

June 2023

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C How We Serve District 25C

From the Desk of DG Bob Hrdy



Team C it is hard to believe that this Lions Year is almost over!

I want to let you all know that Lion Vicky & I have enjoyed getting out and exploring our District.

We saw parts of IN I did not know existed and met so many great Lions. It has been wonderful getting to know you personally and hearing about what you are doing in your communities.

I encourage you to keep moving forward with your actions and your Heart for Service.

We still have a few clubs to visit in these last weeks. If we have not had an opportunity to meet with your club – you can still reach out to me and we can see if we can set something up.

It truly takes a TEAM to make a successful DG Year. There so many people who have worked hard on behalf of District C, I can't possibly list you all. I would like to take this opportunity to thank some of the Team specifically. I want to say Thank You to: DGE Patti and 1VDGE John for their cooperation and support this year. I hope everyone gives them the same wonderful support you have shown me this year.

I would like to give a shout out to District Secretary Charlotte, District Treasurer Karen, Newsletter Editor Lion Terri and District PR Chair Gail for all of their hard work behind the scenes. You have made my year easier for me.

I must also thank "Team Hrdy" who assisted me on my travels around the state.

Thanks to: PID Nick & Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos; PDGs Charlie and Pat Short; PDG Charles & Lion Roberta Roth and or course the "woman behind the man" Lion Vicky

I could not have even started this journey without the encouragement and support from my home club: Lafayette Lions Club who have supported me not only thru this year but the past 2 years leading into it. Their support and belief in me is truly appreciated!

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As I end this year, I am confident that District C is in good hands with DGE Patti and her Team. Good Luck Patti – It's a heck of a ride!

As Roy Rodgers would say: "Happy Trails to you until we meet again!"

Yours in Lionism

DG Bob

Vision Thru Darkness



1VDGE John Waymire, DGE Patti Foxx and DG Bob Hrdy with Lion Finn.
Lions State Convention

(Photo credit: Lion Vicky Hrdy)

Zionsville Lions

Two of the greatest painters in the Zionsville Lions Club, Lions Ray Head and Caroline Robbins getting instructions from the ZLC Park Director Gene Thompson. The park looks as great as it does because of the Lions that volunteer their time every week.

*(Photo credit:
unknown)*



Clinton Lions

Pictured l to r are Clinton Lion Dean Strohm, Jackson Howard, and Clinton Lion Charles "Doc" Rutan . Jackson was awarded the Clinton Lions Club Scholarship during Awards Night at South Vermillion High School. Jackson plans to attend Rose Hulman in pursuit of an engineering degree.

(Photo submitted by: Dean Strohm)



Lafayette Lions



On May 16, 2023, Lions Anna Wilson and Kathy Rose of the Lafayette Lions Club together with a community volunteer screened 45 students at a Lafayette Right Steps Headstart facility. Students ranged in age from 1 year to 5 years old.

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)

Clinton Lions

This photo is a project board highlighting the numerous project's the Clinton Lions Club are involved with. The display was made by Past Clinton Lions Club President Bob Spence. This display drew a lot of comments from members of the community that attend the event. Thank you Lion Bob for an excellent display.

(Photo submitted by: Dean Strohm)



Brookston Lions



Congratulations to our two scholarship winners for 2023. Each recipient will receive \$1000 to assist with their college tuition. Pictured are Emma Dold, Lion Ron Byrd and Caitlin Tullius

(photo credit: Lion Terri Delp)

Zionsville Lions

Zionsville Lions held a Ribbon Cutting ceremony for their new playground piece. The \$100,000 project was provided by a Community Enrichment Grant from the town of Zionsville, a contribution from the Ripberger Family Foundation, and a donations from our Friends of the Park.

(Photo credit: Kevin Jerich)



Association of Indiana Counties—Spencer Lions

Congratulations Our AIC contest winner Sonya Walls. 4th grade Essay Contest.

(photo credit: DGE Patti Foxx)



Eminence Lions

DG Bob at the Eminence Lions Club visit .

(Photo credit: unknown)



Clinton Lions



Clinton Lions Supports National Night Out. Pictured left to right are Clinton Chief of Police Billy MacLaren, Clinton Lions Treasure Dennis Jones presenting a check in support of the National Night Out event scheduled for August 2023 in Sportland Park, Also pictured is Clinton Lions Membership Chairman Dean Strohm

(photo credit: City of Clinton)

Lafayette Lions

2023 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES

JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL...AEDAN FINN MCGURR

CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL...MASON KENNEDY

FAITH CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL...HAYDEN BREEDING

WEST LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL...LUKE AMANN

HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL...LAUREN GUTWEIN

McCUTCHEON HIGH SCHOOL...OLIVIA ARNDT

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)



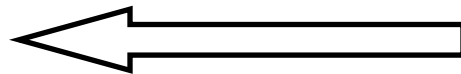
Poland & Brazil Lions



Brazil Lions Club and Poland Community Lions Club partnered to put on Diabetes Check.

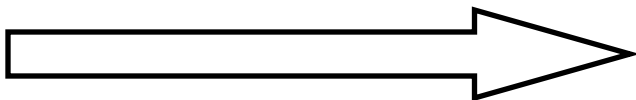
Pictured Poland Lion Leesa Walker & Brazil Lions Kelly Snyder

(photo credit: DGE Patti Foxx)



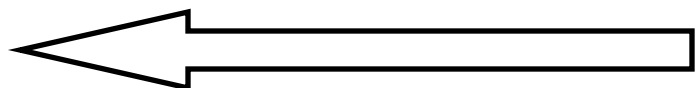
With guest speaker Dr Mel Prince and Mercae Health RD,LD.

(Photo credit: DGE Patti Foxx)



Pictured Brazil Lion Brad & Maryann Thompson

(Photo credit: DGE Patti Foxx)



A Message from 1st Vice District Governor Patti Foxx

We are now done with May – and did I say it is my favorite month!!! Mother's Day, Memorial Day and My Birthday!!! And now it is June which means my garden veggies are popping up, strawberries are blooming and my flowers are blooming too.

Did you make it to the State Convention!!! WOW it was fantastic!! Great job State Convention Committee!!! If you haven't made it to one you should. Next year it will be in Noblesville!!!

I stopped by Clinton Lions who celebrated 80 years. It was awesome day for them. I was at AIC (Association of Indiana Counties) dinner. Every year they offer an essay contest for students. This year winner was Sonya Walls, Spencer-Owen Community School student, who wrote about Owen County Annual Apple Butter Festival. See her photo on page 6. If you don't realize that the festival is sponsored by Spencer Lions Club!!! So, what do you think about that, that a middle school student wrote about our Lions who put on a festival every year? So, the festival is in September and guess where she will be and maybe a future Leo or even a Lion down the road!! The Brazil Lions and Poland Community Lions Club partnered to put on a Diabetes check with Dr. Mel Prince given a presentation.

I have my slate of Trustees, Committee Chairs and Team. But I'm missing one more important Lion which is who want to step up to be Second Vice District Governor? Let me know because I am waiting on you. Pencil in the date July 29th, 2023 for our first District Governor meeting with registration at 9am, meeting at 10am. Then stick around for our Banner Night starting with Social Hour at 5pm with the theme of Lions T's. Dinner at 6pm. Location is Centerpoint United Methodist Church Community Room. Lunch is \$15.00 and Dinner is \$25.00. Don't forget to bring a Raffle Item. See you there!!

Keep updating your officers for the 2023-2024 year. Don't forget to schedule your District Governor visits.

Serving with a Smile,

1VDG Patti Foxx

1VDG Patti Foxx with IP Brian Sheehan

(Photo submitted by: Patti Foxx)



A Message from 2nd Vice District Governor John Waymire

Hello Fellow Lions of 25 C,

We have reached the last month of the club year. Time to wrap up any last minute details and make preparations for the next year such as inducting new officers, inducting new members, planning service activities, organizing fund raisers, etc.

I want to thank all District C clubs that I have had the opportunity to visit or interact with this past year. It Has been so much fun visiting clubs, meeting fellow Lions, and observing how other clubs serve their communities. Lions Clubs Your Way is more than just a saying - It is a way of life. There are so many ways to serve others. Keep up the great work!

As I move into the FVDG role I want to continue to visit as many clubs as possible and participate in as many service projects as possible so that I develop a better understanding of the needs of District C so that I will be able to better serve district C. I am here to serve you – the Lions who serve District C communities.

It is also the time to prepare for Lions International Website upgrade coming July 1. Our district directory is only as good as the information that goes into it, so, please make sure all your members' data, name, physical address, web address, phone, email, birthday, etc. is entered correctly. Also, please enter 2023-2024 club officers by June 15th. Lions Club secretaries continue to report MMR (which only takes a couple of clicks in MyLCI) and SAR (which takes a few more clicks in MyLion). BY mid-July all Lion websites will merge and make site navigation so much easier and smoother. If you need help reach out to our District Administrator Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos.

And Thanks for all you do for Lions' Communities.

Together We Can – Together We Will

Vision Through Darkness

John Waymire

25C SVDG



A Message from GST Coordinator Cindy Russell

A Different Kind of Service – Showing Appreciation

I am aware our focus has been and will continue to be toward reportable service activities since those service hours allow LCI to show the impact we are making. They are the proof that we are the largest service club organization in the world.

However, an often-overlooked aspect of service is acknowledging the time and effort put forward for an activity. Do your Lions members feel appreciated? How about your community partners? And don't forget the non-lion helpers.

How about your club? Does your club feel appreciated by the district? Is there any need that the district can meet or help you meet? The district does not want any club to feel like they are not important, or that they are "too small" to matter. Every single Lion, every single Club, and every District is important. We make up Lions Clubs International.

This is what I experienced a couple of years ago.

I am a member of the Lebanon Lions Club. We hold an annual Hoagie sale as our primary fundraiser on the first Friday of June of which I am the chair. This particular year we had a couple of members who did not think they really contributed much to the process, so I decided to acknowledge their contribution. Two of the members were not physically able to stand for any length of time so they sat at the end of the counter and opened all the bun bags. That was about 100 twist ties to undo.

I got the bright idea to take some of the twist ties and make an abstract art piece and frame it in a small 2" x 3" picture frame. I presented these at our next meeting, and you would have thought I handed them gold. I was taken aback by their responses.

It just happened that about 6 months later, one of the members, he was our oldest member, did not survive an illness. You may or may not have guessed, but at his funeral, on the table closest to the casket stood that little 2x3 picture frame. I could not believe it. He was so proud of that little gag gift that his family included it. I still shake my head every time I think about it.

Such is the power of a small token of appreciation. He, like every other Lion, did not serve to be recognized, he served because there was a need, but that little token let him know that he was important and appreciated.

This past few years since Covid have taken a toll on everyone. I think it would go a long way to take a few extra moments or a few extra steps to encourage each other, to recognize that serving might be a little tougher now than it has been in the past, that members might be a little more tired or stressed than usual, or that extra help is hard to come by and members are having to shoulder more of the burden. Let us strengthen and encourage each other.

Together We Can,

Lion Cindy Russell

District C GST Coordinator

A Message from Cancer Control Project

Cancer Control Project Expanding to Address Childhood Cancer



For more than 75 years, Indiana Lions have supported cancer treatment, research, and education through our partnership between the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc. and the Department of Radiation Oncology at the Indiana University Medical Center campus in Indianapolis. The department serves cancer patients of all ages, but the vast majority of the patients are adults.

In order to better serve pediatric cancer patients in Indiana, the Board of Trustees of the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc. has voted unanimously to establish a partnership with the pediatric oncology programs at Riley Hospital for Children. We will kick off this partnership with a \$25,000 commitment to support ongoing research by Dr. Jennifer Belsky and her team at Riley to address severe neuropathy experienced by more than 50 percent of the children undergoing chemotherapy.



We look forward to this new partnership with Riley Hospital for Children, even as we continue our long-standing relationship with the Department of Radiation Oncology.

If you would like to learn more about the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc., please contact one of your district's Cancer Control Fund trustees. Their names and contact information are listed below.

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Indiana Leader Dog

Leader Dog Pin Fundraiser

It's a Brand New Pin, just designed, to wear or collect, by a Indiana Leader Dog Trustee. It reads "In every Leader Dog lies the heart of a Lion".

The pin is for sale for \$5 each. Here's the great part....We are hoping you will help us with our Fundraiser TO SPONSOR 2 LEADER DOGS ! The dogs cost \$500 each to Sponsor, so we need to sell every pin to reach our goal.

If you'd like a pin or a speaker on Leader Dog for the Blind in your Club meeting or Zone meeting get in touch with me

Gail Robbins 317-408-3129, and I will get a Trustee connected with you



Save the Date from ISBVI

**Save the Date
September 9th, 2023**

Brian's Trike Race



**& Disc Golf
Tournament**



22nd Annual Running!

**The Indiana Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
State Project's annual fundraiser 'Brian's Trike Race'
& Disc Golf Tournament is coming Sept. 9, 2023 to the ISBVI Campus**

This event raises funds to assist both residential and outreach students of the school. Sponsorships and team participation of this event help to underwrite costs, which include but are not limited to, expenses to help students attend national leadership conferences for the blind and visually impaired, to assist with technology upgrades and many other expenses that directly effect improved learning.

Please encourage your club to send a team. You could also sponsor a Leo club, local school team or a local Boy Scout or Girl Scout troop that would like to have a fun afternoon racing around the David Letterman Track on adult trikes. Peddling not your thing? No worries. Play it through on the campus's 9 hole Disc Golf Course. You too could be a basket case!

Bragging rights and trophies are included in all the fun and competition!

All are welcome and participants must be 14 years of age or older.

Applications and sponsorship opportunity forms will be coming soon. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact an ISBVI trustee in your district or the 2023 event chairs.

Be sure to visit the ISBVI booth and attend the seminar at this year's State Convention.

2023 Event Chair

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PDG Robin Smith

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A Message from Indiana Disaster Assistance Committee

Lions of Indiana are a part of a disaster relief network of volunteer organizations in Indiana. The purpose of this network is to coordinate disaster relief efforts and avoid duplication. Through that network earlier today, I learned in my role as chairman of our Lions of Indiana Disaster Assistance Committee that the Morgan County Emergency Management Agency is requesting relief supplies such as roof tarps for damaged homes. The exact location was not specified. I also learned that there may be needs in Owen County but received no specifics. I am sending this request to club secretaries in Owen and Morgan counties to 1) determine from clubs more precisely what the needs may be, 2) to determine how many people have been impacted by these recent storms and 3) to determine if our District Governor should submit an LCIF disaster assistance grant request for District C. LCIF disaster assistance grants are available only if more than 100 people have been impacted across the district.

John R. Wilkins

Secretary, Indiana Lions Foundation and Holding Corporation
State, District C and Club Chair, Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Assistance Committee

Past President, Zionsville Lions Club

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State Convention Photos



Service project at state convention - Caring-Cases and Personal Hygiene Kits. These will be distributed to people who might need them: schools, churches, food pantries, senior citizen centers

Lion Gail Robbins (Zionsville Lions Club and Co-Chair Service Project) with 1st Vice District Governor Elect John Waymire (Jamestown Lions Club)

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)

Our own Lion Charlotte Query, as member of Credentials Committee, logging in District 25C delegates to convention on May 12.

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)



State Convention Photos



Lion Vicky Hrdy and DG Bob Hrdy

(Photo credit: DGE Patti Foxx)

DGE Patti Foxx enjoying all the activities at State Convention

(Photo credit: DGE Patti Foxx)



State Convention Photos



MD25 District Governors photo op w/ International President Brian Sheehan (far right) and 1st Lady Lorie Sheehan (far left)

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)

Brooke Coleman was the guest speaker Sunday, May 14 at the Key Member Brunch/Keynote Speaker, presented by Indiana Lions For Leader Dog.

Brooke was diagnosed with Retinitis Pigmentosa at the age of 7. She shared her journey into blindness and told us how her life of freedom opened up when she became partners with her Leader Dog Sampson.

If you would like a Leader Dog Trustee to share the story of Leader Dog with your Club, Zone or business please contact :

Gail Robbins, ILFLD Secretary
gail45robbins@gmail.com

I will see you are connected with a trustee in your area.

LD Sampson, Brooke Coleman, ILFLD Chair Pauline Ulrey and LD Satch) after the Key Member Brunch at the 2023 State Convention in Bloomington.

(Photo submitted by: Gail Robbins)



State Convention Photos



Meet your NEW Council Chair,

Bob Hrdy, District C Governor. He will begin his duties on July 1, 2023 as the new Council Chair. DG Bob was elected by the setting Governor's to carry out his duties until June 30th, 2024.

Congratulations to DG Bob, Lion Vicky and Leader Dog Finn

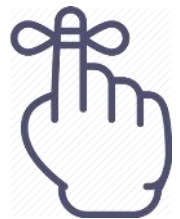
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June 2023

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4 Cabinet Meeting	5	6	7	8	9	10
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18 	19 	20	21	22 Newsletter info. due	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

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



July 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Website Upgrade
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 Newsletter info. due
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 Cabinet Meeting / Banner Night
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JULY 29th activities:

District Cabinet Meeting: 9 AM Registration, 10 AM Meeting; *Lunch \$15.00*

Banner Night: 5 PM Social Hour, 6 PM Dinner; *Dinner \$25.00*

Centerpoint United Methodist Church

Theme "Lions T's"



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

Thank you so much for submitting your clubs news articles and photos. They are greatly appreciated and I will do my best to include each and every one. Keep them coming!! I kindly ask that you have a brief description of what the photo depicts and perhaps the names of anyone in the photo. I also like to give credit to those behind the lens—the photographer!

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

Well, here we are at the end of the yellow brick road and it's time for me to tell you all what fun this past year has been...not only working with DG Bob and Lion Vicky, but meeting all of you and hearing about what you are doing. Not sure what I'm going to do without all those treats you bring for me. That being said, as DG Bob is going to be Council Chair next year, there'll still be meetings to attend and treats to come...at least I'm hopeful.

I am so proud of Bob and his willingness to serve at the State Level as Council Chair. I know personally that he will be a great leader and guide to help our incoming District Governors achieve their goals to expand our services throughout our districts and state. As a Leader Dog, it will continue to be my job to guide Bob forward to where he wants to go. Similarly, you are all "Leader" Lions, to help our incoming Governor Patti Foxx achieve her goals for our District 25C. She'll need your help too, so let's get behind her with renewed energy.

A big bark to all of the clubs for putting out the welcome mat for DG and me this year. You made us feel special as I am sure you do those helped by your service projects. Thank you. This is not goodbye from the mutt, as I'm sure I'll continue to see you around the district and state.

*I'm ready for summer as
I'm sure you are.
Remember you still have
four weeks to help Bob
bring sunshine into the
lives of the less fortunate
in your communities.*



Lion Leader Dog Finn

*(looking forward to
seeing you in 2024 at
our District and State
Conventions)*

Let DG Bob know of upcoming service and fundraiser projects. We'd love to come and help. And remember, I am a draw too - the sweet gentle "puppy" everyone loves to love!