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**District 25A News** 

# Conching Lives through DG Robin Smith 25th

### Featured News

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### District Governor's Message

Hello Lions of 25A! Looks like our Spring weather has finally arrived! It was a great weekend Muncie as we Continued the Celebration of our Centennial year. If you were unable to attend, you missed many great seminars, good food and outstanding fellowship. RC Dave Dickinson was presented with a Presidential Medal while CS Barbara Toosley was presented with a Presidential Leadership Medal. IPDG Patty Cooke was voted in as an International Convention Committee member, PDG Kevin Roe was awarded a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, and Lions Harold Haman and Carolyn Toosley were crowned Lion King and Queen at Friday night's sock hop. Our International President inspired us with words to grow our organization and make a difference through the Power of 1.5 million members, to celebrate LCIF's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary by reaching \$50 million in donations, and increase the number served through the Power of Service. District A is doing just that! We are currently at a plus in membership, we have spent approximately 12,000 hours providing service to 24,282 people, a new Leo Club has been chartered, and we have contributed \$27,880 to LCIF. We are touching lives, and I am excited to see what our Lions will do in these last 2 months of this Lion year.

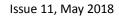
We are at that time of the year to prepare for our next year. All club officer elections should be complete. So, please make sure you get your new officers reported through the PU101 or on MyLCI by the May 15 deadline. Take the time to verify the address, email, and phone numbers are correct as this information is used to produce the District Directory. Name an LCIF Club Coordinator and a Global Service Club Coordinator. Lions Clubs International sends valuable information to these individuals to share with club members. While you complete your officer information, please take the time to attend officer training, set your attainable goals and budget for next year, and remember, you are a LEADER. Leadership starts with a willing heart, a positive attitude and a desire to make a difference. I have often said we are at a new beginning, the new century. This is a great time to evaluate whether our traditions are still working. Remember our heritage but create a new path which includes all ages. This new path just might find you membership growth from the younger generation. Be open to change. You are the difference that will keep Lionsim strong!

Until next time ~ Keep Touching Lives through Service. Now turn the page for some valuable information....

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



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### May 5, 2018 (Saturday) ... 9:30 am Central Time

Where: Kouts, IN St. Paul Lutheran Church 507 S Rose Ave, Kouts IN 46347 Phone: 219-766-2724 Club Presidents, Secretaries & Treasurer, Zone & Region Chairs, Membership Chairs. Any interested Lions

FREE: Snacks and Lunch will be provided.

Door Prizes!

#### 9:00-9:30 Registration

9:30 am: Opening Welcome Session and General Information.

9:40 am: Group Activity-Ice Breaker

- 10:00 am: Breakout training sessions:
  - A: Region and Zone Chairs
  - **B:** Presidents
  - C: Secretaries
  - D: Treasurers
  - E: Membership Chairs
- 11:30: Lunch
- 12:15: Group Activity
- 1:00 : Membership in Lions-All Lions
- **Closing Remarks-Adjournment**

RSVP by April 20th \*

#### Include Title, Name and Club

**RSVP** is needed for Lunch Count



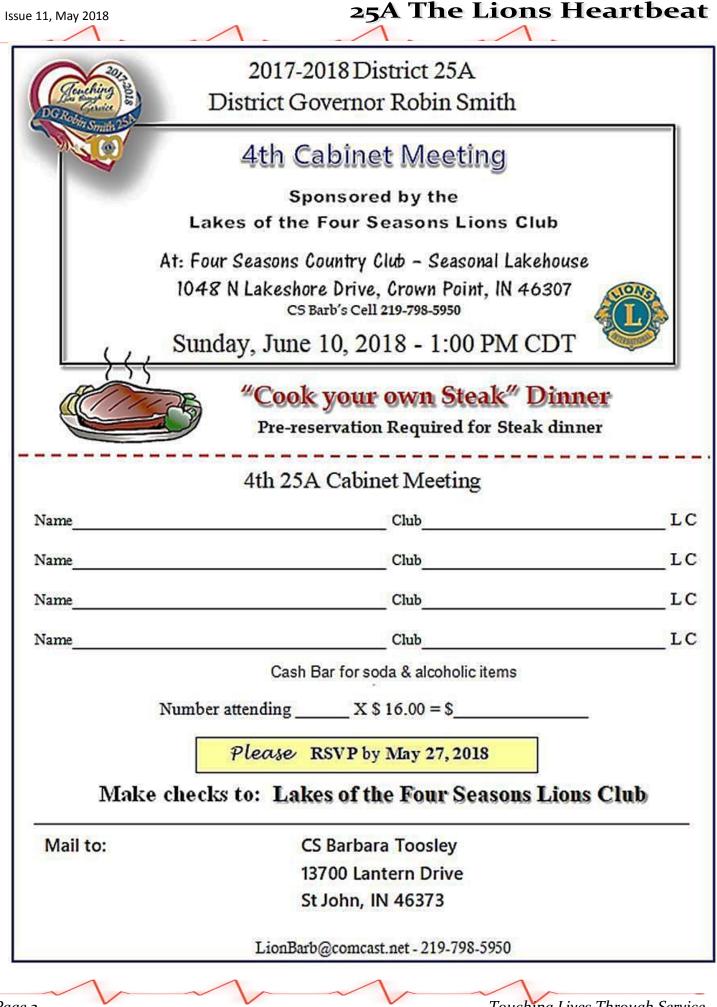
**Club Officer Elections due by April 15th** 

Make sure to report in MY LCI

RSVP to: PDG Connie Roe, Leadership Chair Cell: 219-863-0761 (text or call) or email: lionroeable@gmail.com

### 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.



Indiana Lions Trip to Leader Dogs for the Blind June 15 & 16 2018 Including a visit to Frankenmuth "Michigan's Little Bavaria" Motor coach Transportation 1 night lodging, 2 meals \$165.00 per person based on double occupancy Departure from Big R parking Lot South of Hwy. 20 on Hwy 421 Michigan City, Indiana Departure time is 7:30 A.M. C.S.T.





Cost per person based on double occupancy. Payment in full by April 25, 2018 No refunds after May 8. 2018 No trip insurance available Single occupancy \$60.00 more.

Day 1: Depart 7:30 AM CST in a comfortable Motor Coach to Leader Dogs for the Blind. We will have lunch there and a guided tour of the facilities. The gift shop will be open for everything Leader Dog. We will continue to on to Birch Run, Michigan for dinner on your own. There are several restaurants in the area along with a shopping Mall. That evening we will stay at America's Best Value Inn in Birch Run.

Day 2: After enjoying a continental breakfast we depart at 8:30 A.M. for a day at Frankenmuth shopping and exploring the local fare. This includes time at Bronner's Christmas Wonderland for all your Christmas needs. Lunch will be on your own at Frankenmuth. We will leave Frankenmuth and head home at approximately 4:00 P.M.

\*All times in Michigan are E.S.T.

Dinner will be en-route. Arrive home is estimated to be between 9 and 10 P.M.

Deadline extended to May 8th. Contact Lions Doug or Angie Schmeltz if you want to participate: (219)374-9714



Your ISBVI Lion Trustees are sponsoring a **work day** at the school in Indianapolis on **Saturday**, <u>May 19, 2018</u>. 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:

$\succ$	8:30 am	Registration and donuts (of course!)
$\succ$	9 am – 1 pm	Morning work Session
$\succ$	1 pm	Lunch (provided by the school)
$\succ$	After Lunch	<mark>Tour of the School</mark> for those
:ed		
$\succ$	After lunch	Afternoon work session until done

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

Lion Charlie Crawford 260-359-9086 charliec32@cinergymetro.net

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.

PDG Pat Short - Chair

### Membership Trend is Upward—Keep it Going!

My Members	Statistics Updated 5/2/2018 6:01 AM		
	This Month	This Year	
Opening Balance	1,295	1,288	
Added Members	0	125	
Dropped Members	1	119	
Closing Balance	1,294	1,294	
Net Gain/Loss	-1	6	



The Lions of District 25A are embracing the concept of People helping People helping People. Because of your support and the leadership of DG Robin and the entire District Team, we will have more than 1300 Lions helping to meet the needs of our communities by the end of this month. We, working together and believing it is all about people, can reach the goal of having 1320 Lions on June 30, 2018.

To reach our goal, we need to continue to ask people to join, care for each other and be sure all our current Lions feel they are values and are making a difference. Keep asking others to join so they can start helping people.

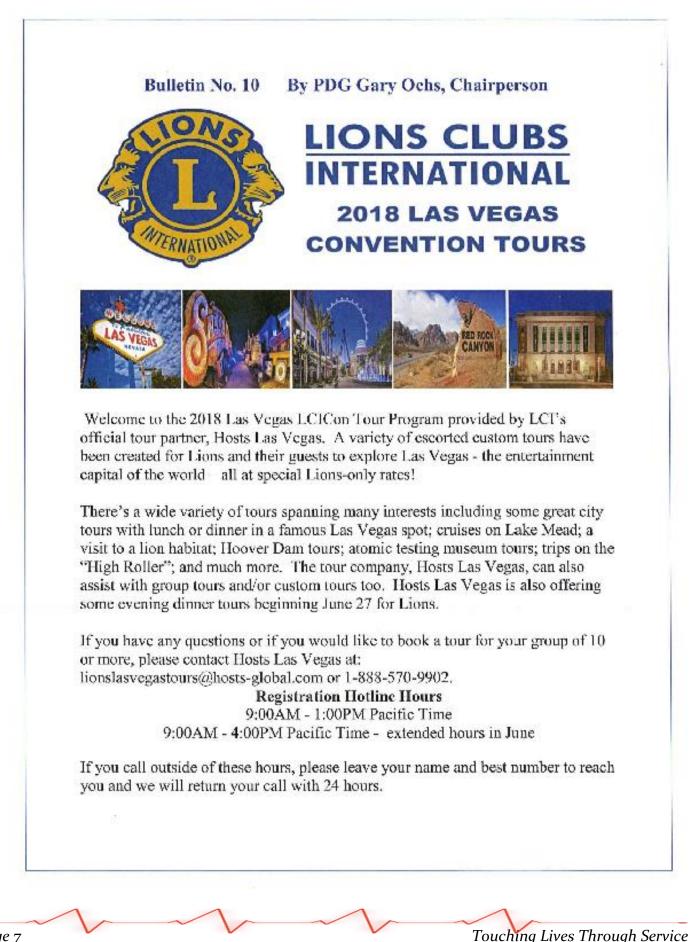
All Lions that sponsor a new person will be entered into a drawing to win a crisp new \$50 bill. (Lion Doug Schmeltz won \$50 for signing the "Just Ask Pledge" sheet) Clubs that have more Lions on June 30, 2018 than they had on July 1, 2017 will be placed in a drawing to win \$100 for their administration fund. Any Lions dropped in July will be deducted from the ending June 30th total. Clubs must submit their June and July MMR's on time to Lions Club International. The drawing will be held at a cabinet meeting.

When a Lion stops paying dues, attending meetings or our projects, we need to contact them personally to simply ask "why". No one is saying not to drop someone, but before we do, we must make every effort to keep them from leaving. We need to care for each other with the same passion we that care for those we serve. Now is the time to start the conversation about why Lions are not active. We spend hundreds, thousands, and even tens of thousands of hours serving others with passion and care. How much time do we spend caring for each other with the same passion? Let us give an hour to meet with a person who may leave our den and find out why and what can be done to keep them. Take the time to shake every Lion's hand at your meetings. Or maybe the time to hug a person who did a good job, or pat them on the back and thank them. Let us laugh and smile and be up on our club and its programs.

Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success. Edward Everett Hale

Lion Dick Silveira, PDG 25A GMT

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Club must be chartered prior	to January 1 of the fiscal year to qualify. Application Da			
Club Number	Club Name			
Member Number	2017-2018 Club President's Name			
<u>31</u>	2017-2018 Club President's Email Address			
1. MEMBERSHIP	2. SERVICE			
<ul> <li>Maintained Club Membership Strength or</li> <li>had a Net Growth of:*</li> </ul>	Completed three Service Activities as noted below:			
DB	1			
Chartered new Lions club, Leo club or Club Branch:	2			
*Based on June 30 cumulative membership report	Improve Nembership Value 8 Reach New Markets 8 Focus			
3. ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE Club is in Good Standing: Not in Status Quo or Financial Suspension. District dues paid and no unpaid balance with LCI greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more. AND	Pursue Club. District and rgantzational Excellence Visibility 4. MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION Excellence Visibility  The club has publicized its service activities through local media or social media as noted below:			
<ul> <li>Officers participate in one or more of the following leadership training events:</li> </ul>	6.			
District     Multiple District     International     Lions Learning Center     Club Quality Initiative	e			
AND Improved club operations	The club utilized social media to promote club activities as noted below:			
Improvements Include:				

Date

2017-2018 District Governor's Signature\*

District

Member Number

Due by: August 31, 2018

Send to: <u>clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org</u> or fax to (630) 706-9245 Awards Mailed to: 2018-2019 District Governors

\*District governor's registered email qualifies as signature on applications submitted electronically.

Disqualified clubs have 12 months from original due date to request a review.

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Head Start Health Fair Schedule 2018

I am putting out the call to all Lions who want to help with this year's Geminus Health Fair. Every year we test over 500 pre-school children. This year they are doing it a little different. They are working with Regional Health Systems at their sites. We will be setting up and tearing down every time we do a screening in those 2 weekends. I could use all the help I can get. All of the dates, times, and sites are listed below. My contact information is at the bottom. Please let me know if you can help and which days. I appreciate any help you can give me.

July 13, 2018 - Friday 8:30 AM to 2 PM	Stark Clinic with Regional Health Systems 3903 Indianapolis Blvd. East Chicago, IN
July 14, 2018 – Saturday 8:30 AM to 2 PM	Strawhun Center at Regional Health Systems 8555 Taft Street Merrillville, IN
July 20, 2018 – Friday 8:30 AM to 2 PM	Regional Health Systems Center 4016 Holman Ave. Hammond, IN
July 21, 2018 – Saturday 8:30 AM to 2 PM	Strawhun Center at Regional Health Systems 8555 Taft Street Merrillville, IN

Please contact Lion Angie Schmeltz if you can help. Home # 219-374-9714 Cell 219-405-0286 Email : <u>emschmeltz@gmail.com</u> (best way)

Save the Date

# January 12, 2019

30th Annual Mid Winter Conference

That's Right! Going back to the original name and month!

Once known as Mid Winter Conference Formerly known as Indiana Lions Conference Now known AGAIN as Mid Winter Conference!

Find Us On Facebook for Updates Indiana Lions Mid Winter Conference

### **MD25** Lions State Convention Honors



PDG Kevin Roe was awarded a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow Award at the State Convention Awards Luncheon. Congratulations Lion Kevin.



IPDG Lion Patty Cooke was elected to the Indiana International Convention Committee at the MD25 State Convention.





Lions Harold Haman and Carolyn Toosley were crowned King and Queen respectively at the Friday night dinner. Money was collected by nominees from each district. The nominee that collected the most money was crowned. The money collected from all participants will go to the Eye Glass Mission and to Diabetes Awareness.



Lion PDG Barbara Toosley was awarded the International Leadership Award, LCI's 3rd highest award, by IP Dr. Naresh Aggarwal at the State Convention Banquet. Joining Barbara are District Governor Robin Smith and PIP Wayne Madden.

Region Chair Dave Dickinson from Westville Lions was awarded a Presidential Medal by IP Naresh Aggarwal at State Convention.

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### ISBVI FUNDRAISERS – TRIKE RACE AND DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT APRIL 22 EVENT RESCHEDULED TO <u>SEPTEMBER 16, 2018</u>

Due to an unseasonably long spring, your ISBVI Trustees are rescheduling our annual fundraiser from this spring to mid-fall --- for better weather and to give you more time to practice!

We have received feedback from several prior participating schools that they would like to participate, but that a Fall date would better suit their current school schedules. Moving the event to the fall will also provide a more suitable date for students from the ISBVI to participate.

We have capacity for approximately 25 Trike teams and 25 Disc Golf teams so we hope your clubs will continue to promote these valuable events to support the mission of your State Project and the ISBVI's statewide outreach services to our blind and visually impaired students in all your districts.

If your club has already sent in registration forms for the trike race/disc golf originally scheduled for April 22, we would invite you to carry your sponsorships and team registrations forward to the fall event date. We will be contacting you for confirmation of carry-forward to the fall event.

If you have any questions in the meantime, contact Chair Pat Short (<u>lionpatshort@aol.com</u>) or Event Coordinator Lion Pat Henninger (<u>iwtlions@gmail.com</u>).

Thank you for your continued support of the ISBVI Lions State Project.





### Only a Few Months Left to Be a Part of History!

This year is your club's last chance to earn Centennial Service Challenge and Legacy Project awards. There's no reason why every club can't do a Legacy Project—such as installing a park bench—or invite new Centennial members. Will your club achieve World Class or Premier Centennial Lions Club status? There's still time! You have until June 30, 2018 to complete your Centennial projects and July 15, 2018 to report them on MyLCI. Be a part of history and help us finish our Centennial celebration strong!

#### Diabetes Awareness Begins With You

Did you know that diabetes awareness and educational activities count as diabetes service projects? For example, your club can host a diabetes awareness seminar in your community. The diabetes resources page offers a wide variety of projects that you can do to help combat this global epidemic—and earn a Centennial diabetes patch. More than 23,000 diabetes activities have been reported so far in this Lion year. Your club can be part of the solution to this devastating disease, too.

#### Inspirational Book Spotlights 100 Years of Lions Service Stories

from the Heart, written by Past International Director (PID) Robert Littlefield, will help you gain a better understanding of what service has meant to Lions who have given back to make life better for those in need. According to PID Sangeeta Jatia, "Each story reinforces the fact that once you experience the power of serving another, you become a Lion for life." Stories from the Heart is now available for US\$23.99 through Club Supplies. US\$13.85 from the sale of each book will go directly to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) to support our global service. Pick up a copy for yourself or a fellow Lion, and share the inspiration!

#### **Centennial Highlights:**

Wrap Up the Centennial in Style! – Make plans now to join us for convention in our final Centennial year as Lions take the stage at the 101st Annual International Convention, June 29-July 3, 2018 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Join Lion and Leo leaders as they gather in the entertainment capital of the world to celebrate service, friendship and our once-in-a-lifetime Centennial!

New Presidential Videos Released – View the brand-new videos from Lion leaders in the Reflections from the residents series. The complete series will be posted by June 30, 2018—just in time for our Las Vegas convention.

LCIF Donations Count – Did you know that donations to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) count towards the Centennial Service Challenge? If your club wants to get to the next level patch, consider making a donation to LCIF, and help us provide even more service around the world.



# Law Camp for Youths 2018 Camp Dates Announced!

Law Camps:, boys and girls entering 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades \$150 Wednesday afternoon - Saturday afternoon June 20th - 23rd Vincennes University Law Camp, June 27th -30th Anderson University Law Camp,

Career Camps:, \$250 week long July 8th -13th Trine University Career Camp, July 8th-13th Vincennes University Career Camp, July 15th -20th University of Indianapolis Career Camp, More info at <u>www.Trooper.org</u>

Lions Law Camp applications for printing are available by clicking on printable forms on the Indiana Lions MD25 web site. All applications should be received 2 weeks prior to Camp.

This is a great Camp for all age groups. Be sure to attend the seminar at Lions State Convention April 28, 2018 or call if you have any questions. A separate email will be sent with a copy of the Law Camp Brochure, Application and additional information on the camps

For Questions, Contact:

PDG Betty Weist Phone: 765-623-3353 or PCC Linda Tincher Phone: 812-240-0545

### Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing Use Hearing Aid Collection.



The ILSH has designed and produced a new sticker to be placed on eyeglass recycling boxes encouraging the donation of used hearing aids. This stickers are available from any of your district trustees. Please contact them and let them know how many you will need. *The used hearing aids are vital to the continued success of the Hearing Aid Loaner Bank, since inception over 6300 hearing aids have been loaned*.

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# **Lions Clubs International**

### **Dear Lion Leaders**,

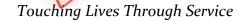
Starting on June 30, 2018, **dues credits for membership drops will <u>not</u> <b>be issued** after the release of the semi-annual billings on July 1 and January 1.

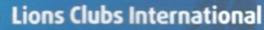
In the past, Lions Clubs International has given clubs a grace period in January and July to adjust their club rosters and receive a credit for unreported membership drops. This practice has been a courtesy extended to clubs by Lions International despite rules governing the practice in Board Policy. The board of directors recently decided that enforcement of existing policy is necessary in order to be in compliance with Board Policy.

This will also provide greater alignment with district billing and create more accurate reporting that better reflects true membership growth. We realize that this will have an impact on some clubs, so we would like you to help them prepare for the upcoming billing cycle.

Here are a few best practices that can help you prepare your clubs for their July dues billing:

 Remind club officers to update their membership rosters using MyLCI or their regional reporting system.





View online

### Don't Miss Membership Mondays in May!

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THIS EXCITING WEBINAR SERIES

Plan to participate in this dynamic membership webinar series created by Constitutional Area 1's Global Action Team. These webinars will provide you with the insight you need to grow membership in your district and offer some great resources on forming new clubs. Learn from our outstanding group of guest speakers who will discuss specialty clubs, new club development and cyber clubs.

**REGISTER NOW** 

May 7, 2018 - 7:30 p.m. CDT What Unites Us?: Specialty Clubs

May 14, 2018 - 7:30 p.m. CDT Tactics to Starting a Club: New Club Development Workshops

May 21, 2018 - 7:30 p.m. CDT Futuristic Thinking of Service: Cyber Clubs

Join fellow Lion leaders to learn new tips and techniques to jumpstart your clubs' membership growth...and pave the way to our second century of service success!

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# South Haven Lions Club "Pancakes & More" Breakfast



Saturday, May 5, 20187:00A.M. - 11:00 A.M. American Legion Post #502 429 West 750 North (South Haven) Family of 4 (2 Adults, 2 Children): \$17.00 Adults: \$7.00 Children under 10: \$3.00





KOUTS LIONS PANCAKE DAY

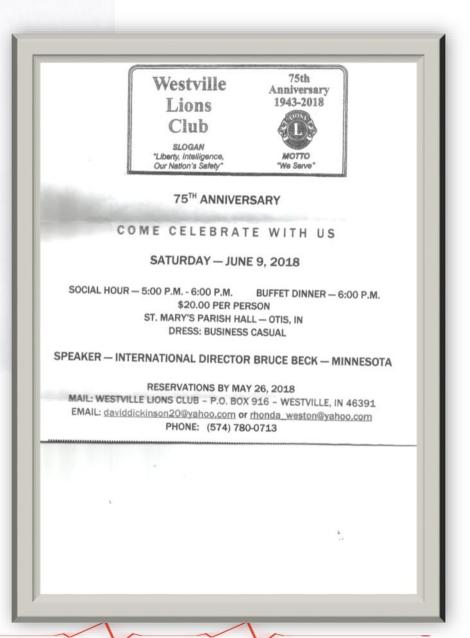
MAY 6, 2018 @ KHS

7:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Adults \$7.00 in Advance, \$7.50 at the Door Children (5-12) \$5.50 in Advance, \$6.00 at the Door

ALL YOU CAN EAT Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs and Biscuits & Gravy





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### Indiana Harbor—East Chicago Lions Club

IH– East Chicago Lions attended a CPR
 Training class put on by their local Fire
 Department. Local residents were also in attendance.

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Indiana Harbor- East Chicago Lions plant a tree for Arbor Day at a local park.

### **Michiana Lions Club**

Little Free Libraries are a global phenomenon. Now, a new Little Free Library at 117 E. 10th St. will join the movement to share books and bring people together. Michiana Lions of Michigan City Lions Tim Fizer and Brian Pagels designed, built and painted the Library. 1st Vice President Jamie Miller will host a Ribbon Cutting Celebration for their Library on Wednesday, May 9th at 5:30 pm, open to the public. The celebration will include a book drive. Please bring new and or gently used books to fill the Library.







# Welcome New Members

East Chicago Eve—Angel Gilarski Sponsor: Arcides Santiago

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> Hamlet—Sandra L. Miller Sponsor: Wendy Semans

LOFS—Linda L. Koblack Sponsor: Marjory Hyman

LOFS—Jeanette M Tithof Sponsor : Linda Lee Kroner

LOFS– Robert J. Tithof Sponsor: Wayne Kroner

LOFS—Donald M. Tul Sponsor: Linda Lee Kroner

Lowell—Robert E. Buche Sponsor: Michael Ceiga

Munster—William, Melby Sponsor: Lorin Brown

Rolling Prairie—Daisy B. King Sponsor: Robert Barnes

Rolling Prairie—Edwin G. King Sponsor: Ronald King

St. John—Kimm Maznaritz Sponsor: Allen Konieczka

Winamac—Laura Bucinski Sponsor: Judy Heater

# **District Zone Beats**

Those Who Have Completed Their Service

Michigan City—John L. Bayler

**Rolling Prairie—Donald Grimm** 

Star City—Adam T. Deitrich

Valparaiso—Leonard Hamrick



Region 2, Zone A & B Meeting on Thursday, May 10th at 6:30 pm. At the American Legion Post 502, 429 W. 750 N in South Haven. Dinner is \$12 per person. DG Robin Smith will speak about the ISBVI.

### **FREE GAS GRILLS**

Chesterton Lions Club has 3 heavy duty, gas griddles for making pancakes, hot dogs, sausages, etc. to offer at no charge to a Lions Club. You will be required to pick them up at our storage shed. For more info, call Lion Bill at (219)241-8139. or Lion Jerry at (219)787-8475. See photo below.



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# **25A The Lions Heartbeat**

	Upcoming State Events		Upcoming LCI Events
May 5	Indiana Lions for ISBVI Trustee mtg—ISBVI Vision Services Committee mtg—ISBVI	May 1	Deadline for advance Internat'l Convention regis- tration
May 12	Leader Dog Trustee mtg-State Office	May 15	Deadline for filing Officer Reporting for 2018-2019 Leo Club Officers and Membership Report Due
May 19	Indiana Lions for ISBVI Work Day	Jun 1	Helen Keller Day
Jun 2	Pre-Council Meeting—State Office	Jun 5	World Environment Day
Jun 9	Foundation meeting Long Range Planning meeting	Jun 7	Lions Clubs International Birthday
Jun 10	Speech & Hearing meeting Cancer Control Board meeting	June 15	Deadline for submission of pre-certified delegate forms for voting at International Convention
Jun 16	Budget and Finance Committee meeting		

# DG BEATS-MAY 2018



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Home club mtg	2	3	4	5 South Haven Pancake Officer Training- Kouts
6 Kouts Pancakes	7 OD Leo Charter Night	8	9	10 Reg.2 A&B Zone Mtg.	11	12 Wheatfield Pork Chop Dinner
13 Mother's	14	15 Home club Awards Banquet	16	17	18	19 Indiana Lions for ISBVI Work Day
20 Mission Board mtg.	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Koontz Lake Pancakes	28 memorial DAY	29	30	31		

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