

# MANE EVENTS

in District 25-G



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## 2nd District Meeting

The second District Meeting of the 2016-2017 Lions year was hosted by the Urbana Lions Club on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was attended by 46 Lions from 20 clubs in District 25-G, and 3 Lions from other districts.



***Lion Dottie Flack, guest speaker at the 2nd District Meeting.***

Lion Dottie Flack, the Patient Advocate and Lions Liaison in the Department of Radiation Oncology at the IU Simon Cancer Center in Indianapolis was the guest speaker. Lion Dottie provided an overview of the Indiana Lions Cancer Control Fund state project, including its history and mission. The project was started in 1946 and is our oldest state

project. Since 1946, Indiana Lions have raised nearly \$6 million dollars to support cancer treatment, research, and education in the state of Indiana. Lion Dottie spoke about the many ways that Indiana Lions have touched and continue to touch the lives of cancer patients.

PDG Nick Xinopoulos and Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos of the Brownsburg Lions Club in District 25-C also attended the meeting. PDG Nick will be seeking the endorsement of the Lions of Indiana to run for International Director. PDG Nick spoke about his life experiences, outlined his Lions resume, and asked Lions to support him at the 2017 Indiana Lions State Convention.

PDG Marty Juel announced that PDG Mark Clark of the Salem Lions Club in District 25-E will also be seeking the endorsement of the Lions of Indiana to run for International Director, and outlined PDG Mark's Lions resume.

The third District Meeting will be held on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, at Sunnyside Park in New Paris, and will be hosted by the New Paris Lions Club.

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Christmas Greetings, Lions of District 25-G!

How many of you have seen advertisements through email, on television, billboards...just about everywhere with a “COUNTDOWN” to Christmas. Let’s enjoy our days, and not panic about squeezing everything in, to make things *perfect*. We see numbers everywhere. Some good, some bad. There are numbers in so many phrases in the English language...have you counted? 😊

It’s been *one of those days* where all I can think about is how Lions can serve more effectively. With the tornadoes going through the southern part of our country, and Gatlinburg’s devastation, we should all *give three cheers* to LCIF for their swift action to assist those in need. LCIF reaches out to the *four corners of the earth*!

Let’s *put two and two together* and know that what 25-G Lions can do not only to help our own clubs, but gets us *back to square one* to see how all of us make a difference, together. *THAT picture is worth a thousand words*.

If your club has not yet made their annual donation to LCIF, here’s the chance *to feel like a million dollars* and join in with other Lions, who are giving *twenty-four seven* to emergencies around the world. *I for one* hope that not only will your club be one of those *first out of the gate* with your support of LCIF, but also with our District-wide project, the local blood drives. *Half the battle* is making the call and getting the drive scheduled! *One good turn deserves another*, so make that call today!

Now, I know you don’t want to put me *behind the eight ball*, so I’m asking that the remaining 20 clubs who have yet to schedule an official District Governor’s visit with me put me *on cloud nine* and reach out and get me on your calendar. You know I’ll go *the whole nine yards*, but let’s keep the nasty weather driving down to a minimum!

This could be *six of one, half dozen of the other* to get my *two cents worth* in, but “99 percent of all statistics only tell 49 percent of the story.” — Ron DeLegge II . So let’s *give a high five* and make these three things happen:

1. Send in your club’s donation to LCIF
2. Schedule a blood drive and become part of the district-wide project  
– 6 months in to the year, and a long way to go
3. Confirm an official visit with District Governor Peg

These are three ways we can ALL be 100%! Let’s *second that by the usual sign...BITE ‘EM*!

**Together Everyone Achieves More!**

DG Peg VanNevel

# Breaking Records

In 1954, the world thought that man could not run a mile in less than 4 minutes. Doctors wrote papers stating that a man's heart could possibly burst from the stress of running that fast. No one could run a mile in under four minutes and you would be crazy to try to do it. If it was even possible, it would require ideal conditions – no wind, dry track and the perfect temperature. Yet, on May 6, 1954, on a cold windy day, on a wet track from earlier rain and in front of a crowd of only 3,000 people, Roger Bannister did just that. He ran a mile in 3 minutes 59.4 seconds – setting a new world's record. Within a few months of this feat, several men had also broken the 4-minute mark.

So, was this some great jump in the speed of mankind? Was Bannister some miracle person? People thought that the event was “impossible”. Until it had occurred and then many others could accomplish the same thing. Bannister had trained and then showed it could be done. Others found that they had the speed – they just needed to push a bit farther than what they had done.

How many times do we do the same thing? We don't try because it “it can't be done”. We talk ourselves out of even attempting something because “it can't happen”. But once we see someone else succeed then we remarkably find that we too can accomplish the seemingly “impossible”. So, what are the ways to accomplish the “impossible”

1. **Break down goals** - into small manageable tasks and look for small areas for improvements. You don't need to have a 104% improvement – only 2% per week (which is greater – do the math...)
2. **Don't be afraid to fail** – in science there is no such thing as a failed experiment – only a negative example.
3. **Persevere** – the Grand Canyon was made one drop of water at a time. Don't stop just because there is some resistance.
4. **Don't be afraid to make a course correction** – sometime goals have to be updated and changed. That doesn't mean that project was a failure – just now has a new outcome.
5. **There are no “magic bullets”** – No matter what you do it will not be exactly as you expected and will not be “perfect”.
6. **Celebrate all success no matter how small** – Success breeds success. Leverage your wins to get more pluses in your columns

It is easy to be discouraged with all the work that goes into a project and then it does not turn out as you expect. But, the work that we do as Lions is important to the people we serve. We do what we do not for ourselves but rather those in need in our local and world communities. That should always be our motivation. John Wooden, famous UCLA basketball coach stated it this way – *“Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do.”*

Together Everyone Achieves More.

1st VDG Tom Polk

# From the Desk of CS PDG Ann Haffner

## THE IMPORTANCE OF CLUB REPORTS

**CLUB SECRETARIES:** I hope you are aware of the important position you hold in your club. You are the liaison officer between your club and District 25-G and Lions Clubs International. Your promptness in submitting reports on time is one of the determining factors in whether your club is eligible to receive the Club Excellence Award for 2016-2017.

**MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** The MMR is used to report membership changes: new, transfer, reinstated and dropped members; address, phone number, e-mail and name changes; corrections and additions. Either the club president or secretary can file this report and the Monthly Activities Report on MyLCI. If you don't have a username and password you can set this up following the directions on the log in page on MyLCI. You'll need your LCI membership number to do this. From the top of the LCI Home Page click on "MyLCI." The MMR must be filed every month even if there are no changes.

It can still be mailed in paper form to LCI and the district governor but is due at LCI the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month; i.e., the December report is due at LCI on December 20. The electronic version must be filed by the last day of the month; i.e., the December report must be filed by midnight CST December 31. Filing online with MyLCI does not mean that DG Peg will receive a copy. It must be viewed and saved to your computer and then sent as an attachment to her at [pitchinpeg@yahoo.com](mailto:pitchinpeg@yahoo.com). It is a nice gesture to also send it to your zone chairperson, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Tom Polk at [tomkimpolk@embarqmail.com](mailto:tomkimpolk@embarqmail.com) and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Jim Reeve at [reeve7677@embarqmail.com](mailto:reeve7677@embarqmail.com).

New Lions will not receive the HOOSIER LION or LION magazine until their membership is recorded with LCI. Several clubs have members on the rolls at LCI with no addresses or incorrect addresses. Hence, they do not receive these publications. If your club still has members on record at LCI that are deceased or have dropped out your club is liable for paying LCI, district and state dues for them. Please make sure this is taken care when submitting your December MMR or your club will be liable for January through June dues for those dropped or deceased members.

**CLUB ACTIVITIES REPORT:** Activities reports can no longer be mailed to LCI. They may be submitted online monthly or periodically to report service activities, donations, and service hours. This is especially important now as we celebrate our centennial in 2017. Clubs are encouraged to help reach the Lions Clubs International Centennial Service Challenge goal of serving 200 million people by June 30, 2018, especially in the categories of environment, vision, hunger and youth.

**INSTRUCTIONS:** If you need directions for filing reports they can be found online. From the LCI Home Page, [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org), click on "MyLCI." On the Logon Page there are help information links shown at the right under "Support Center."

Once you've logged on, click on "My Lions Club" and then "Members" to update a member's information or drop a member. Click on "Reports" for a number of reports you can view or print. Click on "Membership Cards" to print them for your members. Only Club Secretaries and Presidents can make changes or additions. Treasurers can view and print reports if they have activated a username and password. If you have difficulty filing reports, making changes, or need help securing a username and password contact me at [ann\\_haffner@yahoo.com](mailto:ann_haffner@yahoo.com) or 574-457-3054 and I will be happy to assist you.

**WHEN YOUR CLUB TREASURER RECEIVES YOUR CLUB'S JANUARY LCI AND DISTRICT AND STATE DUES BILLINGS PLEASE MAKE SURE THOSE BILLINGS ARE PAID IMMEDIATELY. UNLESS THEY ARE RECORDED AS PAID WITH LCI AND CT ROSE RUSSELL BY FEBRUARY 24, 2017 YOUR CLUB WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO VOTE AT OUR DISTRICT CONVENTION IN ARGOS ON MARCH 11. THIS NEW RULE WENT INTO EFFECT JULY 1, 2016.**

# **LION CHARLIE'S CORNER**

## **What Does the Future Hold for LIONS?**

In 1923 the Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF) had 2½ MILLION MEMBERS in the United States. Today they have less than 200,000 members and most of those members are between 65 and 90 years old. WHAT HAPPENED TO CAUSE THIS DRAMATIC DECLINE?

I called and talked on the phone with several IOOF members who are active in the organization to find out what caused this decline. Their answers contain many facts which are important for us to understand if we want to help keep Lionism important as a successful force serving mankind.

FACT #1 Members who enjoy being part of an organization tend to invite others to join who are their friends and near their same age. This is beneficial when they are in their 20s, 30s, and 40s. The new members are young enough and energetic enough to not only help maintain existing programs but to start new activities.

FACT #2 As we age we are less likely to develop new activities. We get comfortable with what we are doing. We feel successful, but with the fast pace of change today we must continue to improve what we are doing and seek new challenges.

FACT #3 One of the biggest motivating factors in both individuals and groups is the recognition of their successful accomplishments. This not only makes them feel good about what they are doing but motivates them to continue and motivates others to strive to be leaders also. Unfortunately, the IOOF has not used this technique.

FACT #4 The IOOF is still doing many of the activities that they did in 1923. Unfortunately, younger people today are not interested in many of these activities. But the older members want to maintain them. This difference greatly reduces its attraction to new younger members.

We have our own examples of successes and failures. Consider the following: South Bend River Park Lions Club had 115 members at one time. For years the Goshen Lions Club had 50 members and a waiting list of people who wanted to join. But the club didn't want to get "too big."

Ardmore Lions Club was raising over \$6000 a year but decided to quit. They had a very successful Christmas tree sale. It became too much work as their membership aged. They did not understand that the youth groups they were helping could have assisted them in this sale.

Lions Clubs International took a great step forward when women were admitted into membership. Every year the number of women in our district increases by 50 or more. At the same time our male membership declines by 50 or more. If we hadn't taken women into membership we could not afford to keep our state office building.

Before it's too late we need to take the following steps:

- Establish a program which recognizes successful clubs and the projects they develop to remain successful and grow.

- Establish a district development team which concentrates on organizing a new club each year.

- Identify those areas where it might be possible to start new clubs.

- Present awards at Banner Night for the outstanding achievements of the previous year. This would make Banner Night something special to start off each new Lions year.

- Honor the memories and achievement of those with outstanding service in the past. The work and efforts of Jim Cameron, Glenn Yoder, Art Birk, Jeri and Bud Seely, Alex Miller, Nelson Nix, David W. Rogers, and others are why Indiana Lionism is still alive today.

My next article will contain a sample of a possible recognition and awards program for use every year. This would be a start in motivating a resurgence of Lionism in our district.

PDG Charlie Haffner



# If We Build It, They Will Come

In the 1989 film “Field of Dreams”, struggling Iowa farmer Ray Kinsella heard a voice in his cornfield telling him, “If you build it, he will come”. But what, Kinsella wondered, was he supposed to build, and who would come after he built it? Kinsella soon came to the realization that he was supposed to mow down a cornfield and build a baseball diamond. Despite opposition from his wife, who feared that the loss of the crop could result in the loss of the farm, Kinsella built the diamond, and when the project was complete, he found the answer to the second question, in the team of ghostly players who came to play on his field of dreams, and the long line of travelers who came to watch the games and recapture pieces of the past.

The story is a fantasy, but the message of the voice is relevant to us as Lions: If we build it, they will come. If we build our local Lions Club to be a visible and relevant force for good in our local community, like-minded individuals who want to make a difference in the community will seek us out. This is not a fantasy; I see it happening in clubs in this district today.

How do we make our Lions Club a visible and relevant force for good in our local community?

We need to build relationships with local school officials, local government officials, local churches, and other organizations in our community, then leverage those relationships to identify current community needs and develop new projects to meet those needs. Examples abound in our district: the Lakeville Lions Club led a community effort to rebuild a picnic shelter in a local park; several clubs participate in Operation SchoolSight, assisting school nurses with state-mandated vision screening; and many clubs participate in the Dictionary Project, providing free dictionaries to third-graders in local schools.

The benefits to our community should be obvious; the benefits to our club are less obvious, but just as important. As we build these relationships and work with individuals in other organizations, we provide them with opportunities to learn about the vision, mission, goals, and accomplishments of our local Lions Club and Lions Clubs International. And when they learn about the many ways We Serve, some will choose to become a part of the greatest service organization in the world.

If we build it, they will come.

PDG Paul Russell, District GMT Coordinator



## **A great alternative to recognize a Lion or community leader**

The Contributing Membership program is an annual program that recognizes three levels of support: \$20, \$50 and \$100. Contributing Membership donations are Melvin Jones Fellowship -eligible and used to support LCIF humanitarian grant programs. Individuals will receive a bronze, silver or gold pin (shown above) identifying the fiscal year in which the donation is made. For the actual application to submit with your contribution, [use this link](#). Be sure to check the box on left side of the application to receive a Contributing Membership pin. If you have problems downloading from the link above, go to the district's website at [www.lions25g.org](http://www.lions25g.org) and click on 'Documents', then 'LCIF Forms'.



**Lions Clubs International**  
**FOUNDATION**

**District Governor Peg VanNevel needs to  
get her calendar organized for this year.  
Please contact her to set up your club  
visit -  
[pitchinpeg@yahoo.com](mailto:pitchinpeg@yahoo.com) or 574-220-2362**

# Vision Services Christmas Report 2016

The start of Christmas season means a lot of things, but it is also the traditional end of our school acuity screening effort for the year. You should be very proud to be an Indiana Lion. We have had another record year of helping children, families, and schools have improved sight.

This year continues to see the school vision program expand to a new record of children and families served. We added seven new school corporations and over 6000 additional children to our list of those served with school acuity screenings. It's a great story of service, quality, and dedication that is bringing new life to old clubs and old values to new ones.

Others noticed too: Indiana Lions were honored with the Coffman Friends of School Nursing Award last month by the Indiana Association of School Nurses. This followed up honors from the National Association of School Nurses earlier in the year. Your Indiana Council of Governors voted unanimously to expand support for vision screening, education, and support programs.

MD25 Lions will screen over 60,000 school-age students in this Lions year. Our efforts have had an effect: we are seeing referral rates start to decline in the schools that we have been serving. More kids are wearing their glasses in school. Broken and lost glasses are being replaced or repaired faster. This part we can see and measure. We can't see the better behavior, the better grades, the better performance in sports, or the happier families, but we know they are out there too.

We will refer about 10,800 students for further care this year. This will mean more glasses to buy, more exams needed, and more education to be done. The work will not stop. But by our service, a few thousand more kids who never saw a star in the night sky before will have that ability. (When they aren't looking for Santa, of course!)

What a gift we bring. What a great group of Lions. Merry Christmas and the best of New Years to all.

PDG Charlie Short  
Chair, MD25 Vision Services

## Nominations and Elections

The following positions will be up for election at our District Convention on March 11, 2017:

District Governor

First Vice District Governor

Second Vice District Governor

Trustees:

Indiana Lions Cancer Control Fund

Indiana Lions Eye and Tissue Bank

Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing

Indiana Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Indiana Lions for Leader Dog

Indiana Lions Foundation

A candidate seeking election to one of these positions must submit a letter of intention as well as a letter of endorsement from his or her club prior to the January 14, 2017, District Meeting to:

Lion Ann Kalman, Chairperson District Nominations and Elections  
1414 Navajo Street  
Elkhart, IN 46516  
akalman2@frontier.com



# Welcome New Members

During the month of November, 6 clubs in our district added 8 new members. We welcome these new Lions and commend their sponsors for inviting them to join the GREATEST SERVICE ORGANIZATION IN THE WORLD. Sponsors, remember this is only the first step in your responsibility. Please be sure to involve your new Lion in all club activities.

## **Culver Lions Club**

Member: Barbara Neidlinger  
Sponsor: Jill Neidlinger

## **Greene Township Lions Club**

Member: Nick Carlo  
Sponsor: Keith Shearer

## **New Carlisle Lions Club**

Member: Ronald Coppersmith  
Sponsor: Bernard Macias

## **Elkhart Lions Club**

Member: Beth Montana  
Sponsor: Bart Fore

## **Milford Lions Club:**

Member: Marceil Haab  
Sponsor: Thomas Sorensen

## **Rochester Lions Club**

Member: Joe Hunting  
Sponsor: Phil Mc Carter

Member: Kevin Scott  
Sponsor: Marty Juel

Member: Judy Marquart  
Sponsor: Ronald Marquart

# Completion of Service

**Douglas Adams** passed away on August 5, 2016 at the age of 77. Lion Doug was a 40 year member of the New Carlisle Lions Club.

**David Eckelbarger** passed away on October 30, 2016 at the age of 86. Lion David was a 22 year member of the Rochester Lions Club.

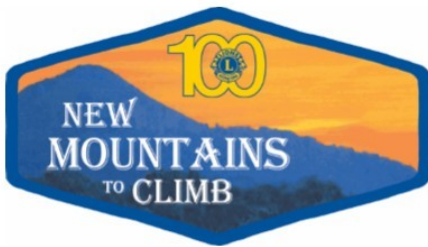
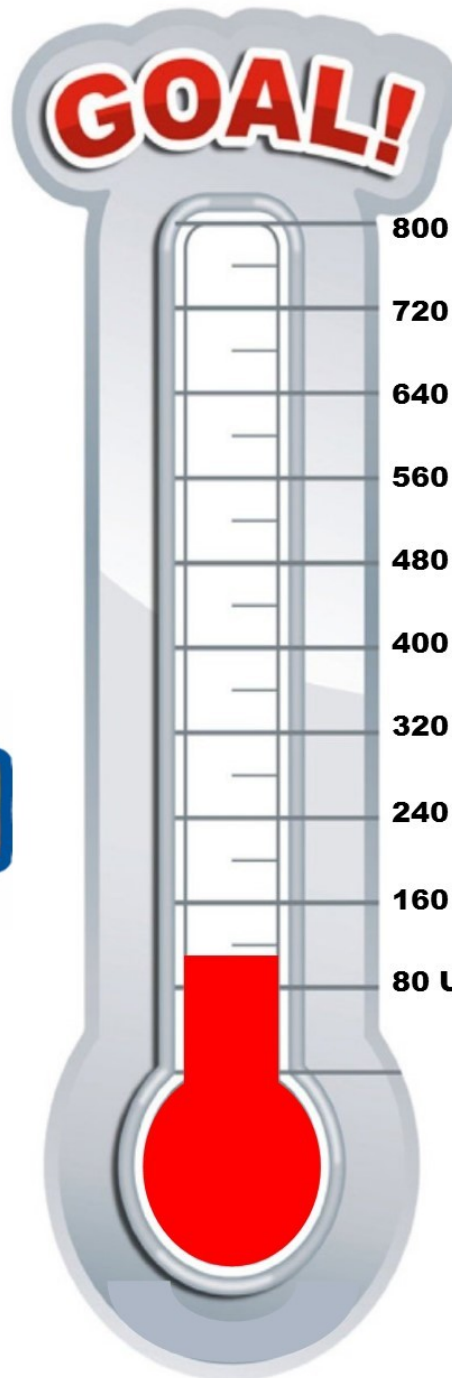
**Mary F. Thomas** passed away on November 2, 2016 at the age of 67. Lion Mary was a 21 month member of the Elkhart Lions Club.

# Save the Date

**January 14, 2017  
3rd District Meeting  
New Paris—Sunnyside Park  
Clinton Street  
New Paris, IN**

# District 25-G

## 100 Gallons!





## DECEMBER UPDATE: Lions Clubs International Convention and 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

### The parade shirts and hats have been revealed!



We have a few shirts remaining, but will have more available in late January 2017. The hats are in plentiful supply. You can order for late January delivery to your home (a small delivery fee will be included) from this website: <http://www.promotionsplus1.com/showrooms.htm> Or you can wait until you see a Committee member in January.

Don't forget to register for LCIcon. You will save money registering early and increase your odds of getting in the Indiana Delegation Hotel (The Palmer House Hilton). Go to the LCIcon web site at <http://lcon.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php> for more information and to register.

PDG Dan Wilcox, ICC Chairman – [danwpu@comcast.net](mailto:danwpu@comcast.net)







Left: Members of the Concord High School Student Council participated in an eyeglass wash-a-thon organized by the District 25-G Eyeglass Mission Team.

The Madison Township Lions Club distributed 180 Dictionaries to third grade students at three area schools. We handed out books to 22 students at Madison Township Elementary, 65 at Meadows Edge Elementary and 93 at Elm Road Elementary schools. Our club has been donating these dictionaries to student for five years.



The Lydick Lions Club recently distributed 266 Student Dictionaries in three schools: Warren Primary School, Success Academy, and Resurrection Academy, all in South Bend, IN. Pictured here (right) are students from Success Academy, exploring their new books.







## Richvalley Lions Club

On Thursday, Nov. 17, 2016 our club held our annual Thanksgiving Dinner meeting and night out with our significant others. After we had filled ourselves with some traditional menu items we presented a few awards as part of the evening's entertainment.

Picture one shows Lion Don Campbell holding a Melvin Jones Fellow Award for his dedicated service .

Picture two is of Lion Aaron Mattern holding his Melvin Jones Fellow Award. Lion Aaron is a past president of our club and has

also been a very dedicated and active member of our club.

Picture three shows Lion Doug Simons (L) presenting a Certificate of Appreciation Award to Lion Gene Collins (R). Lion Gene is a fairly new member of the Richvalley Lions Club along with his wife Jessica. Lion Gene happened upon a terrible traffic accident in September in which a car had run off the road, overturned and was on fire with one person who had been ejected and three people still trapped in the vehicle. Lion Gene was able to extract all the occupants before any other help arrived and was instrumental in saving the lives of three of the four people. The plaque simply stated how proud we were of Gene as a person and how we were even more proud that he was a member of the Richvalley Lions Club.

Picture four shows Lion Aaron Mattern delivering a truck filled with 448 pounds of ground beef to a Christian based food pantry in Wabash, In. known as F.I.S.H. (Friends In Service Here) on Tuesday, November 29, 2016. A whole steer was donated for this gift and the Richvalley Lions paid to have the processing done so that F.I.S.H. could have some extra meat to pass out during the holiday season. The director for daily operations, Janet Shoue, is also pictured and was extremely happy to show Aaron the freezers that were ready to be filled.





At the November Dinner Meeting of the Lakeville Lions Club three WP Woods Fellowships were presented. Pictured left to right are Lion Rose Russell, one of three District G Foundations trustees, recipients Lion Jim Foster, Lion Sharon Feitz and Lion Larry Ort, and Lakeville Club President, Lion Bob Court.



On November 1st Urbana Lions Club members Luke Hunt and Denny Craft distributed dictionaries to third graders at Metro-North Elementary School. The third graders love having their very own resource!



# 2017 Indiana Distinguished Lion Award

The Indiana Lions Foundation, Inc. is again sponsoring the Indiana Distinguished Lion Award to recognize an outstanding member of the Lions of Indiana. The award will be presented at the 2017 State Convention. The award is a standing Lion replica for the recipient's desk and their name will be placed on a plaque in the Lions State Office.

The qualifications for this prestigious award are:

1. The nominee must be a member of a Lions Club in Multiple District 25 (Indiana)
2. The nominee has been a Lion in good standing for at least 25 years prior to the nomination.

Nominations may be submitted by a Lions Club, the sub-district cabinet with the approval of the sitting District Governor, or the Council of Governors with the approval of the Council Chair

The Nomination Application form must provide as much information as possible concerning the nominee's service. Nominations must be received by January 31, 2017. Only one applicant per club per year.

Apply online through the website: [https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/?page\\_id=42](https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/?page_id=42)

Or mail completed applications to: PCC L. Robert Booher, Jr.  
Chairman—Indiana Lions Distinguished Lion Award  
4920 West 15th Street  
Speedway, IN 46224-6506

## Nomination From: (check one)

Lions Club \_\_\_\_\_ Sub-District Cabinet \_\_\_\_\_ Council of Governors \_\_\_\_\_

## Nominee Information:

Title	LAST Name	FIRST Name	MIDDLE Name
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Home Phone Number	Cell Phone Number
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Lions Club	District
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Number of years in good standing in local Lions Club	Number of years in good standing in Indiana
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**Please provide a narrative of the service that the nominated Lion has given to:**

**His/Her Lions Club** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**His/Her District** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**The Lions of Indiana—Multiple District 25 (State Organization):** \_\_\_\_\_  
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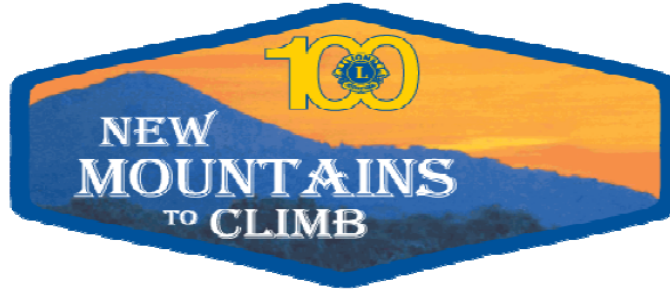
**Lions Club International:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Other Organizations and/or the community:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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If nominated by a Club, signature of Club President. If nominated by a District, signature of District Governor. If nominated by the Council of Governors, signature of Council Chairperson.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

# Indiana Lions State Convention Information



## Happy Birthday Lions!

That is the theme for the 2017 Indiana Lions State Convention in Evansville on April 28-30, 2017.

Make your plans now to join Lions from across the state of Indiana at the 2017 Indiana Lions State Convention to celebrate 100 years of lionism. More than 130 Lions have already pre-registered for the convention. The convention will be hosted by the Oakland City and Petersburg Lions Clubs, assisted by Lions from throughout District 25-E.

Lions Clubs International President Chancellor Robert Corlew will be our special guest at the convention. IP Corlew will participate in the presentation of awards at the Awards Luncheon on Saturday, and will be the keynote speaker at the All-State Banquet on Saturday evening. Convention attendees will have an opportunity to meet IP Corlew during a seminar session on Saturday afternoon.

A frequently asked question about the convention is: “What is the dress code for the All-State Banquet on Saturday evening?” The District Governors and other Lions leaders seated at the head table will be wearing formal dinner jackets, but this is a Lions function and Lions apparel is always appropriate at a Lions function. Please plan to attend the All-State Banquet, even if you don’t have a Lions vest or shirt. We want you there, no matter what you wear.

Several exciting events and tours are being planned including a Friday evening dinner aboard the LST 325. LST 325 is a restored, fully operational, Navy ship that actually served our country in WWII. The LST is docked in Evansville on the Ohio River and will provide a unique dining experience. There will be a special seminar on the “Legacy of Dr. William P. Woods”, LCI’s first International President, who just happened to be from Evansville.

A theme basket for the Silent Auction is a great way for your club to participate in the convention.

There is no charge to attend the convention business sessions, seminars, or visit the exhibit tables. We have done our best to provide affordable meals at the convention, including children menus for the Saturday Luncheon, All-State Banquet, and Sunday Brunch. Walk-in registrations will be accepted during the convention, however, no meal reservations will be accepted after April 20. The deadline for meal reservations at regular prices is April 1. After April 1, the price for each meal will increase by \$5.00. We encourage you to register early to avoid the added cost.

We look forward to celebrating 100 years of Lionism with you at the 2017 Indiana Lions State Convention!



**INDIANA LIONS  
2017 STATE CONVENTION  
APRIL 28 – 30, 2017**



**Exhibit Request**

**MUST BE RETURNED BY DECEMBER 31, 2016**

State Project/Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I would like to have an exhibit at the 2017 State Convention ☐

Setup: 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Friday

Exhibits should be open from Noon – 5:00 pm Friday and 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Saturday

Equipment Needed – **At Your Cost**

10 x 10 Booth (includes 1 table & 2 chairs) \$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_

10 x 10 Booth w/electricity (incl. 1 table & 2 chairs) \$85.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Tables (4 x 8) \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Chairs \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Booth is free to state committees and state projects **ONLY**

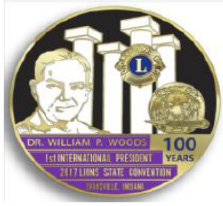
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**INDIANA LIONS  
2017 STATE CONVENTION  
APRIL 28 – 30, 2017**



**Seminar Request**

**Title of Seminar:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: All cost incurred to provide materials requested will be the expense of the requesting party. Payment will be due upon confirmation by the Convention Planning Committee.**

Seminar rooms include electricity, a podium, one microphone, one dry erase easel, flip chart, tables, and chairs. Indicate additional equipment needs below:

Wi-Fi @\$10.00 _____	Laptop @\$100.00 _____
CD Player @\$25.00 _____	Microphone: _____
VCR @\$32.00 _____	hand held w/cord @\$10.00 _____
	wireless, hand-held (VHF) @\$50.00 _____
	wireless, Lavalier (VHF) @\$50.00 _____
Slide Projector @\$56.00 _____	Overhead projector @\$44.00 _____
Tripod Screen (6', 8') @\$25 _____	Tripod Screen (10 ft) @\$35.00 _____
Extension Cord @\$5.00/cord _____	Power Strip @\$10.00/strip _____

Additional Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Time Preference for Saturday Seminars: . 2:15 p.m. ☐ 3:15 p.m. ☐

Indicate if you are willing to repeat your seminar: Yes ☐ No ☐

**We will try accommodate all time requests; however, the committee reserves the right to decide which seminars will need to be moved if too many are requested for a specific time period.**

State Project/Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPLETE AND RETURN NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2016 TO;**

Lion Erica Thomas, 400 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Petersburg, IN 47567, (812) 766-0159,  
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# Indiana Lions Multiple District 25 State Convention

Old National Events Plaza, Evansville IN – April 28 – 30, 2017

## MEALS MENUS & ACTIVITIES:

**FRIDAY NIGHT – ABOARD LST 325:** Whole Roasted Pig or Grilled Chicken; Scalloped Potatoes; Baked Beans; Sweet & Sour Slaw; Pickle & Onion; Cookies & Brownies; Iced Tea, Lemonade, and Coffee.

**SATURDAY BREAKFAST BUFFET** - Chilled Fruit Juices, Seasonal Cut Fruits; Flaky Croissants; Danishes; Muffins; Gluten free Muffins; Butter and Fruit Preserves; Coffee, Tea, and Milk.

### **SATURDAY AWARDS LUNCHEON BUFFET - FEATURED SPEAKER: EVANSVILLE MAYOR LLOYD WINNECKE**

Country Ham and Oven Roasted Turkey, served with Wheat Berry and White Breads, Appropriate Sandwich Condiments (lettuce, tomato, onion, mayo, and mustard), Swiss and American Cheese, Potato Salad, Pasta Salad, and Creamy Cole Slaw, Angel Food Cake w/whipped topping and garnish of fruit, Gluten Free Cookies, coffee, tea, and water. **CHILDREN'S MENU:** Knee High Buffet - Grilled Cheese, French Fries, Raw Carrots w/Ranch Dressing & Cream Cheese; Fruit Cup; Apple Juice. *Entertainment by the Sleepy Hollow Dulcimer Band*

### **SATURDAY ALL-STATE BANQUET – KEYNOTE SPEAKER: INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT ROBERT CORLEW**

Seasoned and sliced Roast Beef in Succulent Gravy or Pork Loin w/onion and mushroom gravy; Caesar Salad w/Ranch & Caesar Dressings; Duchess Potatoes; Vegetable Melody; Dessert; Iced Tea, Coffee, and Water. **CHILDREN'S MENU:** Chicken Tenders w/ Ranch & Honey Mustard Sauce; Mac & Cheese; Green Beans; Chocolate & Vanilla Pudding; Apple Juice.

**SUNDAY BRUNCH BUFFET** – Orange, Cranberry, and Apple Juices, Crisp Bacon, Season Scrambled Eggs, Assorted Muffins, Fried Chicken, Cheesy Lyonnaise Potatoes w/Crimini Mushrooms, Green Beans Almandine, Fresh Fruit Salad, Iced Tea, Coffee and Water. **CHILDREN'S MENU:** Knee-High Buffet – Corn Dogs w/Mustard & Ketchup; Mashed Potatoes; Raw Carrots w/Ranch Dressing; Apple Sauce; Apple Juice

## SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

**Golf Outing** - Friday 9:00 AM at Fendrich Golf Course.

**Tour #1 - LST 325 Tour (\$10.00)** - USS LST 325 is a decommissioned tank landing ship of the United States Navy, now docked in Evansville. Like many of her class, she was not named and is properly referred to by her hull designation. Tours are available Monday – Saturday from 10:00 am – 4 pm and Sunday 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm departing on the hour. Each tour lasts about one hour. 5 special tours for Lions will be available on Friday from 3:00 pm – 3:40 pm. Each tour, consisting of about 12 Lions and children, will depart in 10 minute intervals beginning at 3:00 pm with the last tour leaving at 3:40 pm. If you wish to go on one of these 5 special tours on Friday please check the box following Tour #1 on the reverse side of this form. There will only be time for about 60 Lions and children to go on these special tours. So its first come first serve. If you would like to go on a regular tour and pay ahead of time, check the "on my own" box on the same line. The LST staff is preparing a commemorative ticket stub honoring Lions 100th Anniversary. If you do not purchase a ticket ahead of time and wish to tour the LST, you must pay at the LST Office. Tell the staff at the ticket window that you are with the Lions so you can receive the special Lions commemorative ticket stub.

**Tour #2 - Children's Museum (\$8.00)** – The Koch Family Children's Museum of Evansville is an interactive children's museum in Evansville. The museum educates and inspires children about the world.

**Tour #3 - Mesker Zoo (\$9.50)** – The Mesker Park Zoo and Botanic Garden is a zoo that opened in 1928 in Evansville. It is one of the oldest and largest zoos in the state.

**Don't forget your item for the Silent Auction!**





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**Registration Form**

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION)

Guest ☐

**One registration form per person.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name on Badge: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lion Title First Name Last Name

Traveling with: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name Last Name

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City/State Zip

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs Accommodations: I use a walker ☐ wheelchair ☐ motorized chair ☐

Special Dietary Requirements, please list: \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT (PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Daytime Phone Evening Phone

**PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY MARCH 27, 2017**

**CONVENTION HOTEL:** DoubleTree by Hilton Evansville, 601 Walnut St, Evansville (No Complimentary Breakfast Available)

Rate: \$99.00 per night Use code "ILC" Phone: 1-800-HILTONS (1-800-445-8667) or AFTER 1-1-2017 (812-423-5002)

OR Make online reservations at <http://www.hilton.com> Use code "ILC"

Rates and rooms cannot be guaranteed after March 27, 2017

Visit the 2017 Indiana Lions State Convention website <http://indianalionsconvention.org> for alternate hotels.

**MEALS / CONVENTION MERCHANDISE / SPECIAL EVENTS**

**ADD \$5.00 TO EACH MEAL FOR RESERVATIONS MADE AFTER APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> USING THIS FORM**

**No Meal Reservations Accepted after April 20th**

Make all checks payable to: INDIANA LIONS 2017 STATE CONVENTION; Send completed form with your remittance to: Lion Richard Kaiser,  
Treasurer 2017 State Convention, 1510 Red Leaf Dr, Evansville, IN 47712-8844.

**Meals may be reserved and paid online at:** <http://indianalionsconvention.org/convention-registration/>

	Number	Cost	Amount
Friday Night Pig Roast (SEATING LIMITED TO FIRST 300):			
Choice of: Roast Pig	_____	@ \$19.00	_____
Grilled Chicken	_____	@ \$19.00	_____

(SEATING FOR THE FOLLOWING MEALS IS LIMITED TO FIRST 600)

Saturday Breakfast Buffet	_____	@ \$13.00	_____
Saturday Awards Luncheon Buffet	Adult _____	@ \$17.00	_____
	Child _____	@ \$12.00	_____
Saturday Evening All-State Banquet:			
(Adult Choice of): Roast Beef	_____	@ \$24.00	_____
Pork Lion	_____	@ \$24.00	_____
Child's Dinner	_____	@ \$12.00	_____
Sunday Brunch Buffet	Adult _____	@ \$19.00	_____
	Child _____	@ \$12.00	_____

100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mug	_____	@ \$5.00	_____
100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary State Convention Pin	_____	@ \$4.00	_____

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for more Convention and 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Merchandise (shirts, caps, lions, and much, much more)

Golf Outing	_____	@ \$50.00	_____
Tours: (See reverse side for tour description)			
*Tour #1: LST 325 (Select Tour Time <input type="checkbox"/> On my own <input type="checkbox"/> Fri 3-3:40 pm (60 max))	_____	@ \$10.00	_____
Tour #2: Children's Museum	_____	@ \$8.00	_____
Tour #3: Mesker Park Zoo	_____	@ \$9.50	_____

\*See reverse side for special details.

Total Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

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# President's Message

Dear Lion,

For 100 years, Lions have served like no one else. Our Centennial is an exciting opportunity to celebrate our legacy of local and global service. And I want you to feel just as excited about our future.

We have set a **goal of serving 200 million people per year** by 2021—tripling our current humanitarian impact—so we can meet the emerging needs of our next century of service. It's ambitious. It's life-changing. It's what we do as Lions.

To reach our goal, we developed a **strategic plan called LCI Forward**. We built this roadmap for the future based on feedback from thousands of Lions just like you. LCI Forward embraces new ways to serve, new cutting-edge technologies and new ways to engage youth in Lions. It will offer more tools for training leaders, more global marketing to raise our visibility, and more ways to experience the pride of being a Lion.

Learn more about our strategic plan by exploring the [LCI Forward page](#). Then share the special [LCI Forward video](#) with your club. We will share new updates and resources throughout the year, and I look forward to working with your club to achieve our ambitious goals and ensure we remain the global leader in service.



Very truly yours,

**Chancellor Bob Corlew**  
**Your International**  
**President**