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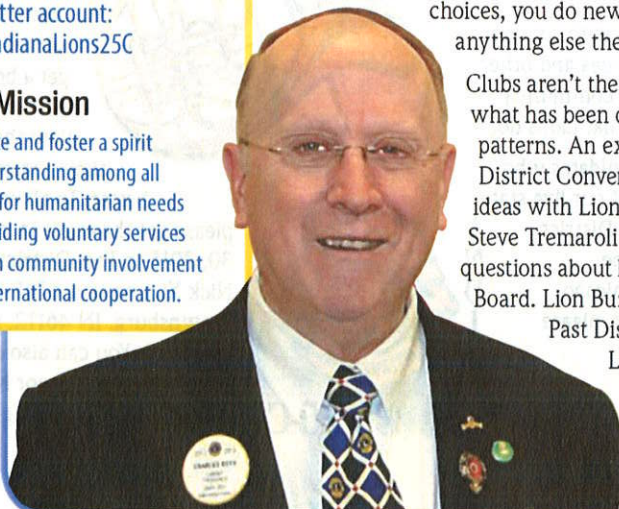
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Our Mission

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



Risky Business



It's January and everyone in Indiana knows what that means. Outdoor activity is at the mercy of howling winds, icy streets and or falling snow. Everyone dons an extra sweater and doesn't venture out unless it's important. This makes January the perfect time to sit down and evaluate what your club has been doing or will be doing. If you continue to do the same thing you have always done, you will continue to see the same results you have always seen. Business leaders know that, which explains why innovation is at the heart of

success. Coaches understand that, which is why new strategies and plays are hallmarks of a comeback. Nothing changes until something changes or is changed. The only way to fail is not to take a risk. Okay you say, where do we start? Ask, ask, and ask! As you causally meet with people of your community ask them what they see as needs. The community evaluation which is available through Lions Club International might be helpful. Then look at your projects: Did a much beloved project that took hours of time only reach a few people? Did a project that reached many people burn out those working? This all starts with a new way of thinking. As you think, you make choices. As you make choices you form habits. As you form habits you fix the direction of your club. As you form the direction of your club, you form new habits. As you form new habits you make new choices. As you make new choices, you do new thinking. This takes work but like anything else the result is well-worth the effort.

Clubs aren't the only ones reevaluating; District C is also reviewing what has been done and how to improve the District with new thinking patterns. An excellent chance to change thinking patterns is to attend the District Convention on February 28th. You will not only be able to share ideas with Lions throughout the District but also International Director Steve Tremaroli will present a new view of International Lions and answer questions about how the local Lions member interacts with the International Board. Lion Buzz Melton shows a different theory to gain membership.

Past District Governor Larry Graden along with Lion Bob Hrdy and Lion Randal Love will give a peek at the world of the vision impaired. With a little bit of work and new ideas this may be the best Lion year your club has ever had!

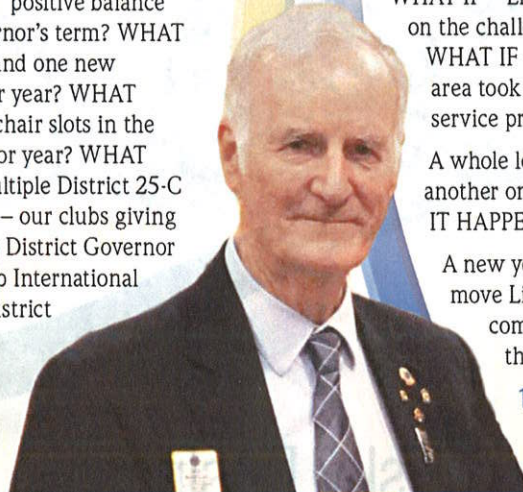
District Governor, Charles Roth

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What If?

WHAT IF – Multiple District 25-C had a “true” positive balance in membership at the end of the District Governor’s term? WHAT IF – “every” club did just one new fundraiser and one new service project in the current District Governor year? WHAT IF – we were able to fill all of the empty zone chair slots in the current Multiple District 25-C District Governor year? WHAT IF – all of the slots for representatives from Multiple District 25-C to the State committees were filled? WHAT IF – our clubs giving to projects increased by 10% for the 2015-2016 District Governor year? WHAT IF – our club giving to Lions Club International Foundation increased 10% in the 2015-2016 District Governor year? WHAT IF – we had two Lions Club International Foundation coordinators for Multiple District 25-C who shared the load and increased our commitment to Lions Club International Foundation?



WHAT IF – Lions local clubs “really” took on the challenge of the Special Olympics? WHAT IF – several clubs in a specified area took it upon themselves to do a service project together?

A whole lot of WHAT IFs, but here is another one – WHAT IF WE MADE IT HAPPEN?

A new year, a new resolve, time to move Lions forward. Get out of your comfort zone and lead the charge.

1st Vice District Governor,
Dick McKellar



Happy Mid-Year! A Time to Reflect

New Year’s day means the start of the 2015 calendar year; but for Lions, that day marks the midway point of the Lions’ year and a chance to reflect on the goals of our clubs and those of the district.

January also marks the beginning of the “convention”

season for the Lions, starting with the Mid Winter Conference in Plainfield on January 10, followed by the District 25-C Convention in West Lafayette on February 28, the Indiana Lions State Convention in Columbus on April 24-26, and finally the Lions Clubs International Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii on June 26-30.

The Mid Winter Conference is a great learning day for Lions with seminars and workshops highlighting our state projects, state committees and other tidbits of information to help improve your club within your community. For newer members, this conference is a great snapshot of what Lions do.

January is also the time when we need to be looking for candidates who are interested in running for a position as a trustee for one of our five state projects and the Indiana Lions Foundation AND as 2nd Vice District Governor for 2015-16. This 2nd Vice District Governor will be installed as part of the Centennial Celebration of Lions in Chicago, Illinois in 2017. If you are interested in one of these positions, please let District Governor Charles know as soon as possible.

Happy Mid-Year Lions!

2nd Vice District Governor, Ross Drapalik



Blow Your Own Horn!

Place an ad in the Convention booklet advertising what your club is proud of. It could be a person, an event or an accomplishment. This is your chance to let other clubs in

District C know what you are doing. You never know, someone might get a bright idea from your ad and allow them to serve their community even better. To allow for printing

please get these ads in by January 30, 2015 to Past District Governor Nick Xinopoulos, 6785 E. US 136, Brownsburg, IN 46112, phone 317-852-8015. You can also contact Past District Governor Nick for the details of sizes, printing and cost.

