



District C Newsletter



Hello, Lions All!

Las Vegas was plenty hot for the Lions' International Convention. The training was intense and very informative. Hopefully everyone made it home without any incidents, and everyone is energized to continue making a difference in your communities.

In my letter last month I asked clubs to send me dates they would like for an official visit. Please take time and drop me a couple dates before the calendar fills up.

Again this year we're asking anyone who enters reports to have them in by the last day of the month. You did a great job last year, and I know you can do it again. It is very important to capture the number of Lions and hours spent on any activity. Our district has set the bar high for the other districts, and it is because of your hard work. This goal can be accomplished.

Speaking of goals, let me share with you a couple of obtainable goals:

1. It's time to increase our district number of female Lions to at least 35 percent. You can help by asking your wife to join you, if she isn't already a member. You'll enjoy working together on projects. My wife, Lion Shelia, gets more accomplished at times than I can.
2. Membership was down last year. How many members have you brought in recently? When was the last time you mentored a new member? Do you carry a membership application with you? If you need applications, let me know. If you need help searching for potential new members, the district has Lions ready to help. Get out there and invite someone to join you!

First Vice District Governor Tom Robbins will cover more of our district goals in his article.

Our first cabinet meeting was July 28 at the Deer Creek Community Center on State Road 29 North. A small breakfast was planned, followed by a wonderful lunch. PDGs met at 9:30

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and the cabinet meeting convened at 10:00 a.m. Hope to see you at the next one!

Summer is a busy time for Lions. If your club has a project and you need help, by all means, ask nearby clubs to lend a hand. If you ask, they will come. Have fun with your projects, and get everyone involved. Soon the children will be back in school and the Lions will be doing vision screening. If your club needs help with screening, contact me. A class of about 40 people trained on the Optec 5000 on July 16, so we have plenty of helpers. We also have a new state chair this year. Steve Winegardner will be contacting all district representatives to share new ideas.

Once again, please send pictures of your club meetings, events, awards, and projects. This newsletter is for all 56 clubs in our district, so come on, share what your club is doing with everyone. Send photos to Charlotte Query at jequery@bluemarble.net.

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

Thanks,

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Enjoy the moment, Governors! There won't be much leisure time this coming year for this sort of thing!



Hello Lions,

Summer projects and fundraisers are alive and well in District 25-C, and Lions are serving their communities at a record pace and we are very proud of you all.

While you have many activities to keep you very busy, I'd ask you to look at the calendar and see if you can fit in some activities that include visiting other areas. (It's nice to go for a drive.)

One of those items for your calendar is the District 25-C Banner Night! Plan to attend August 18, 5 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Delphi, Indiana. Please bring your club banner and join the fun.

Next are Zone meetings. These meetings are informative and allow you a good time to share info with other clubs. In addition we will have speakers from our state projects keeping you informed on important activity. We will be including training and member orientation discussions at the zone meetings as well. Please plan to attend when your zone chair sends out that invite. All club members are invited to attend.

Lastly, District Cabinet meetings are an informative way for you to find out more about what is going on in the District, so please consider attending when you can.

Now let's address a couple of DG Doug's goals for this year. Reporting of our club activities (MMR, SAR) is essential and since our reporting is 100%, well, we just want to keep it that way!

Next, when planning your club giving, we want to encourage all clubs to donate to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). While you're thinking about it, consider asking all members to make a contribution on a personal level, if they can, not to the club but directly to LCIF. Disasters around our globe are addressed by LCIF and help is almost immediate.

OK, I haven't mentioned having fun as yet. Truth is, we should always have fun when we are serving, let it bring a smile to your face, it's contagious.

Best to you all and let's serve from the heart.

Lion Tom

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Tom Robbins

1st. Vice District Governor

District 25-C Zone 3 Chair

Leader Dog Associate Trustee



2nd Vice District Governor Jim Query

I recently had the pleasure of attending my first Council Meeting, full of reports from all of the committees and projects. Sounds like a lot of fun, doesn't it? Honestly, it was just another weekend full of fellowship and reinforcing how great it is to be a Lion! It was so interesting to hear all of the reports about what we as Lions are accomplishing together. It helps to renew the fire within that we all have when we become members.

A few months ago, my club was approached about chartering a new Cub Scout pack in our area. We invited a couple to our meeting who were integral in starting that pack; and they started getting involved with some projects even BEFORE they became Lions! It turns out their crazy matches our crazy! Seeing them absorb information and ask questions about how different projects are run is quite refreshing.

As we grow in Lionism, we may lose that zest, that zeal to do more. We may grow complacent and only do the same projects year after year, not stretching our ideas to help more people. Not every project has to raise thousands of dollars and help hundreds of people. Often times it is the small projects that make the biggest difference in the lives of those around us. Saving up travel shampoos, soaps, and other toiletries to take to a local shelter; saving up socks for the homeless; serving meals to those in need; all of these are projects that do not take a lot of money, yet can make a huge difference to only one person. Smile, be happy, reach out to those around you, and ask what you can do to help. Be a difference maker!

Is your tank running a little low? Need a pick me up? Come recharge your batteries at Banner Night, August 18, 2018. Come wish Governor Doug congratulations and good luck for the year ahead! Don't forget it is up to you to do your part to help him have a fantastic year!

Isn't it great to be a Lion!

2nd VG Jim P.M. Query
Zone Chair 5

W.P. Woods Chair Reports Inactive Accounts holding Credits and Donations

You may be unaware that you have W.P. Woods credits or donations in an inactive account. An inactive account is one having no activity for five or more years. These credits and donations are waiting to be used for W.P. Woods Fellowships.

The Indiana Lions Foundation Board of Trustees discussed options for these forgotten credits and donations, and agreed to notify account owners or owners' clubs, and voted on the following options for owners:

- 1) Reactivate the account with a donation of \$5 or more;
- 2) Notify the W.P. Woods Chair to transfer the credits or donations to another club member;
- 3) Notify the W.P. Woods Chair to give the credits and donations to your District.

The Trustees will notify account owners, or their clubs, by mail. Credits and donations in accounts not acknowledged by owners or their clubs within sixty days after receiving the Trustees' letters will be transferred to the Districts in which they originated. Accounts of clubs that no longer exist will be transferred to the District in which the club once existed.

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2019 Indiana Lions State Convention

Indiana Lions will host International President Gudrun Yngvadottir and PID Dr. Jon Bjarni Thorsteinsson in Fort Wayne April 26 - 28. You will want to take this rare opportunity to meet President Gudrun as she makes limited appearances in the USA. She is a biomedical scientist from Iceland, and the first woman to lead our organization in its 101 year history.

To quote IP Gudrun, *"We serve the world and our local communities with pride, compassion and kindness. But there's a world of service yet to be reached, one that lives within our collective aspirations. Once discovered, it will open a level of humanitarian good the world has never seen. It's out there, somewhere **Beyond the Horizon**."*

Indiana Lions are known throughout the state as the group that meets needs in our communities, is there in times of trouble, and joins together to celebrate the victories great and small. Let's showcase our Indiana clubs by making this the largest State Convention ever. Let's come together and share with each other the work we are doing in our own communities, and encourage even more service. Save the date now and make plans to attend the 2019 Convention at the Grand Wayne Convention Center in Fort Wayne.

Reach "Beyond the Horizon" as our Indiana Lions family gathers to share ideas, celebrate our successes, and be part of this historical year. Follow the Indiana Lions State Convention on Facebook and at www.indianalionsconvention.org for all the latest information.

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At the 100th Lions Clubs International Convention in Chicago, Illinois in 2018, the MyLion mobile phone app was rolled-out to Lions around the world. Since then, the MyLion development team has worked with many of our leaders and members to gain valuable feedback to further enhance the MyLion app and build its web browser companion.

Starting this month, LCI will be initiating the next step in our MyLion plan by identifying regions around the globe to gradually test the version of MyLion that works in web browsers. This is the version of MyLion that will eventually replace MyLCI for service activity reporting – but not until it's fully ready and Lions have had a chance to receive training. As previously announced, LCI is going to ensure that Lion leaders, the Global Action Team, and officers are fully trained prior to a final global release.

Over the next few quarters, LCI will be testing and releasing MyLion on the web in certain localities prior to a full global release.

This approach is being used to:

- Conduct testing to help identify technical considerations for release planning and give Lions the opportunity to participate in feedback groups.
- Collect and methodically apply our Global Action Team leadership's feedback and the feedback from test users.
- Ensure that every member has adequate time to learn the MyLion system before transitioning service activity reporting from MyLCI to MyLion.

When MyLion on the web is ready to release in your region, along with training, guides, and other resources, you will have had some time to support your test of the system.

Until then, please continue to use MyLCI for membership and service activity reporting. Also, please take the opportunity to install the MyLion app on your android or i-Phone smartphone and see what the app has to offer.

PCC Ross Drapalik
District 25C Global Leadership Team (GLT) Coordinator



Any time of the weekday during lunch time in the summer you will find a crowd of hungry children in the Spencer Lions Club building. Lions Linda Davis and Charlotte Query have cooked almost 3,000 meals in June, July and August before the school starts again. PDG Jim Query does all the paperwork for this program. Happy looking, kiddos, aren't they!



Monon Lion Jim Annis manned the grill at the White County Fair for the Monon Lions Club booth.
Don't those burgers look tempting!



Brookston Lions Club members were in charge of the strong man bells. Lions pictured are Steve Hall and Dave Keller testing the apparatus.



International Director Nick Xinopoulos brought a Certificate of Appreciation from the International President for a surprised PDG Al McConnaha at the Lebanon Lions Club. This is the fourth highest Lions award. Congrats to Lion Al!



Lebanon Lions Club number one new member recruiter Lion Ed Schilling was surprised to be named a WP Woods fellow. Ed has been a Lion 39 years and served as club president 4 times.



Lafayette Lions Vera Castleberry, Vicky Hrdy and Dianne Haby run the concession stand (free popcorn and \$1.00 water) at the Lafayette Citizens Band's summer concert.

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International President Gudrun Yngvadottir of Iceland will be our guest speaker at the 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention in April in Fort Wayne. Make plans to attend!



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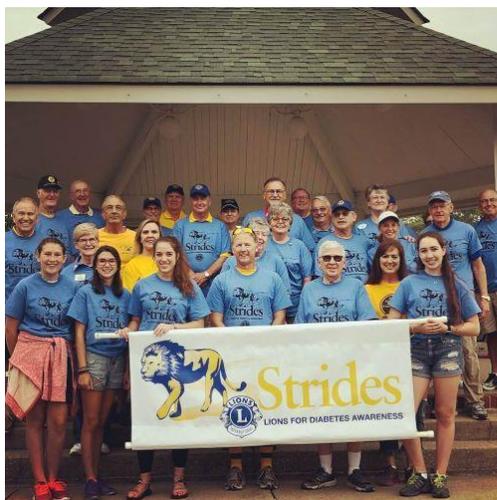


Zionsville President Mike Moran (left) and Lion Ralph Stacy present a Lifetime Membership to Ralph Edward Shortz (center) for serving the club since April, 1976.

Ed is the 7th living Lifetime Member of the club.



Lion Ray Head, aka Uncle Sam, of the Zionsville Lions Club, welcomed thousands to the annual concerts in the Zionsville Lions Park during July.



Here is a photo from the Zionsville Strides walk on Sunday, July 29th. The event was organized by Lion Karen McKellar and Lion Dr. Mel Prince.

About 50 Lions donated to the project and participated in a Strides Walk around the beautiful Zionsville Park.

PID Nick and Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos and PID Linda & PDG Vern Tincher, and 25C DG Doug and Lion Shelia also participated.



DG Doug survived the Strides Walk in Zionsville, Sunday, July 29, after conducting a cabinet meeting *and* attending a Banner Night in District E the day before! Can the rest of us keep up with him this year??!!

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