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State Convention

The 2015 Indiana Lions State Convention in Columbus was truly one to remember. Lions of District 25A had several reasons to celebrate and many special moments of recognition.

Thursday evening was special in that Leo Makayla Smith provided entertainment as she sang several songs at the opening program. She was also joined by International President Preston as they sang a duet.

The Saturday Awards Luncheon was highlighted by Rolling Prairie Lion Gus Hernandez receiving a Melvin Jones from International President Joe Preston. Many thanks to the Lions of Rolling Prairie for honoring Gus at the luncheon.

Presidential Medal Awards were presented at the Saturday Night Banquet to PDG Margaret Verkuilen of Griffith and Lion Ken Baker of Door Village. These are Lions who have given many years of service in so many ways and are ranked 1st & 2nd in our district for sponsoring new Lions.

Immediate Past District Governor Connie Roe of Winamac was honored with a certificate for our district showing a positive growth in membership during her year as governor. She was also recognized along with all of last years' Governor's with jewel pin awards for completing all tasks in a timely fashion.

Our Hospitality room was once again leading the state in good food and drink as well as decorations celebrating the upcoming International Convention in Hawaii. Many thanks to Lions Pat & Jody Greer for their hard work.

We would like to invite all lions to our final District Meeting on June 7 at Lakes of the Four Seasons. This will be a cook out where we will be grilling steaks & salmon. It will be an informal atmosphere to celebrate the closing of another year and anticipation of new leader-ship in the District as well as clubs for the coming year. A flyer with detailed information is on it's way. Hope to see you all there!

District Governor Lion Glenn Swanson, Maple City Lions



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I come back from the State Convention full of enthusiasm! There were many fellow Lions there from Evansville to Fort Wayne and other far corners of Indiana. I couldn't remember everyone's name—those name badges are very handy!

I did very much enjoy one session on our upcoming Centennial in 2017. Lions International is making this a three year event to keep the momentum going. One part of the celebration is the Centennial Service Challenge to encourage Lions around the world to

serve 100 million people by June 2018.

From LCI President Joe Preston "Lions can take part in the Centennial Service Challenge by supporting the Global Service Action Campaigns throughout the year: Engaging Our Youth, Sharing the Vision, Relieving the Hunger, and Protecting Our Environment. To achieve the goal, Lions will need to help 25 million people in each campaign. The challenge is big. It's ambitious. And it speaks to the hear of being a Lion."

It sounds daunting, but it is very simple to participate. All you have to do is make sure your club submits activities reports through the LCI website. If you activity falls within the Campaigns listed above, just click that option in the Service Challenge box. Many of you are already doing these activities—make sure you get credit and help meet the goal!! There will be district and club recognition for those who participate.

Go to <u>http://lions100.lionsclubs.org/EN/programs/centennial-service-challenge/index.php</u> to see the progress!!

Lion Patty Cooke, VDGE

Schererville Lions

Basic Activity Information					
Fiscal Year	2014-2015				
Month	November				7/2015—We are mov-
Signature Activity	None		\checkmark	the goal!	know we can reach
Activity Type	food bank / food distribution		Select Type	-	
Activity Title	Food Baskets		Contraction of the local distance		allenge Tracker
Activity Description	Distribute turkeys at Thanksgiving to families in ne	eed	WHERE THER THERE'S		
Detailed Activity Information	'n				28 Million 100M People Benefited
\sim	Share this story	Number of Lions	5		
	District-wide Activity	Number of Lion Hours			1
	Centennial Service Challenge	Number of Lion Hours	10		
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Lions District 25A

4th District Meeting



Sunday June 7h 2015 at 1:00 pm CST

Hosted by the Lakes of the Four Seasons Lions



LOFS Clubhouse 1048 Lakeshore Dr. Crown Point, IN 46307

Dinner

New York Strip or Salmon Baked Potato and Green Beans Price \$15.00

Or Lions may bring their own Fish or Chicken to Grill And also enjoy the Baked Potato and Green Beans Price \$5.00

Region and Zone Chairs — Prepare to do a 1 minute report Or submit written report in advance Club Reports will be limited to 1 minute

Absolute Reservation Deadline is May 29, 2015 !!!

NAME	CLUB	Steak	Salmon	Bring	
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MUST RSVP to Lion Roy "Bo" Zimmerman 602 Hamilton St. Union Mills, IN 46382 219-575-1637







All incoming Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and any Lions that would like to learn about these offices, we have scheduled Officer Training. Come to a session that fits your schedule.

The **1st training** is Wednesday May 20th 6:30 pm at Westville High School.

We will also, have New Member orientation offered at the Westville sight, so bring your new members with you that night

The **2nd training** is Thursday May 21st 6:00 pm at the Lake County Public Library. Please note this is at the Dyer-Schererville Branch 1010 W. Rt. 30, which is located at the 1st light West of Rt. 41.

The **3rd training** is Wednesday May 27th 6:30 pm at the Human Resources Center at 967 Bomber Dr. (Formerly Leopold St.) in Rensselaer, IN -- located behind the hospital.

Refreshments will be provided and a chance to win a \$25.00 Gas Card at each training.

For more information contact VDG Randy Greer at 219-728-8432



Griffith Lions Spaghetti Dinner



Saturday, May 30, 2015 4 to 7pm

Cost is a Donation

St. Mary Hildenbrandt Hall 525 N. Lafayette St Griffith, IN 46319



Club Officers for 2015-2016

All Club Presidents and Secretaries, please make sure you log in to the LCI website and enter your Club Officers for the upcoming year. This must be done by May 15th—and that is next week!! Even if your officers have not changed, you must still update the information.

And while you are there, please verify the information for you **club** (meeting place, time, etc.) and **members** (address, phone number, **email address**). This is especially true about the Club Officers. This information is used to compile the next district directory and we want it to be correct!!



HAMMOND LIONS CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST – 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. JUNE 7, 2015 Edison Elementary School 7025 Madison Avenue, Hammond, IN

\$7.00 ADULTS – \$3.00 CHILDREN 4-10 YRS OF AGE AND KIDS UNDER 3 EAT FREE HAMMOND VETERANS & FIRST RESPONDERS EAT FREE

The best antidote I know for worry is wok. The best cure for weariness is the challenge of helping someone who is even more tired. One of the great ironies of life is this: He or she who serves almost always benefits more than he or she who is served. Gordon B. Hinckley

Indiana Harbor East Chicago

Tri-City Special Games on 5/16 — Help is still Needed!!

Please see the Volunteer Application on the following page and contact June Tellez. Fer information is listed on the form. Or you could call PDG Patrick Rodriguez at 219-902-6459

Beach Cleanup on 5/30 — We will meet at Jeorse Park between 8:30 and 9:00 am. Please contact PDG Patrick Rodriguez at 219-902-6459.

Both of the above activities would qualify for our Centennial Service Challenge.

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Volunteer Application

The Tri-City Special Games will be held on Saturday, May 16, 2015 at the Soccer Field at East Chicago Central High School, located at 1100 W. Columbus Drive, East Chicago, IN. We are asking volunteers to register between 8:00 and 8:15 a.m. You will receive your assignment and t-shirt at that time. If you are available for early assignments (*ex: balloons, etc.*) please report by 7:30 a.m. Events should end by 1:00. <u>Volunteers must be 16 years of age or older.</u>

PLEASE PRINT

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Please return this form by MAR	CH 27, 2015, via:
 U.S. Mail to: JUNE TELLEZ at t 46312; -or- 	he Administration Building, 210 E Columbus Dr., East Chicago, IN
 Email to: jtellez@ecps.org; 	-01-
 Fax to: 219 391 4146 	

If you have any questions, please contact June Tellez @ 219.391.4100 ext. 2360 -or- jtellez@ecps.org





My Dear Fellow Lions

Many years ago Helen Keller challenged Lions "...Will you not help me hasten the day when there shall be no preventable blindness; no little deaf, blind child untaught; no blind man or woman unaided? I appeal to you Lions, you who have your sight, your hearing, you who are strong and brave and kind. Will you not constitute yourselves Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness? I thank you. "Lions answered emphatically, "Yes!"

The Indiana Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired State Project will again sponsor a work day at ISBVI in Indianapolis on Saturday, May 30, 2015. The huge campus of the ISBVI consists of 31 buildings located on 63 acres; and our work day provides the Lions of Indiana an excellent opportunity to put our "We Serve" motto into action as we contribute to campus beautification and improvement.

The jobs for the day have not yet been completely decided upon. The morning work session will consist of outside jobs and the afternoon work session will be inside jobs. Lunch will be provided by the school.

The schedule for the day will be:

9:00 am: Registration and donuts 10:00 – Noon: Morning work Session Noon – 1:00 pm: Lunch 1:00 – 3:00: Afternoon work session

Please complete the registration form found below and mail it or email its information to: Lion Alan Arnold

595 E. State Rd. 124 Monroe, IN 46772 Email: <u>pamalarn@centurylink.net</u>

Thank you,

Lion Alan Arnold

ISBVI Work Day Chair

Name:	Phone:
Address:	Club:
City/State/Zip:	District:
Email:	



Rolling Prairie, Indiana

Our Founding Fathers

Save the Dates

May 16	16th Tri City Games
	East Chicago, IN
May 20	Officer Training
	New Member Orientation
	Westville
May 21	Officer Training
	Schererville
May 23	Zone 3A Golf Outing
	LaPorte Beechwood
May 27	Officer Training
	Rensselaer
May 30, 2015	ISBVI Cleanup Day—Indianapolis
	Beach Cleanup Day—East Chicago
June 6	Council Meeting—Indianapolis
June 7	4th District Meeting
	Lake of the Four Seasons
June 13	Fishing for Life
	Westville

Check out our Facebook webpage for additional pictures and stories

https://www.facebook.com/25Alions

Go to our website for full size copies of all the announcements and other links

http://www.e-district.org/sites/25a

Please send information pictures, articles, etc for the newsletter to Lion Patty Cooke by the 20th of the Month patty.cooke@gmail.com



Welcome New Members!!



<u>Club</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	
East Chicago Evening	Robert Gonzalez	David Padilla	
Nathan Pozo		Arcides Santiago	
	Jesus (Jesse) Rodriguez III	Arcides Santiago	
Lake of the Four Seasons	Jessica Sarah Gulley	Kimberly Brownlee	
Mill Creek Community	Benjamin Gonzalez	Eva Olson	
Portage Patricia Hall		Kenneth Anderson	

And Remember those who have Completed their Service to Lions.

Lowell—Gordon C. Weaver Wanatah—James Czerwonke



Left—Happy chefs at the Highland Lion's Pancake Breakfast

Right—Lowell Lions attempt to break world record with height of their pancake stack. They broke their own record and learned a lot about how to balance a stack of flapjacks.

> Below—Happy workers at the Schererville Lion's recent Pancake Breakfast





Hobart Lions Club

Right—President Joe Larson presents a \$1,000 donation to Hobart Food Pantry representative, Dr. Jim Herrick.

Left—ClubTreasurer Sally Davis presents a \$1,000 donation Kids Against Hunger representative, Joe Larson.





Right—Lion DG Glenn Swanson with wife Karen

Below—Lion Harold Haman (Kouts), Lion Jody Greer (South Haven), Lion PDG Dennis Brown (Kouts)









-Lion 2VDGE Robin Smith with daughter Mikaela. Above-

Left —Lions DGE Randy and DG Glenn with Presidential Medal Awards winners PDG Margaret Verkuilen (Griffith), Lion Ken Baker (Door Village) and Melvin Jones recipient Lion Gus Hernandez (Rolling Prairie)

Below—Lions Pat Greer, VDGE Patty Cooke and DGE Randy Greer.





Above-Leo Mikaela Smith with LCI President Joe Preston. They are singing the theme song he wrote-"Strengthen the Pride"!!

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T-Shirt Information

Please have one form for each Rider/Family, but you may send multiple forms together with one check

T-shirt size: S M L XL XXL XXXL

(T-shirts cost \$10 each. If ordering for a family, please include a note listing all sizes.)

The pre-registration cost for an individual is \$15. The cost for family registration is \$30.

Please make Checks payable to the **Rolling Prairie Lions**

Registration Fee Total:	
T-Shirt Fee Total:	
Amount Included:	



The ride begins and ends on the Rolling Prairie Elementary school grounds at 605 E. Michigan St., Rolling Prairie, IN 46371.

The Rolling Prairie Lions Club will share 10% each of the bike ride profits with pediatric brain tumors and the Alpha 1 Immunodeficiency Syndrome. Other community projects include our eyeglass program, dictionaries for local 3rd grade students, scholarship funds and our Christmas food baskets

To learn more about becoming a Rolling Prairie Lion, please visit www.rollingprairielions.org.

10th Annual Rolling Prairie Lions Club



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2015

ROUTES OF 15, 25, 40, 62, AND **100 MILES IN NORTHWEST INDIANA** AND SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN

> Benefiting brain tumors, Alpha 1 Deficiency and local community projects



Please fill out and mail this entire tear-sheet. This form may be duplicated. This form can also be downloaded from www.rollingprairielions.org

> Please mail to Rolling Prairie Lions Club P.O. Box 576 Rolling Prairie, IN 46371

Relay for Life

Relay for Life, South Lake County, is the District Project for the Zone IB Lions.

Join us for the walk and festivities Friday, June 5th starting at 6 PM at the Lake County Fairgrounds. Visit our booth and help the survivors celebrate, and honor the memory of those that have lost their battle with cancer.

Starting Saturday morning at 6 AM in the 4H Building, the Lions will have a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast. All Lions breakfast proceeds will go to the Indiana Lions Cancer Control project. Come join us!!! Support the Lions Relay team "Lion Kings for a Cure"! Go online at the Relay for Life website, and join our team!!!

See the link below or Google "Relay for Life"



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Relay For Life Event

District 25A - Zone 1 B Lions Clubs Lakes of the 4 Seasons Cedar Lake



Crown Point St John Schererville Central

PANCAKE & SAUSAGE Breakfast



June 6, 2015 6 to 10AM Lake County Fairgrounds 4H Building Donation: Adults \$6 Child 8> \$3



Tickets Donated by: Burdan Funeral Home, Cedar Lake, IN



http://relay.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLCY15LS?fr_id=68167&pg=entry

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ne Chairman: Paul Tuszyn 219-778-4180

E-mail: webmaster@rollingprairielions.org







"We Serve"

HERE'S A

LIONS Worldwide Week of Service in May

Join us for this special Centennial Service Challenge event to strengthen our communities and help Lions reach our Centennial goal of serving 100 million people.

Looking for a great way to serve? Consider hosting a project to help children in need in your community. No matter how you choose to serve, be sure to join us for this global event!

Join the Lions Worldwide Week of Service in May

- Plan your project Host a service project that benefits youth, vision, hunger or the environment during the week of May 16–22.
- Share your project Invite your community to serve with you to showcase your club and the power of service.
- Report your project Report your service on the MyLCI Service Activity Report to earn a Centennial Banner Patch for your club.

Start Planning Your Service Project

Share this special event with your club and start planning your project today. Don't miss this opportunity to join Lions around the globe in the Worldwide Week of Service in May!



May 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
3	4	5 Cedar Lake Lake OV	6	7 Zone IA Meeting	8	9
10	11	12 Dyer OV	13	14	15	16 Try City Games— East Chicago
17	18		20 Officer Training- Westville	21 Officer Training— Schererville	22	23 Zone 3A Golf— LaPorte Beachwood
24	25		27 Officer Training— Rensselaer	28	29	Beach Cleanup— East Chicago ISBVI Work Day
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June 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Pancake Breakfast—	1	2	3	4	5	6 Zone IB Relay for Life—Crown Point
Hammond District Meeting—LOFS	9	9	10	11	12	13 Fishing for Life— Westville
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Try City Games— East Chicago
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 CHA
28	6	30	1	2	3	4