



District C Newsletter



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Hello, Lions All!

As you read this, Thanksgiving will have come and gone. We hope you have many memories to share in the future from your Thanksgiving get together. With that being said, I want to wish each of you a **Very Merry Christmas** from my family to your family. Family and friends go along with all blessings of this Holiday Season. Hope each of you has a favorite charity that you can support with coats and gloves in your community.

As you know I have written about membership and club retention in the past. This is a reminder of the rule change of members being dropped: they must be dropped by December 31, 2018. If you wait until January 1, 2019, as in the past, the club will be charged for that member. No one wants to drop a member, it is best to try to retain and motivate a member, but we all know it is necessary to drop members that have moved or failed to pay their membership dues.

One of my goals for the year is to increase women memberships to 35% for gender balance while retaining our current membership. District 25 C has a net gain of 2% women Lions as of the end of October. Overall our membership has a 16 member gain as of this date. With everyone's continued support we can make a positive growth for the District this year.

Several events are scheduled in the near future and your support is needed.

1. Midwinter Conference – January 12, 2019
2. District C Convention – March 2, 2019
3. New Horizons for Women Lions – April 13, 2019 (EVERYONE IS WELCOME)
4. Indiana State Convention – April 26, 27 & 28, 2019

Watch your emails for flyers and registration forms about the above events. Early registrations are encouraged.

Open dates are still available for my Official Club Visits. Call and set your date ASAP. Contact me at 304-203-6877 or by email at deversole@tds.net

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I hope that all clubs are working toward meeting the Club Excellence Award. As I visit your club, if your club has earned the 2017 – 2018 Club Excellence Award, I will be presenting it. While visiting your clubs, it has been a great honor to hand out the membership chevrons honoring your years of service.

District C appreciates all the Secretaries, Presidents and others who continue to report the MMR and SAR on time. We still lead in the state with 100% reporting. *YOU ARE THE BEST!!!!!!!!!!*

As a Lion one of the best gifts to receive is knowing that you have helped someone in your community by making a difference in their lives. That is a gift from the heart and that is what Lionism and the season is all about.

Thanks to all!

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DG Doug's December

- 1 Council Christmas Party
- 2 Speech & Hearing Event
- 4 Farm Bureau Christmas party
- 5 Brazil Lions Club
- 12 Poland Lions Club



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Hello again Lions of 25-C,

The harvest is completed with the celebration of Thanksgiving. Hundreds of people in need have been served in our communities, and Lions should take Pride in knowing that you have helped make it happen.

All across the district eye screening has been taking place and thousands of children have been served by Lions who have made the commitment to provide this service. Soon our screenings will be completed for the season and I want to be among the first to say thank you for a “Job well done”.

As we move toward a beautiful Christmas holiday, Lions always gather to see how they can help by easing the burden for those less fortunate than ourselves. That’s just how we do it!

Serving our seniors who may have limited access, preparing meals at your church, food kitchens, sending cards of joy and inspiration to those serving in our military and even delivering gifts to children who might otherwise not have a gift to enjoy.

Yes, we Lions can and do make a difference through our service and just know that you are appreciated.

Now, let’s make plans to celebrate with family and friends knowing that you have been a true part of the Spirit of Christmas.

Thank you for your service from the heart.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,

Lion Tom

Ps: Please try to attend some of our upcoming meetings:

Jan 11-12: Mid-Winter Conference, Indianapolis

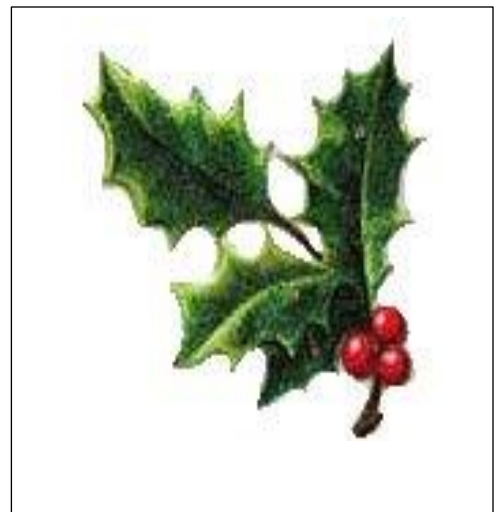
Jan 19: District Meeting, Frankfort

Tom Robbins

1 Vice District Governor

25-C Zone 3 Chair

Leader Dog Associate



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2nd Vice District Governor Jim Query

WAKE UP!!! I know, the turkey was fantastic, the mashed potatoes, pies, cookies, cakes.....they were all amazing, but it's time to shake off that Thanksgiving food coma and get back to work and write that article for the district newsletter!

Speaking of Thanksgiving, I want to take the time to thank you for reading this article. I want to thank you for being a Lion, too. I want to thank you for making a commitment to making a difference in this world, helping those who need a little bit of a helping hand.

I want to also thank my parents for bringing me up in Lions Club. It truly is a blessing, I have met so many wonderful people, and my life has been so amazingly enriched.

I challenge each and every one of you to look around your club and reach out to those who make a difference in your life and in your club. Don't be afraid to thank them! You do not have to be a president or vice president to make a difference and make the people in your club feel valued!

As we move towards the Christmas season, we all start thinking about what we are going to buy those we love and care about. The gifts we get and the gifts we give are all small in relation to the time we spend with those loved ones. The most important gift we can give is our time. Take time to give time. It's not how much money we spend on people -- it's how much time we invest in them! In the words of Garfield, "It's not the getting, it's not the giving, it's the loving that matters."

Isn't it great to be a Lion!

2VDG JIM P.M. QUERY

Zone 5 Chair

Spencer Lions Club President



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NEW LOCATION

Everything under one roof! The Mid-Winter Conference will be
In the Crowne Plaza at the Indianapolis Airport.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Professional FAMILY comedian Craig Tornquist has done over
3000 shows across the country, and according to hm, three of those
went really well! Full audience participation, hilarious
competition and the chance to win some rotten gifts.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Relive Helen Keller excerpts from the 1925 speech she gave at
the LCI convention. The program continues in third person
as she relates on Helen's life and experiences. Inspirational and
educational!

January 11-12, 2019

Registration information
is on Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference
Facebook page or at <https://bit.ly/2F8VaOZ>



The Mid-Winter Conference will have 16 NEW seminars this year. A complete information and registration packet is available at <https://bit.ly/2F8VaOZ>. Be sure to Like this post and share it on your timeline.

Eyeglass recycling – How you can help

Beyond the numbers: People helping people

Marketing Communications to improve your club's presence

Diabetes Awareness

Anyone can make baked beans (we've always done it that way)

Finding \$ in your community

Getting out of the "Club Box"

Online leadership resource center

Organizing/reporting club service projects

Community partnerships to simplify fundraising

Consider being a Leader Dog puppy raiser?

What's the fuss about MyLion?

Orientation for Lions

Internet fraud protection

Generational Leadership Styles

Presentation: Steps to effective communications

“Beyond the Horizon”
Hope To See You There!

March 2, 2019

District 25 C Convention

Location: Zionsville, IN



Come join in and be a part of:

Training, good food, camaraderie, newest information from Lions International, share ideas and

HAVE LOTS OF FUN.

Meet International Director Connie LeClerc-Meyer,

Our visiting ID from Mondovi, WI

It is important that we all participate in our local club's meetings & projects, District Meetings & Convention, State Convention and the International Convention.

Let DG Doug know what training you would like to see at some of these meetings.

Watch for more information to follow!!!!!!

Register before January 31, 2019 and your name will go into a drawing to win a \$50.00 gas card!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

District 25 C Convention – Zionsville, IN

March 2, 2019

Meal: Western ribs, meatloaf, potatoes, green beans, salad, dessert and drink

(If anyone needs a special meal, because of allergies or Lent, please let DG Doug know.)

Price: \$15.00

Club _____
Name & Title _____
Name & Title _____
Name & Title _____

Make Checks payable to: District 25 C

Meals: \$15.00 _____ **x** _____ **=Amount enclosed \$** _____

Mail to: Charlotte Query, 2408 Shepard Patrick Road, Spencer, IN 47460

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Why should you attend the State Convention in Ft Wayne?

Along with business sessions, Friday night Party, W.P. Wood Luncheon, All State Banquet, seminars, Memorial service and voting, there will be golf at Colonial Oaks Friday at 10 am and Walking Tours Saturday afternoon. More details will follow. Check our Facebook page and website for updates.

Ready to have some fun!? Then come play EUCHRE with some of the best players in the state...at least that's what we've been told!

The 8 round tournament will begin after the Friday night dinner. There is no registration fee, but we ask that you donate a small gift card that can be used for prizes. It promises to be a fun night of cards and great food...potluck fare, please bring a snack or a dessert to share.

Pre-registration is requested. Email PDG Peg VanNevel at pitchinpeg@yahoo.com and provide your name, email and phone number. If you don't play euchre and would like to be a part of the fun, volunteers are needed for scorekeeping and organizing the food.

Follow the Indiana Lions State Convention on Facebook and at www.indianalionsconvention.org for all the latest information.

Notes from the West (Indiana, that is.)

THE DAILY CLINTONIAN, CLINTON, INDIANA



Dictionaries for students

11-1-18
The Clinton Lions Club and Lioness Club visited Central Elementary School and passed out dictionaries to all third grade students. Shown in front from left are Ben Jones, Lilly Ramey, Madelyn Kelsheimer, Sully Cooper, Avery Huff, Nevaeh Hambricht and Drake McConnell. In the back are Principal Ryan Jenkins, Nancy Dal Sasso, Bob Vermillion, Dean Strohm, Garry Dal Sasso, Chuck Gedrick and Jerry Spurr. (Photo furnished)

Clinton Lions have not let a little thing like their club house burning stop them from serving. The Clinton Lions and Lioness Club visited Central Elementary School and passed out dictionaries to all third grade students. Central Elementary is just one of the seven schools where they passed out dictionaries. The front row of students proudly display their new books. Back row (l to r) Principal Ryan Jenkins, Lioness Nancy Dal Sasso, Lions bob Vermillion, Dean Strohm, Garry Dal Sasso, Chuck Gedrick and Jerry Spurr.

Clinton and Cayuga Lions have screened a total of 2,015 students this year in Vermillion, Parke, Fountain and Montgomery Counties with 417 referrals. Cayuga Lion screeners are Ron Spivey, DoWayne Osborne and Don Coonce. Clinton screeners are Joe Cox, Ken Colombo, Ray Colombo, Chris Laws, Bob Spence, Chuck Gedrick, Garry Dal Sasso, B. Larry Rardin, John Stroot, Dr. Charles Rutan, Dennis Jones, Dennis Holland, Jeff Williamson and Dean Strohm, Chairman. Both clubs are also involved the pre-school vision screening in four counties, chaired by Clinton Lion Mike Joyce.

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District 25C Winter Special Olympics

How often have you wished you could attend the Olympics? You have an excellent opportunity to do just that January 13, 14, 15, 2019, at the Special Olympics Winter Games, which will be held at Perfect North Slopes, Lawrenceburg, IN.

The Special Olympics-Lions Clubs International Global Partnership was formed in 2001 with a focus on eye health and vision care needs of the athletes and their families. The athletes take part in vision screening and are taught how to better care for their eyes. This partnership has expanded to “Mission: Inclusion” to create programs to support acceptance of people with intellectual disabilities within their communities. Leos play an important role in this expanded partnership known as “Unified Sports”.

Some of the benefits of the SO are: all ages can participate, it builds relationships, gives a sense of achievement, focuses on abilities, builds confidence as well as a supportive community.

Lions know all about “supportive community,” so it behooves us to share with others by financially sponsoring the SO Winter Games. Volunteers are also needed at the games and throughout the year.

The Lions of Indiana were charged with raising \$10,000 for sponsorship of the SO Winter Games. Each District was asked to raise \$1,500.00. District C decided to hold a golf outing to raise the financial support for this service project.

The “supportive community” available to help with the golf outing was made up of: ID Nick Xinopoulos, PID Linda Tinchler, VDG Tom Robbins, PDG Dick McKellar, CT Lion Karen McKellar, PDG Vern Tinchler, PCC Steve Winegardner, PDG Tom Slattery 25F, PCC Reed Fish 25F, Lion Bob Gilmore 25E, State Adm. Sec. Sue Topf, Lion Jennifer Blandford, and Lion Cindy Russell.

Hole sponsors were: Boone County Resource Recovery (Zionsville), Blue River Pharmacy (Brownsburg), Brownsburg American Legion, Brownsburg Lions Club; Carpenter Realty (Zionsville), Cloverdale Lions Club, Control Tech Heating/Air (Zionsville), DG Doug and Lion Shelia Eversole, Giddens Trucking (Flora), Hendricks County Bank, 1 E Main (Brownsburg), Lafayette Lions Club, Lucerne Lions Club, Mears Automotive (Brownsburg), Pierson Twp. Lions Club, Riley Twp. Lions Club, RNC Property Maintenance & Repairs (Zionsville), Darren and Janal Roberts (Zionsville), Spencer Lions Club, Young America Lions, Zionsville Eye Care (Zionsville) and Zionsville Lions Club.

A special thanks to everyone who attended DG Doug’s Banner night, August 18, and participated in the kick-off fundraiser for Winter Special Olympics, which resulted in \$320.00.

Cindy Russell

25C Winter Special Olympic Committee Chair

Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing sent a big “Thank you” to District C for a \$90.00 donation, which was collected by a 50-50 at the District Cabinet Meeting in Riley November 17, 2018. They asked that each club remember to collect used hearing aids, as well as eyeglasses, and notify a Speech and Hearing trustee for a program. (Our trustees include Lion Ray Furner (317-852-8087), Lion Jennifer Blandford (317-847-2695) and DG Doug Eversole (574-859-2682)



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2019 Lions International Convention
Buongiorno—good morning, good afternoon, good-day, good evening, good night [interjection, noun] words used (depending on the time of day) when meeting or leaving someone.

2019 Lions International Convention

Are you set to go to the next International Convention or considering it? Here are some important dates to remember for registration:

Registration fee before January 11th is \$150 then goes to \$200 until March 31st. At that point it will be \$225 including onsite registration. Alpha Leo cost is \$20 and Omega Leos is \$100 for all time periods.

Please note that when submitting the hotel deposit there is an 8% fee if using a credit card. If paying LCI by check for initial registration there would not be an 8% fee on the hotel deposit.

Will you be planning some additional fun outside of the Lion events? I hope so! The following preferred tour companies are offering Lions a variety of Pre- and Post-Convention Tours for you to select from. Italy has so much to choose from – the Italian Alps, its famous beaches and coastal cities, its capital city Rome with its historic sites, Vatican City, spectacular art, fashion, sports cars, plus Italy's world-famous cuisine, wines and hospitality.

Are you interested in traveling beyond Italy to another country? These LCI preferred tour companies can help you plan this too! Visit the LCI Convention website LCICon.Lionsclubs.org for more info and links to each of these companies and what they offer.

AIM Italy

Since 1960, AIM Italy has been providing outstanding travel experiences thanks to its extensive network of preferred partners. Its AIM is to take advantage of a global know-how mixed with a local experience.

Central Holidays / Rose Marie's Travel LLC

Since 1972, Central Holidays / Rose Marie's Travel LLC has offered travelers superior travel programs, value, and service to some of the best destinations in Italy, the Mediterranean, Europe, and beyond.

Goway Travel

Goway Travel is offering Lions and their guests custom Pre- and Post-Convention tours highlighting some of the best Italian travel experiences and beyond. Interested in a cooking class in Tuscany? A visit to a charming Italian island on a private boat trip? A Mediterranean cruise? These are just some of their tour highlights. Goway's escorted tour packages include international air, hotels, transfers and touring.

Naonis Viaggi

Based in Italy, Naonis Viaggi has designed their custom "Lions On Tour in Italy" tour packages for Lions that showcase many of their favorite places and activities, or as they say, "Meet Italian charm and culture with the advice of your Italian travel agent." Naonis Viaggi's tours feature top cities and regions.

PCC Reed Fish - PDG Dick McKellar – PDG Patty Cooke
 CC Keith Thomas - Lion Bob Yunker - PCC Sue Topf

Indiana International Convention Committee





DG Doug had the pleasure to present membership chevrons to Lion Joe Williams for 45 years of service (far left) and PDG Al McConnaha for 35 years of service (far right). Lebanon Lions Club President Dan Fleming (to DG Doug's immediate right) presented a check to the governor with donations to all the state Lions projects.



The Plainfield Lions Club conducted vision screenings at both La Petite Academy of Avon and Saint Susanna School in Plainfield. Between the two locations, a total of 60 children were screened with seven referrals.



10 Point Coalition Group visited the Zionsville Lions Club with a presentation. Back row: Lion Jim Forry, Sr Pastor ZUMC Dave Williamson, ZUMC Associate Pastor Perry Montgomery.

Front row: Zionsville Police Chief Robert Knox, Reverend Charles Harrison, Zionsville Lions Club President Mike Moran, Boone County Sheriff Mike Nielsen, ZUMC 10 Point coordinator Sue Forry, Rich Richey, a volunteer with 10 Point.



Riley Twp. Lions presented \$200 Check to Mother Hubbard's Cupboard food bank at a recent meeting. L to r: PID Linda Tincher, Mother Hubbard's Cupboard supervisor Nancy Rudisel and Anna Whitman, Riley Treas. PDG Ray Collins and Riley Pres. Jack Gehring.



Spencer Lions, cubs and guests were Santa's helpers by bagging approximately 500 bags of candy before his visit with the children during Christmas on the Square and the following week at the clubhouse.



Zionsville Lions Park has its Gazebo ready for Christmas.



Rossville Elementary Vision Screening (SchoolSight and KidSight) conducted by team comprised of Rossville and Lafayette Lions - L-to-R. Lafayette Lions Ton Castleberry, Anna Wilson, Carl Landskron, Vicky Hrdy and Rossville Lions Gene/Kathy Mellinger, Dave Severt, Brad Nelson and John Everett. 327 students screened with 38 referrals.



Lion Shelia and DG Doug enjoyed the Newport Lions Hill Climb event. (You will note the part that DG Doug enjoyed the most – the food!)



PDG Vern Tinchler displays the food collected at the second cabinet meeting in Riley for Mother Hubbard's Cupboard in Terre Haute. The Riley Twp. Lions also donated \$200.00 to the charity when they delivered the canned goods.



DG Doug Eversole visited the Pierson Twp. Club and presented a 65 year service pin to 95 year old Treasurer Lion Jim Payne. DG Doug is shown with Jim and his daughters, Lion President Connie Poleski and Lion Darla Gordon.

Chevrons were presented to Lions Tom and Shelia Mitchell for 15 years of service, Lion Darla Gordon for 20 years and Lion Marty Evans for 35 years of service.



Steve & Alice Tarr, receiving an award from the Indiana Region of Porsche Club of America, for chairing the CruZionsville Alzheimer's Event for 8 successful years from 2011 to 2018, raising \$125,000 for a cure for Alzheimer's. Steve was very proud of how the community came together to help with this event. Local volunteers including the Zionsville Lions and Leos Clubs, the Miss Indiana Organization, Zionsville High School Wrestling Team, Zionsville Cub Scout #105, members of the Alzheimer's Organization, Porsche Club, lots of local merchants, Zionsville Police and Fire Department with the cooperation from the Whitestown Police and Boone County Sheriff.



Lion Shelia Eversole addressed Lions at the second cabinet meeting about the **Women's Symposium** being planned for **April 13th** in Zionsville. All Lions (male *and* female) are invited to hear Lion Dianne Corlew, the guest speaker. Everyone attending is asked to bring a non-Lion!



Emily Smith, a 12-year old 7th grader at Plainfield Community Middle School, won the local competition of the Lions Clubs International Peace Poster Contest sponsored by the Plainfield Lions Club. Emily is pictured with Plainfield Lions Club President Tom Iles.



Part of the 40 volunteers that joined in the 8-course meal at Serenity on Main, to celebrate CruZionsville were 5 Zionsville Lions Presidents. L-to-R: John Guthrie (2005), Gene Thompson (2010), Tom Robbins (2016), Linda Guthrie (2004) and center, Gail Robbins (2017)



8 Lafayette Lions served a free Thanksgiving Lunch to approximately 140 community seniors. Lion Tony Rios is shown offering a plated lunch to a happy lady.



DG Doug had the honor of presenting a \$1,000 check from the Young America Lions Club to Andrew Muth Lewis, Cass Kings Band Director, who accepted the funds to help get new instruments.

Have you made your reservations for the Mid-winter Conference January 11 & 12?

A separate flyer for your use will follow this newsletter.



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