of the patients are adults.

In order to better serve pediatric cancer patients in Indiana, the Board of Trustees of the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc. has voted unanimously to establish a partnership with the pediatric

oncology programs at Riley Hospital for Children. We will kick off this partnership with a \$25,000 commitment to support ongoing research by Dr. Jennifer Belsky and her team at Riley to address severe neuropathy experienced by more than 50 percent of the children undergoing chemotherapy.



We look forward to this new partnership with Riley Hospital for Children, even as we continue our longstanding relationship with the Department of Radiation Oncology.

If you would like to learn more about the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc., please contact one of your district's Cancer Control Fund trustees. Their names and contact information are listed below.

#### District 25-A Cancer Control Fund Trustees:

DG Nicolas S. Gonzalez 3204 Teresa St. Portage, IN 46368 (C) 219-588-4893 nsg1917@yahoo.com Lion Wendy Semans 5200 N 150 E Knox, IN 46534 (H) 219-851-2409 wendysemans71@gmail.com (vacant)

## Hebran Lians Club

### Pancake and Sausage Breakfast

Sunday April 2nd, 2023 Time: 7:00-11:00

Adults 10.00 Children under 10 \$5.00

Location Hebron High School Cafeteria 509 S. Main Street Hebron, Indiana



PACK TO

GIVE BACK

### Corporate & Community Team Volunteering

Consider volunteering as a team! The Food Bank of Northwest Indiana has a variety of opportunities for corporate and community teams to volunteer together. From work and organizations like church groups, schools and social clubs; you can make a significant impact in the community, while promoting team-building among your colleagues or members.

Upcoming Team Shifts: January 25, March 29, May 19, July 6, September 7 & Giving Tuesday, November 28

- Choose time slot (9am 11am or 1pm -3pm)
- Wear company logo gear
- · Share & tag photos





For more information contact Charlie Cole, ccole@foodbanknwi.org, 219-980-1777, EXT. 314

### Save the Date

DG Nick signed up district 25-A for a volunteering event on May 19,2023
1p-3p

### **Door Village Lions Club**

Club News/Organizations

Feb. 21, 2023



Left to right: Lion George Morley, President Door Village Lions, Lion Nancy Weaver, 10 Year Chevron Recipient Door Village Lions Valentine Dinner was called to order by President Lion George Morley at Portofino's Grille on Feb 14, 2023. The meeting began with the pledge led by Lion Bonnie Olson and was followed all singing God Bless America led by Lion Catherine Veach and son Sam Veach. Present were, Lions Gene Flickinger, Chuck Glen, Sue Kaiser, George Morley, Bonnie Olson, Carrie Perra, Sam Polito, Cindy Polito, Eric Veach, Catherine Veach and Nancy Weaver. Guests were Maureen Flickinger, Dory Morley, Sandy Glen, Ann Bailey, Evan & Jen Kuehn, Ken & Janette Kelly, Max Unger, Sam Veach and Allie Perra. Guest speaker was Dorota Janik.

Dinner was ordered off the menu.

Speaker Dorota Janik, Executive Director of Reins of Life, gave the history of the organization, told about the successes of some cases she was involved with and shared how the horse and rider program can help immensely with physical, emotional cognitive and social difficulties of those affected in various debilitative ways. She also explained how volunteers can get involved in helping at the facility located in Michigan City.

After the program President Morley presented a 10 Year Chevron to Lion Nancy Weaver for her dedicated ten years of service to Lionism and being a loyal member of the club. Door prizes were won by Allie Perra, Catherine Veach and Jenette Kelly. All present enjoyed the dinner, the program and the good fellowship. Anyone interested in learning more about volunteering at Reins of Life please call Dorota at 219-874-7519. For information about Door Village Lions club meetings and activities call Lion Bonnie at 219-871-9378 or Lion George at 219-575-3575.



## LAKES OF THE FOUR SEASONS STEAK SALE

## The Lions Have Purchased 125 Cases of 12 oz. New York Strip Steaks. There are 16 steaks to a case for \$110.00.

The Steak Sale starts March 11, 2023.

Deadline to order steaks will be April 21, 2023.

If you would like to order, contact any Lions Club member or you can also contact Lion Linda Kroner at 219-765-3990 or email <a href="mailto:lkroner1159@comcast.net">lkroner1159@comcast.net</a> . You can mail your form and check to Linda at 1159 Sunnyslope Crown Point, IN. 46307.

Please make checks payable to LOFS Lions Club.

Pickup will be in the morning of April 29, 2023 at the Seasons Lakehouse from 9am till 11am!

Name:				
Address:				
Phone #:		Email: _		
12 oz. Case (16 Steaks)	\$110	Number	of Cases	
Total Cash: \$	Check #:	:	Check Amount	



### Westville Lions



Pictured left to right. Boss Dave Dickinson, Lions Lori Fagg, Tara Haack, Henry Haack and Karen Peters.

The Westville Lions club was honored to have District Governor Nick Gonzales in attendance at their February 2, 2023 dinner meeting. The Governor installed the four new lions members Karen Peters who is sponsored by Lion Dick Fagg, Lori Fagg who is sponsored by secretary Debi Ingram, and Tara and Henry Haack who is sponsored by Boss Dave Dickinson.

The Governor gave a speech explaining some of the programs the lions participate in and presented a 15 year Lion service certificate and pin to Lion Roger Moehl, and a 55 year Lion service certificate and pin to Lion Lew Cass.

## Michigan City Lions Club

Bruce Johnson, official LaPorte County Historian, was the speaker for the January meeting of the Michigan City Lions Club. While introducing Bruce, President, Irene Rosevear, shared he received teaching degrees from Ball State and Valparaiso Universities. He did post graduate work in the United States, London, Paris, Moscow and Beijing.

As a history teacher, he felt we should all learn about our local and state history. He is the

As a history teacher, he felt we should all learn about our local and state history. He is the third historian in LaPorte County having been appointed by the Indiana Historical Society three years ago. He offers tours of the LaPorte County Historical Society Museum Tuesday through Saturday from 10 am to 4:30 pm.

He did extensive research on the Belle Guinness murders of at least thirteen people on her LaPorte County farm. April of 2008 marked the one hundredth year since a fire destroyed the Guinness farm house. The goal of his research was to provide the public with the true story of what happened and to provide grave stones for the victims. It is suggested she killed at least nineteen persons! He shared another interesting story about the one hundredth anniversary of Ernie Pyle, journalist, who took a job with the LaPorte Herald newspaper in 1923 after studying at Indiana University.

After providing a time line history of the various locations and funding sources, he invited members to visit the LaPorte County Historical Society Museum to learn more about local history including:

\*W. A. Jones Collection of Ancient Weapons and Historical Firearms
 \*Prehistoric Artifacts including mastodon bones found in southern LaPorte County
 \*Belle Guinness Exhibit\*

Kessling Automobile Collection, of 40 antique cars including a 1903 Winton, 1929
 Duesenberg, 1948 Tucker, 1967 land & water Amphicar and 1982 DeLorean
 14 Period Room Exhibits from 1830 to 1960

Other exhibits include, Barn Display, One Room School, Antique dolls & toys, Native American Artifacts, South Shore Train display, Fern Eddy Schultz Research Library. The LaPorte County Historical is a nonprofit corporation founded in 1906 to administer, maintain, and support a museum and collect, preserve and display historical artifacts and records, particularly those relevant to LaPorte County, Indiana. President Rosevear presented Bruce with a Lions Club banner after thanking him for the enlightening presentation.

Nancy Hawkins gave a final report on the Poinsettia Fund Raising event. The top three sellers were, Irene Rosevear, Roger Potratz and Nancy Hawkins. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, February 1st, 2023 at noon at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Lunch will be provided by Elite Catering Service.

### Zone 1A Spaghetti Feast

Date: March 6 @ 6PM

Meeting Location: 4514 Cameron Ave

Hammond, IN 46327

We have secured a fantastic speaker yet again for our next Zone Meeting!

### Featured Speaker:

Lion Jim Furlong - our current GLT and candidate for 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG in 2023-24 has agreed to speak on leadership training and service opportunities along with his vision for growth challenges through the next few years at the district level. Come and share your thoughts and ideas for our District. This is your District and your organization - What do you want to see? How can you support other Lions and what needs do you have where other Lions can support you!

Menu: Spaghetti, Green Salad, Hawaiian Fluff Dessert Carry In of your Choice (not required) Assorted Non-Alcoholic Beverages

\*Note -Please RSVP to ZC Lion Joy Robinson - <u>jrobinson28@hotmail.com</u>





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.



### **South Haven Lions Club "Pancakes & More" Breakfast**

Saturday, April 29, 2023 8:00A.M. - 11:00 A.M. American Legion Post #502 429 West 750 North

Advanced Sale - \$9.00 Adults - \$10.00 at Door Children under 5yrs - \$3.00





### **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



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.



## Cedar Lake Lions Club 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>
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

### 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 <a href="mailto:clermontlionlady58@yahoo.com">clermontlionlady58@yahoo.com</a> or calling me at 317-271-3314.

Thank you Lion Cheri Faulkner

### 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!

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.** 

Full Page 7" x 10" \$250	Half Page 7" x 8" Horizontal Only \$150	Quarter Page 3.5" x 5" Vertical Only \$75	Business Card S 3.5" x 2" \$50	ize
	application to: PCC Ji 2408	payable to Lions of Inc		onvention),
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	Business Name			<del>-</del>
Phone Number				
Email Address		_		



### 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: <a href="www.indianalionsconvention.org">www.indianalionsconvention.org</a>
Deadline: All Registration Forms must be postmarked by April 30, 2023.

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

Name and Lion	Title:			
Address: Phone:			ie:	
District:	Club:	Email:		
Is this your FII	tST Indiana Lions State Convention (ci	rele one)	Yes	No
Attend the Frie	ay morning Monroe County Limestone	Presentation (circle one)	Yes	No
Choose pulled Saturday Lun	g BBO Dinner at Monroe County Fair pork: or pulled chicke ch: sandwich bar: chips, seasonal fresh neef & swiss sub w/ lettuce & tomato:	en:		S 18.00-
	& cheese on sourdough bread: at Banquet: Choose 1 Entrée below			\$ 20.00 =
Choose: citrus	glazed pork chop mushroom ch	opped steak		\$ 28.00 =
Sunday Brune	h: fried chicken, scrambled eggs, fresh	fruit, bacon, french toust		\$ 20.00 =
Saturday Stri	les Walk T-shirt Size (S to 3XL, other)			\$ 18.00 =
	Convention Pin			\$ 4.00 =
Scooter Rent	Friday thru Sunday)			\$120.00 =
Total Registrat	ion Paid:			s
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
9am-6pm	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 102<sup>nd</sup> State Convention Schedule

Afternoon Seminars First Session: 1:30 pm to 2:20 pm					
	Seminar #1 "Together We Can, Together We Will"	Duke Energy West Room			
with IP 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	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 Bev 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		Great Room			
7:55pm	Formal Introduction of IP Brian Sheehan	Great Room			
8pm	Keynote Speaker and Awards	Great Room			
15 minutes after All State Banquet – Hospitality Hospitality Area in Hotel					

### Sunday May 14th

	6-7am	Credential Committee Breakfast (not on printed schedul	le) 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		

## Welcome New Members

MARCH 2023

Crown Point
JULIE A GARDNER

Sponsor: WILL SAROIAN

Indiana Harbor East Chicago
BRYAN C COSSEY

Sponsor: MARIANNE PIVOVARNIK

Lowell

**KEVIN E. JOHNSON** 

Sponsor: SHERI REED

## Members that have completed their service

Betty J Tennant South Haven, IN

UNION MILLS, IN



Remembering a life of service