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C How We Serve ?? District 25C



From the Desk of DG Bob Hrdy

Fall festivals, colorful leaves, & pumpkin decorations – the things I think of in October.

Recently we took our granddaughters, Quinn (6) and Nora (2) to a pumpkin patch. They had an opportunity to decorate their own pumpkin. It's amazing how everyone starts out with the same plain orange pumpkin and how each one is unique at the end.

In a similar way all our clubs start out with the same Lions service mentality and how each club finds unique ways to serve – ones that fit THEIR community.

Our lives like all of yours, have been full of hustle and bustle – I hope you are finding your rhythm.

Lion Vicky & I along with LD Finn had a great time early in September at the Zionsville fall festival. We were invited to ride in the Festival Parade. The warm hospitality the members of the Zionsville Club was very appreciated. We had a special parking spot reserved; we were picked up in a golf cart and whisked off to our chariot. A 1940's yellow Lincoln continental convertible, what a sweet ride! We sat on the back and acted like celebrities, LD Finn being the well-trained Leader Dog he is lay down on the back seat. Our only complaint was we were just in front to the Stay Puff Marshmallow guy from Ghosts Busters and the Zionsville Leo club handing out candy – we had no chance – at least with the kids – who were all looking past us! Following the parade, we proceeded to the Leader Dog tent to share our experience with Leader Dog. Special thanks to President Lion Dennis Tackitt, Lion Gail & PDG Tom Robbins and the entire Zionsville Club for a Great Day. You show your community what Lionism is all about!

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To wrap up the month I made my first club visit to the Frankfort Lions Club. I was happy to share my goals and my story with them. Thanks Lion President Mike Nichols for the invitation and the warm hospitality we were shown.

Speaking of visits, if you have not scheduled one with your club, **PLEASE** contact me to get it scheduled. As hard as it is to believe we are ½ way thru our year, I look forward to meeting many more of you and hearing about your Clubs and their activities.

Saturday October 22^{nd} is our 2^{nd} District C cabinet meeting in Brazil IN. Come join us and hear about what is happening in \underline{YOUR} District as well as share ideas with other Clubs in District C.

Have a Spooktacular Month

Yours in Lionism

DG Bob Hrdy



DG Bob Hrdy & LD Finn with Lion Mike Nichols Frankfort Lions Club visit 9/27/22



Thorntown Lions

The Thorntown Lions recently prepared pork chops and chicken dinners for the Festival of the Turning Leaves in Thorntown. I can testify that they were delicious!!

Thorntown cooks are pictured L to R: Paul Carey, Mike McKenzie, Jeff Welty, Scott Darnell

(Photo credit: T Delp)



Brookston Lions



Brookston Lions Club had some heavy hitters at the Brookston Apple Popcorn Festival with their bells!

(Photo credit News & Review Online)

Lafayette Lions

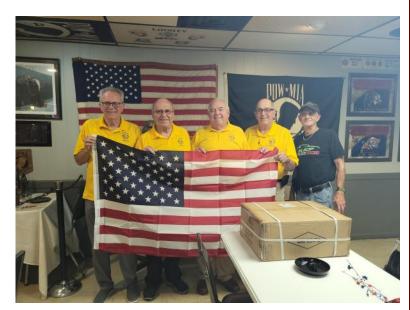


Our speaker was a Ukrainian American, Mary Hancock, who came to this country with her parents in 1949 as refugees. Mary was 3 years old. She told the story of her parents being picked up by Germans when in their teems and conscripted to concentration work camps. They did not know each other then and only met after the war. Both survived despite tremendous odds in Auschwitz and Treblinka experiencing deplorable conditions, abuse and starvation. Their introduction into the USA did not go well either as the farmer who sponsored them had died while they were crossing the Atlantic on a naval transport ship, and the subsequent sponsor abused them by treating them as indentured servants...7 day weeks, sunrise to sunset and just one meal a day. A very sobering history of escape and seeking a better life in America, the land of plenty.

(Photo credit P Short)

Clinton Lions

Pictured left to right are Clinton Lions Club members Larry Rardin, Garry Dal Sasso, Jeff Williamson and Dean Strohm along with Keith Price Commander of Clinton American Legion Post #140. The Legion provides American flags to our club each year and members of our club put the flags up each May and remain in place until after Veterans Day. Currently we display 210 flags around our community. The Clinton Lions Club appreciates our partnership with our local American Legion and their members.



(photo credit Clinton American Legion Post #140)

Zionsville Lions



Get a friend or a group together, sign up and car pool to Zionsville! Join us in supporting or remembering someone you love that has Diabetes!

Zionsville Lions Club

5K/10K Walk/Run

Saturday, October 15

8 AM

Getmeregistered.com

Lafayette Lions



Friday, September 9, the Lafayette Lions Club Soft Serve trailer brought joy to the small children and "grown up" children at Dan Patch Days Festival put on by the Oxford Lions Club in Oxford.

Lafayette LC Soft serve trailer manned by Lions Steve Haby, Carl Landskron and Diana Haby.

(Photo credit P Short)

Clinton Lions

FLAGS TO GREET THE COMMUNITY!

Clinton Lions Club donates flags for display at Immigrant Square. The Clinton Lions Club recently donated several new flags representing countries our early immigrants came from. The flags, included a Clinton City Flag, American flag and a Lions Flag. They proudly greet visitors to our community.



Making the presentation left to right are Jerry Spurr Clinton Lions Club President, Lion Ferruccio Fornero who accepted the flags and Dennis Jones Clinton Lions Club treasurer.

(Photo courtesy of Eric Jones Clintonian newspaper)

A Message from 1st Vice District Governor Patti Foxx

Hello Fall Weather !!! Leaves are changing, Weather are changing and Lions are changing. Lions are changing from Club members to serving the community. It doesn't matter if you have 5 members or 50 members, as a Lion we all do the same thing. Which is WE SERVE the community. Spreading the words through community assistance, Lions fundraisers or just being a Lion.

If you are around Bainbridge Lions Club, they are getting ready to have Biscuits and Gravy breakfast on Saturday October 1st then again on November 5th. See flyer for more information.

The Brazil Lions is hosting District Cabinet meeting on October 22, 2022. Sign in is at 9:00am. PDG get to meet at 9:30am. Regular meeting at 10:00am. Location is YMCA of Brazil, Indiana. 225 Kruzan Street. Remember Covered Bridge festival is going on so adjust your driving time.

The Brazil Lions is having their first Annual Bingo Fundraiser. November 12, 2022 at Harmony Community Building. Doors open at 5pm. Bingo starts at 6pm. See flyer for additional information.

Serving With Smile,

Patti Foxx

1VDG

Please send pictures & articles for the Hoosier Lion to:

Gail Robbins

gail45robbins@gmail.com

A Message from 2nd Vice District Governor John Waymire

Hello Fellow Lions,

Welcome to October! Apples, pumpkins, and persimmons, oh my! Cooler weather, football, and fall festivals, oh my! This is my favorite time of year for all the above reasons. (You could add tailgating and beer and brats to that list as well.)

This is also the season to get out and show our communities that LIONS SERVE. We need to show our LIONS PRIDE through our service so that our communities see LIONS as a presence in their communities. Our communities need to see that if something gets done LIONS did it.

Service can take many forms, such as volunteering at schools, hospitals, and extended care centers. These facilities always need help. Paid professional staff is not quite enough to cover all the work that teachers, aides, and nursing assistants already do. There is always a need for those little extras that bring comfort and joy to residents, students, and patients.

So lets make October a time to bob for apples, eat a persimmon, and serve others. Because LIONS SERVE.

Vision through Darkness

Together We Can

John Waymire

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A Message from GST Cindy Russell

The Service Journey

The Service Journey is an approach to living and serving well. To making a real difference people can see and feel. It encompasses four simple phases: Learn, Discover, Act, and Celebrate. We love these words because they transcend organizational formulas. They have no borders. They are the essence of Lions and Leos.

If the past 100 years have taught us anything, it's that as we serve, we grow. And we were never meant to stop. Service is our journey. Let's explore it together.

LEARN

Diabetes, Vision, Hunger, Environment, and Childhood Cancer. Learn more about our Global Causes using this link: https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/explore-our-clubs/our-global-causes.

DISCOVER

Unpack the Service Toolkit at https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/service-journey/service-toolkit, for more insight and resources for your club.

ACT

Use the Project Questionnaire located at https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/service-launchpad, for a little guidance when you are launching a new project or re-vamping an old project.

CELEBRATE

Share your success with others. Look here https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/service-reporting, to see why reporting your service is so important. Don't forget to contact your local newsletter editor and have your story included in the next newsletter. We all enjoy hearing about how our local Lions are impacting their communities.

Together We Can,

Lion Cindy Russell MD25 C Global Service Team Coordinator.



25C Cabinet Meeting

When: Saturday October 22, 2022

Where: Brazil YMCA of Clay County 225 E Kruzan Street Brazil, IN 47834

Sign in: 9:00am-9:30am - Donuts, Coffee & OJ

PDG Meeting 9:30- 10:00

Cabinet Meeting begins promptly at 10:00am

Lunch cost - \$10.00

Sandwiches, Chips, Sides, Fruit, Desserts and Drinks

Donation profits will go to Clay Co Youth Food Program

Let me know if you have any questions and please RSVP by Oct 8th, 2022

1VDG Patti Foxx Pafoxx31@gmail.com

****Due to Covered Bridge Time adjust your time accordingly****

USA / Canada Forum

Sept 15 -Banquet: PDGs Pat and Charlie Short hosted a group of Leo's from the Lil Legendary Leo Club in Black Diamond, Alberta (2,500 population).

(Photo credit unknown)



Indiana delegation to Forum....

Attendees - left to right Front row IPID Nick Xinopolous, IVDG Julia Kozicki, Lion Gretchen Xinopolous, PID Doug Lozier, PDG Kathy Lozier, PDG Pat Short, Lion Weld

Back row:

Lion Jeff Kozicki, Lion Joy Robinson, PDG Charlie Short

Not in photo- PDG Billy Chastain

(Photo credit unknown)

Spencer Lions



Fall festivals abound and Spencer Lions Club recently held its 45th Apple Butter Festival September 17-18 around the county square. And what is a festival without royalty? The King and Queen are of first grade age first grade class while the Prince and Princess must be younger! Center is Lion Anton Neff, who interviews each candidate, while judges stand in the crowd to make the difficult decision. There were 115 vendors which included food booths, craft booths, bounce houses, commode races (must see to believe), basketball skills, a parade, car and antique tractor displays and sales of apple butter.

(Photo credit unknown)

Brookston Lions

THANK YOU to the Brookston Lions Club for donating books to every Frontier Elementary School Kindergarten Student.

(Photo credit Frontier School Corporation)



Clinton & Cayuga Lions



Picture on the left is Clinton Lions, Tim Foltz, and on the right Dennis Jones checking Lion Bob Vermillion using the near vision chart.

Pictured on the right is Lion Chuck Gedrick checking Lion Bob Spence using the Stereopsis method while Lion Dean Strohm observes.

Bottom picture: Seated on the left is Lion President Jerry Spurr being trained by PDG Ron Spivey from the Cayuga Lions Club on the Optic 5000 machine while Lion Bob Spence is ready for testing.



(Photo credit unknown)



Recently a training session was held at the Clinton Lions Club with members of the Clinton and Cayuga Lions Clubs in attendance The training was conducted by Dr. Charles Rutan whom serves as the Clinton Lions Club Secretary and also serves as our Vision Screening Instructor / Referral Specialist. In addition to oversight from Dr. Rutan our program is governed by the Indiana State Board of Health, Indiana Department of Education and Senate Enrolled Act #533. Schools to be visited this year include South Vermillion, North Central Parke, Southwest Parke, Covington, Southeast Fountain and Dana Christian School. Since our program began in 2007 over 21,000 screening have been conducted with over 3,000 referrals made for additional follow up. No medicine is used in performing the screenings and all screening are provide free of charge. The only information recorded from the screening are the number of screening conducted and number of referrals. All other information is returned to the school nurse. All school protocol is followed while in the school building and the screeners wear their respective Lions shirts for easy identification Questions concerning this program can be directed to Dean Strohm, Chairman at 765-832-8839. This is just one of several community based programs that our clubs are involved with each year in keeping with our motto "WE SERVE"

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25C Zone 1 Lions



Lions from 25C Zone 1 Clubs built a scarecrow vignette representing Peace. Specifically the Lions International Peace Poster Contest. This is an entry in the Prophetstown State Park Trail of Scarecrows with scarecrows constructed by many local organizations along the various trails in the park. Visitors to the park can purchase votes to vote for their favorites. The funds raised go to help offset program expenses within the park...and it's a lot of fun.

L-to-R Zone Chair Clyde Pickens (Oxford LC), Lion Shelley Haas (Cyber Club), PDG Pat Short (Lafayette LC), Lion Veronica Pickens (VP Oxford LC), "Maria: (student preparing entry for LCI Peach Poster Contest), Lion Laura Moss (Treasurer, Cyber LC)....all being watched by a friendly park ghost

(Photo credit unknown)

Lafayette Lions



Lafayette Lions Club members Lions Anna Wilson, Charlie and Pat Short conducted vision screenings of Grades 1, 3 and 5 at Oakland School in Lafayette

(Photo credit P Short)



Indiana Lions Foundation

Thank You Lions of District 25-C for your Support at the Indiana State Fair

The Indiana Lions Foundation with help from Lions, Lions friends, and family members staffed the two largest gates at the Indiana State Fair and worked a total of 5,532 hours for which the Foundation will receive \$56,976. This amount is 50% more than earned last year. One-third of the 240 different people who worked at the fair this year were new to working for the Foundation. Of the 1,051 shifts worked at the State Fair, District 25-C filled 207 shifts.

The feedback from Lions about working at the fair was very positive. They enjoyed the work, meeting new Lions from different parts of the state, and renewing their friendships with Lions they had not seen for awhile. Many plan to work more shifts next year.

Because of the Lions support, the Indiana Lions Foundation will be able to continue to support the Lions of Indiana, and the Indiana Lions Foundation State Fair Committee wishes to thank everyone who participated.

Listed below are the individuals from District 25-C who worked at the fair this year. Please let me know if anyone was left off the list.

Brazil

Lora Fenwick Patti Foxx Sarah Froderman

Kathy White Brownsburg

> Billy Chastain Gretchen Xinopoulos

Nick Xinopoulos Ashley Sandgren Kristofer Sandgren

Cloverdale

Rebecca Mannan Donna Patrick Cyber Lions Lagatha Gary

Delphi

David Maxwell Jim Tyner Ken Walton Lafayette Bob Hrdy

Vicky Hrdy

Lebanon

Cindy Russell Eric Russell Stephanie Russell

Lucerne

Paul Scheetz

Lizton

Kathleen Frederick-Caldwell

Plainfield Gary Lawson

Poland

LaVonne Dodson Robert Dodson Rebekah Foltz Dawn Keller-Doll Judy King Anna Long Riley Twp.

> Raymond Collins Sam Seaton Robert Steele Dennis Hammersmith

Rossville Area

Gene Mellinger Kathryn Mellinger

Zionsville

Ann Bellefuil David Bellefuil Sue Bowron-White Brian Earnhart Donna Fisher Ruthanne Kelly John King Sandra Kleber Tom Robbins Elle Speicher Laura Speicher Reese Speicher Ralph Stacy Dennis Tackitt Janice Wilkins John Wilkins

Lion Rose Russell, Indiana Lions Foundation State Fair Committee Member

Email: RoseWRussell@gmail.com Phone: 574-250-0125

Indiana Lions Foundation State Fair Committee:

PDG Bob Howard, 260-243-0678 PCC Bob Booher, 317-435-0139 PDG Don Cooper, 260-615-5350 Lion Rose Russell, 574-250-0125 Lion Pam Arnold, 260-705-6610 PDG Kathy Lozier, 317-431-7655

Bainbridge Lions

BISCUITS AND GRAVY

Saturday, Oct. 1 & Nov 5th

7:30 to 9:30 am

Served by the
Bainbridge Lions Club
(CARRYOUT AVAILABLE)

AT LIONS BUILDING

Brazil Lions



Bring an unwrapped toy donation to receive a ticket for a special drawing!



October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 Diabetes Awareness Walk/Run
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 Cabinet Meeting
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

DG Bob Hrdy is scheduling to attend club meeting now. If you have a particular date in mind, reach out ASAP to schedule.



dg.25c@inlions.org



Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference With the Power of You, Together We Can



Be sure to join us in Indianapolis for the 2023
Mid-Winter
Conference — a great combination of service and learning at the Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport.

Please see the information and registration packet enclosed with this newsletter for details.









Save The Date! January 20-21, 2023 Below and attached are the Registration Forms, Seminars & Workshops and Sponsor Forms for the Indiana Lions
Mid-Winter Conference

2023 Registration Form

Seminars & Workshops 2023

2023 Sponsor Forms



We are in need of items for the silent auction at the 2023
Mid-Winter Conference. If you would like to donate
something, please contact either Lion Gretchen
Xinopoulos at liongretchen@att.net or Lion Christine
Woodward at woodward1999@sbcglobal.net. Funds
raised from the silent auction will be used to offset the
cost of the conference. Thank you for your willingness to
help make this event a success.



DISTRICT 25-C NEWSLETTER EDITOR Terri Delp leetd@hotmail.com Hello District 25-c and friends. Thank you for putting your faith and confidence in me to send out a timely and informative newsletter.

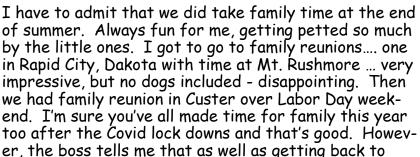
However, I am asking up-front for your assistance. I am requesting your ideas on a clever newsletter name! I received one request. Check it out on the title page. Let's put our thinking caps on and forward me your ideas for this.

Also, if there is anything you would like to see added or removed from the newsletter, please share that as well.

Thank you greatly for your support.

FINN'S TALE

Bark (wow)? It's Fall already and time to put our shoulders to the wheel and helping folks.



work at the school (and I do so enjoy that), we will be putting our noses to the grindstone with Council and District Lions meetings and club visits. Shoulder to the wheel sounds ok but noses to the grindstone sounds a little more wearing.

Bob shares what you all do with me. You are all amazing. Being a Lion (and I am a paid up member) makes me so proud and glad to be part of this great organization.

Well this has really been a light month so I guess DG Bob (my "Boss") will be cracking the whip in October and getting us on the road to see many of you at your clubs, service projects and fundraisers. Sound like a lot of fun, especially with Halloween fun, treats and new friends to meet. Remember if you need help getting on his calendar (and mine), let me know ---just text me at 765/426-9027 or email me at lionbobhrdy25C@gmail.com.

What do you think of my get up ... I'm ready to trick or treat.

Hope to see you soon... Lion Leader Dog Finn



