

BE THE SERVICE

August 2024

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District 25C Newsletter

From the Desk of DG John Waymire

Hello Fellow Lions of 25 C,

The first District Meeting has come and gone. The Banner Night celebration was a night of Lion fellowship. The next District Meeting is October 19th at the Lafayette Arts Federation Building. ALL District 25C Lions are invited. District Meetings are OPEN to all Lions Club members. Come see how your dues are spent and your district is governed.

Now we turn our attention to working on our goals of membership and service. International President Fabricio Olivera's theme is "**MAKE YOUR MARK.**" And that is what Lions do every day. They make their mark by serving others. International President Fabricio is continuing **Mission 1.5**. Mission 1.5 is a **Journey of Service** to serve 1 billion people by June 30, 2027. We serve 1 billion people by bringing in more Lions members. The equation is simple: More Members = More Hands = 1 billion People Served.

My attention is now focused on visiting district clubs. I appreciate the opportunity and privilege to visit Lions clubs. I enjoy visiting towns that I have never been to before. I get to see the many town festivals and activities that make each town in District 25C special. I relish the opportunity to visit and be a part of Lions service projects. If you have not called to schedule a visit, I will be calling you to schedule a visit.

Thank you for all you do for Lions and your communities.

John Waymire,

District Governor 25C



District Goals 2024-2025

To increase reporting of District 25C clubs Service Activity Report (SAR).

To increase our membership by the end of June 30, 2025.

To increase attendance at 25 C District Meetings and District Convention and State Convention.

Provide Officer and Zone Chair Training.

Keep the District 25 C Calendar up to date.

Establish longer and Actionable PDG meetings.

We need Schools – and Schools need LIONS!

District C Meeting Schedule 2024-2025

August 2-18, 2024	Indiana State Fair	IN State Fair Grounds
September 5-7, 2024	USA/Canada Forum	Kentucky Convention Ct. 221 S. 4 th St. Louisville, KY
October 5, 2024	2 nd Council Meeting	Shipshewana, IN
October 19, 2024	2nd District Meeting	Lafayette Arts Federation 638 North St. Lafayette
January 17-18, 2025	Mid-Winter Conference	Crowne Plaza Hotel Airport 2501 S. High School Rd
January 19, 2025	3 rd Council Meeting	Crowne Plaza Hotel Airport
February 1, 2025	3rd District Meeting	Clinton Lions Club
February 22, 2025	District C Convention	Zionsville Town Building 1100 West Oak St. Zionsville, IN 46077
April 25-26, 2025	State Convention	Farmstead Inn & Conf. Ct. 370 S Van Buren St. (SR 5) Shipshewana, IN 46565
April 26, 2025	District C Caucus	Shipshewana
April 27, 2025	4 th Council Meeting	Shipshewana
May 10, 2025	4th District Meeting	TBD

If I can assist your club in any way, please contact me.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your District Governor.

BE THE SERVICE DIFFERENCE

John Waymire DG

A Message from FVDG—Paul Sheetz

We are starting a new Lion's year. Congratulations to our new Governor, John Waymire. With the new year, clubs should have received invoices for dues from Lions Clubs International and the State and District from the district treasurer for the first half of our Lion's year. Invoices should be paid by August 1st. The District Governor plans his year with an estimated amount from dues. If he doesn't receive the dues in a timely manner, he will have to adjust his schedule to accomplish the district goals. Taking time to adjust the schedule, takes away from him helping our clubs and the district. I encourage clubs to help the governor achieve the district goals by sending International dues directly to Lions Clubs International and State and District dues to our District Treasurer. If you have not received your invoices, you can contact our District Treasurer Karen McKellar, Kadica@TDS.net, 317.769.5256 or myself paulcz10@yahoo.com, 574.889.2895 so we can ensure dues are paid. Let's help the Governor, so we can have a great Lion's Year.

Websites for 25C and MD25

[District 25-C - Lions e-District Houses](#)



[Multiple District 25 - Lions e-District Houses](#)

WHAT ARE YOUR CLUBS COLLECTING ?

District Governor John Waymire would like to know what each Club is collecting .

For example:

Clermont : water bottle caps to make benches.

Zionsville: empty RX Bottles to give to the Cyber Club

Children's books for our free Library in the Park.

If your Lions Club is busy collecting an item please share that with DG John Waymire at jwaymire425@gmail.com

Thank you.

Protocol

A few thoughts about Protocol.

One of the many definitions of Protocol is “the system of rules and acceptable behavior used at official ceremonies and occasions.”

Your meetings will flow more smoothly if you have an agenda and keep to it.

Flag etiquette is very important during your meetings. When displaying the flag of the United States of America on a flagpole in a public auditorium, the flag should hold the position of superior prominence at the speaker’s right as they face the audience. The audience should see the flag on the left.

When speaking to or introducing an officer, please use their full title, not acronyms e.g. Lion, District Governor, not D.G., Past District Governor, not PDG, International Director, not I.D., Past International Director, not PID or International President Fabricio Oliveira not IP.

There is also a protocol for state, county and town elected officials. I will forward that to you upon your request.

Tail Twisting should be meant for fun, should be tasteful and not embarrass anyone. Make sure there will be no surprises or awkward moments.

During dinners, if place cards are used, please make sure there are place cards with names and titles for EVERYONE! Be aware of Lions titles and if you are not sure of which title to use, please refer to your District Protocol Chair.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos

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Messages from State Projects

Indiana Lions Foundation Community Service Grants A New Way to Use W.P. Woods Fellowship Credits

The trustees of the Indiana Lions Foundation (Foundation) have approved an additional way to use W.P. Woods Fellowship credits earned by working for the Foundation at the Indiana State Fair. As in the past, individuals may use their credits for a W.P. Woods Fellowship for themselves or another individual, or may transfer their credits to their club or district to be used for a W.P. Woods Fellowship.

Effective immediately, W.P. Woods Fellowship credits may also be redeemed for Indiana Lions Foundation Community Service Grants. An individual or club may redeem 10 W.P. Woods Fellowship credits for a \$200 Community Service Grant. The grant may be directed to the member's home club, one of our five Indiana Lions state projects, the Indiana Lions Foundation, or the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). The check from the Foundation will be made out to the designated beneficiary and sent to the requesting individual. The individual may then present the check to their club or a trustee of one of the five state projects, or they may simply mail the check to their designated state project or LCIF, as appropriate. If the grant is given to a club, it must be placed in the club's public funds account and used for Community Service projects, not for the club's administrative expenses, such as dues. A club that has W.P. Woods Fellowship credits which were transferred to it by individual members may use these credits in the same manner. A person or club may redeem only 10 credits (one \$200 grant) per year. A club, state project, the Foundation, or LCIF may receive more than one Community Service Grant per year, if the grants are requested by different individuals or clubs. We acknowledge that there will be many questions about this new opportunity to serve our communities and the trustees will be working on a more detailed Community Service Grant policy document in the weeks following the upcoming State Fair.

Please sign up today to work for the Indiana Lions Foundation at the 2024 Indiana State Fair. Scan the QR code below to visit the signup page.



Lion Rose Russell, Trustee
Indiana Lions Foundation
Lakeville, Indiana, USA
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Ticket booths for the new infield gates were under construction when we visited the Indiana State Fairgrounds last weekend. It appears the new booths will be similar to the existing booth at Gate 12. Each booth will have 1 window for a ticket seller and 2, 4, or 5 windows for self-service kiosks. Based on the interior framing of the booths, it appears the larger booths will have 2 air conditioners and the smallest booth will have 1 air conditioner. The photo below is the ticket booth for the NW infield gate.

The Indiana Lions Foundation needs your help to make our State Fair project a success again this year. We have many open positions on the first weekend of the great Indiana State Fair. Please sign-up today at IndianaLionsFoundationMD25.org. I look forward to seeing you at the Fair!



Messages from State Projects



Greetings Lions of this great MD25! As we all start pitching in to help our clubs and communities this summer, I wanted to thank all of you Lions for your hard work and enthusiasm for the Operation KidSight program we have here in

Indiana. As many of you know (and it seems many still don't!) Sheila Christoff retired in May. I was excited at the opportunity a few years ago to possibly join the team, but with the onset of the pandemic the extra role wasn't needed. As scary a prospect it is for me in this new position, I would be thrilled to get us back to screening at that level!

This program is such a vital service we can offer to our school nurses (who we know are overrun) and local daycare/preschool programs. Just a refresher, Operation KidSight is a statewide vision-screening program that identifies treatable or preventable causes of blindness in preschool children, ages **18 months to 6 years**. We utilize two different camera systems to achieve this. Cameras are available in every district, some owned by clubs/districts and others on loan to OKS board trustees or long-time screeners. I am more than thrilled to come to your communities and train any Lion on how to be an Operation KidSight vision screener. It may seem scary, it's pretty advanced technology and nobody wants to make a mistake when dealing with children. I'm here to assure you that I can teach you how to be a part of this mission. With the resources we have as Lions we can make sure children are getting the best start at learning (and LIFE) with ensuring their vision is preserved.

Lions in Indiana officially screened 15518 children in 2023-2024. Out of those 163 were



One of the few recent photos of me doing something Lions related. I should work on that, the photo part!
Lions Perry Nigh and Karlene Roe
2024 25A Eyeglass Mission

REFERS. It's important stuff, but oh so rewarding and fun because you get to work with kids! Reach out to your school nurses and daycare operators, let's ease their burden and let them know this is a service we offer. I have many pieces of literature from one-page leave-behinds to brochures and FAQs. We are working on 3 possible training sites (north/middle/south), so please contact me if you have an ideal location with interested Lions. Just like any team, a bench of trained and enthusiastic screeners is how we can continue to grow this program and reach every child. I look forward to serving with all of you!

Lion Karlene Roe (Winamac 25A)
Operation KidSight Coordinator
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Messages from State Projects



2024 LIONS MEMBERSHIPS AND DEVELOPMENT AKA WOMEN and MEN SYMPOSIUM EVENT

**THEME: LIONS LEMON UP TO MAKE LEMONADE TO SERVE
THE COMMUNITY**

DATE: Saturday, November 16, 2024 TIME: 11:00am--2:00pm

**LOCATION: Brazil YMCA Community Room 225 E Kruzan
Street, Brazil, IN 47834**

**COST: Nonperishable food items to fill Local Food Pantry
Thanksgiving Food Baskets**
















**RSVP: Nov 8th to PDG Patti Foxx call or text 812.201.0906
email pafoxx31@gmail.com**



"What does it mean to Make Your Mark? It means stepping up in our clubs and our communities and changing lives. It means amplifying the voices that may go unheard. It means showing the world that Lions care and we are here to stay." 2024-2025 Lions International President Fabrício Oliveira



August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Ladoga Fish Fry 	2 	3  → Jamestown Fish Fry
4 	5	6  Brookston Club visit	7 	8 	9 	10 
11 	12	13 	14 	15 	16 	17 
18 	19	20 Lizton Club visit	21 Lafayette Club visit	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

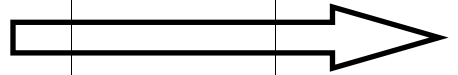
Official Visits Schedule:

- August 1-3 Ladoga Fish Fry
- August 3 Jamestown Fish Fry
- August 6 Brookston Lions Club
- August 20 Lizton Lions Club
- August 21 Lafayette Lions Club



September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 <i>USA/ Canada Forum</i>	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					



Official Visits Schedule:



Celebrating 68 Years of Service

District 25C recognizes 2 Lion Club chartered during the month of August. These clubs have been serving their local community for 68 years. These clubs have impacted their local communities in their own unique way, and have supported district, state and international projects. These clubs are an example of DG John's theme – *Be the Service Difference* and IP Oliveira's theme – *Make Your Mark*. **Congratulations on your years of service and leaving your mark on your community and beyond!**

CLUB NAME	CHARTER DATE	YEARS OF SERVICE
Riley Township	August 28, 1968	56
Zionsville Leo	August 13, 2012	12

District Club News & Photos

LAFAYETTE LIONS CLUB

Lion Carl Landskron enjoyed talking to several of the Indiana Veterans Home residents on July 4th -- pictured is Francisco. He served in the Korean War and now entertains his friends with his great voice and claims of having played trumpet with Frank Sinatra.

Remember, service is not just about giving out free ice cream but also about listening to and appreciating another persons life, their services for others. We should remember and not forget their sacrifices.



ZIONSVILLE LIONS CLUB

The 1st Sunday Summer Concert in Lions Park was a total success. We had over 300 guest enjoying the music of our hometown Zionsville Concert Band.

Photo: John Wilkins

PLAINFIELD LIONS CLUB

The Indiana Lions Foundation provided a matching grant of \$1,000 to the Plainfield club for the purchase of a refrigeration unit for the Hope Healthcare Services facility to store insulin. Hope Healthcare is a not-for-profit that provides affordable, quality health solutions to the citizens of Hendricks County without health insurance. In the photo, Foundation Vice-President John Wilkins is presenting the check to Plainfield Club President Tom Iles and other club members. The Indiana Lions Foundation provides matching grants up to \$1,000 for club projects meeting criteria as detailed on their website.



BANNER NIGHT

Passing of the torch from PDG's to present DG John Waymire

