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THE DOMINO EFFECT



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR COLUMN

Dear Fellow Lions,

I understand completely now why Lions from District 25B say that the “B” stands for “the Best.” As I have traveled across my District, I have met the nicest, kindest, friendliest Lions! Everyone has gone out of the way to make me feel special.

The potlucks have all been so delicious! District B definitely has the finest, best cooks who serve up meals that are so yummy! I am surprised that after those potlucks I am still able to talk about “The Domino Effect.”

Each club has made me feel so welcome and so appreciated. It is no surprise that you bring in new members, because who wouldn’t want to spend some free time with all of you!

I look at the future of District 25B, and I can only see more Great happenings for all of You! So, you need to “toot your horns, tell others to join, and see for themselves the “Best” in all of YOU!”

Here’s to 2023, the Best is yet to Be in District 25B! Invite others to come & see for themselves that District B is the Very Best that it can be!

District Governor Sandy

IMPORTANT DATES IN OUR DISTRICT

Please mark your calendars with these important dates in our district.

January 7th: District Cabinet Meeting 3, Peabody Library Basement, Columbia City, IN

January 22nd: Midwinter Conference, Indy

March 25th: District 25B Convention, Bluffton, IN, at First Church of Christ, on Spring Street, West of CBS

May 20th: District Cabinet Meeting 4, Kendallville American Legion 2, Kendallville, IN

FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

By: FVDG Terry Marker.

We are basically half way through the year, and now go into the coldest time of year and possibly the least active. I hope that the clubs had a good holiday time and those selling fruit had a profitable year.

Mid-winter Conference will be this month and I hope to see many of you there. It is a wonderful time of fellowship and learning.

As of November, we have added 45 new members. Kudos to those clubs that are working to grow. We still have far too many clubs who have not reported service activities for over 24 months. If your secretary is having trouble please contact PDG Roger Cash for help.

Not only do we have Mid-Winter conference, it would be great to see every club represented at the District Holiday Fund Raiser on Jan. 14, 2023 at the New Haven Community Center, 7500 SR 930 East. It starts at 6:00 PM. It's a fun time of games, fellowship and food.

Wishing you a great New Year.

LION SPEECH & HEARING SCHOLARSHIP

On December 4th, Haley Matthias, a grad student, was granted a \$500 scholarship for her to do a Ball State University Research Project in Audiology.



Haley is shown with District 25B Lion FVDG Terry Marker and District 25B Lion SVDG James Bush.

(Photo by PID Linda Tincher)

3RD CABINET MEETING

WHAT: District 25B Cabinet Meeting

WHEN: [January 7](#), 2023

WHERE: Peabody Library Basement

Columbia City, IN

Doors Open at 9:00 A.M.

Registration will begin at about 9:10

PDG Meeting at 9:15 A.M.

Call to order will begin at 9:30 A.M.

WHO: Open to ALL Lions & guests.

All Lions Club Presidents and Secretaries ARE expected to attend.

Zone Chairs, Trustees, and Cabinet Positions are also expected to attend.

If Project Chairs have anything to share, time will be allotted for this.

If you have a report but cannot attend,

please send report to:

DG Sandy Zeigler

1121 Ridgewood Lane

Bluffton, IN 46714

Please bring a gift for a door prize! Thanks!

There will be a 50/50 Drawing to Benefit

"Leader Dogs for the Blind."

Doughnuts, coffee, and water will be provided.

JANUARY 7TH CABINET MEETING

Looking back at the last time I arranged a cabinet meeting at this location it may be helpful to include the following:

Peabody Public Library in Columbia City

1160 East Highway 205 (SW of US 30 & Parkview)

Building opens at 9 am, call to Order at 9:30

Meeting is on lower level. You can park in front and take the stairs or elevator.

Or you can park at the end of the building and take the walk to the lower level door.

Let me know if you have questions.

Lion Kevin McDermit, ZC

Arcola Lions Club

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SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

By: SVDG Jim Bush

As this year comes to an end you are no doubt reflecting on your accomplishments over the last 12 months. As Lions, we have many opportunities to serve our communities and the world, and we can't help but track the numbers. What brought you the most joy in the last year? What did you struggle with? What did you do well, and what could you have done better? What will you do differently next year? All good things to consider, but no matter what the answers are, there are no doubt many members of your community that you've impacted. As we finish up the year continue your faithful service and know that you are helping those in need wherever they may be.



Justin Barry Cooks Hot Dogs



Dick Lindaas Serves Happy Customers

Continued from previous column

On December 2nd, Roanoke Lions participated in the Parade of light event in downtown Roanoke serving those in attendance nearly 300 free hot dogs, chips and bottled water. It was a great day to be a Lion as families enjoyed the parade and had an opportunity to share their Christmas with Santa who arrived by fire truck. While there wasn't a charge for anything, families that felt the need to donate were able to place donations in the bucket for the Salvation Army. Nearly \$300.00 was raised and a good time was had by all.



Crowd anticipates Santa's arrival



Santa Arrives!

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MD25 LCIF NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Hello Lions All,

LCIF has approved all the District Coordinators. Congratulations to the following LCIF District Coordinators.

District A – PDG Patty Cooke & PDG Randy Greer

District B – PDG Terry Marker & 2VDC James Bush

District C – Lion Karen McKellar

District D - PDG Steve Holtzleiter & PDG Mike Imbler

District E – Lion Laura Davis, PDG Kenny Williams

District F – Lion Charlie Coombs & PDG Ken Faulkner

District G – Lion Jackie Kurley & IPDG Marlyn Fast

Since Campaign 100 is over what are we going to do now? LCIF raised approximately \$326 million since 2019 when the campaign began. Thank you if you contributed. But did you know that LCIF gave \$35 million in grants in 2022? 10% of what was raised during campaign 100 is now gone, in 10 years it could all be gone. LCIF has tasked all of Constitutional Area 1 to raise \$50 million. In Indiana, our goal this year is \$216,750 which is \$25.50 per member for the year or \$2.13 per month. Please donate if you can.

LCIF will have a table at Mid-Winter Conference, (January 20th & 21st) and I am sure we will have something to raffle along with much information on LCIF. Register and come see us. The District Coordinators are also working on a raffle item or two for the State Convention, May 12th through 14th.

Respectfully Submitted,

PDG Ken Faulkner,
MD25 LCIF Chair,
317-847-7884



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

INDIANA DISTINGUISHED LION

The Indiana Lions foundation is accepting nominations for the distinguished Lion of the Year. The winner will be recognized at the State Convention.

The nominations must be in by midnight January 31st!.



The criteria and nomination form can be found at indinalionsfoundationmd25.org.

Nearly every Lions Club in the State will have someone eligible for this award. All those who are nominated will be recognized at the State Convention!



**25B HOLIDAY SOCIAL
&
IN LIONS SPEECH AND HEARING
FUNDRAISER**

Saturday, January 14

6:00 – 8:00 pm

New Haven Community Center

7500 SR 930 East

Food, Fun, Fellowship

Open to all Lions and guests

Cost: \$10 per person

This is how it will work. Bring a wrapped gift (no gag gifts) to be auctioned off. You must bring a gift to buy a gift. We will eat at 6:15 with the auction immediately following the meal. After items have been auctioned off, everyone will open their gifts. We will go around and have everyone show what they bought. At this time, anyone that wants to “steal” the gift may play a steal card bought prior to the auction. Steal cards are \$5 each and you may only purchase a maximum of two. Gifts may be stolen as many times as you want.

All proceeds from the gift auction will be a District donation to the Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing Project.

Pre-registration and payment are required. Registrations need to be postmarked by January 9. Bring a carload from your club, your cash or checkbook and have a great evening of fun!!!



**LCIF HOLIDAY
FUNDRAISER
DINNER**

January 14, 2023

At

**NEW HAVEN PARKS AND
RECREATION BUILDING**

6:00 PM

\$25.00 PER PERSON

**(\$10.00 FOR THE MEAL & \$15.00 TO
LCIF IN YOUR NAME)**

**We are asking everyone to bring a
gift to be auctioned off**

***Come on out for a night of Food, Fun,
and Fellowship.***

Put on by your LCIF COORDINATORS.

Please reserve by January 8, 2023

Please Reserve _____ Dinners at
\$25.00 each (\$10.00 Dinner/\$15.00 for
LCIF in you name.)

Amount enclosed: \$_____ Make
check payable to District 25 B Lions Clubs

CLUB _____

TITLE /NAME _____

TITLE /NAME _____

TITLE /NAME _____

TITLE /NAME _____

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AROUND THE DISTRICT



The Howe Lions Club and members of the community put up the [Christmas](#) lights in the village of Howe on Dec. 2. Also thanks to the REMC Electric Co. with their helpers and trucks to help get this job done.

Angola Lions Club President James Tew, right, presents Lion Tim Crooks with his 20-year chevron at the club's annual [Christmas](#) party on Dec. 7 at Sutton's Deli in Angola. Club members enjoyed a wonderful dinner and music by Above the Fold.



At our Dec. 12th [Christmas](#) party, PDG Don Cooper presented a Melvin Jones Award to Lion Pres. Dennis Stoll. This is the highest award a Lion can be awarded and Lion Pres. Dennis was praised for his years of service to the New Haven Lions.

PCC Herb Gaff and Zone Chair Kevin McDermit were guests at the South Whitley Lions Club's Christmas dinner on Tuesday, [December 6th](#). PCC Herb congratulated South Whitley Lion Albert Germann on his 64 years of Lionism



AROUND THE DISTRICT CONTINUED



Kendallville Lion Greg Krueckeberg and 21 others rang the Salvation Army bell at Kroger to encourage giving to Common Grace for Noble County residents.

Kendallville Lions, left to right, Harold Sollenberger, Tony Blomeke, John Clifton, and Dave Desper, unload Albright hams at Shepherd's GMC garage.

The Kendallville [Christmas](#) Bureau will box them with other goodies and deliver to local families.



The Heritage Lions held a Christmas dinner for members, spouses and guests on [December 13](#) at the Hoagland Community Center. After the meal, Lion Jack Clear led the filling of [Christmas](#) goody bags for local shut-ins. Individual Heritage Lions members will personally deliver these bags and visit with the recipients.

48 bags, each destined for a specific person or couple, were filled with summer sausage, crackers, and many other snack items. Money for the snacks or the snacks themselves were provided by Meijer, Darlington Farms, Thrivent, and Nolan's Repair. Children from the St. John Emanuel 4th grade class decorated the bags.

TAKING THE PLUNGE

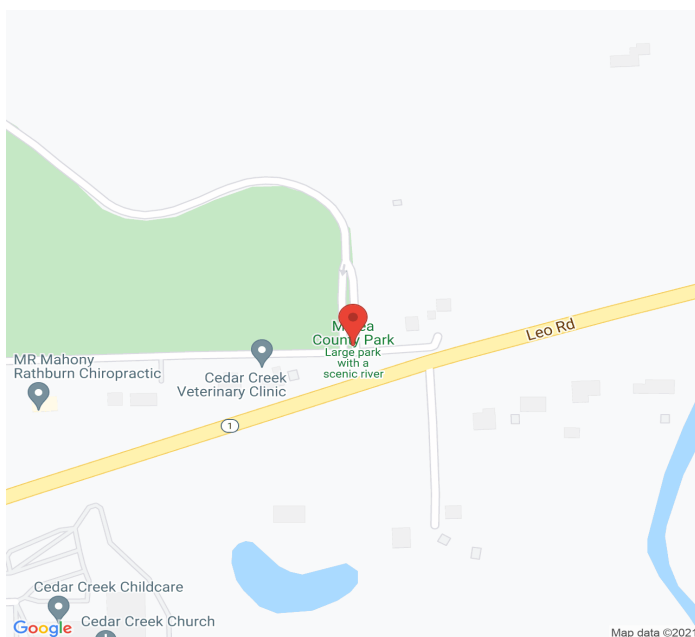
Shared by: DG Sandy Zeigler

Subject: 2023 Polar Plunge registration is now open This was sent to me. If you are thinking of taking the plunge, so sorry, but I will NOT be participating. Number 1, I appreciate Lions taking this plunge as an act of support for Special Olympics. Number 2, I don't swim at all. Number 3, I don't like being cold.

Find a Polar Plunge Happening Near You

Metea County Park
8401 Union Chapel Rd.
Fort Wayne, IN 46845

Scott Furnish
sfurnish@soindiana.org



Special thanks to our event sponsors!



Ft. Wayne • Saturday, Feb. 11

Organized annually by a dedicated team of Special Olympics volunteers and supporters in northeast Indiana, our *#FtWaynePlunge* invites members of the local community to Be Bold, Get Cold again this winter at Metea County Park Lake!

REGISTRATION

10:30 AM - 1:00 PM | Metea County Park Nature Center



NECESSARY STEPS

By: DG Sandy Zeigler

For one year I watched and participated as Lion IPDG/PCC Jerry did his official visits, because I was his FVDG, which stands for First Vice District Governor. Except for my excused absences, because of my two surgeries, I was right there with him meeting all of you. I had the pleasure of having that extra year of traveling across Lions District 25B with him. It was my idea to do “it,” together. I accompanied Lion PCC Jerry as he traveled for the year’s training sessions in Indianapolis, because as a First Vice District Governor, I needed that Lions training, too.

In addition to the Indianapolis training, I had zoom meetings with Lions from all over the world. During those 2 to 3 hour long zoom meetings, we were brainstorming with other Lions Club members. I had homework preparation to complete between sessions. In the meetings, we had break out sessions when we would problem solve with 4 or 5 other Lions from all over the world. In my Group 22, two other Lions were from Indiana; but, of course, not from my district. We had one Lion from Pennsylvania, three from India, two from Canada, an islander from Bermuda, one Lion from Ukraine, and one was from the Czech Republic. It was fun sharing insights with the other Lions, but it was also intense hard work doing all of the thick workbook assignments. We had one workbook that we had to complete as pre-assignments before the zoom classes even started. It was strenuous, but it offered the preparation needed to be able to address the various situations that arise as Lions.

When Lion PCC Jerry and I attended the Lions International Convention in Montreal, Canada, I still had additional training sessions to complete there in Canada with my Group 22 members. This was the first in-person lessons that I had with this Group 22. How gratifying it was to see these International Lions in person!

On one night of the International Convention, there was a formal dinner. Each of the various training groups were seated together at round tables. Even though we had language barriers, especially with the Lions couple from the Czech Republic and the Lions couple from Ukraine, it was so much fun being together in person.



I am on the far right; then my husband, Lion PCC Jerry Zeigler; in the black jacket with the black tie is the Lion from the Czech Republic with his wife, standing are Lions from India, then seated in front of them was the couple from Ukraine.

Before a Lion can train to become a District Governor, that person has to be a Zone or Region Chair. Zone Chairs are over a section or a zone of clubs from their District. My district, 25B, is divided into 8 zones.

I am still needing Zone Chairs for Zone A and Zone E, each has 6 clubs. Expectations of a Zone Chair include visiting each club in their zone preferably twice. I personally loved being a Zone Chair. I loved

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NECESSARY STEPS CONTINUED

visiting the clubs in my zone. After each club visit, a one page assessment of the visit is to be completed and mailed to the District Governor. Booklets are available from Lions International that explain and help to train Zone Chairs.

Before a Lion can be appointed as a Zone Chair that person has to have been the President of a Lions Club. Each club position has training available through Lions International, which I highly recommend.

Several years ago, a hierarchy for Lions Clubs was suggested, similar to what happens at the District Governor's level. There is a Club's Second Vice President. That person moves up the following year to become the club's First Vice President, and then the following year this person becomes the President of their club. Ideally, this operates with each level being held for one year.

As you probably know, not all Lions Clubs use this. Some Lions Clubs have the same person as their President for many years. This can be due to a lack of others' interest in becoming President, and then, too, not everyone wants that additional responsibility. Pushing leadership onto others can be a reason for Lions members dropping out of the Lions Clubs. Not everyone wants to be in a leadership role.

4 times a year, all 7 of the District Governors, plus the 7 FVDGs, and the 6 SVDGs from all over Indiana get together to share what is going on in the different districts and the different committees. That time is also used for additional training. One Indiana District lacks a Second Vice District Governor which is why I listed 6 SVDGs.

All of the District Governors have accepted additional responsibilities within our council. Together, all of the District Governors are called a council. For example, I chose to be on the gift and present selection with DG Linda Scott. We had so much fun deciding on the Christmas gifts for our Lions State Council Chair, the Lions State Comptroller, and for the Lions State Secretary.

Starting at 10 years of membership, chevrons are awarded to Lions Club members. After 10 years, the chevrons increase by increments of 5 years. As a District Governor, I present these chevrons to my District's deserving Lions at official visits, cabinet meetings, and/or my District Convention. Not all chevrons could be passed out at my official visits, because my visits started before the chevrons had been received in my mail. Along with each chevron is a letter acknowledging the person and the years of Lionism. When these arrived, it was my responsibility as the District Governor to attach/staple the little tiny bag with the chevron onto the letter of the person earning it. I was sent 150 chevrons for the entire 2022-2023 fiscal year.

I just earned my own chevron pin for this being my 30th year as a Lion. This is Lion PCC Jerry's 56th year as a Lion. PCC means that Lion Jerry is a Lions Past Council Chair. A Lions Council Chair is chosen to be over the next incoming Lions District Governors. Last year, Lion PCC Jerry earned his 55th year chevron. As I explained, this year Lion PCC Jerry will not get a new chevron.

Another responsibility of a District Governor is the monthly newsletter. As I travel, I have appointed Lion PCC Jerry the responsibility of taking the pictures. These are the pictures that accompany my articles. On the even numbered months, like December being the twelfth month and February the second month, I also am responsible for the District B page of the Hoosier Lion. Last month, December, I wrote the article, "The Man on My Left," in the "Hoosier Lion." If you have not read it, take time to do so. It explains how I became a Lion.



2022-2023 COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 4, 2022 AT CARMEL, INDIANA

By: Lion DG Sandy Zeigler



Lion DG Sandy is opening her gift from Lion Council Chair Scott Smith.



Lion DG Sandy's smile shows how much she liked her Lions etched mug!



Lion DG Linda Scott & Lion DG Sandy head up the "Gift & Present Committee."



Gifts were awarded to Lions Council Chair Scott Smith, in the green sweater; Lions State Secretary Sue Toft, in the center; and Lions State Comptroller Robert Yunker in the dark suit.



Opening their boxes, they found wood with removable slate Charcuterie boards. Each also received a \$50 VISA Gift Card.

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2022-2023 COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY CONTINUES



Lion DG Sandy is explaining how Lion DG Linda & DG Sandy had thought that they were buying everyone a gift. With clarification from Lion Council Chair Scott, they learned that they were buying just three gifts.



Lion Council Chair Scott had everyone line up for the "Ugly Sweater Contest."



Some of the men in their sweaters.

The Lovely Lion Ladies, along the wall, in their sweaters and outfits.



Lion FVDG Terry Marker's Sweater had a Sumo Wrestler



The Lion Lady Winner was Lion Lady Vicky Hrady; and the Lion Male Winner was Lion Council Chair Scott Smith.



Everyone had a fun time.

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LEADER DOG NEWS FOR LIONS

January 2023

TITLE: MEET FUTURE LEADER DOGS FOREST & JENNY

Thanks to a grant from the Gary Sinise Foundation, veterans and first responders benefit. Pictured below are one yellow and one black, Labrador retrievers sitting, looking at the camera with "Future Leader Dog" bandanas around their necks.

On National Assistance Dog Day, the Gary Sinise Foundation announced a \$350,000 grant to Leader Dogs for the Blind to support our service of veterans, defenders and first responders who are blind or visually impaired with highly skilled guide dogs.

"The Gary Sinise Foundation is proud to expand our efforts of support to our nation's veterans, defenders and first responders, specifically those experiencing blindness or vision loss," said Mike Thirtle, CEO of the Gary Sinise Foundation. "Through our partnership with Leader Dogs for the Blind, several Leader Dogs will be raised and trained to assist those we serve, helping them to regain their freedom and independence. And for all they have sacrificed for our country and communities, as our Founder Gary Sinise would say, 'we can always do a little more.'"

"The support of the Gary Sinise Foundation will directly help veterans and first responders who are blind, visually impaired or Deafblind," said Lion Susan Daniels, CEO of Leader Dogs for the Blind. "The impact of working with a guide dog reaches beyond the recipient to their family, friends and community. As each recipients' self-confidence and travel skills grow, so does their family's comfort knowing their loved one is safe and traveling independently with their Leader Dog by their side."

Title: Seven Puppies to Be Sponsored by the GSF



Referring to the same photo above

On the left is Future Leader Dog Forrest, a yellow Labrador retriever named for the main character in the movie Forrest Gump, which co-starred Gary Sinise as Lieutenant Dan Taylor. Future Leader Dog Forrest is the first of seven Leader Dog puppies that will be sponsored by the Gary Sinise Foundation.

Pictured on the right is Future Leader Dog Jenny, a black Labrador retriever named for the main female character in Forrest Gump. Future Leader Dog Jenny is the second of

seven Leader Dog puppies they will sponsor over the next two years.

As part of the grant, the Gary Sinise Foundation is sponsoring seven Future Leader Dogs. The first two puppies are Labrador retriever siblings who will be raised by the Fisher family and Linda and Tony Gimble. The Fishers are very experienced, having raised 10 Leader Dog puppies in the past. "When we heard that the Gary Sinise Foundation was sponsoring puppies, we immediately wanted to be a part of the partnership," said Laura Fisher. "My husband, Paul, is an Army veteran and I work for Leader Dog. It's like raising one of these special puppies in our home was meant to be."

This will be the 23rd puppy that Linda and Tony Gimble of Moline, IL have raised. "We are already great supporters of Leader Dogs for the Blind and to be able to raise a puppy sponsored by the Gary Sinise Foundation just makes this more special to us," said Linda Gimble. "Our son retired after 20 years in the Air Force, and this is a way for our family to honor his service and the service of millions of others like him."

Bottom of the page are the following taglines.

Be of Service

Website: Leaderdog.org/lions

Follow the Leader and the icons for Facebook, Twitter and Instagram

The Lions logo with the tagline "In every Leader Dog lies the heart of a Lion"

A leader Dog partner since 1939

WELCOME TO FINDING NEW IDEAS FOR SERVICE AND FUNDRAISERS

Covid has affected many things in our lives. It has affected our Lions Clubs. We must not only figure out what our communities need, but we must figure out how to do them safely as well. Not only that, but we must figure out how to involve ALL age groups and different levels of activity. Our younger members are ready to DO things, but often don't care for planning or ordering of supplies. To do a successful service project or fundraiser both are NEEDED and Everyone must feel that they are.

Helping others

Helping to improve their community

Gaining something

which might be helping to strengthen a resume/college applic
meeting new friends

Service Projects present a way to gain work experience and learn more.

All projects need money – thus fundraising is important. Projects can be:

Reoccurring or one time

Conducted by a club/individual or partner with a company/organization

ALL have an IMPACT – for a specific group of people or area, even if it's just someone passing through and area and noticing how nice the area is!

General Ideas

Online sales: Terri Lynn Nuts/ or Flower Power

Cleaning up old bricks from old school etc, selling, making a special patio area

- Donate or raise money for your local Red Cross
- Organize a community blood drive
- Send cards to soldiers serving overseas
- For your next birthday, ask for charitable donations instead of gifts
- Hold a bake sale for your favorite charity
- Read books or letters to a person who is visually impaired
- Organize a wheelchair basketball team
- Participate in a charity race
- Organize an event or parade for Memorial Day
- Volunteer to help at a charity auction
- Participate in National Youth Service Day in April
- Contact a tree farm about donating Christmas trees to nursing homes, hospitals, or to families who can't afford to buy their own
- Collect unused makeup and perfume to donate to a center for abused women
- Help register people to vote
- Organize a car wash and donate the profits to charity
- Help deliver meals and gifts to patients at a local hospital

Write articles / give speeches advocating financial literacy. First you should learn about the topics themselves, like [calculating housing costs](#), or [understanding personal loans](#), and then give presentations on these topics.

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WELCOME TO FINDING NEW IDEAS FOR SERVICE AND FUNDRAISERS CONTINUED

Helping Children and Schools

- Tutor children during or after school

Donate [stuffed animals](#) to children in hospitals

- Organize games and activities for children in hospitals or who are visiting hospitalized relatives

[Knit](#) or [crochet](#) baby blankets to be donated to hospitals or homeless shelters

- Collect baby clothes and supplies to donate to new parents

- Organize a Special Olympics event for children and teenagers

Sponsor a bike-a-thon and give away bike safety gear, like [helmets](#) and [knee pads](#), as prizes

- Collect used sports equipment to donate to families and after-school programs

- Volunteer at a summer camp for children who have lost a parent

- Sponsor a child living in a foreign country, either on your own or as part of a group

- Coach a youth sports team

- Put on performances for children in hospitals

- Give free music lessons to schoolchildren

- Become a volunteer teen crisis counselor

- Organize a summer reading program to encourage kids to read

Organize an [Easter egg hunt](#) for neighborhood children

- Create a new game for children to play

- Organize events to help new students make friends

- Babysit children during a PTA meeting

- Organize a reading hour for children at a local school or library

- Donate used children's books to a school library

Work with the local [health](#) department to set up an immunization day or clinic to immunize children against childhood diseases

Volunteer to help with Vacation Bible School or other religious camps



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WELCOME TO FINDING NEW IDEAS FOR SERVICE AND FUNDRAISERS CONTINUED

Helping Senior Citizens

- Read to residents at a nursing home
- Deliver groceries and meals to elderly neighbors
- Teach computer skills to the elderly
- Drive seniors to doctor appointments
- Mow an elderly neighbor's lawn

Host a [bingo night](#) for nursing home residents

- Host a holiday meal for senior citizens

Make [birthday cards](#) for the elderly

- Donate and decorate a Christmas tree at a nursing home
- Organize a family day for residents of a retirement home and relatives to play games together
- Ask residents of a retirement home to tell you about their lives
- Pick up medicine for an elderly neighbor
- Perform a concert or play at a senior center
- Help elderly neighbors clean their homes and organize their belongings
- Rake leaves, shovel snow, or wash windows for a senior citizen
- Deliver cookies to a homebound senior citizen

hat skills can be gained

- Take care of cats and dogs at an animal shelter
- Clean up a local park
- Raise money to provide a bulletproof vest for a police dog
- Plant a tree for Arbor Day

Place a [bird feeder](#) and [bird fountain](#) in your backyard

- Start a butterfly garden in your community
- Sponsor a recycling contest
- Grow flowers in your backyard then give bouquets to hospital patients or people who are housebound
- Help create a new walking trail at a nature center or park
- Update the signs along a nature trail
- Adopt an acre of rainforest
- Help train service dogs
- Participate in the cleanup of a local river, pond, or lake
- Foster animals that shelters don't have space for
- Organize a spay and neuter your pet program
- Care for a neighbor's pet while they are away
- Sponsor an animal at your local zoo
- Train your pet to be a therapy animal and bring it to hospitals or nursing homes
- Build and set up a bird house
- Organize a carpool to reduce car emissions
- Campaign for more bike lanes in your town

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WELCOME TO FINDING NEW IDEAS FOR SERVICE AND FUNDRAISERS CONTINUED

Volunteer at a nature camp and teach kids about the environment

- Test the water quality of a lake or river near you

Plant native flowers or plants along highways



Helping the Hungry and/or Homeless

- Build a house with Habitat for Humanity
- Donate your old clothes
- Volunteer at a soup kitchen
- Donate old eyeglasses to an organization that collects that and distributes them to people in need
- Donate non-perishable food to a food bank
- Donate blankets to a homeless shelter
- Host a Thanksgiving dinner for people who may not be able to afford their own
- Offer to babysit or nanny for a family in need

Make "care kits" with [shampoo](#), [toothbrushes](#), [combs](#), etc. to donate to homeless shelters

- Prepare a home-cooked meal for the residents of a nearby homeless shelter
- Collect grocery coupons to give to a local food bank
- Help repair or paint a local homeless shelter
- Donate art supplies to kids in a homeless shelter
- Help organize and sort donations at a homeless shelter
- Babysit children while their parents look for jobs
- Become a Big Buddy for children at a homeless shelter
- Take homeless children on outings
- Bake a batch of cookies or loaf of bread and deliver it to a soup kitchen
- Build flower boxes for Habitat for Humanity houses
- Organize a winter clothes drive to collect coats, hats, scarves, and gloves to be donated

Make first aid kits for homeless shelters



2023 Indiana Lions 102nd State Convention



Hosted by District 25E

May 12,13,14, 2023

**Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center with special guests:
International President Brian Sheehan and Lion Lori**

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY APRIL 11, 2023

Courtyard by Marriott Convention Hotel (attached to Convention Center)

310 South College Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47401 (Free Parking available at Convention Center)

Room Rate: \$109.00 per night, plus tax, until April 11, 2023.

Call 1-812-335-8000 for Reservations and mention LIONS CLUB 2023 in making the reservation

Hyatt Place Hotel: 217 S. Kirkwood Avenue, \$119 per night w/ breakfast

Hyatt Hotel does charge for parking; 1 ½ block north of Convention Center & free parking Call 812-339-5950 and use block code LION for the reservation.

Come and visit several Lions project tables and related booths including a USA/Canada Forum apparel vendor. Friday Golf Outing to be at Stonecrest Golf Club – 18 holes at \$39. Meet in the hotel lobby.

Scooter rental is \$120 for Friday thru Sunday.

Friday, May 12th 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, MONROE COUNTY LIMESTONE PRESENTATION

Registration Form (one per person)

Register Online and pay with PayPal: www.indianalionsconvention.org

Deadline: All Registration Forms must be postmarked by April 30, 2023. Please print name/Lions Title as desired on name badge:

Name and Lion Title: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

District: _____ Club: _____ Email: _____

Is this your FIRST Indiana Lions State Convention (circle one) **Yes** **No** Attend the Friday morning Monroe

County Limestone Presentation (circle one) **Yes** **No**

Friday Evening BBQ Dinner at Monroe County Fairground Sponsored by Ellettsville Lions Club

Choose pulled pork: _____ or pulled chicken: _____ \$ 18.00= _____

Saturday Lunch: sandwich bar: chips, seasonal fresh fruit, pickle spear & drink

Choose warm beef & swiss sub w/ lettuce & tomato: _____

Or grilled ham & cheese on sourdough bread: _____ \$ 20.00 = _____

Saturday Night Banquet: Choose 1 Entrée below

Choose: citrus glazed pork chop _____ mushroom chopped steak _____ \$ 28.00 = _____

Sunday Brunch: fried chicken, scrambled eggs, fresh fruit, bacon, french toast \$ 20.00 = _____

Saturday Strides Walk T-shirt Size (S to 3XL, other) _____ \$ 18.00 = _____

2023 Indiana Convention Pin \$ 4.00 = _____

Scooter Rent (Friday thru Sunday) \$120.00 = _____

Total Registration Paid: \$ _____

Special dietary needs, list here: _____

Mail this Registration Form and Your Check, payable to

Indiana Lions State Convention 2023 to

CT Debbie Ellis, 8262 East Center Road, Sullivan, IN. 47882

Contact Info: 1-812-798-2096 or ellisdebbie259@gmail.com



DG SANDY AND DISTRICT B **CALENDAR** **JANUARY 2023**



Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

1	2 	3	4	5	6	7 Cabinet Meeting Peabody Library Columbia City 
8	9 Official Visit New Haven Club Coney Dog Cafe 5:30 to eat	10 Saint John's Lutheran Church Flatrock at 7:00	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Official Visit Bluffton-Home Club Milli's at 6:15 	18	19	20 	21 Midwinter Conference Indianapolis 
22 Council of Governors Indianapolis 	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



THE LIONS OF INDIANA
34TH MID-WINTER CONFERENCE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2023

CROWNE PLAZA INDIANAPOLIS AIRPORT
INDIANAPOLIS, IN

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Registration & Continental Breakfast	8:00 am – 9:00 am	Lunch - Buffet	11:30 am – 12:15 pm
Displays And Silent Auction	Open until 3:00 pm	Program and Keynote Speaker	12:15 pm – 1:15 pm
Opening Session	9:00 am – 9:30 am	Third Session Seminar	1:30 pm – 2:15 pm
First Session Seminar	9:45 am – 10:30 am	Fourth Session Seminar	2:30 pm – 3:15 pm
Second Session Seminar	10:45 am – 11:30 am	Afternoon Workshop	1:30 pm – 3:15 pm
Morning Workshop	9:45 am – 11:30 am	Closing Session	3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Official Conference Hotel – Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport Hotel

The location of the hotel is 2501 S. High School Road, Indianapolis, Indiana 46241.

TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 317-244-6861.

LIONS ROOM RATE IS \$118 PLUS APPLICABLE TAXES.

Specify your choice of a king room or room with two double beds.

Hotel Reservations must be made by 6:00 pm EST Tuesday, December 27, 2022.

Directions to Crowne Plaza: From the north via I-465 – Take I-465 to Exit 11 (Sam Jones Expressway). Turn right (to the west) on Sam Jones and be in left lane. Turn left at High School Road and the hotel is on your left.

From the south or Northbound I-465 – Take I-465 to Exit 11(Sam Jones Expressway). Turn left (to the west) on Sam Jones but keep to the left to High School Road. Turn left at High School Road and hotel is on your left.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Cancellations requested ten (10) days before the conference will receive full refunds, but cancellations requested after that date will not receive any refund. **Refunds will not be granted because of the weather.**

***NOTE: THE MID-WINTER CONFERENCE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE THOSE ATTENDING FOR THE FIRST TIME TO INDICATE WHO IS SPONSORING THEM TO ATTEND OR WHO HAS INFLUENCED THEM TO ATTEND THEIR FIRST MID-WINTER CONFERENCE. THERE IS A LINE ON THE REGISTRATION FORM FOR THIS INFORMATION.**

34TH MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

JANUARY 20, 2023

Make your plans now to join us at the Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport Hotel
for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship.

Menu: A plated dinner which will include: Cider Brined Grilled Pork Chop paired with a
Seared Chicken Breast, Scalloped Potatoes, Garlic Green Beans

Fresh Garden Salad,

Dessert, House Bread and Butter, Coffee and Tea

Price: \$ 30.00

Social Time: 6:00 P.M. **Dinner:** 6:30 P.M.

Friday Night Speaker Charlie Adams

Charlie Adams will present an entertaining and informative talk on people and stories from throughout the
Hoosier State!

SATURDAY CONFERENCE LUNCHEON

JANUARY 21, 2023

Menu: BACKYARD COOKOUT

Grilled Black Angus Burgers, All Beef Hot Dogs, Bratwurst with Sauerkraut, Bourbon Brisket, Baked Beans,
Corn Cobettes, Leaf Lettuce, Sliced Tomatoes, Sliced Red Onions, Pickles, and Assorted Condiments, Breads,
Orange Cream Sheet Cake and Chocolate Texas Sheet Cake, Coffee and Tea

TWO SERVICE PROJECTS!!

“Sock It To Me” – Bring new socks, gloves, mittens, scarves, knit hats and blankets to be collected and divided
among the district governors to distribute to needy people in their districts.

“Care-ing Cases” – Friday night after the dinner program, we will assemble first aid kits and toiletry kits using
cleaned hard eyeglass cases that our district governors will share with the needy people in their districts.

SATURDAY KEYNOTE SPEAKER

To Be Determined

BRANDON JOHNSON

REGISTRATION FORM

34th Annual Lions of Indiana Mid-Winter Conference

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2023

(Each Attendee Is Asked to Complete a Separate Form)

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION: \$45.00

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED OR EMAILED BY NOVEMBER 30, 2022

Registrations made after DECEMBER 1ST and ON-SITE REGISTRATION: \$55.00

Conference Registration with no meals included: \$25

Registration includes: morning coffee and pastries, Buffet Luncheon, use of hotel meeting rooms, Keynote Speaker fee and accommodations, printing and supplies.

To guarantee meal availability, Registration must be received by January 15, 2023

CANCELLATION POLICY: CANCELLATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO JANUARY 10, 2023. TO RECEIVE A REFUND. CANCELLATIONS REQUESTED AFTER THAT DATE WILL NOT RECEIVE ANY REFUND. REFUNDS WILL NOT BE GRANTED BECAUSE OF THE WEATHER

Seminars and Workshops will be filled on a first come, first served basis.
Send registrations early to assure getting the seminars of your choice.

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM AND CORRECT REMITTANCE TO: Lion Angie Crouch, 9051 Greystone Court, Indianapolis, IN 46234
mwam2893@gmail.com 317-518-4070

Make Checks Payable to: Lions of Indiana, Inc. OR

Card Type: [] VISA [] MC [] Discover Card#

Registration: () \$45.00 **early-bird**; () \$55.00- Dec. 1 - Onsite () \$30.00 Friday Dinner () \$25.00 Conference Only
= Total Amount Due per Registration _____

Review the Seminars offered and note the session time each seminar will be offered. Please circle your selections for each session to help us plan sufficient seating and handouts for each seminar.

9:45 – 10:30	Seminar Session 1	1	2	3
10:45 - 11:30	Seminar Session 2	4	5	6
1:30 – 2:15	Seminar Session 3	7	8	9
2:30 – 3:15	Seminar Session 4	10	11	12
9:45-11:30	Morning Workshop	Session 1		
1:30 – 3:15	Afternoon Workshop	Session 2		

DG Sandy Zeigler
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January 2023

