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Buzz From B(ee)

They say time flies when you're having fun, I must be having a lot of fun, because time is flying at Mach speed. We're already three (3) months into the year, and I can't even say where we are with certainty. I know all your clubs have been busy this summer with various service projects and fund raisers (also service) and, if you're like my club, you have a few more opportunities to serve before the snow flies. There have been a lot of workshops, training, USA/Canada Forum, club visits and the time is zooming past.

Since time is flying you may want to get your calendars out and make note of some events that are coming up soon.

- October 5 – Second Council Meeting
- October 11, 12 - PDG Weekend
- November 16th – 2nd District Cabinet meeting location TBD
- December 7th – 3rd Council meeting – State Office
- December 15th - Speech and Hearing Luncheon
- January 17-18 2025 - Mid-Winter Conference
- January 19 - 4th Council Meeting
- February 1, 2025 - 3rd District Cabinet meeting location TBD
- February 28-March 1st - District Convention Huntington University
- April 25-26 MD25 - Indiana Lions State Convention – Shippshewana
- April 25,27 – 5th Council Meeting
- June 7 – Pre-Council Meeting

This may seem like a lot of dates to throw out there, but they'll be here before we know it. Please plan to attend the Mid-Winter conference, District Convention and State Convention at a

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minimum. It's a great way to grow in Lions knowledge and fellowship, AND it's FUN!

PORTAL UPDATE

During the USA Canada Leadership Forum there was a session toward the end with the IT group where we were able to point out some problems we were all having with the portal. As your DG, I can't begin to express my frustration when trying to access information that used to be very simple to get. I'll admit that I'm fumbling around in the portal, but getting a little better at it. The IT folks were taking notes and trying to quickly solve issues, but weren't able to figure everything out. They are working on it, and are figuring out how to perform the functions we were all comfortable with. Bottom line is **BE PATIENT**, they are working on it. Don't forget to also check out YouTube for portal How-To's I've found a couple useful videos there, also.

As a quick reminder, Our Goal is to add 135 new Lions and 3 Clubs this year to turn our district around. If your friends aren't all Lions, please ask them to join!

We Serve!

DG Jim Bush

BONUS CONTENT – QUOTES FROM MAHATMA GANDHI

- ◆ The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.
- ◆ First they ignore you, then they laugh at you, then they fight you, then you win.
- ◆ Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.
- ◆ The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong.
- ◆ You must be the change you wish to see in the world.
- ◆ Anger and intolerance are the enemies of correct understanding.
- ◆ A man is but the product of his thoughts and what he thinks he becomes
- ◆ It is health that is real wealth and not pieces of gold and silver.
- ◆ In a gentle way, you can shake the world.

FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S PAGE

Hello Fellow Lions,

With all of the new members our clubs have joining, take time during your meetings to have a question and answer period. The new members have questions about different things regarding Lions and they need to learn as much as they can.

Remember to go over the Code of Ethics with your members. Talk about them and ask yourself are you fulfilling them?

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 toward 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 obligation as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, as to give the 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. Remember when you are out and about in the community

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representing Lions, be sure you represent them in a proper manner. You do not want to do anything that would reflect on Lions in a negative way. Be proud to be a Lion and represent the organization with pride.

1st VDG Pam Arnold




We Serve

**MONROEVILLE
LIONS CLUB**

Pulled Pork Dinner
Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, & Bun

\$10.00 *per dinner*

**Sunday, October 20
11 a.m. until gone**

Drive-thru Only
Monroeville Fire Station
205 W. South Street
Monroeville, IN

Pork prepared by Doc's BBQ

A fundraiser to benefit
Honor Flight Northeast Indiana

LCIF UPDATES

Happy October all!

As we enter the time when there's likely to be some frost on the pumpkins, I can't help but think back to trick or treating, bonfires, hayrides and of course apple cider. This part of the year has got to be my favorite, even though it represents the end of warm, and the start of cooler weather and shorter days. This is a time when many of our Lions are taking part in fall festivals of all sizes, catering mostly to children. These children are the motivation for many of us being Lions, and the hope for a better world in the future. It's a joy to serve them and see the smiles on their young faces as we provide activities and treats as they celebrate the season. With some luck, these are the days they'll look on fondly as they grow into adulthood. Maybe, they'll even remember the Lions were there helping them celebrate and desire to serve as Lions when they're adults.

As Lions, this year, our International President has challenged us to "Make Your Mark". This can mean a lot of things to different people, but one way to make our mark is through your individual contribution to OUR FOUNDATION, LCIF. Even a small contribution to LCIF can make a lasting mark on a person in need, and, while you may never meet them, there's a feeling of satisfaction in knowing that your donation is making a difference in a life or lives in a place with extreme needs. In addition to knowing I'm helping someone in need, I feel better that 100% of my donation goes where it's needed without being taxed by administrative overhead.

There are several ways you can participate in LCIF donations, there are QR codes you can take a picture of, you can look on the Lions Portal and find information on setting up a one time or recurring donation for an amount of your choosing. As a recognition of your gift, you can receive an exclusive President's supporter pin with different pins for different levels of donation. Also, you will receive credit toward a Melvin Jones Fellowship. Also, LCIF has started a Lions Legacy Society which recognizes donors that have made LCIF

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part of their estate planning, Talk about Making your Mark, if you so desire, you can continue to have an impact even after you've aged out of Lions. I know all this is deeply personal and you may have questions that you'd like answered. Soon, I plan to host a District and Multiple District Informational zoom meeting with the Lions International expert in this area to inform and follow up with individual sessions if you'd like to ask more question or move forward with a gift. Look for more information in November's Newsletter and during club visits.

There is a new Lions Legacy Society video on YouTube

at:<https://youtu.be/gmuGeOIyeww>
si=FD9TcXtcOJRt97rf

DC Jim

LCIF Coordinator

INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY

Things are still changing with the LCI Portal. But here are some recommendations to make it easier to navigate. One is that as you first go into the Portal you simply check out the various areas on the site. Another is that as you navigate to the area you wish to use that you list the steps you have taken. For example, if as secretary you wish to print out your club attendance roster here are the steps:

1. Log into the Portal
2. Select MyClub
3. On the right side select Club Actions
4. Select View Reports
5. On the pull-down menu select Attendance Report
6. Using the right-hand button of your mouse click on the report
7. Select Print

If you are still having problems, contact your district IT Chair or district administrator. If they can't help, then call or e-mail support at LCI. Support and the Technology teams are working on several improvements to the portal and doing updates constantly. They are aware of some of the problems regarding accessing reports and exporting the information. Hopefully these will be resolved soon. I was informed at the USA/Canada Forum that Technology hopes to publish a set of instructions on how to do various reports and action on the portal soon. Watch for these to show up in the Announcements on the portal home page.

We still have a few clubs who have no officers listed for this Lion year. Please check on them and have your district administrator report their officers for them.

Now for some basic protocols for e-mails and text messages. Please be concise and clear in your messages. Also, ask yourself if an e-mail or text is needed or if a phone call or face-to-face would be more productive. If you are sending a group text or e-mail, make sure it is only going to those who need to see it. When replying to a group e-mail or text, only reply to the original

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The poster features a black and white striped border with a string of colorful pennants (red, yellow, blue, orange) at the top. At the top center is the Lions International logo. Below it, the text reads: **TRI-LAKES LIONS CLUB**, **GARAGE/BAKE SALE**, **Friday, October 4 9AM-4PM**, **Saturday, October 5 9AM-2PM**, and **2935 E Colony Av, Columbia City**. At the bottom left is the Terri Lynn logo, and at the bottom right, it says: **Terri Lynn premium nuts, gourmet confections and savory snacks will also be available for sale.**

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sender unless your response needs to be seen by others. Many group e-mails will go to the receiver's junk/spam folder. Please be checking your spam folders at least once a day for these group e-mails. E-mails should have a greeting, a body and a signature. Do not assume that if you send a text message the recipient will recognize your phone number. Identify yourself.

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HAMILTON LIONS CLUB

Summer went by so fast and Fall is upon us. In July for our meeting program we learned more about home health care needs throughout the community from Jody Hill of Home Sweet Home Senior care

In August we were honored to have District Governor Jim Bush bring us up to speed on his goals and plans. A delicious potluck was shared.

August 24 the Hamilton Lions Club prepared and served the community Pancake and Sausage Breakfast at Summerfest. This is a freewill donation to benefit the Boomerang Backpack Program for Hamilton School. The breakfast is held annually at the Hamilton Fire Department. It was very well attended and successful.

Our September meeting we learned more about the CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) program for children in our community from Elizabeth Gilbert. This allows children to have an advocate and a voice in the court system for all situations that may arise regarding abuse or neglect, etc.

On September 12 the Hamilton Lions Club Charity presented a check to the Hamilton Fire Department for \$500 to assist with fundraising for fire equipment.

Our annual raffle ticket sales are wrapping up to fund our programs.

We are about to move into fruit/gift pack sales as our next fundraising project. We are looking forward to our next season of planning for what we can do for our community!

HERITAGE LIONS CLUB

The Hoagland Fire/EMS made a very interesting 45-minute presentation to the Heritage Lions Tuesday night meeting. They brought two battery-powered extrication tools to show: a spreader and a "jaws of life" cutter, used in getting people out of crashed cars. Volunteers Dale Rosene and Tony Bradtmueller explained how they use the extrication tools for auto accidents and fires. They also brought a compressed air tank that provides 45 minutes of breathable air and is worn when entering burning buildings. Volunteer Natalie Pierce demonstrated its use by strapping the air pack to her back. The department might bring several of these tanks to battle a fire. The department practiced using the tanks by wearing them while playing dodgeball. Volunteer Doug Yoder talked about the special radio he brought that uses encryption for communicating with all the other fire departments in Allen County.

There was a thorough discussion of how the Hoagland Fire/EMS gets their funding, on their future needs, and on the future of volunteer fire and EMS in the county.

The Heritage Lions encourage the community to enthusiastically support your Hoagland Fire/EMS. These volunteers have dedicated their lives to protect our lives. The Heritage Lions recently donated \$750 to the Hoagland fire/EMS. Contribute what you can during their fundraisers. Our community is stronger and safer because of their selfless dedication.





ARCOLA LIONS CLUB 75th Anniversary

Friday, November 8, 2024

Dinner at 6:00

At the
**VETERANS NATIONAL
MEMORIAL SHRINE & MUSEUM
2122 O'DAY ROAD
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA**

Museum will be open at 5 pm to tour before dinner.

Cost is \$25 per Person

Dinner to be · Grilled Chicken Breast · With Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans
w/ Bacon & Red Onion, Dinner Salad, Drinks and Cake

RSVP By October 21st to ;

Lion Bill Brumbaugh
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260.244.5361 biljoy@maplenet.net

Please make checks payable to ARCOLA LIONS CLUB

Club Name _____

Lion Names _____, _____, _____, _____, _____

Spouse Names _____, _____, _____, _____, _____

Number of Reservations _____ @ \$25 each, Total Amount Enclosed _____



DISTRICT B AND DG JIM'S CALENDAR OCTOBER 2024



Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

		1	2 Angola Lions Club O/V 	3 Stroh Lions Club O/V 	4 2nd Council Meeting Middlebury 	5 2nd Council Meeting Middlebury
6	7 Kendallville Lions Club O/V 	8	9	10	11 PDG Week-end	12 PDG Week-end
13	14 Cedar Creek Lions Club O/V 	15 Pleasant Lake Lions Club O/V 	16	17 Decatur and Union Township Lions Clubs O/V 	18	19
20 	21 Monroe Lions Club O/V 	22	23	24	25	26 Roanoke Trunk or Treat in the Park 
27	28 Waterloo Lions Club O/V 	29	30	31 Halloween 		

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Hello
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