

DISTRICT 25C NEWSLETTER

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March 2020

Hello Lions,

By the time you read this letter our District-C Convention may have concluded, and we will have a new District Governor Elect as well as new 1st and 2nd Vice Governors Elect.

Please know that this is only the beginning of developing the leadership team for 2020-2021. There are many positions other than just elected persons, so now is the time for you to consider stepping up. There are cabinet roles, zone chair assignments and more than 30 committee chairs that will be appointed by the District Governor and each of the committees have more than one member. If you have been waiting and wondering if this is the time, well just take that step. We are always excited to have new leaders and with the support of your home club members you will be successful.

Of course, there will be training events that are designed to bring all of us up to date on the latest procedures, technologies and best practices. These training events only require one thing: YOUR PARTICIPATION / ATTENDANCE.

Club leaders, please encourage members who haven't held an office in your club to do so. We always need new ideas, and it provides an opportunity for all members to grow. Newer members should be encouraged to "put their name in the hat" for leadership roles as this is one of the best ways to get to know your club. Elections for clubs is just around the corner so start your process now.

This has been a fabulous year and I still have four (4) months to accomplish some very important goals.

Giving: many clubs have presented Lion Gail and me with checks or pledges of support for LCIF and our 5 State Projects and for that we say THANK YOU. I would ask each club to review your financial status and see if you can support these very important Lions efforts. YOU CAN CHANGE LIVES WITH YOUR GIFTS.

Next is **Membership**: we all want new members, but WE REALLY WANT LIONS. It is important that we encourage new potential members to come SERVE with us and see firsthand what Lionism is about. Whether you are working on Vision Screening school children, serving meals at a food kitchen or helping someone that just needs some help, let them see what we do, then they may truly want to be Lions.

I will close with the same message I have been leaving with every club. Be authentic -- you are local to your community and that is where your support comes from. That's where you should focus your attention first. When you have taken care of the needs in your local community, then, you can reach a little higher.

Melvin Jones said it best, "You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else".

DG Tom



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Way back in the year 1519, Hernán Cortés led an expedition from Spain to the “New World.” According to some legends, upon his arrival, he ordered his ships to be burned. Digging a little deeper the truth was that he ordered all his ships, except one, to be run aground. The one ship was to be kept as a “Treasure Ship” to send jewels and spoils of conquest back to Spain. That ship also would serve as an emergency escape vehicle to take the senior officers to Cuba, should the need arise. The scuttled ships were broken down and used to make shelter and tools for the Conquistadors.

The question is, why in the world would he order his ships to be stripped down? The prevailing thought is that it would force his people to conquer the land. They had no other choice, conquer, or be conquered. Cortés charted a course of action and did not deviate from it.

A couple years ago, I burned a few ships myself and charted a course to become District Governor. In a way, when we become Lions we also burn some ships. We set aside our old ways to serve our communities with kindness to our fellow man.

When a new member is inducted to our association, often our logo is explained to them. Two stylized lions’ profiles: one proud of the past, the other confident of the future. Sadly, too often we spend too much time being proud of what we have done, allowing our confidence in the future to lag. The time has come for us all to chart a course towards a stronger future.

It is time for us to band together to continue to make this the best District in the STATE!!

Let us stand together as one family and forge a brighter future for the Lions that will follow us in the years to come.

Together, we are family.

Together, we are Lions.

Together, We Serve.

BURN THE SHIPS!



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Are you ready to step up?

Just over 50 years ago I decided to attend a rehearsal for the local barbershop singers. It was a warm and accepting group. Mostly they ran through many songs one right after the other. Someone helping me quickly find the song might have my experience rewarding. By the time I found the sheet music, the song was half over. Then the song ended and another began. I was frustrated.

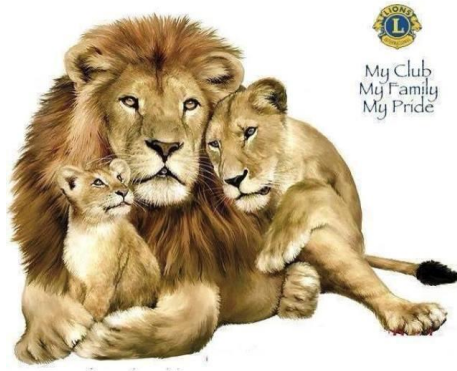
But the one thing that stuck in my mind was what the group did after the formal rehearsal. One of the established quartets began to sing. Soon a new person would tap the shoulder of one quartet member and take over that part and the original singer would step aside. This continued with several new persons stepping in and the others stepping back. And the music continued.

There are several lessons for Lions in this story. First, being friendly did not get me to come back. There has to be some way for the new Lion to get involved.

This is club election time. If we help a club member be involved in the club and club activities, then that member has “rehearsed” enough that he/she will have the confidence to step up, tap the shoulder of an activity chair or an officer and say, “I am ready to do that now.” The other thing is that the activity chair (or officer) should be willing to help someone step up. Last year our club secretary said that she would be secretary if no one came forward. A member came forward and the former secretary became the club administrator and has been helping the new secretary.

Are you ready to step up—or to make room for another Lion to step up?

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SAVE THE DATE

March 28, 2020	New Voices Symposium , Zionsville Town Hall. Bring a non-Lion!
April 25, 2020	District C Caucus , Bloomington Convention Center Strides Walk Euchre Tournament RAP
May 2, 2020 May 16, 2020	West Point Lions Club , Car Show (flyer attaches) ISBVI Work Day ,
June 6, 2020	District Picnic , Zionsville Lions Park
September 13, 2020	ISBVI Trike Race/Disc Golf

Conventions

March 7, 2020	District Convention , Zionsville Town Hall Could each club send 4 members to our convention?!! (How about even 1 from each club!! You meet such great Lions here!) Silent Auction for Childhood Cancer , Contact PDG Pat Short (Lionpatshort@aol.com)
April 24-26, 2020	IN Lions State Convention , Bloomington Convention Center Strides Walk Diabetes Testing, Hearing Testing available RAP: Bring a child's book to state convention to share
June 26-30, 2020	Lions International , Singapore

Have your event listed here!

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Hearing Screening: What will you do about *your* hearing loss?

Part III

“Yes, you really do have a hearing loss!” Now, what are you going to do about it? Resistance and denial may not cease immediately. Some common attitudes linger:

“It’s *really* not that bad.”

“I still get along *pretty* well.”

“Hearing aids are just so darn *expensive*.”

You are not alone—far from it. On the average it takes an individual 7 to 10 years to address a hearing problem. Some never do.

Please remember though, that your failure to act extends your own solitude, and prolongs the pain for those who care about you. Is this a guilt trip? Yes, indeed. Your journey into a soundless world only gets worse. Do something for others who need your hearing to gain your understanding. They will love you for it.

The very first step in solving a problem is identifying it. You’ve done that! So fix it! I know. Fixing hearing loss nearly always requires money, sometimes lots of money. Do not despair. Help is available for many. Consider contacting one or more of the following agencies/organizations for help:

Veterans Administration
Medicaid
Medicare
Corporate or Private insurance plans
Lions Speech and Hearing

Contact information for these groups is available on the web, and there is likely an office near you. Ask them, if you are qualified. *Hint: A Speech and Hearing Trustee may be able to help.*

Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, Inc. focuses on a need for hearing and the ability to afford that hearing. There are two hearing aid programs available:

First is the Hearing Aid Loaner Bank, which is responsible for collecting and rebuilding hearing aids. These are loaned to qualified individuals for a year with the possibility of renewing that loan. The cost is minimal.

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**Hearing Screening:
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hearing loss?**

**Part III,
Continued**

Second is the Affordable Hearing Aid Program, which allows a qualified individual to purchase new hearing aids at an affordable cost. Contact your Trustee for further information.

To sustain these programs Lions Speech and Hearing needs donations. These may take the form of cash, or used hearing aids. Used hearing aids are rebuilt and are distributed from the Hearing Aid Loaner Bank. Cash donations are needed to rebuild those aids. You can donate through your club, or directly to Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, Inc., which is designated as a 501 (c) 3 organization.

If you have more questions now, than when you started, that's a good sign. Contact me, and we'll look for answers together.

I hope you have learned and benefitted from this series on hearing loss, and I hope that you will join with Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing to become a part of a hearing solution—for yourself or for someone else. You'll be glad you did!



Your 25C Speech & Hearing Trustees are working for a sound quality of life. They are:

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**Do something for your health and at
the same time support
“Diabetes Awareness”**



**Join us at the Indiana State
Convention in Bloomington, Saturday,
April 25th for a
“STRIDES WALK”**

**The route will be a ½ mile up and ½ mile
back**

**You can register using the Indiana State
Convention registration form
Questions or comments contact me at**

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R. L. McKellar, Strides Walk Chair



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Plan ahead for this year's Indiana Lions State Convention in Bloomington

***To receive your Melvin Jones Fellowship Honor at state Convention on
Saturday April 25, 2020 Please plan ahead!***

Any Indiana Lions Club or person that would like to receive their Melvin Jones Fellowship Honor presented during the noon luncheon at the Indiana Lions State Convention on Saturday April 25, 2020 in Bloomington, IN. should plan for it now. Everyone will have this unique opportunity in that it will be presented by past Lions Clubs International President Chancellor Bob Corlew and PIP Wayne Madden. What makes this a unique opportunity is because of three reasons. First, your MJF plaque with pin will be presented by past International President Chancellor Bob Corlew; Second, PIP Wayne Madden will be there to assist; and Third, this will be a great photo opportunity for you and your Lions Club. Deadline to enter April 17th, 2020

Even if you have not received the actual MJF plaque before the Indiana Lions State Convention, we will make the presentation using a "sample" MJF plaque and then you will receive your official plaque later.

**Please contact PDG Gary Ochs, Indiana LCIF Multiple District 25
Coordinator by Friday April 17th, 2020 at gochsinlions@att.net or call
812-275-7241. Thank you.**



Come join us in Singapore!

103rd Lions Clubs International Convention

June 26 - 30, 2020

SANDS EXPO & CONVENTION CENTER

- Until March 31, 2020, the regular registration fee is US\$225
- April 1, 2020 through onsite registration, the fee is US\$250
- May 1, 2020 is deadline to submit a refund request

LCI is monitoring the Coronavirus outbreak and its affect on the safety of Lions attending the convention. For now we are moving forward with planning a fantastic event for the Indiana Lions!

PDGs from B, C, D, E or G— the International Convention Committee Needs You! If you like to travel and want to help fellow Hoosier Lions enjoy LCICON, please talk to your DG about putting your name on the ballot for the MD25 Convention.

Upcoming LCICON locations:

2021 Montreal, Quebec

2022 New Delhi, India

2023 Boston, MA

2024 Melbourne, Australia

2025 Mexico City, Mexico

2026 Atlanta, GA



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RAP – Service Project
April 24-26, 2020
Lions Reading Action Project
Bring A Children's Book to the
Indiana Lions State
Convention





2020 Indiana Lions State Convention

Hosted by District 25C
April 24, 25, 26, 2020



Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center
302 South College Ave., Bloomington, Indiana

Special Guests: Past International President Bob Corlew and Lion Dianne
Marriott Convention Hotel (attached to Convention Center)

310 South College Ave., Bloomington, IN 47401 (Free Parking available at Convention Center)

Room Rate: \$139.00 per night, plus tax, until March 23, 2020

Call 1-800-321-2211 or 1-812-335-8000 for Reservations (Mention "Indiana Lions Convention")

NOTE: There are many other hotels in Bloomington, but this is Little 500 Weekend at IU, so be sure to book early!

Alternate Hotels in Bloomington are:

Hyatt Hotel, 1 1/2 Blks. North of Convention Ctr., \$119 per night (812-339-5950), 217 S. Kirkwood Ave.

(The Hyatt Hotel charges \$10/day for parking, but serves free breakfast daily)

Fairfield Inn, 2.5 mi. from Conv. Ctr., \$103 per night, Breakfast included; (812-331-1122), 120 S. Fairfield Dr.;

Quality Inn, 2.2 mi. from Conv. Ctr., Breakfast included, 1100 W. Rappel Ave., \$70-80 per night (812-558-2289)

Registration Form (one form per person)

Deadline: All Registrations must be postmarked by April 10, 2020

Please print name/Lion Title as desired on name badge:

Name and Lion Title: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

District: _____ Club: _____ E-mail: _____

Friday Evening BBQ Dinner \$15.00 = \$ _____

Saturday Lunch: Choose 1 below: \$10.00 = \$ _____

Garden Salad _____ or Club Sandwich _____

(Both include chips, fruit salad, cookie & drink)

Saturday Night Banquet: Choose 1 below \$25.00 = \$ _____

Chicken Piccata _____ or Citrus Glazed Pork Chop _____

(Please mark as needed: Gluten free _____ Vegetarian/Vegan _____)

Sunday Brunch \$15.00 = \$ _____

Friday Golf Outing (Pay at golf course \$40.00)

Strides Walk T Shirt Size (S to 2XL) _____ \$10.00 = \$ _____

2020 Indiana Convention Pin \$ 4.00 = \$ _____

Total Registration Paid \$ _____



Mail This Registration Form and your Check, payable to

Indiana Lions State Convention 2020, to:

PDG Jim Querv, 2408 Shepard Patrick Rd., Spencer, IN 47460

(Contact info: 1-812-829-4496 or jequerv@bluemarble.net)

You may also Register Online and pay with PayPal: www.indianalionsconvention.org

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 Gail Robbins,
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Put the March 7 District Convention on your calendar!

(And bring some friends with you!)





Not all of the chevrons arrived in time for District Governor Tom to deliver when he made club visitations. Lion Margaret McConnaha, Lebanon Lions Club, had her 15 year Chevron home delivered to her by DG Tom Robbins. Congratulations and thank you for being a Lion. (Picture by Lion Gail Robbins)

PCC Ross Drapalik spoke about the new MyLion at Zone 4's meeting at Martinsville Evenings Club, headed by Zone Chair Tom Iles, Plainfield Lions Club. (Picture by Lion Gail Robbins)



Meet the Brookston Lions Club. Every cent they make goes back into their community, the 5 State Projects and LCIF. Thank you Lions. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

Congratulations to Prairie Creek Lions Club member Neil Hunt, who just received his lifetime membership! (Photo courtesy of Lion Kimberly Waggoner)





Crawfordsville Lions Club know how to keep the DG safe. They entertained him in a bank vault at Allen's Country Kitchen! Thank you for being such great Lions. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

Some of Rossville Lions Club Members came out on an ice-covered night to celebrate reaching 3rd largest Club in District C with 63 members! Congratulations to Gary Gangiver, 25 yr. Chevron; Larry Beard, 15 yr. Chevron; Richard Hackerd, 15 yr. Chevron; Ron McMains, 15 yr. Chevron. Congratulations to President Kent Need and Lions, super job of growing! (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



These colorful Lions are comprised of Terre Haute Evening Lions President Larry Hatcher, Secretary Becky Smith, DG Tom, Lion Paula Bland, 2nd VP Don Bland, Treasurer Terry Weir, and Lion Judy Meng, dedicated to serving their community. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

Terre Haute Evening Lions Club serves at the Lighthouse Mission as one of their community projects. DG Tom & Lion Gail were so humbled that you let us help. (Photo provided by Lion Gail Robbins)



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Normally I would not use a picture of this size in the newsletter, but it shows the magnitude of a glasses mission to Mexico. PDG Ray Collins (Riley Twp. LC) became ill just before this trip. It is the first mission he has missed in years. The picture shows the Lions of Indiana on the trip, all the glasses and wishes for Ray to get well! Note the crowd waiting in the upper right corner! PID Nick Xinopoulos stated that the group served over 6,000 people in one week. (Picture courtesy of PID Linda Tinch)



Here's a happy group of Lions! Thank you, West Point Lions Club, for the pizza and sharing with us about how you take care of your community. Don't forget their car show May 2! (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

VDG D Mike Imbler, VDG/PDG B Roger Cash, VDG C Jim P.M. Query, and VDG A Will Farrellbegg paused a moment during their training in St. Charles for a quick photo. (Photo from Face Book)



DG Tom congratulating Jamestown Lions Club President John Waymire on his 25 yr. Chevron. (Photo by Lion Gale Robbins)

Jamestown Treasurer Eddie Ebaugh received his 30 yr. Chevron. By the way, this man is an excellent cake maker! (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)





DG Tom was really proud to present Jamestown Lion Ed Henry his 30 yr. Chevron. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

Jamestown Lions Club never stops working to give! Thank you, President John Waymire and Lions. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



DG Tom congratulates Jamestown PDG James Randle on his 30 yr. Chevron. Thank you for serving your Club and your District. (Photo by Lions Gail Robbins)



Caught a few of Monrovia Lions Club members showing off all their award patches that will be added to their banner. Great job, President Dianne Olleman! Not pictured is Jeff Honaker, who received a 30 yr. Chevron. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

Sneaky, aren't we?!! Just a reminder that MWC will once again be at the Crowne Plaza but the weekend shall be later. Put January 22-23 on your calendar!

Back in Indy !!

The 2021 Mid-Winter Conference returns to the Crowne Plaza at the Indianapolis Airport.

Everything under one roof! It's a 'One-stop' environment for Indiana's premier conference.

SAVE THE DATE

January 22-23 2021



Mid-Winter Conference

MD25

2021



Newport Lion's Club has added 4 new members this year. Thank you, President Eddie Norman, for a great turn out and being such friendly Lions! See you this fall at the Newport Hill Climb. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



Congratulations to Lion Greg Ratliff on his 25 yr. Chevron. Greg sits in the Crow's Nest at the top of the hill for the Newport Hill Climb, and he let DG Tom & Lion Gail up there with him! Thanks! (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

Lion David Bedwell was the Governor's personal guide into Newport amongst 100,000 visitors for the Newport Hill Climb. He can wear his 20 yr. Chevron now. Congratulations. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



Lion Brad Ringwald received his 25 yr. Service Chevron. Thank you, Brad, for being a Lion. Not pictured receiving Service Chevrons are Lion Jack Shipman, 30 yrs., Lion Henry Schlueter, 20 yrs. and Lion Chris Chambers, 10 yrs. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



President Randy Wood meets his Morgantown Lions at lunchtime to go through a list of upcoming community giving activities. Thank you for our lunch and thank you for being Lions. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

Morgantown Lions Club Secretary Suzanne Moyer is the proud sponsor of new member Michelle Schiting. DG Tom enjoys inducting new Lions. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



Lafayette Lions Club February 8 Parkrun took place at 9 am on a cool 35 degree dry day with a smattering of snow, but no ice. Nine Parkrunners ran the 5K with one child also participating. Three Lafayette Lions were there as run director, timer and course marshal. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)

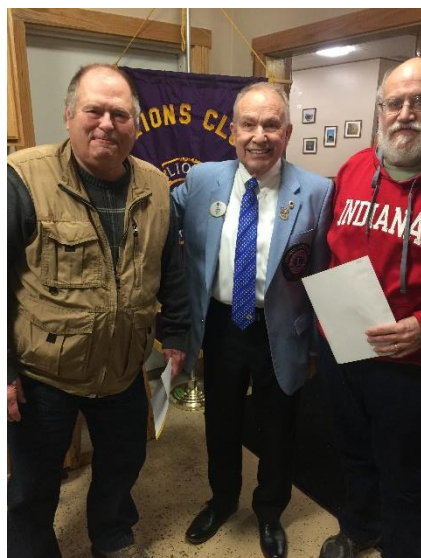
Lafayette LC February 22 Parkrun took place at 9 am on a cool 25 degree dry sunny day. Twelve Parkrunners ran/walked the 5K with one dog also participating. Three Lafayette Lions were there as run director, timer and course marshal. We had 2 1st timers and 1 PR tourist from North Carolina. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)





Lafayette Lions Club was honored with a beautiful oak plaque recognizing it as a sponsor of the 2019 Wabash River Ride. They supported this event as part of their diabetes prevention efforts. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)

This Cloverdale Little Lion never roared all night! Baby Nash, thank your parents for sharing you with all of us, Future Lion! (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



Lion Norv Gottula received his 25 yr. Chevron from DG Tom, as did Lion Ray Baker receive a 25 yr. Chevron. Missing from picture is Lion Larry Haltom who has a 45 yr. Chevron and Brady Stockwell, a 10 yr. Chevron. Congratulations and thank you each for being a Lion! (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



Cloverdale Lions Club shared a great discussion on their multiple upcoming projects. It's amazing how working couples with small children can get so much done for their community. Proud to know you! (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

Students from Brentwood Elementary, Van Buren Elementary, and Central Elementary Schools in Plainfield hand-made over 250 valentines that members of the Plainfield Lions Club and the Just Be Kind youth group passed out to residents of multiple senior living facilities. (At right and below) (Photo by Lion Tom Iles)





Congratulations, Jackie Crabb, on your 25 yr. Chevron. She is the Clay City Lions Club Secretary with DG Tom and President Thad Shideler. Missing from Chevron picture are Lions Jeffery Bell, 15 yrs., Alan Ewer 15yrs. and Larry Moss 30yrs. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

Clay City Lions Club presented DG Tom with checks for the State Projects and LCIF. Thank you, Lions! (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



Busy week for Zionsville's Lion Samantha Robbins. She not only was chosen to be a 500 Princess for the Indianapolis 500, but she was also crowned Miss Collegiate North, winning interview, talent and most liked by her peers plus the title. She is an amazing Lion! (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)





Lion Carl Landskron was a volunteer at the Special Olympics Polar Plunge at PU. Over 300 participants raised over \$79,000 for Special Olympics to provide (the athletes) with training, equipment, uniforms, travel, housing and any other incidentals that come along. Lion Carl worked alongside his wife, Lion Chris Landskron, President of the Indiana Cyber Lions Club. (Photo provided by PDG Pat Short)

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

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