# Vision Through Darkness

#### **Issue 6**

#### December 2022

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- District Governor— DG Bob Hrdy
- 1st Vice District Governor—1VDG Patti Foxx
- 2nd Vice District Governor—2VDG John Waymire
- Cabinet Secretary— CS Charlotte Query
- Cabinet Treasurer—CT Karen McKellar
- Global Leadership Team—GLT Ross Drapalik
- Global Membership Team—GMT PDG Tom Robbins
- Global Service Team—GST Cindy Russell

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# Lions Talkin' District 25C



#### From the Desk of DG Bob Hrdy

Season's Greetings from Team Hrdy

November was the month of Thanksgiving- now we enter December the month of giving of ourselves.

Lion Vicky, Lion LD Finn & I have been out making club visits and I am impressed with how much our members give of themselves all year.

We are blessed with how active the clubs in District C have been, getting back into in person meetings and community activities.

During one of our outings, I got to meet with "the big fella" that's right St.

Nick himself!



He just wanted me to remind you all he knows who's been naughty or nice! He tells me we have more NICE than NAUGHTY ....LOL

I also gave him my wish that we all have a successful fun year!

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I would like to give a shout out to the 2 students who submitted Peace Posters this years contest.





Carys Weigle 7<sup>th</sup> grader TriWest Middle School Submitted by the Lizton Lions Club Marissa Wagoner 7<sup>th</sup> grader Zionsville Middle School Submitted by the Zionsville Lions Club

I would like to congratulate Marissa for being chosen the winner for District C. Her poster will go on the Indiana Lions State Peace Poster Contest. GOOD LUCK!

The usual reminders: get your reports in and the  $2^{nd}$  half of our dues are due 1/1/23

If you haven't schedule a visit with me – reach out: <u>lionbobhrdy25c@gmail.com</u> or 765-426-9027

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Sat. 1/14/23 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet meeting – Brownsburg Fri & Sat. 1/20 & 1/21/23 Mid Winter Conference Sat. 2/25 District Convention Lafayette

Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays from my family to yours



# SAVE THE DATE

District 25-C
Convention

Saturday

February 25, 2023

Lafayette, Indiana



Keynote Speaker
International
Director
Debra Weaverling
MD-17 Kansas



#### DISTRICT 25C ELECTION OF PROJECT TRUSTEES

FOR 3-YEAR TERMS From JULY 1, 2023 to JUNE 30, 2026



During our District 25C Convention on February 25, 2023 you will be also be electing trustees for our five state projects (listed to the left below) and our Indiana Lions Foundation.

If you are interested in serving in any of these trustee positions, your candidacy letter together with a letter of endorsement from your club must be submitted before <u>January 25, 2023</u>. Send to our District and Nominations and Elections Chairperson, PCC Jim P. M. Query, by mail or email.

J. P.M.Query, 2408 Shepard Patrick Road, Spencer, IN 47460 pccjim.query@yahoo.com

(If you are unfamiliar with what our projects do/offer, check out their websites below)



Leader Dog Website: www.leaderdog.org



Cancer Control Website: www.lionscancercontrol.org



Eye Bank Website: www.indianalionseyebank.org

INDIANA LIONS SPEECH AND HEARING, INC.



Speech & Hearing Website: www.indylionsspeechhearing.org



Indiana Lions for the ISBVI Website: www.inlionsforisbvi.org



Indiana Lions Foundation: www.indianalionsfoundation.org



# 25C DISTRICT CONVENTION

February 25, 2023

# **Silent Auction**

We'd love to have an auction item or basket from each club in our district! Items of any value can be donated, but preferably with a value of around \$20 or more.

Funds raised will be donated to our Leader Dog State Project

Start thinking now of items you might like to donate.

More information to follow on how to get them to
the convention, even if you cannot attend.

### **Lafayette Lions**



Lion Carl Landskron of the Lafayette Lions Club was presented with a GAT Certificate of Appreciation by Past District Governor Charlie Short (MD25 GMT) on behalf of the Global Action Team and PID Nick Xinopoulos on November 2. The GAT Certificate recognizes outstanding service in membership development, community service and leadership on a regional level. Congratulations Lion Carl!

Left to right GMT Charlie Short Lion Carl Landskron Lion Ron CAstleberry (club president)

(Photo credit PDG Pat Short)

At its club meeting on November 2, special guests were prominent citizens Cyrus and Rebecca Ball. They shared their life story and the building of their historic house on the hill in Lafayette, Indiana. The house was built in 1868 and to this day is still occupied by members of the Ball family.

(Photo credit PDG Pat Short)



### **Brownsburg Lions**



A total of 10 Brownsburg Lions participated in the Trails N Treats event in Williams Park on Oct 29th. Over 1200 trick or treaters were treated to candy.

Pictured Left to right: Lion Ray Furner, PID Nick Xinopoulos, Lions Ashley Sandgren, Denise Mozingo, Bob and Karen Ford, Chase Cotton. Not shown BLC Lions Amy & Susan Sabol, Gretchen Xinopoulos.

(Photo credit unknown)

#### **Brazil Lions**

Some of Brazil Lions club volunteers helping with Bingo Fundraiser. Picture are 1VDG Patti Foxx, Zone Chair 5 Sarah Froderman, Kelley Snyder, Brad Thompson, Kathy White and LeeAnn Martin. Not pictured Lora/Tony Fenwick, Max Short, Sonya Sampson and Fred Nevill.

(Photo credit unknown)



#### **Clinton Lions**

The Clinton Lions Club held a smoked pork chop dinner on Veterans
Day. All Veterans were treated to a free meal. Forty three free meals were provided during our serving time of 3 to 7 pm. It was a success as our community came out and supported this event as well. The photo from left to right are Lions Dean Strohm and Jeff Williamson while Anna Foltz representing Ladis with a Vision works the desert table.

(photo credit Lion Charles Rutan)



#### **Rossville Lions**



Rossville Area Lions Club

Blood Drive -Thursday, November 10 - coordinate by the Rossville Lions

21 donors

(Photo credit PDG Pat Short)

#### STATE PROJECT: INDIANA LIONS FOR LEADER DOG, Inc.



Novembers State Board Meeting at our Lion's State Building. Making a difference in someone's life.

Left to Right: Trustee Joy Robinson & Career Change Ryan from District A , Associate PDG Tom Robbins, Trustee/Secretary Gail Robbins from District C , Chair / Trustee Pauline Ulrey with LD Satch, District F, Trustee David Frushour from District G, Treasurer/ Trustee Patricia Bigham District F, Trustee Robin Nicoloff from District F, Trustee Dave Rinehart District C , VC /Trustee Don Allen, Trustee Jan Allen and Career Change Cami from District E. Missing from picture / photographs Robert Ford, Associate from District C.

(Photo credit unknown)

# A Message from 1st Vice District Governor Patti Foxx

#### DECEMBER IS HERE!!

Merry Christmas everyone!!! I survived Governor Elect training the past two weekends of November. PID Doug Losier and PID Linda Tincher done an awesome job.

Brazil Lions Bingo fundraiser was successful. We had around 125 bingo players. We even had a display for our Leader Dog fundraiser which we collected around \$60.00.

It's Christmas time which mean cold, snowy, windy weather but Lions have warm hearts. Brazil Lions will be bell ringing this year again. Is there any other clubs bell ringing? Take pictures and send them to Terri so we can flood the newsletter next month.

I heard our Zone Chair Sarah Froderman have been visiting clubs so welcome her with a great BIG Lions Welcome.

Serving With A Smile,

Patti Foxx, 1VDG



Lebanon Lions Club welcomes FVDG Patti Foxx.

Lebanon Lion Margi McConnaha, FVDG Patti Foxx, LLC Brad Bailey, Cindy Russell, Stephanie Russell, Leo Shaw, Tom Rumple and Eileen Orban.

(Photo Credit LLC President Dan Fleming)

#### A Message from 2nd Vice District Governor John Waymire

Hello Fellow Lions of 25C,

Welcome to the most sharing and giving time of the year. And as Lions – that is what we do. At a Waymire Christmas (I am the oldest of seven children) to make better use of our dollars we began the tradition of making homemade presents and giving of our time. It was heartwarming to know that If I needed help, I could call on any of my 5 sisters or 5 brothers-in-law. It was amazing how much work could be accomplished with a few extra hands. And that is what I see in Lions. If I need something I can call on any of my fellow Lions for advice, help, or support. Indiana Lions are a family. If anyone is in need, a Lion is there to help.

Continue to report your monthly MMR and SAR. This helps DG Bob gauge our effectiveness as Lions to the communities in west central Indiana. The MMR report is only a couple of clicks in MyLCI. Reporting SAR is easier now with a few more clicks in MyLion. If you need help, please contact our District Administrator for help. I like reporting our club activities. It helps me have a sense of how our club is assisting the Jamestown Community. I also use reporting as a PR and a recruiting tool. Let people know that where there is a need — there is a lion.

Together We Can – Together We Will

Merry Christmas to All, and to All a Good Night.

John Waymire

25C SVDG

Please send pictures & articles for the Hoosier Lion to:
Gail Robbins
gail45robbins@gmail.com

#### A Message from GST Cindy Russell

Fun December Service Project Idea

#### REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

#### EACH DAY ADD AN ITEM TO A BOX.

December 1 – box of cereal December 13 – canned beans

December 2 – peanut butter December 14 – box of crackers

December 3 – stuffing mix December 15 – package of rice

December 4 – boxed potatoes December 16 – package of oatmeal

December 6 – canned fruit December 18 – spaghetti sauce

December 7 – canned tomatoes December 19 – chicken noodle soup

December 8 – canned tuna December 20 – tomato soup

December 9 – dessert mix December 21 – canned corn

December 10 – jar of applesauce December 22 – canned mixed vegetables

December 11 – canned sweet potatoes December 23 – canned carrots

December 12 – cranberry sauce December 24 – canned green beans

Can't deliver it Christmas Eve? Food banks need food in January as well.

(Passionatepennypincher.com)

Together We Can,

Lion Cindy Russell MD25 C Global Service Team Coordinator



#### **Jamestown Lions**



LCI Trustee John Wilkes presented a program on LCI grants to the Jamestown Community Lions Club.

(Photo credit unknown)

#### **Clinton Lions**

Clinton Lions Club Host 79th Annual Governors Night Pictured in the photo are Clinton Lions President Jerry Spurr presenting the Lion of the Year Award to Lion Bob Vermillion with the assistance of District Governor Bob Hrdy during Governors Night at the Clinton Lions Club

(photo credit Clinton Lion Charles Rutan)

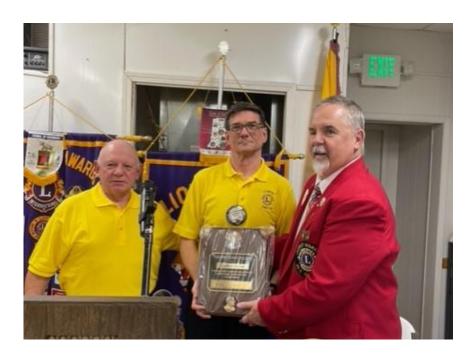


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#### **Clinton Lions**

Clinton Lions Club honored Lion Charles "Doc" Rutan with a Melvin Jones Award during Governors Night at the Clinton Lions Club. Pictured left to right are Clinton Lions Club President Jerry Spurr . Lion Rutan, and District Governor Bob Hrdy . Lion Rutan serves as our club secretary and has held every office in our club during his 35 plus years in our club and certainly livers by the Lions Motto :WE SERVE"

(photo provided by Clinton Lions Club )





Governor's visit to Clinton Lions Club.

Clinton Lions Club President Jerry Spurr presents District Governor Bob Hrdy our club banner along with two friendship baskets and checks for all five state Lions projects as well as a check for Lions Clubs International projects during Governors Night at the Clinton Lions Club.

(photo credit Clinton Lion Charles Rutan)

#### **Lafayette Lions**

Lion Anna Wilson (Lafayette Lion and our Schoolsight Vision Screening Chair) is a member of the Purdue Womens Club("PWC"). PWC has a Volunteer Group and Anna has developed a strong cadre of volunteers to assist with our local vision screening.



#### PWC Volunteers!

September, October, &
November: Our members have
been very busy helping with Vision
Screening for the Lion's Club.
Anna Wilson (PWC member) has
worked diligently to coordinate
vision screening for school children
in Tippecanoe County. We
appreciate ALL our volunteers who
helped provide vision awareness
and early detection to the schools.

#### Lion's Club Screening

Submitted by Anna Wilson

The Lafayette Lions Club has screened over 7,000 students from kindergarten to eighth grade in the Lafayette and Tippecanoe County School Systems during September and October. This has been made possible by volunteers from the Purdue Women's Club, the Lions Club, and friends. Good vision is so important in all aspects of life and it is critical to determine it early. The Lions Club organization has made this our special mission to find students that need help and to provide financial aid when necessary. We and the school nurses really appreciate the help provided by volunteers from the PWC. PWC Volunteers has provided 12 different people, 42 individual times, and at least one volunteer at almost every school

#### Why Screening is Enjoyable

Submitted by Eileen Fitzpatrick

Not all the volunteers are retired teachers, but many of us are. We like being back with the school children. They bring a smile to our faces, and we remember why we taught. As Anna said, good vision is so important, and the screening is one thing we can do to help.

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# **Brownsburg Lions**



YOU ARE NEVER TO OLD TO TALK TO SANTA!

District Govenor Bob Hrdy sat down on Santa's leg to give him his "Christmas Wish list" at the Brownsburg Holiday Bazaar on November 26.

DG Bob Hrdy, Leader Dog Finn and Santa.

(Santa kinda looks like PID Nick)

#### **Spencer Lions**

Attached picture is of Spencer Lions Club members bagging candy for Santa's annual visit to the county on the first Saturday in December. Santa then is at the Lions building Monday through Friday evenings following that Saturday for those who could not come in earlier. Spencer Lions have provided candy (and Santa) for this visit for over 60 years.

(Photo credit PCC Jim P.M. Query)



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#### **Brazil Lions**

Brazil Lions Bell ringing. Ringing the Salvation Army Bell and hopefully filling the Kettle, to help others have a Merry Christmas. What a great way to spend time together, serving your Community.

L to R Fred Nevill, Brad Thompson, LeAnn Martin, MaryAnn Thompson, Kathy White and Kelley Snyder. Not pictured Patti Foxx who took the picture.

(Photo credit 1VDG Patti Foxx)



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#### **Clinton Lions**

The Clinton Lions Club Provides free dictionaries to third grade students enrolled in the South Vermillion School district each year, This year we provided 168 dictionaries bringing the total number of dictionaries provided to 4,500 to students in Parke and Vermillion counties since this program began in 2012. Pictured in the back of the photo of students from Central Elementary are left to right Clinton Lions Dean Strohm, Jeff Williamson and Chuck Gedrick.

(photo courtesy of Central Elementary School)



#### **Indiana Lions Foundation State Fair Committee**

#### THE INDIANA LIONS FOUNDATION STATE FAIR COMMITTEE

#### WANTS YOUR IDEAS FOR NEW INDIANA STATE FAIR INCENTIVES?

The Indiana Lions Foundation State Fair project is the Indiana Lions Foundation's largest fundraiser. We provide volunteers to sell and scan tickets and provide other support at the two largest State Fair gates. We need approximately 45 - 55 volunteers per day. The Indiana Lions Foundation State Fair Committee has been discussing new incentives for volunteers who work at the State Fair. We have several ideas but thought a more effective approach would be to ask those who volunteer to provide us with input. So, please tell us what you like or don't like about the current incentives, and other ideas you might have for different incentives. We are open to considering all suggestions and look forward to discussing them with all of you.

Yours in Lionism,

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# December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	Newsletter info. due	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

# January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	2 2nd half Dues due	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 3rd Cabinet meeting— Brownsburg
15	16	17	18	19	20 Mid-Winter (	21 Conference
Newsletter info. due	23	24	25 Trustee Candidacy letter due	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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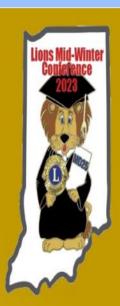
# Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference With the Power of You, Together We Can



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 Attached with this email are the Registration Forms, Seminars & Workshops and Sponsor Forms for the Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference

2023 Registration Form (attached to email)

Seminars & Workshops 2023 (attached to email)

**2023 Sponsor Forms** (attached to email)



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.



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



#### **Service Project: Sock It To Me!**

We will collect new socks, gloves, mittens, scarves, knit hats, and blankets which our District Governors will share with those in need in their districts.





Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport January 20-21, 2023





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



#### The Best Place for Learning

Some Indiana Lions say the Mid-Winter Conference is "the best place for learning" about leadership, service, and all aspects of Lionism. We offer workshops and seminars on club administration, community service, fundraising, and membership recruitment and retention, as well as opportunities for service, fellowship with Lions from around the state, and plain old everyday Lions fun.



Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport January 20-21, 2023



#### FINN'S TALE

We are getting even closer to Christmas ......and believe me I do have a stocking to put up for treats. If you have any to donate, please send to Lion Vicky.

But Thanksgiving comes first or as I say, turkey eating practice. Unfortunately, I don't usually get much of that to eat. In fact, we visited the Clinton Lions earlier in November, and boy was I disappointed. These Lions treat each Governor really well with a steak dinner! They offered to prepare one for me, but someone who rode in the car with me (no names to protect the innocent), declined the offer. Something about my having to watch my figure because if I don't, my "clothes" (harness) won't fit. To that I say, "Bah Humbug!" However, the Clinton Lions did give me some fun toys to take home. Maybe when I retire, I can go back to claim my steak! Nice people these Clinton Lions, and boy do they do a lot.

Besides visiting several clubs up and down the district for DG Bob's Official Visits, we also supported the Rossville Area Lions Community Blood Drive. They took DG Bob/Lion Vicky's blood but not mine for some reason. Surprised me as it's young, strong, red and energetic. I know it's a dog's life sometimes but I was still despondent about as I really want to help. As you can see from the photo, I just didn't want to talk about it.



Good news, DG Bob's visit to Dallas confirmed that his treatments are resulting in his choroideremia status remaining stable.

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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 a second idea. 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 (continued)

By the time you receive this, we will have attended the Brownsburg Craft Fair and an event at Purdue with Scouts working to earn their Disability Awareness badges. (Photos to follow). Did you know that supporting Boy Scouts of America was Lions 1<sup>st</sup> Service Project in 1920? Many clubs have continued this strong bond of service in their communities.

Hope to see many of you at the upcoming MD25 Mid-Winter Leadership Conference in January.

Remember if you need help getting on our visit schedule let me know --- just call 765/426-9027 or email us at lionbobhrdy25C@gmail.com.





