



District C Newsletter



March, 2019

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Brrrrrrrr!!!! Old man winter has us in a holding pattern. Soon the cold will pass and once again it will warm us up. Lions adapt to the changes and prepare to face the spring and summer projects. As we continue our service, let's all do our part to carry our share of the work.

We are coming down the home stretch and there are still 11 clubs not scheduled for the Governor's visit. Governor's visits should be important to your club. Send me dates or call so we can get your club on the calendar.

Dues statements has been submitted to the clubs for payment. If you haven't received yours please let me know.

On my visit to the Cloverdale Lions a young Scout presented his Eagle project. The club was generous in supporting his project and several Lions donated to the cause. This is an excellent example of what lions do in serving our community's. His project is to install a container for collection of retired flags so the Scout troop can properly dispose of flags.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!!!

District Convention was a success due to commitment and help in organizing by the following very special friends and fellow Lions: PID Linda & PDG Vern Tincher, C/T Karen & PDG Richard McKellar, C/S Charlotte & PDG Jim Query, DGE Tom and Lion Gail Robbins, 1st VDGE Jim P.M. Query, State Administrative Secretary Sue Topf. My home club of Young America, I appreciated your support and all the Clubs that were represented at the Convention.

The Memorial Service honoring our fellow Lions who have been called home was very touching and well presented by Lion Rev. Jennifer and Cub Danielle Drapalik. The training, "The Magic of Membership Retention", presented by IPCC Ross Drapalik was very informative and held everyone's attention. Now share the information with your club. Great job Drapalik family.

We were pleased to have ID Connie LeCleur-Meyer and Lion Mike Meyer as our special guests and speaker. The Q & A on Friday night and Saturday generated interest, and we learned a lot. The information we learned from her speech needs to be shared with your club. ID Connie and Lion Mike were the best; they were so easy to talk with and many ideas were shared. Thanks to the both of them. They are very special! Now we all know what Wisconsin cheese curds are!!!

We appreciate all of your help, information and participation in our District C Convention.

Thanks to PID Doug & PDG Kathy Lozier and Katie for being a part of our Convention. Zionsville Lions Club-- this convention would not have been a success without all the help from each of you, sharing your Lions Club building, providing Saturday's breakfast and all the volunteers that helped in setting up the venues and serving. You are the best. You are what Lions are all about. All of you are very caring and supportive. ID Nick and Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos, we appreciate all of your help, information and participation in our District C Convention.

Thank you to each and every one who supported the District C Convention by attending.

Presidential Awards were presented by ID Connie to: James Payne-Pierson Township Lions Club, Lion Frank Ward-Young America Lions Club and DGE Tom Robbins-Zionsville Lions Club.

WP Woods Awards were presented by DG Doug to: Cary Green-Walton Lions Club, Lion Shelia Eversole-Young America Lions Club and Lion Michael Meyer-Altoona Lions Club in Wisconsin.

Miyamoto Fellowship Award was presented by DG Doug to: ID Connie LeClerc-Meyer

P.S. I forgot to draw the winner of the gas card (anyone who registered by Jan. 31 was eligible to win).

THE WINNER IS PDG RICHARD McKELLAR

Remember to sign up for the upcoming events: New Horizon Symposium on April 13, 2019 in Zionsville, IN.

Indiana Lions State Convention on April 26, 27 and 28, 2019 in Ft. Wayne, IN.

Plan on attending! Hope to see you all there.

Thank you,

DG Doug

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Subject: March District Newsletter

Hello Lions and I trust that all are well.

As I write this memo today, Lion Gail and I are in the process of moving into our new home.

There are new neighbors to meet and to my knowledge, none of them are Lions! Yes, in small towns there are still people who aren't Lions and, yes, there are many who don't have any idea what we do. I see this as an opportunity to grow our club again. I am hoping that there are some younger folks because they bring a different perspective to serving, and they are full of new ideas. Just maybe I can get 2 or 3 anew members out of this group.

The District 25-C convention is over and what a terrific event. DG Doug and Lion Shelia really put together a fine event. There were as you know some very tireless workers behind the scene that help make these events come off smoothly and they really came through as well.

One encouraging note is that we had a number of first time convention attendees, guests from other districts and that is always good news because these gatherings are about ALL Lions, not just the leadership group.

While we did get a lot of work completed, reports, elections, and a very encouraging talk from our visiting ID Connie LeCleir-Meyer, we managed to have fun! We are busy now charting the course for our future and it's looking bright, so my question is: *Are You Charting the Course for Your Club's New Year?* It's never too early to start.

Yours in service,
Lion Tom

Tom Robbins
District Governor Elect 25-C
Zone 3 Chair, GSC,
Leader Dog Associate

Moving on is a process;
moving forward is a choice.
There's a slight difference
between the two. Moving
on is letting things
happen; moving forward
is **making things happen.**

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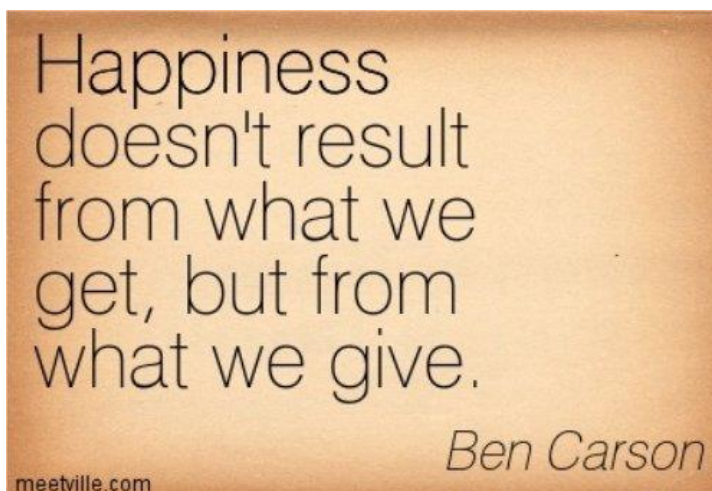
Hello again Lions of 25-C,

It's spring and district conventions are popping up like flowers through the snow! What a wonderful weekend it was at our convention! Congratulations to all those who were elected to officer and trustee positions. Indeed, a wonderful time was had by all! When was the last time that you attended a district or state meeting? Was it this past weekend? Last year? How many times in the last five years? Hold it, I just heard someone say that they have *NEVER* been to one!! Oh, you are missing out on such wonderful moments! You are missing out on meeting new friends across the district and state! Lions are such magnificent people. I feel like I have family located all over the state thanks to Lions Clubs International!

Don't fret, you still have time to get involved! You still have opportunities to meet some of the nicest, most caring people in the world. Coming up in April you have a couple of events that you can attend. On April 13 we have a Ladies Symposium in Zionsville, with special guest speaker Diane Corlew. Lion Diane is the wife of Past-International President Chancellor Bob Corlew. All are welcome, women and men, Lions and non-Lion guests. This would be an excellent opportunity to introduce someone to Lions!

Then the last weekend of the month is the State Convention in Fort Wayne! What a great time that will be! I encourage each and every one of you to get out and attend some events! Stretch yourself, try something different and new! I also want to thank everyone who did come to the Spring Convention...thank you for your support. I look forward to continuing to serve with you all over the upcoming years!

Jim P.M. Query
President, Spencer Lions Club
Zone 5 Chairman
2VDG District C





Lions International Convention – Milan, Italy July 5th – 9th 2019

One of the great things to be able to do before or after the convention is to tour in these other countries while visiting there. LCIcon host committee has arranged with a local touring company to offer a variety of options to our membership. Additional details of each tour, including price and booking procedures, can be found on the LCI website on the LCIcon page.



Best of Italy: from Venice to Rome (6 nights)

This tour will take you along some of the most beautiful art cities of Italy, a real crab for culture and taste. But besides the iconic sites, we will make you discover also some hidden gems and most authentic sides of each city. You will visit local markets and shops, meeting producers of excellent “Made in Italy” food and wine, artisans and local people.

Puglia & Matera (5 nights)

A tour across two wonderful Italian regions: Puglia with its UNESCO sites, castles, beautiful medieval towns and coastal villages; and Basilicata with the enchanting Matera, elected European capital of Culture for 2019. You will experience the incredible hospitality of the locals and taste authentic flavours of Southern Italy.

Romantic Italy (4 nights)

Treat yourself with a break in the most romantic cities of Italy. Discover the most iconic sites together with hidden corners that only locals know. Experience the Venetian aperitivo in the Jewish Ghetto and the Gelato in Florence. Admire the majestic palaces of Venice on board of an historical Gondola and the art masterpieces with a guided tour at Uffizi Gallery.

Eastern Sicily Discovery (4 nights)

This tour will take you discovering incredible sites, natural landscapes, and the most authentic culinary tradition of Eastern Sicily.

Naples, Capri & Amalfi Coast (3 nights)

This short tour will allow you in few days to discover Naples from above and below and to see the world-famous pearls of the area, the Amalfi Coast and the Island of Capri.

Turin, Alba & Barolo (3 nights)

This tour is specifically designed for wine and food lovers. A total immersion in the Piedmont culture and gastronomy.

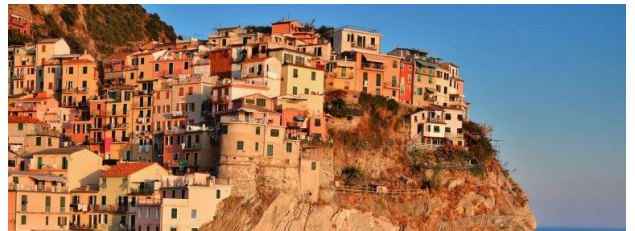


Venice & Padua (3 nights)

Discover two authentic gems of Veneto region. Venice with its monumental San Marco square and Doge Palace, and its most genuine quarters as Jewish Ghetto, where you will have time to taste the Cicchetti (Venetian tapas) as a true local! Padua with the incredible Prato della Valle and the small tiny squares. Our guide will take you for a true experiential journey.

Genoa & Cinque Terre (3 nights)

Thanks to this tour you will discover one of the most well-preserved historical center of Europe, walking through narrow alleys the city will reveal ancient food shops and small intimate squares. Proceed with a day trip to the secluded Medieval Abbey of San Fruttuoso enjoying the sea and a fresh fish lunch with locals.





April 13th!
New Horizons Women's Symposium



2019 Indiana Lions State Convention

In less than 8 weeks, the Grand Wayne Convention Center, Fort Wayne Hilton and downtown Fort Wayne will be rolling out the red carpet for the Lions of Indiana to convene the 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention. The Convention is the time to renew acquaintances, celebrate the great work Lions are doing in Indiana and around the world, be inspired by President Gudrun and return to our clubs energized to serve.

Register for the Convention by March 1 and be entered to win a free night at the Hilton. There are still plenty of rooms available, but make your hotel reservation soon – our block is filling up. The registration form with seminar details and menus is elsewhere in this newsletter along with the State Convention website www.indianalionsconvention.org

Come early to browse the exhibit hall, place your bids at the silent auction and discover all the unique shops and lively attractions in downtown Fort Wayne. www.visitfortwayne.com provides all the information you need to turn the weekend into a great family outing. See you in Fort Wayne April 26 – 28.

2019 INDIANA LIONS STATE CONVENTION

Hosted by District 25B

April 26 28, 2019

120 W. Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne, Indiana

Special Guests

International President Gudrun & PID Jon

Host Hotel Hilton (attached to the Convention Center)

1020 S. Calhoun St., Fort Wayne, Indiana

Room Rate: \$115.00 plus tax

**Call 260-420-1100 or 1-800-445-8667 for reservations
mention Lions of Indiana - Group Code LOI**

Registration Form (one per person)

Registration Deadline: April 10, 2019

Please print name as desired on Badge

Name and Title _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City/State/Zip _____

District _____ Club _____ Email _____

Friday Evening Dinner \$20.00 = \$_____

Saturday Lunch \$20.00 = \$_____

Saturday All State Banquet \$35.00 = \$_____
Filet Salmon Chicken

Sunday Brunch \$20.00 = \$_____

2019 Convention Pin (free to 1st 400)
Additional pin \$ 4.00 = \$_____

2019 Convention Shirt (polo)
S M L XL 2X \$35.00 = \$_____

Total Enclosed \$_____

SPECIAL MENU: Diabetic () Gluten Free ()

SEMINARS:

| | SESSION 1 | SESSION 2 |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| 1.Fort Wayne Botanical Gardens | () | () |
| 2.Allen County Library Genealogy Department | () | () |
| 3A Helping Hoosiers Help Humanity PIP Wayne Madden (Session 1 only) | () | () |
| 3B VisionFirst (Session 2 only) | () | () |
| 4.Diabetes Education, Screenings and Lions | () | () |

Send registration and check payable to:

2019 IN Lions State Convention

Lion Kevin McDermit

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Ft. Wayne, IN 46818

Or click to email completed form to: krmcdermit@comcast.net

2019 INDIANA LIONS STATE CONVENTION INFORMATION

MENUS

FRIDAY DINNER Parkview Field

Grilled Hamburgers, BBQ Pulled Pork, Macaroni & Cheese
Maple Baked Beans with Smoked Bacon, Garden Salad with trio of dressing Fresh Fruit, Apple Crisp Dessert, Iced Tea & Water

SATURDAY LUNCH

Caesar Salad Includes Romaine Lettuce, Parmesan Cheese & Croutons, Served with Caesar Dressing & Golden Italian Dressing
½ Turkey Sandwich on Pretzel Roll with Swiss Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato ½ Ham Sandwich on Pretzel Roll with Cheddar Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato Kettle Chips, Chocolate Brownies & Assorted Cookies
Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaf Starbucks Coffee, Iced Tea & Iced Water

ALL STATE BANQUET

**Choice 1 - Filet Mignon with Port Wine Sauce*
Fresh Asparagus with Red Peppers, Garlic Smashed Potatoes
**Choice 2 - Salmon Fillet with Mango Salsa*
Fresh Asparagus with Red Peppers, Wild Rice
**Choice 3 - Breast of Chicken with Roma Tomatoes, Basil, Garlic & Balsamic Vinaigrette, Topped with Provolone Cheese*
Fresh Asparagus with Red Peppers, Garlic Smashed Potatoes
All entrees served with Hilton Signature Salad, Rolls and Butter
Alternating Desserts Vanilla Cheesecake & Ultimate Chocolate Cake
Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaf Starbucks Coffee, Iced Tea & Iced Water

SUNDAY BRUNCH

Deluxe Scrambled Eggs - Scrambled Eggs, Onion, Bell Pepper, Mushroom, Pico de Gallo and Cheddar Cheese, Cheesy Hash Brown Potatoes, Honey Glazed Ham Carving Station with Chef Attendant, Assorted Sweet Breads, Assorted Muffins Seasonal Sliced Fruit Display
Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaf Starbucks Coffee, Assorted Hot Tazo Teas & Orange Juice

FRIDAY GOLF OUTING: The golf outing will be at Colonial Oaks Golf Course on **Friday, April 26** at 10:00 a.m. 8218 Huguenard Road, Fort Wayne. The phone number **260-489-5121**. The golf fee will be paid at the course. Food and beverages available at the course. Register with PDG Don Cooper at dkcooper81@msn.com

FRIDAY NIGHT EUCHRE TOURNAMENT -Please email PDG Peg VanNevel at pitchinpeg@yahoo.com and provide your name, email and phone number. You don t have to play euchre to be part of the fun and great food...potluck fare, please bring a snack or dessert to share. Volunteers also needed for scorekeeping and organizing the food.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON TOURS - Local tours will be available during the same time as the seminars. The tours that are on the list to date are: History Center, The Embassy, Fire Fighters Museum, Lincoln Museum

Honor, Pride, Future

SEMINARS 1, 2 AND 4 WILL BE OFFERED TWICE

SEMINAR 3 HAS LCIF IN SESSION 1 AND EYE BANK IN SESSION 2

SEMINAR #1: Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory Surround yourself with nature at the Conservatory an oasis in the heart of downtown Fort Wayne. Visit the Showcase Garden with its lush seasonal displays, wander through the Tropical Garden where orchids and palms thrive in the shadows of a cascading waterfall, or retreat to the quiet beauty of the Desert Garden. (NOTE: This is a self-guided tour). The Conservatory is right across the street from the Convention Center.

SEMINAR #2: The Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center is a unique and valuable resource for the Northeastern Indiana community and the entire genealogy community at large. The Center has one of the largest research collections available, incorporating records from around the world. The staff specializes in genealogy and member(s) of the staff will guide attendees through the research process. Attendees will take the very short walk to the Library from the Convention Center.

SEMINAR #3 A. PIP Wayne Madden: **Helping Hoosiers Help Humanity - a Look Back and Ahead** - Journey through the history of Lions Clubs International Foundation and the \$1+ billion in funding it has provided for Lions service since 1968. Then, prepare for the future as we explore Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering service. Together, we'll learn how the most impactful fundraising effort in our foundation's history will help us: Increase service in areas we've championed for decades - vision, youth, disaster relief, and humanitarian efforts. Fight diabetes close to home and around the world. Expand our global causes to help those impacted by childhood cancer, hunger, and environmental challenges. *This seminar is only offered for Session 1.*

SEMINAR #3 B. VisionFirst Indiana Lions Eye Bank: Lion Mark Owens, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Eye Bank, will discuss the recommended changes to the Indiana Lions Constitution regarding the Eye Bank. This session will answer all the questions you will have regarding these proposed changes. *Offered for Session 2.*

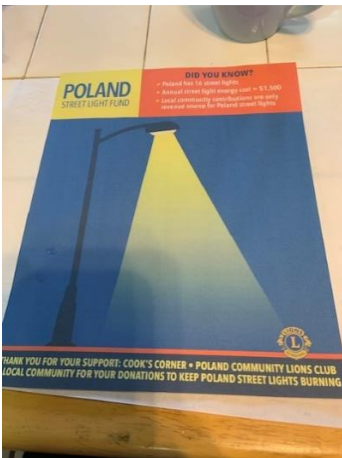
SEMINAR #4: Diabetes Education - Presenter: PDG Norma Callahan, Florida Lions Diabetes Chair PDG Norma will discuss the progression of diabetes and the strategy of involving Lions in the screening/education process for Diabetes prevention. Screenings will also be offered during the Convention. Getting involved in these screenings would be a great project for your club.

MOBILE ELECTRIC CARTS:

James Medical will deliver motorized scooters to the Ft. Wayne Hilton on Friday and will pick up the scooters after the convention. The Carts are \$100 for the weekend. Contact PDG Kaylene Souers at amchud@aol.com by March 15 to make your reservation.



Members of the Plainfield Lions Club and the Just Be Kind Youth Club joined together to pass out over 450 valentines to the residents of Sugar Grove Senior Living, Cumberland Trace Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Plainfield Health Care Center, Countryside Meadows, Park Square Manor and Cypress Manor (formerly Hendricks County Home). The valentines were hand-made by students from Brentwood Elementary, Van Buren Elementary, and Clarks Creek Elementary Schools in Plainfield. This has been an annual event in which the Plainfield Lions Club and the elementary schools in Plainfield have worked together to provide valentines to those who may not receive one. This was the first year that members of the Just Be Kind Youth Club participated in passing out valentines. The smiles and tears on the faces of those residents upon receiving these valentines was all the thanks that was needed.



Poland Lions Club recently held a chili supper to pay for the 16 electric street lights in their town. They are “grandfathered” in at \$1,500.00. Should the town ever fail to be able to pay that amount, be disconnected and have to be reconnected, the rate would be substantially higher. The Lions are determined to keep the town lighted and keep that bill as is! Good job, Poland Lions!



Samantha Robbins of Zionsville, Indiana was crowned Miss Ball State University 2019 on February 10th. Robbins is a 2016 graduate of Zionsville High School and a member of the Zionsville Lions Club. She is a junior at BSU majoring in Visual Communications. She will compete in Miss Indiana State Competition this June in Zionsville.



DG Doug with the happy Lions of the West Point Club!



DG made a presentation during his visit to the Jamestown Lions Club.



DG Doug is shown making presentations during his visit to the Newport Lions Club.



DG Doug made presentations on his visit to the Earl Park Lions Club.



District Governor Doug Eversole visited Clinton Lions Club and gave out awards. DG Doug gave out 50 Year Pins to Lion Ramon Colombo and Lion Ferruccio Fornero. In the picture is District Governor Eversole, Lion Ramon Colombo, Lion Ferruccio Fornero, and Lion President Steve Thompson.



District Governor Eversole also gave a W.P. Woods Award and a Melvin Jones Award to Lion Jerry Spurr during his visit to Clinton LC. Pictured at left is Governor Eversole, Lion Jerry Spurr and Lion President Steve Thompson.



Governor Eversole also gave out Lion of the year to Lion Dennis Jones. In the picture is Governor Eversole, Lion Dennis Jones and Lion President Steve Thompson.



If the rough March winds chill you through and through AND you happen to be in the Spencer Lions Club area on Thursdays between 11:30 am and 1:30 pm, drop by the clubhouse on 59 N. Main in Spencer for their \$7.00 all-you-can-eat-lunch of soup, salad and sandwich with desserts and beverages included. That will warm you!

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