

# The Lions Heartbeat

## District 25A Newsletter



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### *Message from the District Governor*

I have always enjoyed reading The Hoosier Lion and seeing the great works of our fellow Lions across our state. Many ideas can come from reading what others are doing to make a difference. If you have not read the August issue yet, I ask you to read it. If you read nothing else in the issue, please read the message from our Council Chair, Ross Drapalik. I found his words to be so true – “What’s the point in being good at what we do if no one else knows about it”. Our district leaders are always encouraging clubs to get a website, get Facebook, publicize your activities, etc. Some of these avenues of ‘getting our word out’ may be uncomfortable, but I ask you to step outside of your comfort zone and let the world know what you are accomplishing. It is also a great way to encourage others to join our cause. We may not see results immediately, but it is a positive change for our future. In our district, approximately 40% of our clubs have a website, and it is unknown how many have a Facebook page. I encourage every club to have both and make posts to them regularly. E-clubhouse is a free, easy way to start your website. The instructions can be found on Lions Clubs International website under Member Center>Resources>Communicate your Activities. This is the way of the future, and we must get on board.

By now, every Lions Club in our district is back to their regularly scheduled meetings, fundraisers, and service to our communities. Are we doing the same events and services as we did last year, and the year before, and so on? Are we adding anything new to the way we serve our communities? Do we know if what we are doing is still relevant or is time to make a change or tweak the events of the past? There is zero doubt in my mind that we, Lions, are making a difference in our communities, but it is time to ask ourselves these questions. Did you know September 8 is International Literacy Day? Maybe giving dictionaries or putting up a little library could be your new service. Remember, we have entered a new century, and are in the perfect position to make changes that will positively affect the growth of our organization.

I look forward to hearing ‘Visit our website’ or ‘Like us on Facebook’. By the way.... Like us on Facebook – District 25A Lions. Until next time.... keep Touching Lives through Service!

Yours in Service and Friendship ~~

***Lion Robin, District Governor***

***Message from 2nd VDG Mitch Semans:***



Dear Lions of 25A:

Being part of the Lions organization since 1998 has taught me so much just about life and how we should act as human beings. Looking back on what my club has accomplished brings great joy, honor and pride not only for myself but for my community and for my fellow Lions. And now, as I look forward to being involved on a district level I realize I have a lot to learn and I am excited to be a part of something bigger than just my neck of the woods. This is such a great opportunity for all Lions to set the tone for the next 100 years with “We Serve” being a larger part than just being the eye glasses club. I will be challenging not only myself but every Lion to encourage someone not only to join a Lions club but to make good decisions that will have a more positive effect on improving the quality of life. There are so many great things we do as a district (most of them I just learned about in the last couple of years) that can be expanded and shared by other clubs from all over the world. So I ask myself: How do we get the word out that the Lions are here and where there’s a need there’s a Lion? Whether it’s supporting our state projects or just helping our clubs get the attention and recognition they deserve ANYTHING that creates a positive effect on someone’s life is worth doing. I hope you all will join me in my excitement in Lionism and continue to make 25A the District everyone talks about!!!

***Lion Mitchell Semans, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG***

***District 25A Membership Statistics***

***Where does 25A Stand and how can you help improve it!***

My Members		Statistics Updated 8/29/2017 4:01 PM	
	This Month	This Year	
Opening Balance	1,283	1,288	
Added Members	15	27	
Dropped Members	10	27	
Closing Balance	1,288	1,288	
Net Gain/Loss	5	0	
Worldwide	1,422,834		



## Indiana Lions Multiple District 25

J. Ross Drapalik, Council Chair 2017-18

"The Power of We"

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### NOTICE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Effective at the beginning of this year, the Global Leadership Team (GLT) and the Global Membership Team (GMT) have been combined with the new Global Service Team (GST) to form the Global Action Team (GAT).

On July 22, 2017, the Council of Governors appointed PCC Dave Eisen to serve as the MD25 GLT Chair and PDG Glen Georges to serve as the MD25 GMT Chair. By virtue of being Council Chair, I assumed the position of the MD25 GAT Chair.

With only a limited amount of information regarding the duties/responsibilities of the GST available prior to the July Council of Governors Meeting, the Governors decided to leave this position vacant until such time as the duties/responsibilities of the GST could be posted for review by interested candidates.

Since then, Lions Clubs International has published a set of guidelines for the MD Global Service Team (GST) Chair, and these guidelines have been posted on the MD25 website at [www.indianalions.org](http://www.indianalions.org). They also may be accessed by clicking the following link: <http://e-district.org/userfiles/602/file/GST-MD-Coordinator.pdf>.

Lions Clubs International recommends that the MD GST Chair have experience in Leading and developing service activities; familiarity with LCI and LCIF service programs; being a graduate or faculty member of an Advanced Lions Leadership Institute or Faculty Development Institute; and proficiency in using technology (i.e. MyLCI, email, social media, etc.).

This notice shall serve as an invitation for interested candidates to submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) for consideration for this 3-year position. The LOI shall include the candidate's qualifications and express a desire to fulfill the obligations of this position.

All Letters of Intent must be received by Council Chair Ross Drapalik by 5:00 pm EDT on Friday, September 15, 2017. The LOI may be sent via email to [ross.drapalik@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ross.drapalik@sbcglobal.net) or via U.S. mail to P.O. Box 1062, Martinsville, Indiana 46151.

The Council of Governors will be interviewing each candidate and making their final appointment at their meeting on October 21, 2017, in Suite 7 of the Indiana Lions State Office Building. The time of the meeting to be announced.

Yours in Lionism,

  
CC Ross Drapalik  
Indiana Lions Multiple District 25  
August 23, 2017

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P.O. Box 1062 | Martinsville IN 46151-0062 | [ross.drapalik@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ross.drapalik@sbcglobal.net)

Hello Fellow Screeners,

I hope all is well with everyone. We are gearing up for another great year screening the children from 6 months to 6 years of age. (Head Start, and open screenings).



I know that it has been some time since I have had a chance to either meet with you or talk about this excellent program thru the Vision First Indiana Lions Eye Bank. With your efforts and hard work we met our goal last year of 20,000 + children in Indiana, and District A screened just over 3000. So I thank all of you, and all your helpers, For a job well done.

As all of you know we are JUST SCREENERS. So any information collected while screening either at a Head Start or open screening is **strictly confidential**.

I know it is hard to do at an open screening, where the parent or guardian would like to know the results. Please just tell them that we are JUST SCREENERS, and the information Will be sent to Operation KidSight, where it will be looked at by Ophthalmologist and if there are any issues, Lion Sheila Christoff will either contact the school nurse or the parent or guardian.

Also:

1. The only cameras to be used are Plus Optix.
2. All the child's information must be completed: Signed by the parent or guardian.
3. The paperwork for the screening needs to be filled out, where screening was held, and who was doing the screenings. And where the information needs to be sent back to.
4. Please send all this in AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, by waiting only delays the results.
5. Do not show the picture or result of what is shown on the monitor to the child or the parent or guardian.
6. If the child passes, you DO NOT need to print a label. If they fail please do 3 shots and print each (3) label and put them on the child's paperwork. Front or back. If they pass just write pass where label would go.

I MUST SAY AGAIN WE ARE ONLY SCREENERS, NOT EYE DOCTORS.

If I hear of anyone, whether the Lion in charge of the screening or a helper, giving the results out to the parent or guardian, I WILL tell you that you will not be asked to screen again.

We are going to buy another camera for the District, it will be an S12 (hand held). This is being provided by the Eye Glass Recycling and Vision Services Committee. So If you see one of the members, give them a big THANK YOU.

PDG Kevin Roe,  
District A Chair  
Operation Kidsight



## MD25 Lions...We Serve!

### 29th Annual Indiana Lions Conference

Saturday, November 4th, 2017

### Guest Speaker - PID Brian Sheehan

Third International Vice Pres. Candidate at Las Vegas



**Location** ~ Plainfield Middle School, 709 Stafford Rd. Plainfield In ~ Entrance 11

#### Hotel Information

**Baymont Inn and Suites**  
6010 Gateway Drive, Plainfield In

**317-837-9000-Must Call this #**

**DO NOT** call the 800 number

Reservations can be made now!

Just Mention-Indiana Lions

**Rate: \$65 per night + tax**

#### Friday Night Dinner & Entertainment \$15

**Please Note Location...Not at School!**

Location: Clermont 3201 Tansel Road, Indianapolis

**Come Enjoy Performance by: Lion Scott Peska**

**"Juggling it All: Lionism, Leadership and Life"**

**Real Juggling Act! Talented, Engaging, Motivating!**

**Come join the fellowship and fun , see old friends and make new ones!**

#### Registration Information



**NEW NEW NEW-Credit Cards Now Accepted!**

**Early Bird Registration**

**By September 30th, 2017**

Lions , Lioness, Partner-in Service-\$30; Leos \$15

**Pre-Registration Deadline**

**October 20, 2017**

Lions, Lioness, Partner-in Service-\$35; Leos \$15

**No Pre-Registrations Accepted if  
Postmarked After Oct. 20th, 2017**

**On Site Registration \$40**

(Updated registration forms with credit card option  
will be on the Indiana Lions State website.)

[www.indianalions.org](http://www.indianalions.org)

The menu will consist of beef tenderloin, tilapia, roasted red potatoes, vegetable medley, salad, rolls, dessert and drink.

- Cash Prize Drawing for 1st Timers & Sponsor
- Silent Auction - Pay by Credit Card!
- Popular and Many New Seminars
- Project and Vendor Booths



**This Year-Club 1st VP , Secretary & Treasurer Training Sessions**

**New-Overview of Legal Matters in Clubs  
New-Fundraising for Bigger Club Projects  
New-Legacy Centennial Projects**

- Registration price includes the 2017 Commemorative Souvenir Conference Pin, Proceedings CD and the Saturday Buffet Lunch

#### FOOD!

**Saturday Lunch-Roast Pork w/Gravy, Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots, Tossed Salad, Cookies or Brownies, Coffee or Tea**

## ***“THE FUTURE OF PEACE”***

**Peace Poster Contest Deadlines - Entries not meeting deadlines will be disqualified.**

**October 1:** Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor. **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a Governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson. **February 1:** International winners notified on or before this date.

Lions Clubs interested in sponsoring the Lions International Peace Poster Contest can order kits (PPK-1) from the **Club Supplies Sales Department** at International Headquarters up until October 1. To order a kit, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only). To order online, go to [Club Supplies](#) (Item Search: Peace Poster Kit), **US\$11.95 plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes**. The kit is available in all 11 of our official languages. Lions clubs must purchase a kit for each contest sponsored. Each kit contains:

- \*Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- \*Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- \*Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- \*Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

***Don't forget the other youth groups in your area. Be sure to invite them to participate!***

***Peace Poster Contest Awards:*** International winners will be notified on or before February 1. *One international grand prize winner will receive US\$5,000 and a trip to special award ceremony. Each of the 23 merit award winners will receive a cash award of US\$500 and a certificate of achievement.*

***Let's give this project our best “roarrrrrr” ever and do our district proud!***

***“THE FUTURE OF PEACE” – Essay Contest*** Lions clubs around the world are encouraged to sponsor students in the Lions International Essay Contest. This essay contest was created to offer an opportunity to visually impaired young people to express their feelings of peace. The theme of the 2017-18 Lions International Essay Contest is ***“The Future of Peace.”*** Students who are visually impaired and who are ages **11, 12 or 13 on November 15**, are eligible to participate. Work with your fellow Lions, local schools and area families to identify young people who are interested in participating and who could benefit from this program. One grand prize winner will receive an award and **US\$5,000**. **Essay Contest Guidelines** Each essay must be submitted with a completed entry form. Essays must be no longer than 500 words in length, submitted in English, type-written in black ink and double-spaced. Any questions, feel free to contact me. Just FYI: [2011-2012 “Children Know Peace”](#) by Mikaela Smith, age 12; Sponsored by: Chesterton Lions Club, Indiana, USA

**Lion Carolyn Laviolette, Peace Poster/Essay Contest Chairperson**  
**[KDLCSL89@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:KDLCSL89@HOTMAIL.COM); 219-763-2034 or 219-741-2340**



### ***Wanatah Lions Club***

Wanatah Lions will be holding an All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry on Saturday, September 23, 2017 at the Wanatah Elementary School.

Doors Open – 4:00 pm; Until the fish are gone

Adults - \$11; Children under 12 - \$5.00

### ***Crown Point Lions Club***

Crown Point Lions will be holding a BINGO on

Thursday, September 14, 2017 at St. Elijah Hall,

8700 Taft Street, Merrillville, IN

Doors Open- 5 pm; Games Begin – 6:30 pm

Food and Drinks are available to purchase

### ***Rensselaer Lions Club***

Rensselaer Lions held their Awards Banquet on August 22nd. Lion Ken Murray received the “Lion of the Year” award from outgoing President Angela Clapp. The club meets at Schmidy’s Pizza on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

### ***Star City Lions Club***



The Star City Lions could not have asked for better weather for their Work Day on August 12th. The Lions removed the old sign at the entrance of the Star City & Van Buren Township Recreational Park and Community Center. The Lions also cleaned gutters, filled holes, and painted picnic tables. In front of the sign are Lions Luke Anspach, Lenora Hoover, Leon Ulery, Milo Bonnell, Mel Good, Tom Roth, Jim Ruff, and Kent Schultz. Painting a picnic table is Lion Tom Richards.





Hello District 25A Lions

Last year I was your District Governor and this year I am your Lions Club International Foundation Coordinator. Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is the grant-making body of Lions Clubs International, the world's largest volunteer service club organization.

Our Foundation changes lives around the world, throughout Indiana and in District 25A. It does this through four areas of service:

- Disaster relief
- Saving Sight
- Supporting Youth
- Meeting humanitarian needs through such efforts as measles vaccinations

Please email or call so that we might schedule a time for me to visit your club and do an LCIF presentation. Remember, LCIF is your foundation.

**PDG Patty Cooke**

[Patty.Cooke@gmail.com](mailto:Patty.Cooke@gmail.com) 219-671-4668

### *Mill Creek Community Lions Club*



Three new members were inducted to the Mill Creek Community Lions by Zone Chair 3A, Brian Pagels. Pictured left to right are Lions Carolyn Hunt sponsor Gale Hodges, Emily Howard sponsor Amanda Roe, Rex Eckert sponsored by Tom Sharp and Zone Chair Brian Pagels. Lion David Hodges, husband of Lion Gale Hodges, was sponsored by Lion Carolyn Hunt and became a member last month.

### ***Walk To Support Clinton Lions Club***

On June 14, 2017 the roof of the Clinton Lions Club (District 25C) was in flames and the building was a total loss. The Lions of District C invite all Lions to support the Clinton Lions at Zionsville Lions Park, 116 Elm Street in Zionsville on October 15<sup>th</sup> to walk, eat, and celebrate the service this club provides and help them out as they rebound from this tragic loss. The walk will take place from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Music, hot dogs, ice cream will be available. Also there will be games – Bingo, Corn Hole and old fashioned Lions conversation. To attend, a donation of \$20 per person is requested, but any donation from Lions will be accepted.

Checks are payable to "Zionsville Lions Club- Clinton Power of "WE" and mailed to Lion Karen McKellar, 8805 E 200 S, Zionsville, IN 46077.





## Once Upon a Time...

...In a land not so far away, there lived a foul and nasty troll and its evil team of foul and nasty trolls. Each morning the trolls would wake up, sharpen their pointy teeth, check their rancid smelling breath and practice their evil-chilling grins. Evil images complete, the trolls then gathered to scheme how they were going to carry out their nefarious plans and cast doom and gloom on the good Lions of District 25A.

Finally after much growling and drooling, the trolls had finally compiled a evil to-do list for the morrow:

1. Figure out a way to stop them Lions from attending any and all productive meetings
2. Swiftly terminate all lines of communication, so nobody knows nothin about nothin
3. Stop any and all attempts to further their knowledge or strengthen their team spirit AND under no circumstances allow them to ask anyone to become a new member!

Meantime; the powerful, all-knowing and honorable District Governor of 25A and her team knew of these nearby evil-doer trolls and decided swift-action was imperative! First off, this pack of evil-doer trolls needed a pack name...and alas, the words 'Troll Naysayers' was created.

Fortunately, the District Governor and her all-knowing and honorable team had the skills in place to deal with these Naysayers. Their plan for attack came forth:

1. **Get in the Media!** -magic happens when you promote your efforts to a local community! This would leave the Naysayers little room for talk or snarling.
2. **Show them success!** -our clubs have many successes! Let's shout it out by having clubs put their service success stories in our District Newsletter and Hoosier Lion and in the activities on the LCI website and again...get the stories in the local media!
3. **Attend the Lions Conference on Saturday, November 4th!** -in Plainfield to strengthen our knowledge and commitment and get that occasional needed shot of motivation!
4. **Ask, Ask, Ask** for new members to strengthen our core, preserve our future, get new ideas and have more hands and hearts to help us Serve! Shout our motto: We Serve!

The District team pleased with their initial counter-attack, were excited to hear the trolls were running for the hills and the District was stronger than ever from their efforts.

This is not the end as we Lions all know...It is only the beginning of our new Century of Service!

**A Leader is someone who wants to make a positive difference. Your all Leaders!**

**Thank You Fellow Lions for all your efforts! Keep Leading the way for the next 100 Years!**

Yours in Lionism, PDG Connie Roe, GLT 25A

(Trolls not included)



***We Welcome New Members to 25A***

<b>Club</b>	<b>New Member</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Crown Point	Katy Dowling	Ronald Gang
Hamlet	Joseph D. Winkler	Mitch Semans
Kouts	Karla Clair	James Drang
Kouts	Solomon Clair	James Drang
Kouts	Anthony McCallister	Dennis Brown
Munster	Maurice Van Horne	
Westville	Andy Abert	

***Those Who Have Completed Their Service***

LaPorte	Rudolf Legner
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***Zone Meetings Scheduled***

***Zone 1A Meeting***

Zone 1A will have a meeting on Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Cavalier Inn, at 735 Gostlin St., in Hammond. Lion Dottie Flack will be the guest speaker. Please notify Zone Chair Al Gonzalez at 219-940-3445 or [hilmex61@comcast.net](mailto:hilmex61@comcast.net) if you will attend. All Lions are welcome to attend. Meals can be ordered off the menu.

***Zone 3A Meeting***

Zone 3A will have a meeting on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. The meeting is hosted by the Rolling Prairie Lions Club. It will be at the United Methodist Church, 3444 E. US Hwy 20 in Rolling Prairie. A caterer will provide the meals at a cost of \$10 which includes drink and dessert. Please RSVP to ZC Brian Pagels by September 1<sup>st</sup> at [brianpagels@comcast.net](mailto:brianpagels@comcast.net) so we can have an accurate count. Club Presidents should prepare a 2 minute maximum club report. All Lions of Zone 3A are invited.

***Region 2, Zone A & B Meeting***

First Zone Meeting will be Monday, Sept. 18, 2017

At Paragon Restaurant, Rts. 6 & 51, Hobart

Social Hour – 6:00 PM; Dinner – 6:30 PM  
(Order individually from their large menu)

Speakers will be Lion Butch Weston on “Ed Paine Care and Helping Hands” and Lion Carolyn Laviolette on the “Peace Poster & Essay Contests” and the “Reading Action Program”. All Lions are welcome to attend.

RSVP to either Zone Chairperson by Friday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>

***Lion Tom Kniola***

***Lion Clarence Davis***

***Zone 2A Chairman***

***Zone 2B Chairman***

***(219)763-6629***

***(219)942-4433***

***[tomkniola@me.com](mailto:tomkniola@me.com)***

***[csdavis61@comcast.net](mailto:csdavis61@comcast.net)***

### ***Past District Governor's Weekend in Indy***

Past District Governor's Weekend will take place Friday September 29<sup>th</sup>, Saturday September 30<sup>th</sup> and Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup> in Indianapolis. The Crowne Plaza Hotel will be the host hotel and was selected after the untimely permanent closing of the Clarian Hotel in Columbus. Conveniently located just off of I 465 and Sam Jones Expressway, the Crowne Plaza hotel offers free wifi, indoor swimming pool, free parking, on-site restaurant and a fitness center. Nightly rates are \$125 plus tax – this includes twin or king size beds. To make your room reservation, call (317)-244-6861 and tell them you are part of the Lions Club weekend group. The CUT OFF date for these rates are September 6<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

Saturday night's dinner will be held at Beef and Boards. Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre has been serving up food, fun and fabulous live entertainment for everyone since 1973. It is called "Beef" because of the delicious hand carved roast beef served before the performances, and "Boards" referring to the boards or stage of a theatre.

Today, the Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre entertains more than 155,000 theatergoers annually. Each season includes professional Broadway shows, plays and acclaimed children's theatre productions by our resident Pyramid Players.

But a visit to Beef & Boards is more than just great theatre! They offer a tasty dinner buffet prepared by their in-house chef, plus a full-service bar and mouthwatering gourmet desserts.

- Friday night will consist of dinner at TBA .
- Saturday golf times are made with tee – off times set at noon at Eagle Creek Golf Club.
- Other events taking place in close proximity of the hotel is the 54<sup>th</sup> running of the Sports Car Club of America National Championship runoffs at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.
- The Indy Wine Trail is open Saturday with the following wineries part of the trail: Chateau Thomas located in Plainfield; Easley Winery located in downtown Indy; Buck Creek Winery located on the eastside of Indy; Cedar Creek winery located in Martinsville.
- Saturday night's program will be held at the Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre, located just north of the Indiana Lions State office building at 9301 Michigan Rd. Doors open at 6pm with dinner buffet starting at 6:30 and curtain raising at 8. The featured entertainment is "West Side Story". A set number of tables have been reserved. Please complete your registration as soon as possible to help in getting everyone a guaranteed seat.
- Sunday's necrology service will be at 9am.
- Past District Governor's business meeting will begin at 9:45.
- Please reply to PDG James Wyatt, 2525 N. State Road 127, Angola, IN 46703 by Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>. Make checks out to PDG James Wyatt. Friday dinner - \$20 per person; Sat. night event - \$59 per person.



## DG Calendar

September 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Please contact DG Robin to schedule your club's official visit. <a href="mailto:mswolfen@aol.com">mswolfen@aol.com</a> or (219) 462-8285						Taste of Duneland
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Labor Day	Zone3A mtg.	Family Dinner Mikaela turns 18!	St. John OV		Mission mtg
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
District C Banner Night		Home club mtg				PDG mtg District D Banner Night
17	18	19	20	21	22 – Autumn	23
	Zones 2 A & B mtg	Schererville Central OV				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Zone 1 A mtg	Lowell OV		Michiana OV	District B Banner Night	

Children are the world's most valuable resource and our best hope for the future. ~John Fitzgerald

### Special Olympics Winter Games

The **Special Olympics Winter Games**, which are held in Lawrenceburg, Indiana each year in January, are in danger of being cancelled due to budget shortfalls. Last year's MD25 Council of Governors agreed to a commitment to raise \$10,000 for this cause, with each District Governor agreeing to raise \$1500 in their district. For District 25A, this works out to a donation of \$32 per club. If each club in District 25A would make a donation, it would raise the much needed funds to keep the Winter games in Indiana. To make a contribution, please make checks payable to Lions District 25A, with a notation that it is for the Special Olympics Winter Games. Forward the check to Cabinet Treasurer Chuck De Las Casas. Thank You for your continued service and your support.

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