

# DISTRICT 25C NEWSLETTER

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## August 2019

Greetings District C Lions,

We have just concluded the Lions International Convention and My first District C Cabinet meeting. The International Convention, held in Milan Italy, was fun and exciting! It was great to hear final comments from International President Gudrun Yngvadottir and energizing to hear comments from Incoming International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi. Besides the fun, we had a wonderful time meeting other Lions from around the world and understanding some of the service projects they undertake. Guess what? Many of the things are very much like our own activities and their interpretation of SERVICE is the same as ours.

Different languages, different cultures, and helpful people, that's LIONS around the world.

Closer to home, our first district meeting was very well attended, and all 6 Zone Chairs were there, ready for the business of helping our clubs GROW and SERVE.

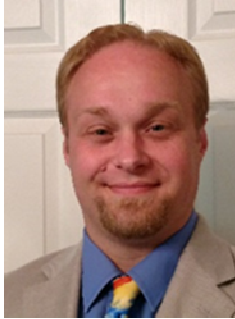
I'd like to take the balance of this memo to introduce you to the people who have stepped forward into leadership positions for your District: 1VDG Jim Query (Spencer Lions), 2VDG Jim Roth (Battle Ground Lions), IPDG Doug Eversole (Young America Lions), Cabinet Secretary Charlotte Query (Spencer Lions), and Cabinet Treasurer Karen McKellar (Zionsville Lions). Zone Chairs: #1 Jim Roth, Battleground; #2 Paul Scheetz, Lucerne Lions; #3 Owen Matz, Frankfort Lions; #4 Tom Iles, Plainfield Lions; #5 Patti Foxx, Brazil Lions; #6 Larry Ridge, Prairie Creek Lions; LCIF coordinator C/T Karen McKellar, Zionsville Lions; Global Action Team, DG Tom Robbins, Zionsville Lions; Global Leadership Team, PCC Ross Drapalik, Martinsville Noon Lions; Global Membership Team, PDG Charles Short, Lafayette Lions; and Global Service Team, VDG Jim Query, Spencer Lions.

Many other District C Lions have taken a leadership role in being District Committee Chairs and several are State Committee Chairs as well!

All club members need to know that we have an outstanding team of folks who are ready, willing and able to provide you with support to accomplish your clubs goals. Our contact information is in the district directory that will be delivered to every club president and secretary, and our only task is to help you and your club.

I am delighted to have the opportunity to lead this team.

DG Tom



article are football fans? Are you ready for *Football*? I am a big football fan; Alabama, Indiana, and the Colts, of course! Seems like it has been a long time since the Super Bowl and the college bowl games, doesn't it? Lucky for us, we have another team that we can root for... LIONS!! NO, not the Detroit Lions! Lions Clubs International!

Football is a team sport. It takes many people working together towards a common goal in order for that team to be successful. Sound familiar? Looking at it from a Lions standpoint, Lions work together towards a common goal to help the world around them.

Football takes people doing different things, running backs, quarterbacks, offensive line, line backers, cornerbacks.... well, you get the idea.

In your club, I imagine the same is true. I bet you have a club full of people who can do different things! Just like football, Lions take a lot of people from different backgrounds, working together.

Have you ever watched a football game where the coach calls the same play over and over again? The play may work well once or twice, but over time the defense makes adjustments and the play isn't very successful.

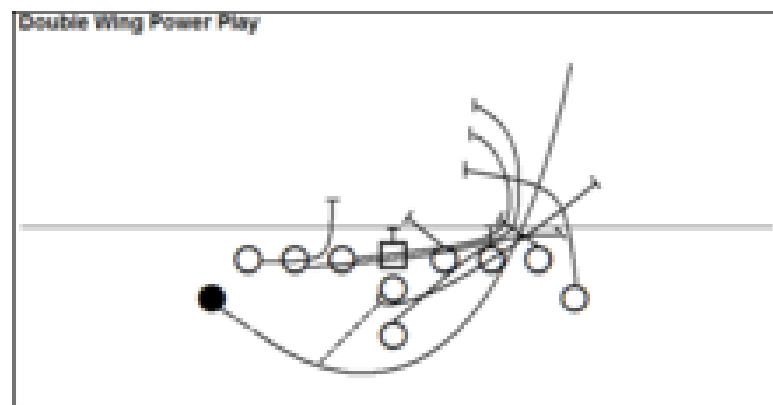
Sometimes in Lion's Club we need to call a new play to shake things up a little! Has it been a while since your club has started a new project?

NOW is the time!

That's one of the great things about Lion's club, YOU get to call the plays!

Open up your playbook and help call the winning plays for your club!

Jim P.M. Query  
1VDG District C



Got your playbook set??

How many people out  
there reading this

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active life as a business man and family man. Then his vision loss took away his sense of independence and brought on feelings of isolation.

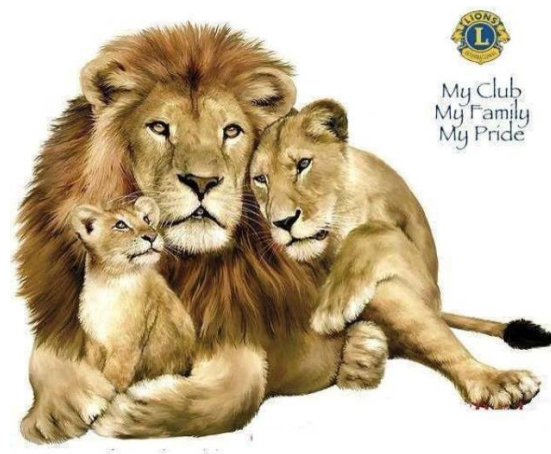
He applied for a Leader Dog. One day of his month's training with his new partner, Maddy, he was led to the back of a Target store and told to walk to the front. With Maddy's help he walked there without running into anything or knocking anything off. At that moment he realized that he could be mobile on his own with Maddy. Over time Lion Jim became much more independent. He had been a pilot before he lost his sight. Lion Jim again flew an airplane using a flight instructor as his eyes. Lion Jim showed the video at our state convention.

Lion Jim with illustrator Barbara Ann Fitzgerald "helped" Maddy write a children's book of Maddy's life, from leaving mom, going to a puppy raiser family, going into training, meeting Jim and going through training together, and living with Jim and his family. They call the book "The Lion Hearted Puppy, A Guide Dog's Journey". The book is easy to read and teaches children (and Lions) how a dog becomes a Leader Dog.

Indiana Lions and Lion Clubs not only contribute money to Leader Dog training. The district has three trustees on the Leader Dog Board. Some Lions are puppy raisers. Some Lion Clubs help with vet bills, etc.

I hope that the next time you see a Leader Dog you also will see how Lions helped to make it happen. There is much time, effort, training, and donations that help make teamwork of the Leader Dog and its partner look so natural and seemingly effortless.

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August 2-18  
**August 18**

**25-C Banner Night**, Palomino Ballroom, Zionsville, IN  
Please RSVP by August 1 to: Karen McKellar, [kadica@tds.net](mailto:kadica@tds.net) or  
send checks to:  
C/T Karen McKellar,  
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Make checks payable to Zionsville Lions Club  
Please include: Names/Titles, Club Name and amount to be paid by  
check (\$25.00 per person)

August 31

Spencer Lions Club "A Taste of Italy", all-you-can-eat spaghetti,  
lasagna, salad, garlic bread and special desserts: homemade  
spumoni and Tartuffe (another specialty ice cream made just for  
this occasion!) \$8.00 per adult, \$4.00 per 6-12 years old and \$2.00  
per 5 years and under.

September 15  
September 19-22  
September 20-22  
October 12  
January 25, 2020  
April 25, 2020  
June 6, 2020

ISBVI: Brian's Trike Race & Disc Golf  
USA/Canada Forum, Spokane  
Spencer Lions Club Apple Butter Festival  
**District Meeting**, Lafayette  
**District Meeting**, Martinsville  
**District C Caucus**, Bloomington Convention Center  
**District Picnic**, Zionsville Lions Park

### **Conventions**

March 7, 2020  
April 24-26, 2020  
June 26-30, 2020

**District Convention**, Zionsville Town Hall  
**IN Lions State Convention**, Bloomington Convention Center  
**Lions International**, Singapore

Have your event listed here!

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Indiana State Fair

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I would like to thank the Lions of 25C and DG Tom Robbins for the opportunity to serve as your membership chair (GMT) for the new Lions year. DG Tom and I are here to work for you and help guarantee your success.

Many are probably expecting the same message that every new membership chair provides at this point in the year. I will, in part, oblige. Your club membership committee should be set by now. Club presidents and membership chairs will be contacted this month, sharing our resources, and providing new support for the improved recruiting of Lions.

However, that's where business as usual stops.

I am in this position to help you and your club succeed. I work for you. But we should have goals that we can all work towards. I am not here to tell you how to do it, or do it for you, but let's all start from the same page: we are here to succeed.

Our goal for this new Lions year is to add two hundred (200) new Lions to our ranks, successfully engage them in service, and give them the esprit de corps that comes from being a happy, serving Lion. That's 18 new members a month for 11 months, from a base of 56 clubs.

This is the number of new Lions we need to be certain that 25C will end the year positive for membership, based on data from the last ten years.

The district will help incent your club's recruiting by organizing and supporting Fall and Spring membership drives, each with a goal of one hundred (100) new Lions.

The Fall event will start September 1 and end on November 1. Spring will begin April 1 and end June 1. So mark your calendars and start your prospecting. It will be here before you know it.

We are also asking for your club's commitment to achieve the Club Excellence Award (CEA) this year. Club Excellence is simply a blueprint for success. Let's have half of all 25C clubs earn this honor this year. Why not?

Thank you for everything you do for your community and Lions.

PDG Charlie Short

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Charles Short on Facebook and Facebook messenger

Check out Indiana Lions 25C Recruiting Forum on Facebook too!

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**Please  
volunteer  
to work at  
the  
Indiana  
State Fair**



The Indiana Lions Foundation provides ticket sellers and ticket scanners at four gates at the Indiana State Fair. This is the single largest fundraiser for the Foundation, and the money is used to provide Foundation Grants to individual clubs. **The fair runs from Friday August 2nd—through Sunday, August 18th.** Nearly 250 shifts are unfilled at this time. For ticket selling and scanning two shifts are available to work. The morning shift is 7:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m. The afternoon shift is 1:30 p.m.—9:00/9:30 p.m.

In return for working the Indiana Lions Foundation is offering W.P. Woods Fellowship credits for workers—one credit for the morning shift and two credits for the afternoon shift. It takes 10 credits to earn a W.P. Woods Fellowship.

If you have already volunteered to work this year, thank you. If you have not yet signed up, please do so today.

You may use the Foundation website to volunteer.

**<http://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/>**

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Please send pictures and news items for the newsletter to Charlotte Query,  
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Flyers will be sent separately

Items for the Hoosier Lion should be forwarded to Gail Robbins,  
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DG Tom Robbins and wife Gail during the removal of the blue Elect ribbon at the Lions International Convention in Milan, Italy.



PDG Vern Tincher had the pleasure of revealing the plaque in Evansville honoring W. P. Woods.



District C was well represented at the W.P. Woods gathering as shown here with PDG Vern Tincher, PDG Doug Eversole and VDG Jim Query (PID Linda Tincher took the picture!) Also shown are PCC Keith Thomas and CC Ron Bigham.





President Larry Ridge of the Prairie Creek Lions Club presenting a \$500.00 scholarship to Emily Kerr at awards night. Emily will be attending ISU in the nursing program. (Picture taken by Marvin Mericle.) At right, Pres. Kim Payton presents the check to Emily and her father Marty Kerr.



Brookston Lions Fish Fry. Pictured are Lion Jake Sullivan (left) and Lion Rodney Hall (at fryer). Sold out of fish 45 mins after opening. Great community support! (Picture provided by PDG Pat Short.)



DG Tom Robbins addressed Lions at his first cabinet meeting at the Indiana State Lions Building, July 20. Zionsville Lions Club hosted and provided the lunch.



Zionsville Lions Club had a fascinating guest speaker, Dr Randy Harris, PhD. Dr Harris talked about his involvement of developing a program to train Astronauts like Neil Armstrong & Buzz Aldrin and many others. Dr Harris' areas of research included the lunar landing, flying and weightless walking, flight test research and manned simulator development as well as other areas of research that benefited general aviation. He is a Purdue graduate of Aeronautical Engineering and received his PhD from the Medical College of Virginia. He and his wife Bobbi live in Indianapolis. Left to right: Lion Dr Scott Phillips, former NASA Flight Surgeon on Shuttle Missions and Dr. Randy Harris, PhD, retired NASA Aeronautics Technologist.

2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Jim Roth presented a W.P. Woods Fellowship to Battle Ground Lion Ed Geisler. (Picture provided by Lion Gail Robbins.)



Zionsville Lions Club President John Wilkins is shown receiving a \$10,300 donation from the Zionsville Century Club, given by Lion Paul Dreier, also a member of the Century Club Dreier stated, "The Zionsville Century Club was started by Todd Sullivan. The Century Club is a group of men who are interested in supporting our local community in the greater Zionsville and Indianapolis area. We come from all walks of life and varying financial backgrounds. As individuals it is challenging to make a meaningful impact in our community, but as a group we have the ability to contribute to the growth of our community in ways that we never thought possible! The Century Club has donated over \$42,300 in the last year and over \$155,600 since November, 2014."







Share your club's activities and pictures with District C.

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