#### August 2023

#### **District Officers**

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

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# District 25C Newsletter



# From the Desk of DG Patti Foxx Hello Team plus One!!!

WOW !!! What adventure it was to attend the 105<sup>th</sup> International Lions Convention in Boston. There was over 11,000 Lions attending and from Indiana we had around 50 Lions. To participates in the meeting with Guest Speakers, Concert to hear Killer Queen, Lions Parade, and just meeting Lions all over the world was so neat. To hear our International Director Dr. Patti Hill, speaking was amazing and her theme is Changing the World. Yes, Lions does change the world. Some of us made it to Cheers, Fenway Park, Whale Watching and John F. Kennedy Museum. We all made it home safe and sound.

Our first Cabinet/District Meeting and Banner Night will be over by the time this comes out. We had a fantastic meeting with great reports for the upcoming year. We welcome Second Vice District Governor, Paul Scheetz and Global Extension Team, Charles Short, and Indiana Lions Foundation, Ray Collins to Team C plus 1. Before lunch was served by Brazil Lions Club, the Club President Lora Fenwick with the helped of Poland Lions Club member Judy King presented DG Patti with "Grape Tierra".

The Banner Night was exciting with not one but two Fire Alarms going off. The cause was from lighting hitting it a couple weeks ago and been having issues with the alarm going off by itself. Our MC for the evening was PCC Jim P.M. Query which did a fantastic job and everyone else who helped with food and silent auction.

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My second month is August and I'm in need of visits so keep letting me know when I can come visit you!!! Plus send me an email about when you have fundraisers, events or just having a picnic so we can spread the word in our newsletter.

Congratulations and Warm Welcome to 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Paul Scheetz from Lucerne Lions Club. His information is 2998 W State Road 16, Lucerne, IN 46950. Telephone number is 574-889-2895. Email is <u>paulcz10@yahoo.com</u>

With that being said – Now I am looking for a new Zone Chair 2 which cover Lions Clubs: Camden, Delphi, Flora, Lucerne, Royal Center, Twelve Mile, and Young America. I know YOU want to be the Zone Chair!!! I also will be needing Sargent of Arms to be replaced. Call me 812-201-0906 and leave a message if I don't answer you.

Lions Changing the World by Covering the Need, Serving With A Smile.

Serving With A Smile,

DG Patti Foxx



Council Chair Bob Hrdy removing incoming Governor Patti Foxx's flash on last day of Intl. Convention in Boston signifying she is now formally sworn in as our District Governor for 2023-2024

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)



# Lafayette Lions

On July 4th, the Lafayette Lions provided free soft serve ice cream to residents of the Indiana State Veterans Home in West Lafayette. Family members also received freebees. The club also

had a face-painter on hand (Lion Kathy Rose) enjoyed by all. Members of the club who gave their time on July 4 to make this event happen were Lions Carl Landskron, Mark Needham, Diane/Steve Haby, Kathy Rose and Charlie Short.

(Photos credit: PDG Pat Short)





## **Clinton Lions**

The Clinton Lions Club recently assisted the City of Clinton after a severe thunderstorm passed through our community with storm debris removal. Over 300 trees were damaged or completely fell during the storm. Pictured l to r are Clinton Lions in front of some of the equipment that was

used during the clean up: Andrew Poletto, Dave Marietta, Keith Pruitt, Jerry Spurr, Tim Foltz, Bob Alexander, Jeff Williamson, Kevin Vitaniemi, Chuck Gedrick,Dean Strohm and Austin Farrington. Dirk Foltz was unavailable for the photo. Twenty five loads of storm debris was removed during the cleanup by the Lions in keeping with our motto "WE SERVE"

(Photo courtesy of Patti Spurr)



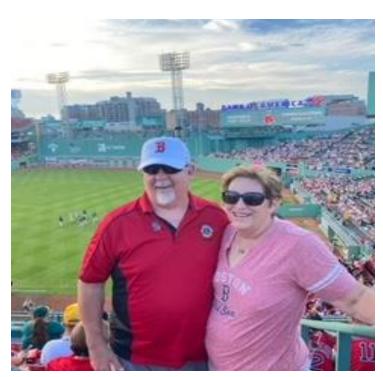
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#### **MD 25 Lions**



DGE Patti Foxx (right) with DGEs Julia Kozicki and Glen Georges carrying MD 25 Indiana in parade in Boston on July 8

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)



MD 25 Lions at Fenway Park Boston to see Boston Red Sox play Oakland

(Photo credit: PDG Charlie Short)



PDG Bob, Lion Vicky and Finn enjoyed social evening out with other 25C LCICON23 attendees at Fenway Park on July 7.

(photo credit: PDG Pat Short)

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#### **Lafayette Lions**



On Wednesday, July 19, members/friends of the Lafayette Lions Club were provided with a tour of the new Lafayette Public Safety Center and Police Department. This state of the art facility houses the city's <u>Patrol</u>, <u>Investigations</u>, <u>Special Opera-</u> <u>tions</u> and <u>Administrative Service</u>s divisions which serve 152 sworn personnel and 55 civilian personnel. Following the tour, club members adjourned to the Buttery Shelf Eatery for dinner and club meeting.

(All photos credit: PDG Pat Short)





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#### **Brownsburg Lions**



#### Brownsburg Lions Club July 4th Extravaganza 67th annual Lions Club July 4th Parade PID Nick Xinopoulos has been the Parade Chairman for over 25 years.

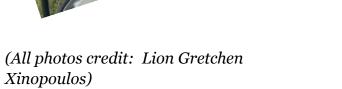
(Photo Credit Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos)



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# **Brownsburg Lions**

Brownsburg Lions and friends worked hard for 6 days during their main fundraising event. We serve sandwiches & sides & also serve the best roasted corn in the community.







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#### **Brookston Lions**



**Council Chair** 

Council Chair Bob Hrdy officiating at Council meeting held in Michigan City on July 22.

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)



Brookston Lions Club float in the Fire & Lights Parade on July 8th in Brookston.

(Photo credit: Lion Terri Delp)



DG Patti makes front cover of Lions Intl magazine!

(Photo courtesy of PDG Pat Short)

# 25 C Lions



Taken at Intl convention—Lion Vicky Hrdy, PSG Pat Short, DG Patti Foxx, PDG Charlie Short and Council Chair Bob Hrdy with Lion Leader Dog Finn.

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)

#### **Brookston Lions**

White County 4-H Fair provided the opportunity for all attending to 'ring our bells'. Lion Joe Dold pictured.



(Photos credit: Lion Terri Delp)



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#### **Zionsville Lions**



Past Presidents of Zionsville Lions working together in Lions Park July 27, 2023. Pictured L to R: Jim Edwards (1998), Darryl Johnson (2000), Ralph Stacy (2009), Gene Thompson (2010). Not pictured John Wilken (2019)

(Photo credit: Lion Gail Robbins)

#### **Clinton Lions**

Recently the following Clinton Lions members assume duties of various offices within the club. Pictured left to right first row Dean Strohm, Membership Chair, Chuck Gedrick ,Board of Directors, Jerry Spurr, President, Rick Inman, Board of Directors, Dennis Jones, Treasurer, Bob Spence Past President, Dave Marietta, 1st Vice President, Andrew Poletto, Board of Directors, Larry Rardin, Board of Directors, Chris Strohm, 2nd Vice President, Garry Dal Sasso, Lion Tamer, Bob Alexander, Board of Directors, Shawn Wilson, Board of Directors, and Charles "Doc" Rutan, Secretary. Tail Twister Tom Sims was unavailable for the photo.

(photo courtesy of Clinton Lions Club)





#### **Clinton Lions**



Indiana Lions Foundation Secretary Lion John Wilkins (left) presents a \$1,000 Foundation matching grant check to Clinton Club President Jerry Spurr for the club's building fund to help replace their clubhouse, which was destroyed by fire.

(All photos credit: Clinton Lions Club, Doc Rutan)

**# 2** Pictured left to right are Clinton Lions Club members, Bob Spence and Dave Marietta along with Past International Director Nick Xinopoluos from Brownsburg Lions Club who presented a Melvin Jones Award to Clinton Lions Club President Jerry Spurr while Clinton Lion Dean Strohm observes. The Melvin Jones Award is the highest award a club can achieve in recognition of service to the local community and is named in honor of Lions Clubs International founder Melvin Jones who was from Evansville Indiana.

# 3 Pictured left to right are Clinton Lions Club members Dennis Jones, Bob Spence, Past International Director Nick Xinopolous from the Brownsburg Lions Club, Clinton Lions Tim Foltz, Dean Strohm, and Jerry Spurr. All were presented International Presidential Letters of Appreciation for their service to their club and community. Past International Director Nick Xinopolous made the presentations representing Lions Club International President Brian L. Sheehan.



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## **25 C BANNER NIGHT**

















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# **25 C BANNER NIGHT-continued**





























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# **25 C BANNER NIGHT-continued**

























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#### A Message from 1st Vice District Governor John Waymire

Hello Fellow Lions of 25 C,

This month's article is simply some food for thought.

#### The Starfish Story

Once upon a time, there was a wise man who used to go to the ocean to do his writing. He had a habit of walking to the beach before he began his work.

One day as he was walking along the shore, he looked down the beach and saw a human figure moving like a dancer. He smiled to himself at the thought of someone who would dance to the day, and so, he walked faster to catch up.

As he got closer, he noticed that the figure was that of a young girl, and that she was not dancing at all. The young girl was reaching down to the shore, picking up small objects, and throwing them into the ocean.

He came closer and called out, "Good morning! May I ask what it is you are doing?"

The young girl paused, looked up, and replied "Throwing starfish into the ocean."

"I must ask, then, why are you throwing starfish into the ocean?" Asked the somewhat startled wise man.

To this, the young girl replied, "The sun is up, and the tide is going out. If I do not throw them in, they'll die."

Upon hearing this, the wise man commented, "But, young girl, do you not realize that there are miles and miles of beach and there are starfish all along every mile? You can't possibly make a difference."

At this, the young girl bent down, picked up yet another starfish, and threw it into the ocean. As it met the water, she said, "It made a difference for that one."

Adapted from *The Star Thrower* by Loren Eiseley

#### How many starfish have you thrown into the ocean today?

Serving with a Smile

John Waymire

25C FVDG

#### A Message from 2nd Vice District Governor Paul Scheetz

Paul was born in Clearwater, Florida. Early in his life the family moved to Indiana where he grew up. He graduated from Pioneer High School, in Royal Center, IN. Shortly after graduation he enlisted in the United State Navy.

In the Navy he was stationed at various commands and obtained the rank of Chief Petty Officer. While in the Navy he received numerous Awards including the Joint Service Commendation and Joint Service Achievement Medals. After retiring with 21 years of service he went back to school and earned a BS degree in Electronics and Computer Technology from ITT Lake Mary Florida. He began a second career as a technician at the Nevada Test Site. Throughout both careers he was a troubleshooter and repairman helping not only those he worked with but also anyone who needed that extra help.

September of 2015 Paul was asked by President of the Lucerne Lions Club to join their club. In July of 2016 he was elected President of the Lucerne Lions Club. He spent five years as President. During his time as President, he was asked to be a Zone Chair for Zone 2 of the district. He has served as Zone 2 Chair for the past five District Governors.

Paul currently serves as the district Sergeant at Arms and Second Year Trustee for the Indiana Lions Foundation.



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#### A Message from MD25 GMT PDG Charlie Short

#### Mission 1.5 is on!

#### Recruiting is the top priority of all MD 25 Lions!

#### Thank you for being a Lion.

There's no sugarcoating the truth: Indiana Lions, and the US as a whole, had an unprecedented number of drops in June. We are going to have to work hard to recoup our losses, open new clubs, and recruit new and willing Lions to carry our service and legacy forward.

#### Indiana State Membership Plan for 2023-24

Extension:

All District Governors will authorize five locations on MyLCI for new clubs by July 31. These locations will be shared to the GET and GAT team for immediate development.

Each district will start a minimum of one new club in 2023-24, by target date of December 31 2023. Stretch goal of two by 6/24.

Our goal is 250 new Hoosier charter members by June 30, 2024.

Membership:

ALL clubs will be strongly encouraged and supported to add

ONE new member by October 31. No more zeros. No excuses.

For clubs that accept a challenge, there are two goal levels:

Ten percent of current membership level OR

Ten new members.

We will prioritize support to clubs that are showing results. This includes tracking for Club Excellence Award, marketing support, GMA workshops, Zone Meeting support and other GAT team resources. Membership Key Credit and Extension Awards, etc.

Branch clubs, specialty clubs, online branches, etc. will be encouraged where appropriate to grow existing clubs.

| Current Indiana Lions membership: | 8200 |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| FY Forecast Drops                 | 400  |
| New Member Goal                   | 700  |
| Net Goal FYE                      | 8500 |

\* This is an excerpt from the MD 25 Indiana Membership Report dated July 28, 2023.

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#### A Message from ILF and ILHC Secretary John Wilkins

The trustees of the Indiana Lions Foundation (ILF) and Indiana Lions Holding Corporation (ILHC) met at the Zionsville Lions Park on Saturday, June 10th, 2023. At this meeting the trustees approved a total of \$10,350 in matching grants for the Lapel, Martinsville Noon, Westfield, LaFontaine, Lafayette, Clinton, Whiting, Cloverdale, New Haven, Dunlop and Jamestown clubs bringing the total of matching grants for the fiscal year to just under \$25,000. President Don Cooper acknowledged the service of our outgoing trustees: PDG Herb Stevens, PDG John Scott and PDG Bill Penn. PDG Bill has served as Foundation President and will soon celebrate his ninetieth birthday. PDG John has served as our assistant treasurer and made innumerable contributions to the Foundation. PDG Herb has served the Lions of Indiana in various capacities for over fifty years. PDG Herb was named as Distinguished Lion of the Year at the May state convention. 1VDGE Erica Thomas previewed the newly refurbished Foundation website, which will go live on July 1st.

At the Holding Corporation meeting, Trustees were advised by Lion Andy Dybel that we will welcome a new tenant to Suite Five as of July 1st. Lion Andy also advised that our realtor had secured a \$1.4 million offer for 8780 Purdue Road. However, the offer did not include any funds to reconfigure our existing office and conference facilities; a necessary aspect of our strategy to upgrade our office and conference facilities for the Lions of Indiana. Therefore, we declined the offer. Our realtor is working with a potential buyer who would require the entire facility, thus requiring that we purchase a stand-alone building that would be configured solely for the office and conferencing needs of the Lions of Indiana. Amenities such as a kitchen, a 75 person conference facility, adequate parking, an outdoor area, two offices and potential for a museum are envisioned. Trustees will solicit ideas regarding additional amenities that would be useful from all Indiana Lions via the Hoosier Lions publication. During any transition period from our existing facility to a new facility, there will be no interruption in providing office and conferencing facilities for the Lions of Indiana

Trustees also heard from our Purdue Road building manager regarding recent maintenance expenditures such as the need to replace two HVAC units. This expenditure, added to the significant costs to bring our parking lot up to standards, underscore the need to divest ourselves of 8780 Purdue Road and occupy a facility that is more economical to maintain while better meeting the office and conferencing needs of the Lions of Indiana.

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#### A Message from Indiana Lions Foundation—State Fair Project

#### Volunteer to work for the Indiana Lions Foundation at the 2023 Indiana State Fair ----- July 28<sup>th</sup> - August 20<sup>th</sup>

Want to visit the Indiana State Fair and save money? Work at the State Fair for the Indiana Lions Foundation as a ticket seller, monitor, scanner, or hand stamper and you do not have to pay either the admission or parking fees. Sorry, you still have to buy your own fair food! Work the morning shift and you'll be finished by 2:30, which is still plenty of time to visit the fair, or come in the morning, enjoy the fair, and check in at our booth at 2:00 for the afternoon shift.

Need a place to stay if you're volunteering for more than one day at the State Fair? There are two options this year. Three bedrooms are available for your use at the Indiana School for the Blind and 4 camping spaces at the Indiana State Fairgrounds are reserved for Foundation use. Both options are FREE and on a first come first serve basis. Call Lion Rose Russell, Indiana Foundation State Fair Committee member, at 574-250-0125 to make your reservation or for more information.



Who can volunteer to work for the Indiana Lions Foundation at the Indiana State Fair? A person need not be a Lion to volunteer at the Indiana State Fair. Ask your friends, your children, and grandchildren to volunteer – all are welcome who are at least 15 years old.

What are the starting and ending times for the shifts? There are four shifts available this year. The start time listed for each shift is the time you are expected to check in at our booth. These times have changed from previous years.

5:30 am-8:30 am Volunteers on this shift will earn 1 W.P. Woods credit.

8:00 am-2:30 pm Volunteers on this shift will earn 1 W.P. Woods credit.

2:00 pm-8:30 pm Volunteers on this shift will earn 2 W.P. Woods credits.

4:00 pm-8:30 pm Volunteers on this shift will earn 1 W.P. Woods credit.



# Sign up today to make new friends and renew old friendships with Lions from all over the state.

Scan the QR code on the left with the camera on your smartphone, or enter the following URL to go directly to our State Fair signup page.

#### https://IndianaLionsFoundationMD25.org/what-we-do/ Indiana-state-fair-volunteer/

For more information, contact any member of the Indiana Lions Foundation State Fair Committee.

| Lion Pam Arnold   | 260-705-6610 | pamalarn@myfibersolution.com |
|-------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| PCC Bob Booher    | 317-435-0139 | lion_boo@att.net             |
| PDG Don Cooper    | 260-615-5350 | dkcoooper81@outlook.com      |
| PDG Bob Howard    | 260-243-0678 | bdhoward1@yahoo.com          |
| PDG Kathy Lozier  | 317-431-7655 | kathylozier@icloud.com       |
| Lion Rose Russell | 574-250-0125 | RoseWRussell@gmail.com       |

#### A Message from Indiana Lions Foundation—State Fair Project

Selling and scanning tickets at the Indiana State Fair is the Indiana Lions Foundation's largest fundraiser and we need the help of Indiana Lion to make it successful. The 2023 Indiana State Fair begins July 28<sup>th</sup> and runs through August 20<sup>st</sup>. As last year, the Fair will be closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

If you did not work last year, there are several changes that include our new parking situation. You may now enter Gate 10 (northeast corner of the fairgrounds) and park as close to the large white maintenance building as possible. You will find our check-in booth on the west side of the maintenance building in one of five small buildings. Our banner will hang above our booth. The bank is located in that same group of buildings.

We have 4 shifts available and we offer WP Woods credits for working at the Indiana State Fair.

- \* Early AM Shift: 5:30 AM 8:30 AM. 1 WP Woods Credit offered for working this shift.
- \* AM Shift: 8:00 AM 2:30 PM. 1 WP Woods Credit offered for working this shift.
- \* PM Shift: 2:00 PM 8:30 PM. 2 WP Woods Credit offered for working this shift.
- \* Late PM Shift: 4:00 PM 8:30 PM 1 WP Woods Credit offered for working this shift.

Below are descriptions of the positions so you will know what to expect.

**Seller:** This position is inside an air-conditioned building and is selling tickets.

**Monitor**: Watches over the automated ticket machines and helps people use the machine when needed and directs their attention to those machines if they want to use credit cards. The monitor will check out money from the bank and keep it in the sellers building. On busy occasions the monitor might be asked to sell tickets from outside. This position is outside and shade is provided.

**Scanner:** Works outside under a tent with several large fans to help keep it cool. As customers present tickets the scanner needs to use the hand-held machines to verify the tickets. This is a sitting position

**Stamper:** The stamper is positioned at the exit and stamps the hands of those wishing to be re-admitted to the fair and monitors the gate so unauthorized individuals do not enter through this gate. This is a sitting outside position and shade umbrellas are provided.

More information is available on our website, including directions to parking and the dress code.

https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/what-we-do/indiana-state-fair-volunteer/

If you have any questions please contact me. I look forward to seeing you at the Fair.

Lion Rose Russell Indiana Lions Foundation, State Fair Committee 574-250-0125 Rosewrussell@gmail.com

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# Save the Date 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         | 2023 Event Co-Chair |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| PDG Connie Roe           | PDG Robin Smith     |  |  |  |
| C: 219-863-0761          | C: 219-916-4549     |  |  |  |
| E: lionroeable@gmail.com | E: mswolfen@aol.com |  |  |  |

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#### A Message from Leader Dog



Zionsville Lions Club July 4th Chair Steve Gayheart and his Raffel Co-Chair Kenny Caldwell presented Indiana Lions for Leader Dog Secretary/ also District C LD Trustee Gail Robbins with a check for \$3559.00 to donate to Leader Dog for Puppy Sponsorships.

(Photo credit: Lion Gail Robbins)

#### **Michgantown Lions 50th Anniversary Celebration Invite**

All clubs are cordially invited to attend a special opportunity to visit the Michigantown Gymnasium dating from 1924 and Museum of all small schools consolidated into Clinton Central( Think Hoosiers). Tours conducted from 3:00 PM to 6:00PM. Dinner served at 6:00PM . Menu: Parmesan Chicken and Ham Loaf Balls, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed Salad and Dessert. Cost: Freewill Donation. Remarks and Welcome at that time. Please come and enjoy our special day. RSVP to <u>deblanch@geetel.net</u> or phone 765-652-2373 by November 1st. Thank You.

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| 6             | 7   | 8                             | 9   | 10  | 11                                 | 12  |
| <sup>13</sup> | 14  | 15                            | 16  | 17  | 18                                 | 19  |
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Official Visits Schedule:

August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Brookston Lions Club September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Oxford Lions Club October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Riley Lions Club October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Eminence Lions Club November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Delphi Lions Club November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Clinton Lions Club December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Spencer Lions Club February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Jamestown Lions Club March 7<sup>th</sup> 2024 Crawfordsville Lions Club



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| 10<br>Oxford<br>Club visit | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15  | 16  |
| 17                         | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21  | 22  | 23  |
| 24                         | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28  | 29  | 30  |

Official Visits Schedule:

September 10th, 2023 Oxford Lions Club

October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Riley Lions Club

October 9th, 2023 Eminence Lions Club

November 1st, 2023 Delphi Lions Club

November  $8^{th}$ , 2023 Clinton Lions Club

December 19th, 2023 Spencer Lions Club

February 19th, 2024 Jamestown Lions Club

March 7<sup>th</sup> 2024 Crawfordsville Lions Club



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# IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2023-2024CABINET METTING # 2October 21st, 2023Lizton Lions ClubLizton Lions ClubCABINET MEETING # 3February 3rd, 2024Zionsville Lions ClubFebruary 24th, 2024DISTRICT CONVENTIONFebruary 24th, 2024Centerpoint United Methodist Church

CABINET MEETING # 4 May 11th, 2024

Centerpoint United Methodist Church

#### **ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES 2023-2024**

#### **BRAZIL LIONS GOLF SCRAMBLE**

Friday, August 4th, 2023

Forest Park Golf Club, Brazil IN

Lunch at Noon, Tee Time at 1 PM

#### INDIANA STATE FAIR

July 28th—Aug 20th

Sign up to volunteer

#### BRIAN'S TRIKE RACE & DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT Sept 9th, 2023

**ISBVI** Campus

## ANNOUNCEMENT

HELP WANTED for a part time position—State Administrative Secretary. For more details, please give DG Patti a call.



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.

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.

Last month you found out about our DG personally and I hope you were able to answer all of the questions about DG Patti Foxx! This month we will take a look at where DG Patti is from starting with Clay County and the town of Brazil Indiana.

Clay County was organized from sections of Owen and Vigo counties in 1825, nine years after Indiana joined the union, and was named after Kentucky statesman, Henry Clay. It was here where the City of Brazil was formed in 1838.

#### 1838

In 1838, William Stewart, a native of Massachusetts, settled in Clay County and built the first house in the town of Brazil. Having taught several terms of school in Ohio and Indiana, he taught the first term of school in Brazil.

Stewart had read the occasional newspapers that came in to the wilderness and had been reading about the revolution in Brazil, South America. He suggested the name "Brazil" for the town as a short and easily remembered name. The original town consisted of 189 acres.

#### 1852

The main attraction to Brazil was the coal fields. In 1852, a young Pennsylvania man, Byron Lawrence, stopped off in Brazil en route to the West, and while exploring the creek beds, discovered deposits of block coal and pottery clays. He tried to interest the local people in sinking a mine, but at the time, the pioneers were more interested in selling the lumber from the lands they were clearing. At one time there were 13 coal mines and 11 clay factories in Brazil.





Stay tuned next month for more history of Brazil, Indiana (All photos and information taken from Brazil.IN.GOV website.