



District C Newsletter



October, 2018

Hello, Lions All!

Sure hope you have enjoyed your summer. Soon the weather will change and so will our clubs. As cooler weather moves in, our Lions will move indoors for fund raising events. As you begin the fall, don't forget to ask a potential new member to come and help with your event and ALWAYS have membership applications with you.

Before the furnace is needed, pull the annual maintenance. While you are at it, check the battery in the smoke detector and install more detectors, if needed. Ready your vehicles for the season to come. So you ask, what does all this have to do with Lions? It's simple: our communities need you. A good Lion is always prepared in the event he is needed.

Club retention is a must for our clubs to survive. So far our clubs are adding individuals to their clubs, and the district is staying at a positive growth. Branch clubs are a great way for clubs to grow. Any group can become Lions and continue to share their interest in the community.

Again last month all the clubs filed their reports. Big thanks to the club secretaries and others who made this happen. Continue the good work! If you need assistance getting your reports in for any reason, contact PID Linda Tincher @ 812-894-2750. Linda is our district administrator, and she is willing to help you. Don't hesitate to give her a call. Your reports are a valuable tool for me and the international group. I view these reports on a daily basis. It's nice to see what our clubs are involved in. Keep up the good work.

Vision screening in the schools is continuing. Get your club involved in the screening process. We can train you on the use of equipment and assist you until you can work unassisted. Come, join in and get the on-the-job training from one of our Lions. Remember, all that's needed is for you to come forward. **Will you join us in helping a child see so he may achieve his/her GOALS in life?** Contact me at 304-203-6877 or PDG Bill Penn at 765-564-3707, PDG Ray Collins at 812-299-2019 or our State Chairman Steve Winegardner at 317-293-6107. We continue to add schools for screening, and we need more hands to keep up the good work. Also PDG Dick McKellar @ 317-769-2427 and Lion Dan Dumbauld at 317-695-9666 of the Zionsville Club are doing a great job working with the school nurses. I'm grateful for all the screeners in our district. Thanks, everyone.

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There are still clubs that have not contacted me for a visit. If you want a certain date, contact me soon as my calendar is filling up (deversole@tds.net or 304-203-6877.) Watch for flyers of all that's in the works. We need more golf teams for the October 4 outing for Special Olympics

Thanks for all you do as Lions. Please keep up the good work!

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**DG Doug's Visitation Schedule for
October**

4 Riley Lions Club
10 Brazil Lions Club
16 Spencer Lions Club
17 Battleground Lions Club
23 Zionsville Lions Club
28 Riley Lions 50th Anniversary

DG Doug Eversole and Lion Shelia warmly welcomed guests to District C's Banner Night in Delphi on August 18.



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Hello, Lions!

This month is a Lions story with a different “twist”.
WE SERVE. Yes, that’s our motto and sometimes we may wonder if other non-Lions know what we do?

WELL, here is your answer!

The Fall Festival in Zionsville is always the weekend after Labor Day. Friday evening is VIP night, and it is all about providing special needs children and adults and their families our best night of food, fun and service. Saturday kicks off by a parade with 100 entries and hundreds of participants and thousands line the streets to watch. The balance of the day is carnival amusements, demonstrations, food and fun. Sunday we do it all over again with approximately 20,000 attending! NOW THE TWIST.

It never happened.

Rain preceded the event for 4 days and continued right through Sunday. Friday afternoon we canceled the VIP event. At midnight, with fear of flooding, we canceled the entire event and, yes, the carnival rides were all set up, as well as vendor booths. Did we have expenses? Sure, but we are Lions and we will overcome.

Funny thing, by Sunday the public was reaching out to us to help with clean up and financial gifts. The community was with the Lions, and “We Serve” turned into “THEY SERVE”.

Just proves that the community you serve watches you, learns by your example and returns the gift of SERVICE. Some financial gifts are coming in, and people have started “Go Fund Me” to help us with our “Non Event”.

Believe me, now more than ever, WE SERVE has true meaning.

‘Til next month,
Best to you all.
Lion Tom

Tom Robbins
Vice District Governor 25-C
Zone 3 Chair
Leader Dog Associate
Proud Zionsville Lion

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Tools

Tools. We all have to have the right tools in our lives, correct? The mechanic has to have the right tools to repair items with. The baker needs another set of tools to complete his/her daily tasks. The journalist has a different set of tools, as do the teacher, fireman, policeman, salesman, etc. They all have a certain set of tools. Often time, the tools get replaced, and procedures get changed over time. In Lions are things any different? Of course not! We all have a set of traits, characteristics: tools we have when we join Lions Club. How do we expand our knowledge as Lions?

One of the ways we can sharpen up our tools is by spending time with other Lions. Recently, almost 2,000 Lions came together in Columbus, Ohio, for the US/Canada Leadership Forum for three whole days full of seminars and fellowship!

So much information concerning all things Lions, from Diabetes to the Campaign 100, even to Hurricane Relief! Honestly, too much information to cover here, but I will pass along a few of the highlights. Across the three days Campaign 100 raised over \$150,000. That's quite a feat for just a few days! Possibly more impressive was the amount raised for Hurricane Relief in the Carolinas. At one meal, less than two thousand people opened up their hearts and raised over \$7,000. That is why so many of us became Lions... to help other people. People whom we may never see but need help.

All too often we forget why we joined Lions. Whereas we may have different opinions on how that may be done, we are all here to serve.

I encourage you all to get out, visit another club. Fellowship with other Lions, sharpen up your tools! Remember, Mid-Winter Leadership Conference is coming up in just a few months!

Isn't it great to be a Lion!

2VDG JIM P.M. QUERY

Zone 5 Chair

Spencer Lions Club President

**2019 Indiana Lions
State Convention Update**

The focus of Indiana Lions over the last several years has been vision screening. In the last 10 years, over 1,000,000 children have been served through Operation KidSight and Project School Sight. It could be argued that at least 100,000 people see better than they would have if they had not been referred for additional follow up. Hundreds, if not thousands, of Lion volunteers from all over the state have been invaluable in providing this service through the sacrifice of their time.

As part of the 2019 State Convention, the Lions of Indiana will honor these countless volunteers by hosting a party on Friday evening, April 26. We will celebrate all past and present screeners. If you are or have been a volunteer, make sure to make your reservation for the Convention and participate in the celebration Friday night. All Lions and guests are invited to the party.

Lions Exhibitor - \$50 Non-Lions Exhibitor - \$75 Additional Booth - \$50

Each Booth includes: 10x10 space
 1 skirted table
 2 chairs

Please return this form and payment by **April 10** to:

PDG Don Cooper
1922 Kelley's Landing
Fort Wayne, IN 46825
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Make checks payable to: **2019 Indiana Lions State Convention**

Name _____

Organization/Club _____

Email _____ Phone _____

_____ Lions Exhibitor \$50 _____ Non-Lions Exhibitor \$75 _____ Additional \$50

Total Enclosed _____

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PID Linda Tincher had the honor of moderating International President Gudrun Yngvadottir's presentation to Lion presidents at the USA/Canada Leadership Forum. Pictured with them are Lions Roger Cash and Gaye Potts.



The Cloverdale Lions welcomed the new Lion year with new officers. The current officer team includes Lyssa McKee (President), Rebecca Mannan (Vice President), Jenna Lewis (Secretary), James McKee (Treasurer) and Cheryl Galloway (Tail Twister). This team of officers has already planned vision screening for the area students.



Lions Don Nelson and Frank Faulkner share their past military experiences while selling ice cream during the War Birds Cruise In at Grissom Air Museum.



Anderson Lions Club invited PDGs Pat and Charlie Short to conduct SchoolSight Vision training before beginning their school screenings.



The Plainfield Lions Club hosted a free vision screening to children at the Plainfield-Guilford Township Public Library. Lion Dan Cavallini is on the left and Wayne Carter is on the right. (Not pictured but assisting was Thomas Iles.) The library has already scheduled the Lions to do another screening in January, 2019.



Vision screening team at Lewis Cass Middle School—great looking crew!



Plainfield Lions Wayne Carter and Tom Iles are shown presenting a case of Color My World glasses kit, which was donated to the Plainfield-Guilford Township Library to loan out to color-blind patrons. One of the assistant librarians, who is color-blind, said the glasses were incredible!



Cloverdale Lion James McKee gave his son Sawyer a few lessons on the fine art of trike racing before the Cloverdale Lions Team went on to win Brian's Trike Race at the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Congratulations!



Lafayette Lions Club members were exceptionally busy with vision screening 8 schools in one week!



The Plainfield Lions Club presented to the town of Plainfield two limestone benches. One bench was in honor of Lions International's 100th Anniversary and the second bench was in memory of Lion Jim Pea. The park benches have been placed in Bicentennial Park/Plaza. Family members of Lion Jim Pea who were present at the dedication included his widow Joan Pea (in the white sweater) and his daughter who are both sitting on each side of the plaque.



Jack Gehring, Riley Township Lions President snapped this picture of Burger King, which is advertising that they have a Lions Club box for collecting used eyeglasses, hearing aids and cell phones. What great advertising!



While many Lions have seen a box like this at the Indiana Lions Building in Indianapolis, Plainfield Lion Worth Donaldson spied this one at a local grocery store in Rice Lake, WI, beside the exit doors. Hard to miss! Does it give any clubs an idea?



PID Linda Tincher and PDG Betty Weist serve on the Indiana Troopers Youth Services Board and presented a \$3,000 check for the camp program to Sergeant Danielle Elwood Henderson.



Lion Larry Ridge of the Prairie Creek Club helped build this ramp for a disabled person of the area.



Judges at the Spencer Lions Club Apple Butter Festival King & Queen contest cast their votes and here is the royal court, from left: Princess Kendall Reno, daughter of Lani Carter and Eric Reno; Prince Austin Combs, son of Ryan and Heather Combs; King Tyler Keith, son of Jeff and Rachel Keith, and Queen Marietta Mobley, daughter of Lester and Fanelou Mobley. Standing in back and presiding over the ceremonies is Lions Club member Anton Neff. When asked if they enjoyed the competition, all the winners nodded, with Tyler Keith adding, "Sure it's fun, but it's also nerve wracking!"



PID Doug Lozier was presented with a Presidential Award for his years of work with the USA/Canada Forum at the forum this year in Columbus, Ohio. PID Doug has also been actively involved with our international conventions as well. Congratulations, Lion Doug.



Spencer Lions Club President Jimmy Query is shown with cub scouts of Pack 285, which the Spencer Lions sponsor. These scouts were busy selling bags of their delicious popcorn at the 42nd Annual Apple Butter Festival and snagged Jim as he worked the festival. Yes, he did buy popcorn—and it was yummy!



The Plainfield Lions Club participated in the Hendricks County Community Foundation's annual nonprofit showcase and volunteer fair called "Get Involved 2018!" on Wednesday, September 19th. Club President Tom Iles (pictured) and 2nd Vice President Dan Cavallini represented the Plainfield Lions Club at this event. This fair allows individuals in the community to learn about volunteer service in Hendricks County.



District C Lions managed to find each other among the thousands of Lions attending the USA/Canada Leadership Forum in Columbus, Ohio. PID Linda Tincher just happened to be hosting the table during this meal and forwarded this picture of Cabinet Treasurer Karen McKellar, Lion Shelia Eversole, PDG Dick McKellar, DG Doug Eversole and 2nd VDG Jim Query to share. Lion Jim reported that he had stopped to eat before he got to Columbus and met ID Nick Xinopoulos and Lion Gretchen in the restaurant! He said he saw a District C Lion “around every corner. It was great!”

Please send pictures and news items for the newsletter to Charlotte Query,
jequery@bluemarble.net.

Flyers will be sent separately.

Items for the Hoosier Lion should be forwarded to Cary Green, cngreen2@live.com