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District 25-C

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## Our Mission

To create and foster a spirit of understanding among all people for humanitarian needs by providing voluntary services through community involvement and international cooperation.

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## Closing Comments

It's June already! Where has the last year gone? It seems like only yesterday I was informing you about the International Lions Convention in Toronto. Looking back, it's been a year of delightful encounters and visits with everyday Lions serving their communities in many different ways. As I have been writing and telling

you all year, my main focus has been to serve you so you can serve your communities. That's what Lions is all about, reaching out to those who we can serve. Some of the many things I've seen include heads that once were hung in despair lifted up with new hope; eyes sparkling with ideas of how to serve their communities; new energy in clubs that thought they were too old; new enthusiasm for serving that has brought in new, younger members; new found pride in the service you are doing and in the fact you are Lions; innovative ways of including other service groups in your community; the many kindnesses and friendships you have offered to Roberta and me; offers to stay overnight because of bad weather or the concern you had for

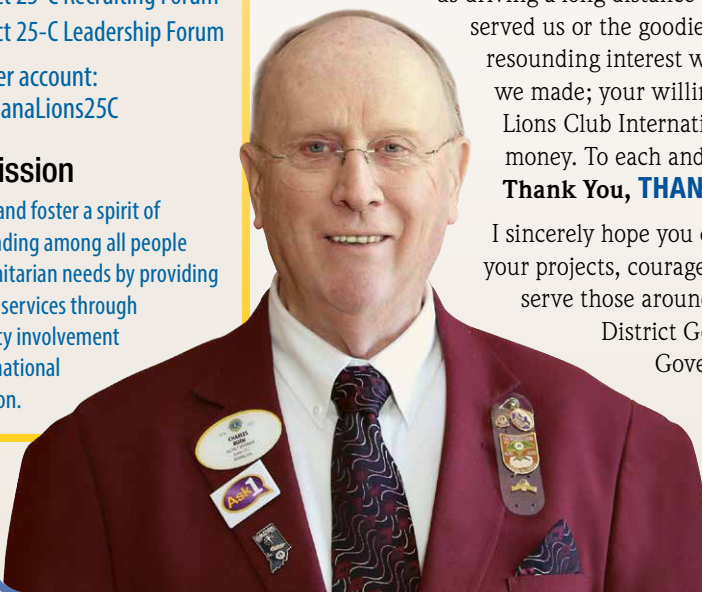
us driving a long distance at night; the many meals you served us or the goodies you sent home with us; your resounding interest with positive results to suggestions we made; your willingness to support the District and Lions Club International with your presence and your money. To each and every one of you thank you,  
**Thank You, THANK YOU!**

I sincerely hope you continue to thrive with constant evaluation of your projects, courage to take a risk, and the overwhelming desire to serve those around you. The District will be in the good hands of

District Governor Elect Dick McKellar, 1st Vice District Governor Elect Ross Drapalik, Cabinet Secretary Gretchen Xinopoulos, and Cabinet Treasurer Karen McKellar.

District Governor,  
Charles Roth

Thank  
You!



## Time of Transition

### How We Can Help

It is that time of the year when District Governor Elects' are gathering information to place in their directories for the upcoming District Governor term. This is not a smooth process, but can be accomplished if everyone does their little bit, i.e., have your elections early, file the officers contact information with Lions Club International making sure that it has been confirmed and once entered, that it actually was accepted into the system.

This is also the time when the District Governor Elects try to place responsible Lions into all of the district and state committees representing their district. My approach has been to just ask, but also to encourage whomever steps up to actually do something in the committee. More often than not these committees are not functional at the state level. We need you to energize all the representatives from the other districts to act.

A message has been sent to everyone possible about officer training. We have had two successful sessions and will have one more on the day this newsletter is issued. These are good sessions and even if you have been in the position for some time, you need to make a "visit" to see what is new and be updated on the responsibilities of that position. If for some reason you cannot make any of the training sessions please contact me and I will arrange for one for you.

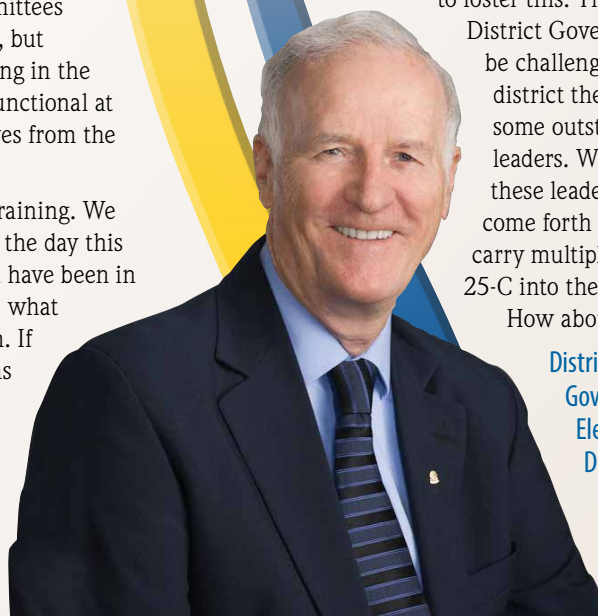
A message has been sent to all club secretaries and presidents asking for dates for the District Governor official visit. These have been slow in coming in and now would be a good time for you to get the date you desire. Once a date is taken, it is taken.

Finally, I am encouraged going into the 2015-2016 year, but know there are some problem areas. One of these is LEADERSHIP SUCCESSION. At my first cabinet meeting (Saturday, August 15th, location still unknown) District Governor Charles and I will be exchanging ideas with the attending Past District Governors on how

to foster this. The Past District Governors will be challenged. In this district there are some outstanding leaders. We need these leaders to come forth and help carry multiple district 25-C into the future.

How about you?

District  
Governor  
Elect,  
Dick  
McKellar



## Training, Training and More Training!



"Training" was the word of the month for May, and that means meeting with the club officers from around the district to help train them and prepare them for the upcoming Lions' year which begins in just a little under a month from now. "Training" is the process by which someone is taught skills to complete a specific task to which they have been called and involves willingness and commitment to learn and to put into practice what has been taught.

One of my tasks this past year has been working with our club secretaries to help them improve on their monthly reports to Lions Clubs International. These reports have included the Monthly Membership Reports (MMR) and the Service Activity Reports (SAR).



In 2013-14, on average approximately 68% of our clubs filed their MMR each month. To date, this number has increased to over 94%, and in December, March, and April, 100% of the clubs filed their MMR. What is maybe more astounding is that District 25C has over 77% of our clubs having filed each and every month. This is commitment. This is TEAMWORK.

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## Training...

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I've had the opportunities to train our club secretaries in West Terre Haute, Delphi, Martinsville, and Zionsville in the past month, and I am really encouraged by the enthusiasm of these Lions shared. I have no doubts that we will be building on the accomplishments made throughout 2014-15 year during the upcoming year.

The goal for 2015-16: Keep filing the Monthly Membership Reports each month and get all of the clubs to work towards getting 100% filing each month of their Service Activity Report (SAR). The Service Activity Report is the only way of knowing how we are doing in completing the Lions Club International Centennial Service Challenge of serving 100 million people by 100th year of Lions in 2017.

GREAT JOB  
LIONS!

1st Vice District  
Governor Elect,  
Ross Drapalik

## Multiple District 25 International Pin Design

### Fukuoka, Japan 2016

This design, selected by State Council to represent Indiana Lions at the 2016 International Convention in Fukuoka, Japan, on June 24-28, was conceived by our very own 1st Vice District Governor Elect Ross Drapalik (Martinsville Noon Lions Club). **Great work Vice District Governor Elect Ross!**

**The pin incorporates six elements representative of Japanese culture:**

1) the **torii** (a traditional Japanese gate), 2) a **bonsai tree**, 3) a **Geisha** with her folding fan, 4) the **rising sun** in the background and represented on the Geisha's fan, 5) the **mountains of Japan**, and 6) the ocean and seas surrounding this island nation. A 7th element is the use of an oriental calligraphy font. And of course, being the Indiana pin, what else would we have on it, but an **Indianapolis 500 race car** – globally recognized icon of the USA and Indiana in particular. Notice that the car's number is **"25"** signifying that the Lions of Indiana are in Multiple District 25.

This pin will be for available after July 1 from your 2015-2016 District Governor, Dick McKellar, and 1st Vice District Governor, Ross Drapalik, when they visit your clubs.

Also, please encourage members of your clubs to start thinking about designs for our Indiana pin for the International Convention to be held in Chicago in 2017. Design criteria, submission dates, etc. will be sent out later this summer.

Past District Governor, Pat Short,  
Chair Multiple District 25 International Pin Design Committee



## Save The Date!

Be sure to place these  
dates on your calendar.

### District C Banner

Sunday, August 2nd

### Cabinet Meeting

Saturday, August 15th



## Lions All Star Event

Lion dean Strohm (Clinton Lions Club) receiving Presidential Medal. Pictured left to

right- District Governor Charles Roth, Lion Dean Strohm, International President Joe Preston and Past International President Wayne Madden



# A Great Community Project!

## **International Peace Poster/ Peace Essay Contests**

Each year, Lions clubs around the world proudly sponsor the Lions International Peace Poster and Peace Essay Contests ..... contests that encourage children to express their visions of peace. For 25 years, millions of children from nearly 100 countries have participated in these contests. If you aren't already running a contest, why not have your Lions club sponsor one in your town! Students ages 11-13 on November 15 are eligible.



**"Peace, Love and Understanding"**  
2014-15 Grand Prize Winner  
Wei Jin Qian 13 years old, China  
Sponsor – Gao E Fu Lions Club

One international grand prize winner in each category (Peace Poster & Peace Essay) will receive \$5,000 and a trip to a special award ceremony. Each of the 23 merit award winners will receive \$500 and a certificate of achievement.

Talk to your school art teachers and get on their Fall project calendars.

### **Key Dates:**

**Oct 1, 2015:** Deadline to purchase kits from Lions Club International

**Nov 15, 2015:** Postmark deadline for club to send one winning poster to District Governor Dick McKellar

**Feb 1, 2016:** International winners notified on or before this date

**May 16, 2015**

## Way to Go 25C!

Lions Club International Foundation District Coordinator Past District Governor Charlie



Short received an Lions Club International Foundation Certificate of Accomplishment at our May 16 District Cabinet Meeting in Delphi. The Certificate, signed by Past Lions Club International Foundation Chair Wayne Madden was awarded to recognize outstanding efforts in attaining support for Lions Club International Foundation from all clubs in the district during the 2012-2013 Lions year.

Past District Governor Charlie on accepting this accolade stated emphatically that it really belonged to all 25C clubs for their support of Lions Club International Foundation and its missions worldwide.

(See report in this newsletter detailing assistance provided by Lions Club International Foundation to District 25C over the past 5 years.)

### **Peace Poster Contest Kits (PPK-1)**

\$11.95 ea. + shipping, handling and applicable taxes  
(Allow 3-4 weeks for delivery)

Lions Club International Peace Poster contest link,

### **Poster Rules/Guidelines/Entry Form:**

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/how-we-serve/youth/peace-poster-contest/index.php>

Download the Lions Club International Peace Essay Contest rules:

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/pr41.pdf>



Ask about the Peace Poster Tabletop Exhibit available for loan to clubs and districts to promote the Peace Poster Contest!



**Prairie Creek Lions****Book Donations**

In keeping with ideas put forth by the Lions Club International Foundation, the Prairie Creek Lions Club donated books to the Hoosier Prairie School for all the children in 1st Grade.



Prairie Creek Club President Barbara Mericle presents books to School Principal Ms Jennifer Russell.

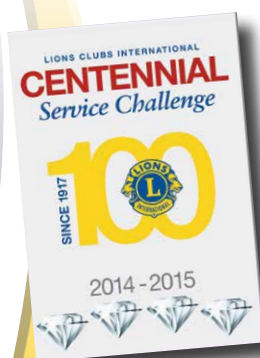
**Save The Date!**

**September  
17-19, 2015**



Grand Rapids, Michigan  
(4hr 15min from Indianapolis or  
3hr 15min from Lafayette)

Complete information about this very informative meeting concerning Leadership development will be found in future newsletters.



Hunger and the Environment.

**Your Club counts – it makes a difference!**

If you have such service projects, why not receive bragging rights with a Centennial Service Challenge Banner Patch?

This Challenge continues through 2017, so you have another two years to engage in service projects related to Youth, Vision, Hunger and the Environment.

All Centennial service activities must be reported though MyLCI's Service Activity Report to receive recognition – so have your club secretary input information showing the great things your club does for Youth, Vision, Hunger and the Environment. Also remember that any donations to Lions Club International Foundation' count for the Challenge . . . so include them as an activity too.

For more details, go to: [www.lionclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/iad465.pdf](http://www.lionclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/iad465.pdf)

**May 16, 2015**

**Serve 100 Million by December 2017!**

At the 25C Cabinet meeting held in Delphi on May 16, the Clinton, Lafayette, Riley and Lafayette Clubs were presented with Centennial Service Challenge Four Diamond Banner Patches for having participated in all four service action campaigns — Youth, Vision,



Lafayette Lions Club president elect Lion Bob Goldberg accepting his club's four-diamond Centennial Service Banner Patch

**Delphi – Leadership Training**

**May 16, 2015**

Global Leadership Team Charlie Short sharing information on what it takes to be a good Club President/VP with 2015-2016 officers-Elect. From left-to-right around the table are: current Zone Chair Mike

Shockley (Delphi Lions Club), President-Elect Marvel Albitz (Frankfort Lions Club), VP-Elect Doug Houser (Rossville Lions Club), Pres-Elect Gene Mellinger (Rossville Lions Club), VP-Elect Joe Schwartz (Delphi Lions Club), Pres-Elect Dave Thomas (Brookston Lions Club), VP-Elect Stephen Thompson (Lucerne Lions Club), Pres-Elect Margi McConnaha (Lebanon Lions Club) and Global Leadership Team Charlie Short (Lafayette Lions Club).





## Lions Helping Visually Impaired



A big thank you to Lion Mike Joyce of the Clinton Lions Club for serving as a 25C Trustee since 2007

Lion Mike Joyce completes his tour as a 25C Trustee of the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired on June 30 after nine years providing direction and support to this state project. Instrumental over the years from his design of tri-fold story boards and DVDs, to his efforts in ensuring the success of Brian's Trike Race and the Lions Workdays at the School, he will be sorely missed. A great, motivational leader, Mike's encouragement and organizational skills always made our volunteers jobs easier and fun. Thanks, Lion Mike for all you've done for the ISBVI and District 25C.

Lion Becky currently serves as Tail Twister for her club and has been a driving force in the Cloverdale Lions becoming involved in ISBVI projects, including the workdays and Brian's Trike Race. A warm, caring individual, Lion Becky has had many positive interactions with the school. Her younger brother began ISBVI outreach services in 1996 and graduated from ISBVI in 2011. Lion Becky really appreciates the opportunity to give back to serve the community (ISBVI) she loves through Lions.



A warm welcome to Lion Becky Mannan of the Cloverdale Lions Club as she comes on board July 1 as a new 25C ISBVI Trustee

## Cloverdale Lions

### Hosting Two Upcoming Events

On Saturday, June 13th,

the Cloverdale Lions will present the **Second Annual Roaring**

**5K Run/Walk.** The

event begins at the Cloverdale High School parking lot.

Registration is from 8-9 a.m. with the race beginning at 9 a.m.

Early bird registration (before June 6) is \$20.00. Race morning is \$25.00. Participants in the September race, \$10.00.

All funds raised will be used to help local community members with vision screening, eye glasses, hearing aids and provide scholarship to Cloverdale High School Senior.



## Walton Lions Fish Fry

May 2, 2015

Pictured left to right: Steve Jones (Cass County Historical Association), Jeanie Jones (President, Cass County Historical Assoc.), Lucy Martin, Frank Smith (Cass County Historical Assoc.) and Lion Mac Martin (Walton Lions Club Treasurer. Net proceeds of the event are being donated to

the Cass County Historical Association for use in establishing markers along the route of the Wabash & Erie Canal through Cass County.



Also to host our

**Cloverdale Lions Golf Scramble on Saturday, August 1st** at Clover Meadows Golf Course. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

with tee time at 9 a.m. Cost is \$160 for 4 man scramble (bring your own team.) Cost includes green fees, cart, lunch and prizes. Hole sponsorships available – \$50 for one hole.

**For information on both events, visit**

[cloverdalelions.weebly.com](http://cloverdalelions.weebly.com)





# Lions Helping Special Olympics



## **Special Olympics Indiana**

Members of Lions Clubs in Indiana are invited to volunteer for the Special Olympics Indiana Summer Games scheduled for June 12 – 14 at Indiana State University and Rose Hulman Institute of Technology.

During Summer Games the 2,500 athletes in attendance will be invited to receive free health screening as part of the Special Olympics Healthy Athletes program. Officially launched in 1997, Healthy Athletes organizes its events in a welcoming, fun environment. Its screenings educate athletes on healthy lifestyle choices and identify problems that may need additional follow-up. During the 2015 Games, we plan to offer the following free screenings: Fit Feet (podiatry), Health Promotion (better health and well-being), Healthy Hearing (audiology), Opening Eyes (vision) and Special Smiles (dentistry).

To volunteer or for more information and volunteer schedules, contact: Special Olympics Indiana Rachel Jones, Volunteer Coordinator  
[rjones@soindiana.org](mailto:rjones@soindiana.org)  
(317) 328-2020

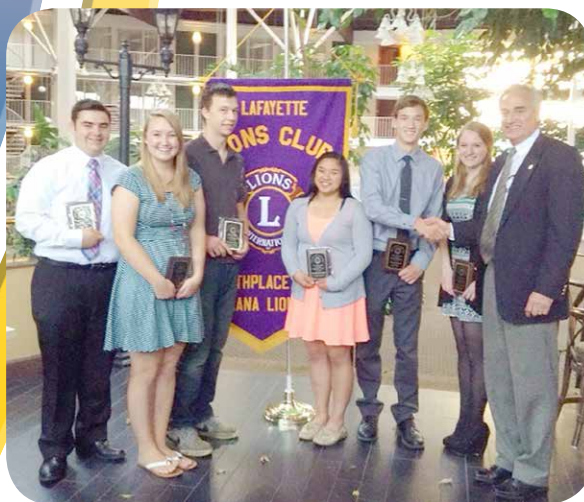


## **Lafayette Lions Grant Scholarships**

May 6, 2015

The Lafayette Lions Club granted scholarships to six area high school students: Malachi Albert of Central Catholic High School, Lindsey Haehl of West Lafayette High School, Luke Menard of Harrison High School, Anna Pablo of Jefferson High School, Elizabeth Hobbs of McCutcheon High School and Andrew Ewellindley of Faith Christian School. Each student received a

check for \$350 and an engraved Lions Club plaque honoring his/her achievements. To be selected, each student had to be a graduating senior, with above average academic achievement, and have the qualities of personal and social character which best exemplify Lions ...to foster understanding among all people, to promote good government and good citizenship, to take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and welfare of the community and to promote ethical standards in all endeavors.



Pictured Left to right: Andrew Ewellindley of Faith Christian High School, Elizabeth Hobbs of McCutcheon High School, Malachi Albert of Central Catholic High School, Anna Maria Pablo of Jefferson High School, Luke Menard of Harrison High School, Lindsey Haehl of West Lafayette High School, Lion Steve Haby – Scholarship Committee Chair

## **Grissom Air Museum – Armed Forces Day Celebration**

One of our 25-D Lions, Frank Faulkner, spoke Saturday at the Grissom (airbase) Museum during the Armed Forces Day celebration. It is certainly nice to see Young America Lions reaching out with their concession, which was also a service to those who attended the event. Picture by Lion Past District Governor, Sandy Price



State Convention, April 27, 2015

## Zionsville Lions Take First Place!

Pictured from left to right: District Governor Elect Richard McKellar, Lion Karen McKellar, Lion Gail Robbins, and Lion Tom Robbins. Gail is holding the 1st place award for the state activities contest presented to the Zionsville Lions Club, District 25C.



## Fundraisers are Busting Out All Over

Don't we all enjoy getting outside now that the weather is warmer? Especially when we can help others or raise funds to help others!



Let's not keep this fun to ourselves... why not advertise for help with your projects (even if you don't really need it!).



Who knows? Unexpected volunteers might just like what you do and enjoy your company too

which means you are two thirds of the way to bringing more hands to your projects, making new friends and having more FUN!

Lion Pat Short, Global Membership Team



## Foundation Update

June, 2015

- **51% of all clubs in the District** have now made a donation to Lions Club International Foundation, which is slightly ahead of this time last year. Many clubs make their donations in June, so we anticipate most District 25C clubs will participate in this year's Lions Club International Foundation campaign and beat our \$10,000 donation goal for the year.
- **The Hearing Lions received yet another \$10,000** International Assistance Grant, supplying over 300 hearing aids to needy residents in the Nayarit state of Mexico. Duane Wass (Bainbridge) and his team have now completed over ten years of international service, and were featured at the MidAmerica Conference on Hearing in Cincinnati OH. Indiana Lions Foundation now serves as the charitable conduit for outside donations to The Hearing Lions.
- **Lions Club International Foundation has now sent over \$197,000 in relief of the two massive earthquakes that have rocked Nepal.** The first \$100k was placed as a Major Catastrophe Grant and other funds have been sent to districts requesting \$10,000 Humanitarian Assistance Grants. Over 18,000 Lions are working in this effort. Very few, if any, other NGOs are able to bring this tremendous surge of manpower on such short notice, and couple it with the deep financial resources of a major global foundation.

Yours Truly will be stepping down as Lions Club International Foundation Coordinator after five busy years. This will allow me to dedicate efforts to our exploding School Vision Screening program, and my continuing role as District Leadership Chair (Global Leadership Team).

I have had the honor of assisting with four \$10,000 Humanitarian Assistance Grants (Battle Ground, Clinton's two grants and Oxford) and five International Assistance Grants for The Hearing Lions. This reflects \$90,000 in direct help to our communities and projects.

A Fiscal Year End report will be filed at the first cabinet meeting of the new year on August 15th. I would like to thank District Governor Roth and his team for another super year for 25C and Lions Club International Foundation's great partnership.

Past District Governor, Charlie Short





## Lafayette Lions **May 20, 2015** Cancer Research Award Presented

The Lafayette Lions presented the Annual Cancer Research Award to Dr. Kavita Shah (Asst. Professor, Purdue University Center for Cancer Research). She was selected by her peers for work on how "Aurora A kinases regulate cell cycle transit and are therefore targets in cancer therapy". Dr. Shah received a plaque recognizing her achievements as well as a check for \$350.



**Pictured Left to right:**  
Lion David Ehlers  
(Cancer Research Award  
Committee Chair), Dr.  
Shah and Mr. Tim Bobillo  
(Director of Development,  
Purdue University Center for  
Cancer Research)

## **Leadership Lines** The Clock is Ticking

**June 2015**



The clock is ticking on this Lions year, but as we look forward to Hawaii and another great year ahead, it seems like only yesterday we were on Lake Freeman, celebrating District Governor Roth's Banner Night with all our Lions Crew!

Another successful transition demands that we show our gratitude to all our Lions Leaders for this year. They are in it for the outcome, not the income, and all were instrumental in our fun and success.

We say thanks to Zone Chairs Al Crace of Earl Park, Mike Shockley of Delphi, Ray Furner of Brownsburg, Past District Governor Ray Collins of Riley Township, Marvin Mericle of Prairie Creek, Past District Governor Sara Provines of Spencer, and David Roloff of Martinsville Noon. The Zone Chair serves a very important role, and we had a great team this year.

A special thanks too, to our 2nd Vice District Governor Ross Drapalik and Lion Jennifer for a good year of serious effort in support of the District Governor Team and as Chair of the Eye Bank. Vice District Governor Elect Ross' efforts to improve reporting and help club secretaries was very successful, leading to our first 100% months where all clubs reported membership activity. Ross' work also led to improvement in overall club communication.

The hardest-working people in the district outside the District Governor and Spouse are certainly Cabinet Secretary Gretchen Xinopoulos and Cabinet Treasurer Theresa Bartlett, who both served our District Governor team well. There's no medal for these offices, but there certainly should be a special one for ours. Thank you for a job well done.

With District Governor Roth and Lion Roberta winding down the days of their year, it's time for us to welcome our incoming District Governor Elect Dick McKellar and Lion Karen of Zionsville! District Governor Elect Dick will be announcing his team next month, and we look forward to another great year of service with the McKellars!

Last, but not least, we congratulate International Director Linda and Past District Governor Vern Tinchon on the completion of their first year as our International Director team. It is truly special to have a sitting International Director as a member of our district! International Director Linda has been representing us from Riley to Prague and at all points in between, proving that Indiana Lions of 25C lead from the lunch room to the Boardroom.

**Past District Governor, Charlie Short**

### **NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**

Please send articles and or photos for our monthly newsletter to Dick McKellar or Ross Drapalik to be considered for publishing. They will review and select articles submitted for inclusion prior to layout.

**Deadline:** 20th of each month  
**Publish:** 1st of each month



## **Why Become a Lion?**

**Last Good Reason  
from Our Top Ten**



# Strengthening our Pride

## Ask 1

## Net Membership Goals for the Year

DG's Growth  
Net Goal  
2014-2015

Net Actual  
May 20,  
2015

+16

+8

0

0

-8

## 25-C LIONS "ASK 1" STARS

As of May 20, 2015



Member net gain since  
July 1, 2014



Highest % member net gain since  
July 1, 2014

CLUB	NET GAIN		LIONS AT	
	%	#	May 20, 2015	JUNE 30, 2014
Brazil	19%	5	31	27
<b>Brookston</b>	25%	<b>11</b>	55	44
Clay City	15%	3	23	20
Frankfort	21%	3	17	14
Jamestown Community	31%	4	17	13
Lebanon	20%	3	18	15
Lucerne	24%	4	21	17
<b>Michigantown</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>9</b>	23	14
Plainfield	16%	3	22	19
Poland Community	14%	2	16	14
Wolcott	28%	2	9	7

## No June Drops!

- 20 clubs show a positive net gain for the year!
- Does your club need one to two newbies to join this group?
- Invite others to join your spring fundraisers and make a difference — invite them to be Lions!
- **WE CAN DO IT!**

Past District Governor  
Pat Short

## How Did Membership Grow?

**Brookston:** Sent out about 2000 cards via USPS "Postal Customer" mail permit total cost \$722 (includes \$.175 postage/card); 12 new members!

**Jamestown:** Used trifold brochure, community networking, Lions booth at community events. "Like panning for gold – nuggets are out there, just ask!"

**Michigantown:** Leased community building, Lions/community raised \$65,000 for repairs. Other remodeling volunteers liked what they saw and joined the club.

**Poland Community:** (Special Mention) Membership Chair – Lion Betty Herbert – since joining her club in June 2012, she has brought in nine new members – first new member in November, 2012!

Only 30  
days to go!

## Members as of May 20, 2015

	Added	Dropped
Month to Date:	+6	0
Year to Date:	+143	-151
Net Year to Date -8		

## Where does Your Club Stand?

We're almost into summer... almost at the end of this Lions' year... and how do you think our membership numbers look?

35 clubs	<b>61%</b>	Positive or net zero growth	Keep Going!
13 clubs	23%	Added members – lost none	They Roar!
165		Family units	Great Togetherness!
375	24%	Female Lions (where are the others?)	Develop Specific Skills for Roles

As of May 20, 2015

You have worked hard this year to bring more hands to fill the needs of your communities.

You've also brought joy and laughter to many with your festivals, cookouts, parades, and fish/chicken dinners... not to mention all those bingo games! We start a new Lions' year on July 1, so let's have even more FUN in our District next year. Help and advice is only an email or call away... your District team is always ready to extend a helping hand... all you have to bring to the party is the desire and the energy to be a more formidable force to help change the lives of others... we'll provide ideas and tools to help you grow your club.



**Blue Grass Bash**

Saturday, July 18  
Lizton Lions Club Park  
100 S. Cherry Street  
For more information  
call 317-374-4707 or  
317-410-6441

**Save the Dates!**

Don't miss these upcoming  
Lions Club events.

**Brazil Lions Club  
Golf Scramble**

Forest Park Golf Course

Friday, June 5

Lunch at Noon

Tee off at 1:00 p.m.

\$50 per person

\$200 for team of 4

Hole sponsorships  
available: \$100.00

Contact:

Kim Riddell

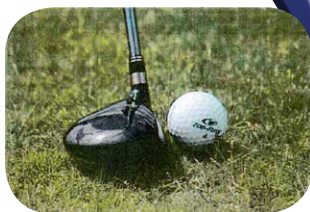
812-448-3100

Brian Wyndham

812-240-5338

or J. Blaine Akers

812-605-0494

**BG Lions Club Golf Classic**

Battle Ground Golf Course

4 Person Golf Scramble

Saturday, June 13th

2 p.m. Tee Time

\$50 per golfer

Reserve by June 10, 2015

For more information,

call 765-567-0181 or

765-567-5007 or email

[mbjmontg@yahoo.com](mailto:mbjmontg@yahoo.com)

**Clinton, Cayuga and Vigo Lions****May 12, 2015****Free Vision Screenings**

On May 12 the Clinton and Cayuga Lions performed vision screening during the Clinton Union Hospital Health Fair. *Submitted by Lion Dean Strohm*



Clinton Lion John Stroot explains a name card done in braille. Also pictured are Lions Garry Dal Sasso in rear, Ken Colombo of the Clinton Lions screens patrons while Past District Governor, Ron Spivey, looks on.

Clinton Lion John Stroot prepares a braille name card on a braille writer as Clinton Lion Dean Strohm looks on with Clinton Lion Ken Colombo manning the vision screening machine in the rear.



Pictured left to right Lion Ray Collins (Riley Township Lions Club) and Marvin Mericle (Prairie Creek Lions Club)

**May 19, 2015**

On Tuesday May 19th the "Dine with the Doc" program held a program at the Wabash Valley Fairgrounds from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Lions were asked to support the program by doing vision screening.

The Clinton Lions Club served from 9 to noon with the Vigo county Lions ( Riley, Terre Haute Evening, and Prairie Creek) doing the remaining time. Vision machine were step up and vision screening was done through out the day. *Picture by Lion Marvin Mericle*

## 25C Lions Visions Leaders

### What a Great Year for Lions School Vision Screening!

- 25C clubs have screened **over 18,000** students since June.
- We have now **referred 3,872 for further attention. (21.5%)** This is the entire enrollment of an average small school system.
- We have added **six new school corporations** this year, with **over 4000 new students.**
- It looks like a **23% increase** in total students again this year!

### Actions in Progress:

- **We are adding the new AAPOS chart system.** This chart has been designed for pediatrics and will improve capacity and accuracy, especially for Kindergarten and First grade students.
- **The AAPOS charts work great** and are simple to use. 25C now has eight AAPOS chart kits on hand, and is purchasing a larger supply.
- Save the dates: **Thursday August 6 and Tuesday August 11.** These will be our training nights to train up on the Optec and AAPOS charts for both new and returning screeners. Start times at 6:30 pm- sites will be announced on the district website and newsletter.

**Thank you and congratulations** to all our 25C Lions Vision Leaders!

**Dean Strohm** (Clinton), **Ron Spivey** (Cayuga), **Sam Burrous** (Walton), **Alan Shank** (Lucerne) **Carl Landskron** (Lafayette), **Dave Thomas** (Brookston), **Past District Governor Ray Collins** (Riley Township) **George Wood** (Monon) **Gene Mellinger** (Rossville), **Past District Governor Larry Graden** (Brownsburg), **Dave Rinehart** (Martinsville Noon) and **all our dedicated Lions Vision Screeners!**

**Past District Governor, Charlie Short**

May 9, 2015

## Stamp Out Hunger



Past District Governor Charlie Short assists with the Lafayette Stamp Out Hunger food drive on

May 9 organized by area postal workers – 46,614 pounds of non-perishable food items were donated to Food Finders Food Bank. Past District Governors Pat and Charlie Short helped sort incoming donations collected by the postal workers.



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## Support for Canine Development Center

On Saturday, April 25, 2015, Lafayette Lions Club President Bob Hrdy and Leader Dog Alex present a \$10,000 check to Leader Dog representative Kathleen Bree for the new Canine Development Center. This is the first of three installments for a total of \$30,000. Council Chair Reed Fish in background.



## Save the Date!

Join the Battle Ground Lions Club in supporting the "Fiddlers Gathering" in Battle Ground on June 26-28. Look for our concession stand! For more information visit: [www.indianafiddlersgathering.org](http://www.indianafiddlersgathering.org)

