



District 25A 2015-2016

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Lions Code of Ethics

- **To Show** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.
- **To Seek** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.
- **To Remember** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.
- **Whenever** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.
- **To Hold** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.
- **Always** to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, as to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.
- **To Aid** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.
- **To Be Careful** with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

**Randy Greer
District Governor
2015-2016**



Lion Randy is very dedicated and passionate about Lions and has experience working throughout the District on so many levels. He has recently retired from being a steelworker for 42years. He plans to spend more time Involved with Lions, that's hard to imagine.

Randy has been a Lion since 1992 and has perfect attendance for 22 years. He has been club president, region and zone chair several times. He is involved in the South Haven community serving on two boards. Lion Randy has been a District officer for the last 15 years and works on many committees.

Randy is honored to have received the W.P. Woods and is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow in addition to having received three International President Appreciation Awards and a Leadership Medal. He also has had the humbling experience of serving on 4 Eyeglass missions to Mexico.

Randy has been married to Lion Pat, the love of his life for 38 years and they have 2 daughters Lion Jody and Marcy, married to son in law Chris. They have three grandsons, Nolan, Alec and Logan who keep them hopping. His family has attended many District, State, and 5 International Conventions. Lions Randy and Pat enjoy traveling around the District attending other clubs activities, meeting Lions, and getting ideas on how to improve our District. He lives the Motto:

“WE SERVE”

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Lion Patty is enthusiastic and committed to working with her fellow Lions throughout District 25A. Although relatively new to being a member of the District leadership Team, she has already learned a great deal in her current term as 2nd VDG and has thoroughly enjoyed meeting Lions from Mill Creek to Winamac to Griffith.

Patty's first contact with Lionism was through Lion Chuck De Las Casas of Lake of the Four Seasons. She worked with him at US Steel and knew of his work raising puppies for Leader Dog. Soon afterwards her late husband Joe was asked to join the Schererville Lions. Joe soon became secretary under President PCC Mike Gutyan — they became best friends. When Joe and Patty moved to California in 1999, he joined the Mission Viejo Lions; she joined the church choir. But they both became best friends with another member of the MV Lions who was also District Governor. Soon Patty was a Lion too and she and Joe enjoyed serving their community through their club and participating in District 4L4 activities. Patty served as President, Secretary and Newsletter Editor and was awarded a Melvin Jones Fellowship and named Lion of the Year by her California Club.

When she came back from California, she returned to her friends in the Schererville Lions. After a few years as Secretary and President there, she was asked by PDG Richard Silveira to be a Zone Chairman and became involved with District 25A. There she found a group of friendly and people committed to the ideals of Lionism.

Lion Patty has four children and two grandchildren. She now works at ArcelorMittal Steel in East Chicago and is still singing in her church choir. She finds that being with her fellow Lions—a group of people who are devoted to helping others—is a reality check to remind her of what is really important in life.

She is committed to this journey and doing the best for the Lions of District 25A.

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Born in Southern Illinois and raised in Northwestern Illinois, Lion Robin has lived in the suburbs of Chicago and Atlanta, Georgia before transplanting her roots to NW Indiana in 1998. Joining the Chesterton Lions Club in 2003, she has had perfect attendance and has served her club as President for two terms, Vice President, and various other board positions. She has been extremely active with her club chairing multiple events and introducing several new fundraising and service projects. Lion Robin is also a member of the club's Operation Kidsight vision screening team. At the district level, she has served as Zone Chair, Region Chair and is an Indiana Lions for ISBVI Trustee. She is also a member of District 25-A Eyeglass Recycling Mission to Mexico team, having attended 11 missions.

Currently enrolled at Ivy Tech completing her AAS in Business Administration and Accounting, Lion Robin has embraced learning opportunities by attended many conventions, conferences, and workshops. She looks forward to serving together to grow and develop this great district.

A dedicated mother of one son and two daughters and grandma to 5, Lion Robin has a driving passion towards her family and Lionism. She enjoys sharing this passion by encouraging others to make a difference through service. She lives the motto "We Serve".

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57-58	<i>Abe Mills</i>	<i>Whiting</i>
58-59	<i>Herbert Herbst</i>	<i>Lowell</i>
59-60	<i>Henry Chilas</i>	<i>Hammond</i>
60-61	<i>Charles Norris</i>	<i>Michigan City</i>
61-62	<i>Luther Bloomberg</i>	<i>Hammond</i>
62-63	<i>Arron Alport</i>	<i>Munster</i>
63-64	<i>Merl Hunke</i>	<i>Hamlet</i>
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66-67	<i>Stan White</i>	<i>East Chicago</i>
67-68	<i>Ray Babcock</i>	<i>Griffith</i>
68-69	Gene Rice	Wanatah
69-70	<i>Don Duran</i>	<i>Merrillville</i>
70-71	<i>Joe Gauder</i>	<i>Whiting</i>
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73-74	<i>Fred J. Solman</i>	<i>Hammond</i>
74-75	<i>Andrew Carson</i>	<i>Westville</i>
75-76	Charles Sapper	Hobart
76-77	<i>Harold Welkie</i>	<i>Wanatah</i>
77-78	William Schooler	Hammond
78-79	<i>Robert Jacobson</i>	<i>Dyer</i>
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80-81	<i>John Eich Sr.</i>	<i>Merrillville</i>
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82-83	<i>Richard Revers</i>	<i>LaPorte</i>

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94-95	Thomas Slattery	Chesterton
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<i>02-03</i>	<i>Ernie Bakajza</i>	<i>Whiting</i>
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06-07	Margaret Verkuilen	Griffith
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12-13	Richard Silveria	St. John
13-14	Connie Roe	Winamac
14-15	Glenn Swanson	LaPorte Maple City

Dates to Remember

District Cabinet Meetings

July 19, 2015 St. Paul Lutheran Church Kouts, IN
October 18, 2015 TBA
Jan. 31, 2016 South Haven American Legion Post 502
June 5, 2016 TBA

2015-2016 Council Meetings

July 24-25, 2015 Radisson Star Plaza, Merrillville, IN
October 31, 2015 Shipshewana, IN
Jan. 10 2016 State Office Indianapolis, IN
April 29-May 1 2016 State Convention Shipshewana, IN

Conventions

September 17-19, 2015 USA/Canada Forum Grand Rapids, MI
Leadership Conference November 7, 2015 Plainfield, IN
March 11-12, 2016 District A Convention La Porte Best Western
April 29-May 1, 2016 State Convention Shipshewana, IN
June 24-28, 2016 International Convention Fukuoka, Japan

Other Dates

July 25, 2015 District 25A Banner Night
Hobart Elks Club, Hobart, IN

Bass Lake Charter Date 7/7/1948

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Secretary TBA

Cedar Lake Charter Date 4/8/1947

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Door Village Charter Date 9/27/1976

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Francesville Charter Date 5/14/1943

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Charter Date 9/22/1944

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Charter Date 7/13/1959

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Charter Date 11/25/1959

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Charter Date 12/4/1938

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Charter Date 4/6/1938

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Medaryville Community Charter Date 10/22/1968

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Thursday 7:00PM

Lions Club House

504 E Main St., Medaryville

President Roy McIlvain

701 Prairie. St. PO Box 63, Medaryville, IN 47957

219-843-6151

Secretary Martha Risner

12001 W 600 N., North Judson, IN 46366

Merrillville Charter Date 9/30/1946

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday 7:00PM

Merrillville Town Hall

7820 Broadway Ave., Merrillville

President Michael Minogue

250 E 69th PL, Merrillville, IN 46410

H: 219-769-7258 mikejm@gmail.com

Secretary William Roth

1505 E. 38th Pl., Hobart, IN 46342

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Michiana LC Charter Date 4/18/1973

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Thursday 6:00PM

Memos Restaurant

1714 US 20, Michigan City

President Brian Pagels

7585 W. Arndt Ct., LaPorte, IN 46350

219-874-6316 brianpagels@comcast.net

Secretary Johnie Skeen

440 Firefly Dr, Michigan City, IN 46360

219-878-0119 jskeen@comcast.net

Michigan City

Charter Date 11/5/1925

Meetings: Every Wednesday 12:00PM

St. John's Church (West Entrance)

101 St. John Rd., Michigan City

President Ronald Keller

1805 Ohio Street, Michigan City 46360

219-878-9357 shana.anders@gmail.com

Secretary Randall Russell

1051 Kent Rd., Michigan City 46360

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Mill Creek Community

Charter Date 8/9/2004

Meetings: 1st & 3rd Monday 7:00PM

Mill Creek Baptist Church

8762 E 200 S, Mill Creek

President Dave Labiak

2372 S. Taylor Rd., Mill Creek, IN 46365

H: 219-369-1094 lionlabiak@comcast.net

Secretary Marolyn Klockow

1256 S. 775 E., Mill Creek 46365

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Monterey

Charter Date 3/19/1948

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday 7:00PM

Monterey Lions Building

6194 E Main St., Monterey

President Douglas Denton

6778 N Bridge St., Monterey, IN 46960

574-542-2075 nite1@pwrctc.com

Secretary Kelli Denton

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574-542-2075 nite1@pwrctc.com

Morocco

Charter Date 3/5/1951

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Tuesday 7:00PM

Lions Den

405 N Polk St., Morocco

President Roy Nordyke

4826 S 500 W, Morocco, IN 47963

219-285-0954

Secretary Daniel Blaney

PO Box 500, Morocco, IN 47963

219-863-0500 dblaney@blaneyandwalton.com

Munster

Charter Date 1/12/1938

Meetings: 1st & 3rd Wednesday 6:00PM

Centennial Park Social Center

9851 Centennial Dr., Munster

President Steve Scheckel

8227 Monroe Ave., Munster, IN 46321

219-836-7955

Secretary George Shinkan

9917 Margo Lane, Munster, IN 46321

Shinkn219@aol.com

Ogden Dunes

Charter Date 11/17/1958

Meetings: 2nd Monday 7:00PM

Ogden Dunes Town Hall

Hillcrest RD, Ogden Dunes

President Matthew Rogatz

40 Ski Hill Rd. Ogden Dunes, IN 46368

H: 312-944-7172 C: 773-719-4441 MATTROGATZ@HOTMAIL.COM

Secretary Kenneth Thompson

66 Diana Rd., Ogden Dunes, IN 46368

219-734-6601 kthompso@depaul.edu

Portage

Charter Date 6/14/1955

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday 6:30PM- Even # Month, Noon-Odd # Month

Bass Pro Shop Restaurant

6425 Daniel Burham Dr., Portage (I94 Exit)

President Kenneth Anderson

6453 Portage Ave., Portage, IN 46368

H 219-762-3822 C 219-688-7723 kbanderson@hotmail.com

Secretary Patricia Hall

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219-671-6895 Pattycakes1964_2000@yahoo.com

Remington

Charter Date 2/26/1974

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday 7:00PM

Lions Building

105 Sunnyside, Remington, IN 47977

President Gene Tyler

9224 W 1900 S, Remington, IN 47977

219-261-2944

Secretary Stephen Kinsell

404 S Main St., Remington, IN 47977

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Rensselaer

Charter Date 10/28/1943

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday 6:00PM

Devon's Restaurant

732 S College Ave., Rensselaer

President Allen Mushett

5744 S 850 W, Rensselaer, IN 47978

H: 219-866-5007 mushett@hotmail.com

Secretary Robert Souza

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Rolling Prairie

Charter Date 5/17/1939

Meetings: 1st Tuesday 6:30PM 3rd Tuesday 7:00PM

Rolling Prairie Community Center

Mechanic Street, Rolling Prairie

President Stephanie Marron

407 E Walker St, Rolling Prairie, IN 46371

H: 219-393-9385 steph.marron@gmail.com

Secretary Ronald King

1537 E 800 N, La Porte, IN 46350

H: 219-778-4568 C: 219-379-6009 kingron1537@comcast.net

Schererville

Charter Date 8/12/1946

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Tuesday 6:30PM

American Legion

7485 Burr St., Schererville

President Sharon Moore

5111 W 85th Lane, Crown Point, IN 46307

H: 219-755-0103 rebeccascott1953@gmail.com

Secretary Evelyn Jones

1832 Austin Ave, Schererville, IN 46375

H: 219-322-2551

Schererville Central

Charter Date 2/19/1982

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday 7:00PM

Houlihans Restaurant

1550 US Route 41, Schererville

President Paul Miecznikowski

9800 Wildwood Ct. Unit 2C, Highland, IN 46322

H: 219-924-7283 C: 708-935-3064 Paul.miecznikowski@natdcp.com

Secretary Joanne Freeland

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219-322-2795 joannefreeland@yahoo.com

Shelby

Charter Date 5/25/1944

Meetings: 3rd Thursday 6:00PM

Lions Hall

902 W 235th Ave., Shelby

President Wayne Hayden

PO Box 242, Shelby, IN 46377

Secretary TBA

South Haven LC

Charter Date 11/3/1965

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Thursday 7:00PM Summer (May-August) 7:30PM

South Haven American Legion

429 W 750 N, Valparaiso

President Carolyn Laviolette

3017 Bender St., Portage, IN 46368

219-763-2034 kdlcsl89@hotmail.com

Secretary Ron Tennant

406 Sturdy Rd., Valparaiso, IN 46383

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St. John

Charter Date 2/12/1957

Meetings: 1st Thursday 7:00PM

St. John Town Hall

10955 W 93rd Ave., St. John

President Renee Hladek

11615 Homestead Village Ct., St. John, IN 46373

219-365-7363 renee.hladek@att.net

Secretary Nancy Moneta

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H: 219-365-1950 nmoneta@taftlaw.com

Star City

Charter Date 10/27/1972

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday 7:30PM

Star City Community Annex

2550 E Key St., Star City

President Leon Ulery

5611 S US Highway 35, Star City, IN 46985

H: 595-7382 C: 595-0753 quiltBEA@pwrtc.com

Secretary Melvin Good

5356 S US HWY 35, Star City, IN 46985

574-595-7543 mmgood@pwrtc.com

Union Mills

Charter Date 9/30/1975

Meetings: 1st 7:00PM

Conservation Clubhouse

100 Mill Pond RD., Union Mills

President Raymond Goad

16 Union St, Union Mills, IN 46382

H: 219-767-2372 union22@comcast.net

Secretary Jenny Niksch

64035 S 1100W, Westville, IN 46391

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Valparaiso

Charter Date 9/18/1939

Meetings: 1st Tuesday 6:30PM

Casa Del Roma

712 Calumet Ave., Valparaiso

3rd Tuesday 6:30PM

Valparaiso Public Library

Jefferson St, Valparaiso

President Elisha Porterfield

513 Killarney Lane, Valparaiso, IN 46385

C: 219-628-5575 eporterfield@citysecurities.com

Secretary Richard Ireland

1651 Tippecanoe Ct. Valparaiso, IN 46385

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Wanatah

Charter Date 9/25/1944

Meetings: 2nd Monday 6:30PM

Various Locations in Wanatah, Please Call Secretary

President Don Parker

504 Legion Rd, Wanatah, IN 46390

H: 219-733-2852 parkerdbass@live.com

Secretary Natalie Jessen

315 S Main St., Wanatah, IN 46390

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Westville

Charter Date 5/26/1943

Meetings: 1st Thursday 7:00PM

Various Locations, Please Call Secretary

President Myrle (Butch) Weston

C/O Westville Lions, PO Box 916, Westville, IN 46391

H: 219-785-4296

Secretary Whitney Martin

4679 S. Wozniak Rd., La Porte, IN 46350

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Wheatfield

Charter Date 6/27/1947

Meetings: 1st & 3rd Tuesday 7:00PM

Wheatfield Library

350 S Bierma St., Wheatfield

President Robert Tillema

41 S Graham St., Wheatfield, IN 46392

H: 219-956-3389 C: 219-488-6900 roberttillema@aol.com

Secretary Thomas Strain

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219-956-3988 tomstrain6@gmail.com

Whiting

Charter Date 6/7/1929

Meetings: 1st & 3rd Thursday 6:30PM

Sacred Heart School Rose Room

1723 La Porte Ave., Whiting

President Olga Papp

PO Box 349, Whiting, IN 46394

219-398-6488 opapp@centier.com

Secretary Timothy Gard

1925 Lake Ave, Whiting, IN 46394

H: 219-659-1663 TGARD@TCUNET.COM

Winamac

Charter Date 6/13/1983

Meetings: 1st & 3rd Tuesday 7:00PM

Human Services Building

115 W Pearl St., Winamac

President Gordon Dibbern

PO Box 106, Winamac, IN 46996

H: 574-946-4052 gordondibbern@yahoo.com

Secretary Donald Thompson

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President Marcie Pool

7113 W 132nd Ln., Cedar Lake, IN 46303

219-776-7668

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Leo Tolstoy

