

District 25 Chronicles

"Are there no Prisons?"

...asked Scrooge. "Plenty of prisons," said the gentleman, laying down the pen again.

"And the union workhouses?" demanded Scrooge. "Are they still in operation?"

"They are. Still," returned the gentleman, "I wish I could say they were not."

"The Treadmill and the Poor Law are in full vigour then." Said Scrooge.

"Both very busy, sir."

These, of course, are just a few lines from *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens. Over the years many versions of this classic tale have been made with Scrooge being played by Reginald Owen, Bill Murray, George C. Scott and Cicely Tyson. Both men and women play the miserly curmudgeon that sees three spirits and turns his life around.

Sooner or later a lot of us find ourselves somewhere on the Scrooge timeline. We get busy and focused on our careers, family, goals and so on. We slowly lose track of the world around us. We achieve some goals: we get that car, that dream house and forget those people we met along the way.

This is the time of year when companies downsize with Covid-19 ramping up again, more business closures are sure to follow. It does not matter how affluent your town or neighborhood is...there are people in your area that need help.

Yes, there are food pantries and soup kitchens. Yes, there are homeless shelters,
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Upcoming Events

2021 Virtual Mid Winter Conference

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but they all need donations. They need food, they need money, and most importantly, they need your heart and your time.

You see Scrooge wasn't just greedy; he had a heart and vision problem. He could not see those who needed help and did not have his heart focused in the right direction.

Take a step back and look around.....Kindness matters.

The following quote is from Scrooge's nephew Fred.

"There are many things from which I might have derived good, by which I have not profited, I dare say," returned the nephew. 'Christmas among the rest. But I am sure I have always thought of Christmas time, when it has come round—apart from the veneration due to its sacred name and origin, if anything belonging to it can be apart from that—as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time; the only time I know of, in the long calendar of the year, when men and women seem by one consent to open their shut-up hearts freely, and to think of people below them as if they really were fellow-passengers to the grave, and not another race of creatures bound on other journeys. And therefore, uncle, though it has never put a scrap of gold or silver in my pocket, I believe that it has done me good, and will do me good; and I say, God bless it!"

God bless us, every one!

DG Jim P.M. Query

Dates to Remember

Dec. 14 Lizton Visitation



Looking for that unique gift or stocking stuffer? We have 50 booths with a wide variety of items for that "special" someone. All "social distancing" protocols will be in place. Hope to see you there!



Lion James Roth
District 25C 1st VDG

If Elsa was a Lion...

There is an overwhelming amount of support available for you and your club, yet relatively few clubs and Lions want to be helped. Let me share a personal story to help make the point. When my wife and I were just married, we visited old family friends. Elsa asked if we would like something to drink. My wife said yes and graciously accepted her drink. I, on the other hand, was “being polite” and said no thank you. Elsa left a moment and came back to tell me all the drink choices in her refrigerator. I was again “polite” and said no thank you. Then she asked what I would like so that her husband could run to the store and get it. I told her a glass of ice water. She was almost heartbroken with my response. I did not accept being served and by so doing, I took away her chance to serve.

I felt less comfortable and confident in the doctor that I only have met once while he and his staff all wore masks. We “read” a person by facial expressions. Lacking those clues, it is harder to build a relationship. I felt a little empty about him. Update: Today while the doctor was working on my eyelids, we talked

about Lions, Lions Eye Bank, school vision screening, Cyber Lions and the effect of how he sees that wearing masks has changed him and his relationship with patients. He is now more of a person to me, and we have a strong doctor-patient relationship.

So, if Elsa was a Lion, who would she be?

Elsa would be the District Governor and other district cabinet officers who reach out to help. After all, the success of the district is that the clubs and Lion members have success and serve. But who invites them?

Elsa would be the project trustees who almost beg to come and share their knowledge and passion for that service area. But who invites them?

Elsa would be the many Lions who help in officer training, and who cheerlead finding new Lions and help old Lions stay. But who accepts their offers?

Elsa would be all those Lions who submit articles and photos for the district newsletter and the Hoosier Lion. Elsa would be the district secretary and zone chairs that ask club secretaries to pass on emails and the district newsletters. So, who will share these emails and newsletters with other Lions?

Elsa is the club secretary who pleads for activity info to post in My Lion. So, who will offer the information to the club secretary?

Elsa is the club and district nominating committee “beating the bushes” to find next year’s leaders. Who is willing to step up and say, “How can I help my club or my district?”

With the help of Zoom meetings, weather and travel can be less of an issue. These Lions are sincere in their offers. Please respect those Lions (like Elsa) who are willing to share. We need to say, “Yes, please share with us.”

Helping Lions serve!

Lion Jim Roth
District 25C 1st VDG





Lion Bob Hrdy
District 25C 2nd VDG

Feeling Blessed

December brings thoughts of celebrating with friends and families- as usual for 2020 – this year will be different. 2020 has been a LONG year – many Lions Clubs are not meeting or meeting via Zoom.

How do we continue to maintain a spirit to serve when we are isolated from each other?

I recently came across a list of how to care for yourself during this time. Things to do to care for your body like sleep; take your medication, and drink water, but also things to care for your spirit. Things like reach out to one person outside of your home – this could be a call: a text message or a card. Listen to music; do one thing to get your heart rate up (other than yell at the TV); do one thing you will be glad you did later; do one spiritual thing; take time to laugh. You may not spend your holidays in person with family but reach out and be thankful for the contact you do have via; phone calls;

FaceTime; Zoom etc.... as many will be missing family members this year.

DG Jim met with our club via Zoom this past week. His motto for this year is Kindness Matters. It matters as much to be kind to yourself as to be kind to others.

From our Family to Yours,

Happy Holidays!

2nd VDG Bob and Lion Vicky Hrdy

Mid-Winter Conference Going Virtual

This year's Mid-Winter Conference will be a trailblazer on many fronts in Indiana Lions leadership history. Most significant will be the online format, being the first such leadership opportunity offered to Lions throughout the state. Attendance at a central physical location will not be required so there also will not be any registration fees associated with the conference.

Of course, there will be several items missing from the conference due the uncertainties of what restrictions the coronavirus might have by the January 23, 2021 date. Gone are the numerous displays by state projects, the silent auction, other Lion-sponsored programs, and projects, as well as the opportunities for personal, one-on-one interactions among Lions and visitors to the MWC.

This year the conference will have four seminars, allowing all attendees to attend. Earlier this year, past MWC attendees were surveyed to help the organizing committee plan and schedule seminar topics that were identified



as the most interesting and useful. The list was narrowed to four in an attempt to respond to the requests of over 100 previous MWC attendees.

The four topics follow.

- 1) Conducting Online Meetings and Seminars - Lion Jennifer Drapalik, a seasoned organizer and moderator of several online meetings, including Zoom, the one that will be used to host this year's MWC, will de-myth the mysteries of setting up, hosting and handling other details in holding a successful online meeting.
- 2) Everything You Want to Know About Recruiting New Lions - PDG Charles Short will moderate this panel discussion, featuring winning programs and tactics from successful club marketers, area specialists, and recruiters from around Indiana and the Great Lakes Region. Special guest Dave Wineman, LCI's North American Membership Initiative Regional Chair will be on the panel.
- 3) The 'Magic' of Membership Retention - PCC Ross Drapalik will talk about the two most significant reasons Lions leave our organization: They are either 'pulled' away or we 'push' them away from our organization. His powerful presentation has received recognition from those groups where his seminar was given.
- 4) Putting 'FUN' in FUNdraising - Even with restrictions imposed on clubs by the Covid-19 pandemic, PDG Mary Jane Bodnar will moderate this discussion that will feature several innovative fundraising projects that have proven to be profitable as well as FUN. MWC participants are encouraged to share their experiences.

Another difference about this year's conference, it is **FREE**, and even though there is no cost to attend the conference, ALL ATTENDEES must pre-register for the conference.

Registration is also quick and easy...simply click on a link, provide your name and email address.

Registration forms may be accessed at <http://e-district.org/sites/md25/> or the MidWinter Conference Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/IndianaLionsMidWinterConference>. All Lions who register will receive additional information about how to login to the MWC, including the password required. For those who need additional information about how to participate in a Zoom meeting format, a FAQ sheet will be available. The MWC Zoom meeting is available to Lions via either a computer, a tablet or smartphone with an internet connection, or through a regular telephone.

Whether you decide to attend in your best black tie formal wear or Christmas pajamas is completely up to you, but you must register.

One other thing about this year's conference, there will be no cancellation due to inclement weather, so...



Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!





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FREE PHOTO CONTEST BETWEEN

October 22- December 31, 2020, in honor of Melvin Jones' birthday.

Winners to be announced on January 17, 2021.

There are three categories, but there is a limit of one entry per person.

Your photo submission can qualify for only **one** of the three categories listed below.

NO PURCHASE OR DONATION IS REQUIRED TO ENTER.



First Category: MELVIN JONES FELLOW/ PROGRESSIVE MJF – This one is easy, **just take of picture of yourself holding your MJF plaque or PMJF pin!**

Group photos will NOT be accepted! You MUST also comment by answering in 120 words or less How has LCIF helped you personally or helped your club to help even more people in your community or globally?

Second Category: VISION/SIGHTFIRST-FOCUSED

Submit a photo of yourself from a project you were a part of, in support of a Vision project or LCIF's SightFirst program (as this year, we are celebrating 30 years of Sight First accomplishments). **GROUP PHOTOS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. You must also comment how has LCIF helped you or your club improve the lives of the visually impaired and/or prevent avoidable blindness?**

Third Category: YOUTH/LIONS QUEST-FOCUSED

Submit a photo of yourself or event you were part of, from a Youth or Lions Quest project. **GROUP PHOTOS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

You must also comment by answering the question, in 120 words or less, how has LCIF helped you or your club provide access to quality education, vital health services, and positive youth development for young people around the world?

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Merry Christmas from PID Linda Tincher, MD25 Global Service Leader

As I got in my car recently I heard an oldie song recorded in 1969 by the late **Glen Campbell, Try A Little Kindness**. It was written by Curt Sapaugh & Bobby Austin and I couldn't help but think how those lyrics sound like what Lions do. Please take a moment to read part of this song, but I warn you, you may find yourself singing.....

*"If you see your brother standing by the road with a heavy load - from the seeds he sowed,
And if you see your sister falling by the way just stop and say, "You're going the wrong way"*

*You've got to try a little kindness Yes, show a little kindness
Just shine your light for everyone to see, and if you try a little kindness
Then you'll overlook the blindness of narrow-minded people on the narrow-minded streets.*

*Don't walk around the down and out, Lend a helping hand instead of doubt
And the kindness that you show every day will help someone along their way*

You got to try a little kindness - Yes, show a little kindness"

The Pandemic has halted many holiday traditions, but Lions can still help so many in need. I have included a list of activities Lions could do to help the people in their community. Please think outside the box and find a service your club can do and tell your club secretary, so it is reported

...."And the kindness that you show every day Will help someone along their way. You've got to try a little kindness"

- Virtual Visits to a shut in by phone or computer
- Virtual Bingo/ or other fun activity – even read a short story or tell funny jokes
- Mail cards with notes to nursing home residents – or neighbors/family
- Provide coloring books/ large type word puzzles to a nursing home
- Prepare care packages and drop off at a shelter
- Food baskets
- Deliver groceries
- Offer to pick up Christmas presents for someone that cannot get out
- Wrap Christmas presents
- Help deliver Christmas trees/wreaths
- Partner with a restaurant that makes rolls/desserts – sell & deliver
- Make sure sidewalks/ drives are cleared
- Give blood



International Understanding: Lions in Germany



PID Doug Lozier

This is the first article in a series of articles which will highlight various Lion's experiences while traveling abroad into area where Lions serve.

There are 52,000 Lions members in Germany in 1,500 Clubs. German Lions are in Multiple District 111 that has 19 individual districts. The first Lions Club in Germany was in Dusseldorf. In MD 111-Germany there are five committees: for statutes and organization, long-term planning, finance, information technology, and for communication/magazine "LION". They each have their own rules of procedure and usually meet two or three times a year. They support the Governor's Council by processing orders or by means of their own proposals.

Since 2016, the Multi-District Assembly of the German Lions Clubs has been held as part of a congress. The [Congress of the German Lions \(KDL\)](#) wants to be an attractive and informative conference, where the Lions can deal with current social issues, learn about projects and offers in the multi-district 111-Germany and exchange ideas with other Lions about the Lions organization worldwide and club activities. Public meetings and workshops and discussions illuminate the framework theme from different sides and provide impulses for the daily club work.

Lions Club projects and fundraisers are very similar to those here in the US, such as Rose festivals, golf tournaments, coronavirus support, supporting local police, elder care, selling advent calendars, and playgrounds but everyone has an Oktoberfest. All district and country-wide projects are now managed through the Foundation of the German Lions. German Lions are very supportive of Lions Quest, Youth Exchange, and the Lions Youth Music Prize (an instrumental music competition throughout Europe). More information on individual club projects can be read at <https://www.lions.de/clubberichte>.

German Lions meetings are a little more formal than here in the US with men wearing suits and skirts/dresses for ladies. Most clubs have friendship banners to present to guests. German Lions and their meeting speakers are more political than what we are accustomed to. An excerpt from the MD-111 website describes German Lions flavor as:

"We stand for a liberal, social and cosmopolitan society. Free from all party political, religious and national considerations, we have always been committed to maintaining peace, understanding between peoples and promoting a good sense of citizenship. This also applies, and in particular, to the 'European project'.

We, the German Lions, see the growing renationalization and the risk that Europe will no longer be able to take advantage of the advantages and future opportunities that have already been gained. We see European integration as a great project for the benefit of all citizens and we will support it with all our possibilities. These include increased activities of local Lions Clubs, the appointment of European representatives in the districts and cross-border cooperation with the approximately 250,000 Lions in Europe at conferences and meetings, to the strengthening of the annual European Forum, where contacts are established across Europe, issues discussed, youth exchanges and other projects agreed."

When traveling to Germany, be sure to have your passport. No VISA is required. Once you enter a European country like The Netherlands, and go through Customs, you do not go through customs again until you leave a country of the European Union. The Euro is the currency. Be sure to visit Berlin if you have never been there to see the Checkpoint Charlie and museum, The Reichstag, the Brandenburg Gate, the remnants of the Berlin Wall, and then go to Potsdam where Truman, Churchill, and Stalin met to finish the World War II and where Truman gave the order to drop the atomic bomb. You will learn more about US involvement in WW-II history than you did in school.

Membership News

PDG Charlie Short, MD25 Global Membership Team (GMT)

Here's wishing all Lions and families a safe and happy Holiday Season!

All our communities are better off for you being a Lion!

We have welcomed almost 250 new Lions to the Indiana Pride this year, and our statewide effort to start new clubs and recruit new Lions has never been stronger. We currently have one new club chartered and seven new clubs in development.

District 25C Lions and Indiana Lions as a group retain two out of three new members for their first five years. That's a great vote of confidence in the quality of our clubs, their leadership, and their ability to recruit and engage new Lions. Congratulations on your continued leadership and keeping members engaged.

As we all wait for The Shot to arrive and put an end to the current unpleasantness, keep your mind open as to who might be a good new Lion. We have brought 32 new Lions on since July 1, despite the restrictions. IT CAN BE DONE!

Stay safe and be mindful of each other. Thank you for being a District 25C Lion!



Thanks to you, the Indiana Lions for the ISBVI make major gift to the school.

The Indiana Lions for the ISBVI State Project recently acted on an urgent request from the school, making an \$82,500 gift for improvement of its WI-FI system and upgrades of other computer systems.

The school's new WI-FI system will improve connection speeds, connection reliability, and overall security, while improving the area it covers on campus. It also is fully compatible with the latest versions of student learning assistive technology, while providing a better user experience for the students and faculty.

Congratulations to the Brownsburg Lions Club which recently obtained a \$250 matching grant from the Indiana Lions Foundation. This provided \$500 for the purchase of twelve magnifiers to assist low sighted students with distance vision.

Your Lions donations to the ISBVI State Project continue to revolutionize the school's ability to provide education to its vision impaired students. Thank you for your continued support, especially in these difficult Covid times.

PDG Pat Short (Lafayette LC) • **PDG Chloe Weyrauch** (Prairie Creek LC) • **Lion Bob Jessen** (Brownsburg LC)



The Information and Technology Committee for the Indiana Lions is composed of a representative from each district. Regularly, the committee will provide information regarding all things technical that will help you remain safe, secure, and knowledgeable about the devices and platforms you use. Feel free to suggest subjects to your district chair that you would like covered in future newsletters.

Backup, Backup, Backup . . . My Kingdom for a Backup!

You have had your PC, cell phone, or other computing device for years. Never had a problem with it. It runs just as fast as the day you bought it. You don't need to backup it up you think? Wrong!

All devices are in danger of a catastrophic failure. You could lose years of photographs, personal documents, and even Lions documents – many of these which are irreplaceable. You will lose a lot of hard work and memories if your device fails.

A few ways you could lose files and data are . . .

1. **Environmental** – Flood (rain or broken water pipe), extreme heat or cold, fire, dirt (how often do you open and vacuum your desktop PC?)
2. **Physical** – Dropped, thrown, knocked to the floor, stolen
3. **Cyber** – Hackers can place ransomware on your device so you cannot access your data without paying them a fee
4. **Natural Causes** – Every electronic device has a shelf life. Used long enough, every device will fail

To mitigate the impact of the above (or any other reason), you must backup your files. Many cell phone providers offer free backup of a phone to their cloud, so this article will concentrate on desktop devices.

PC Backup Methods

1. **USB Flash Drive**
 - a. **PROS** – Convenient, cheap, and easy to use. They're transportable and can be easily stored. 128 Gigabyte (GB) devices are as low as \$20. 1 Terabyte (TB) devices are near \$200.
 - b. **CONS** – Limited storage. Easily lost, stolen, and broken.
2. **External Hard Drive**
 - a. **PROS** – Portable, convenient, easy to use, holds a lot of data, can be setup to create automatic backups. Relatively inexpensive even for multiple terabyte devices. 2 TB is around \$60-\$100, Solid state drives at 1 TB can be had for around \$125.
 - b. **CONS** – Can be lost, stolen, and broken.
3. **Online backup services**
 - a. **PROS** – Backs up to the cloud over your internet, files can be shared with multiple devices, increased security for your data, convenient, can be setup to back up regularly (even daily). Files can be recovered across the internet or by mailed device.

- b. **CONS** – Initial backup over the internet can take days depending on internet speed and amount of data (*most providers provide physical options*). If you lose your setup password, you cannot access your data and will have to do an initial back up again. Requires a monthly or yearly subscription.

All three options are good ones depending on your needs. The best is to use an online service. A few options to investigate are (in no particular order) . . .

- **iDrive** – 5 TB, \$52/year for the first year, \$69/year thereafter
- **BackBlaze** – \$60/year, cost effective, unlimited backups
- **Acronis True Image** – One computer, \$50/year, detects and reverses ransomware

There are other online backup services, but not all are equal. Do not rely on free services (you know who they are). Your solutions should support restoring multiple versions of a file. It should be fully automated for best results.

If you choose to use a physical device backup like a USB drive or an external hard drive, for all reasons good and decent, please **DO NOT** store the device next to your PC. Put it in a safe, safety deposit box, or even leave it with a trusted relative.

Submitted by PDG Dan Wilcox and the Indiana State Lions IT Committee



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DG Jim had the pleasure of presenting a 45 Year Chevron to Lion Frank Ward of the Young America Lions Club during his visitation. He also presented a 30 Year Chevron to Dan Boyd.



President Ricky Collins was quite proud to show Council Chair Mitch Semans and DG Jim Query the food the Young America Lions had collected for a Kokomo food bank.

Zionsville Lions Club President Jeff Papa met with Zionsville West Middle School 1st place Peace Poster winner Delia Stoian, 2nd Katy Green, 3rd Abby McClure, 4th Allie Kogan, Z West Principal Matthew Doublestein, Art Teacher Lauren Heath, and ZLC Peace Poster Chair Martha Pappas. (Picture by Lion Gail Robbins)





The Zionsville Alpha Leos had a successful night working at the Zionsville Food Pantry, getting everything ready for people to drive up and receive their supplies. Thank you Leos! L-t-R: Alpha Leo Lily Nault, Leo VP Hanna White, IPDG Tom Robbins, Leos Lauren Carriere, Ellie Adams, Nolan Adams, Addison Kaleth and Victoria Chae.

Frankfort Lions Club **Reading Action Program** consists of Lion Pam and Lion Peggy reading every month to 3 separate Head Start classes in 3 different locations. In addition to the reading, students receive a book of their own 6 times a year to build their home library. This totals about 300 books per school year. These readings have been enhanced by the help of other Lions. Marvel Albitz for example makes a gingerbread house for a reading of Gingerbread Mouse. Apples in the fall and oranges in January are also distributed with the readings. Due to COVID, our Frankfort Library records and produces a video of Pam and Peggy doing the reading, usually two books per session. The video is emailed to teachers for them to show to the students when able and books are distributed to the students by the teachers. (Pictures provided by Lion Mike Nichols)





An additional gift of over 150 books were transported to the head start program that we received from the Boys and Girls club previously donated from the Knights of Columbus. A real community effort that benefits so many.

Recently we received a \$660.00 grant from the Indiana Lions Foundation to help us provide computer hardware to students in a local Bi-Literacy program that now must learn remotely. This 6 year old program is run by our local extension office in conjunction with Purdue University. This year the program for their 30+ students has had to go remote. The challenge was that several students did not have the necessary technology to participate without this additional grant. Now all students have access to this valued program to enhance their classroom learning and their family cultural interaction. (Pictures and text provided by Lion Mike Nichols)



DG Jim Query made his official visit to the Lafayette Lions Club via Zoom. Fourteen members were "in attendance!" (Photo by PDG Pat Short)

DG Jim had the honor of inducting one new member into the Lafayette Lions Club during their Zoom meeting. Lion Stephani Robertson is happy to be here! Her sponsor is Lion Cherrie Buckley. (Picture by PDG Pat Short)





Team of 5 Lafayette Lions Club members volunteered at the local Food Finders distribution center.... PDGs Pat/Charlie Short, Lions Larry Fisher, 2VDG Bob Hrdy and Lion Stephani Robertson. During our 2-hour shift, we weighed, bagged, sealed and boxed up close to 700 # of spaghetti in 1# bags.....enough to feed 700 families or 2,100 people. Lion Stephani ensured no-one was running a temperature before entering the clean room where we worked....masked/gloved and hair netted up.

(Photo by PDG Pat Short)



A group of Zionsville Lions Club carolers, sang at the "Lighting of the Tree Ceremony", as Zionsville kicked off Christmas in the Village. 1st VP Ruth Kelly made their great scarves. Very festive, eh! (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



Grant Prather of rural Cass County along with his Grammy Susie Dyke are making pajama pants for the Toy Store/Christmas Baskets of Carroll Count while Grant is out of school due to Covid. Grant is a 4-H member and wanted to learn to sew like his Grammy. He was born with spina bifida, confined to a wheel chair, and gets occupational therapy during school. The pinning, cutting and sewing helps with his eye/hand coordination that he is missing while out of school. He is learning to help others at a young age. He is a very caring and sociable young man. He has always had a servant's heart. Some of the fleece material was donated by the Young America Lions Club, the motto being "We Serve." Grant is learning to serve his community in his youth!



This picture shows Grant with some of the pajamas he has sewn. What a wonderful project! (Photos provided by Lion Gail Robbins)

December 2, Lafayette Lions Club delivered hot dinners and Christmas goody bags to 30 vision impaired 'friends' in the Lafayette area. Boxed dinners prepared by Lions Cherrie Buckley, Anna Turner and Stephani Robertson. Goody bags (nuts, popcorn, fancy bread and cookies) prepared by Lion Diane Haby and an anonymous Lion. Deliveries were made by PDGs Pat/Charlie Short, Dave Ehlers, Beth Segal. Beth exclaimed, "It was a very heartwarming experience and in a few moments the folks I delivered to, jumped right into my heart!" (Photo sent by PDG Pat Short)



Lafayette Lions PDGs Pat and Charlie Short recently entertained Catalina Vega Mendes from Bogota, Colombia. Her sister Natalia is here currently from Bogota. They took them out for lunch. Afterwards they drove them around town and then did some shopping at the local mall. (Photo by PDG Charlie Short)



DG Jim had the honor of inducting new member Kim Wade into the Pierson Twp. Lions Club during a joint meeting with the Prairie Creek Lions Club. At the right is her sponsor Sheila Mitchell. PDG Chloe Weyrauch, Prairie Creek Lions Club, assisted in the ceremony. During the visitation DG also presented a 15 Year Chevron to Melissa Strole, Prairie Creek Lions Club, 10 Year Chevron to Rebecca Evans, 15 Year Chevron to Sharon Earl-Wright and 55 Year Chevron to Jan Scamihorn of the Pierson Twp. Club. (Photo by Lion Charlotte Query)

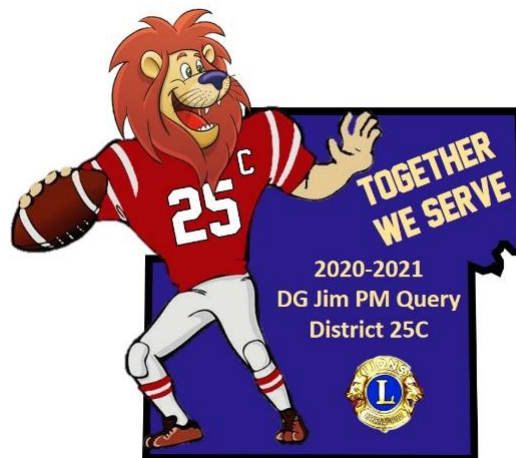


Spencer Lions donated about \$500 worth of food (canned, boxed, fresh and frozen) to a large local family. Most of the canned and boxed foods were brought in and put under the Thanksgiving tree during the collection period. Yes, that is a 25 pound turkey! (And, yes, they keep the tree up all year long; it just gets different decorations!) (Photo by Lion Linda Davis)

Spencer Lion Linda Davis said that even after putting both back seats down, she had to squeeze and pile everything to get it into her car for delivery! (Photo by Lion Linda Davis)



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