**INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR STEVE THORNTON**

Steve Thornton, from Wooster, Ohio, USA was elected to serve as international director of Lions Clubs International at the association’s 101st International Convention, held in Las Vegas, Nevada, USA, June 29 through July 3, 2018.

Director Thornton retired as Chief of Police for the city of Wooster, Ohio after being a 35 year career as a police officer. He has been on the Drug Enforcement Agency board as well as a past member and previous chairman to Medway. A Lion since 1980, he has called the Wooster Noon Lions Club home since 2003. Director Thornton has held a number of positions in the association including district governor, multiple district council chairperson and district GMT membership chairperson. He has also served as a new club development consultant.

He is the recipient of three International Presidential Medals, two Presidential Certificates of Appreciation and two Presidential Certificates of Commendation. He is also a James T Coffey Fellow. In addition to his Lions activities he is a former member of the Red Cross board. He is also a former member and chairman at the Counseling Center of Wayne and Holmes Counties. Director Thornton is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. His wife, Rebecca Lynn Thornton, is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

 **LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL**

**DISTRICT 26-M3**

**CONVENTION**

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**Isle of Capri**

**100 Isle of Capri Blvd**

**Boonville, Missouri**

 **March 27, 2021**

 **Saturday – March 27, 2021**

8:00 Registration at Isle of Capri

9:00 **Business Meeting –**

 Call to Order . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Lion Bob Noellsch, DG

 Pledge . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Lion Susan Paden, IPDG

 My Country ‘Tis of Thee . . . . . . . . .Lion MaryJane Clark

 Invocation . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Lion Dexter Enders

 Welcome to Boonville.

 Introductions. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .Lion Bob Noelsch, DG

 Protocol . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Lion Mike Sliger, 1st VDG

 Cabinet Secretary’s Report . . . Lion Betty Noland

 Cabinet Treasurer’s Report . . . . . . Lion Dexter Enders

 Audit Report . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ..Lion Craig Plaster

 Report by Leader Dog . . . . . Lion Phyllis Krebs, 1st VDG

 Report by Kids Sight. . Lion Katherine Patterson-Paronto

 Report by LBOMB &WSB . . . . . . . .. . .PID Don Noland

 Announcements and Reminders Lion Bob Noellsch, DG

10:00 **LCIF Grants and The Pandemic** . .. Don Noland, PID

10:45-11:00 Break

11:00- **Serving during the Pandemic** Lion Debbie Cantrell, PDG and Lion Carol Deters

11:45- 12:00 Break

12:00 Lunch

 Peace Poster. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Lion MaryJane Clark

1:00-1:15 Break

1:15 **Memorial Service** . . . . . . . .. Lion Pat Porterfield, PCC

1:45- 2:00 Break

2:00 Certification of Candidates . . . . . . Lion Charles Callier

 Saving Sight Director 2021-2023Candidate

 Nomination Lion Dwayne Garrett, PID

 Second Lion Roger Tiemann, PDG

 Remarks by Nominee Lion Mike Sliger, 1st VDG

Nominations of Candidates for 2021-2022 Lionistic Year

 **2nd Vice District Governor Candidate**

Nomination- Lion Sandy McCann, PDG

Second - . . . . . . . . . . .Lion Carol Deters

Remarks by Nominee- Lion Sherl Horton

**1st Vice District Governor Candidate**

Nomination – Lion Lyn Porterfield, PDG

Second – Lion Nancy Drebes, PDG

Remarks by Nominee – Lion Sandy McCan

 **District Governor Candidate**

 Nomination – Lion Don Noland, PID

 Second – Lion Susan Paden, IPDG

 Remarks by Nominee – Lion Mike Sliger

2:30 Announcements

2:35 Voting

3:00 Meet our International Director. . . ...ID Steven Thornton

4:00 Recess for Foundation Meeting

4:01 Foundation Meeting . . . . . . . . . . Lion Don Noland, PID

4:06 Reconvene Convention

 Announcements and Reminders Lion Bob Noellsch, DG

6:00 pm Grand March . . . . . . . . . . . . . Lion MaryJane Clark

 Prayer . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Lion Pat Porterfield, PCC

 Dinner

Introduction of Speaker –Past International Director Don Noland

 Remarks by International Director

 Celebration & Awards- . . . . . .Lion Bob Noellsch, DG

 Announcements, drawings, voting results, adjourn