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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.

Planting Seeds



If your mailbox is like mine, it's being stuffed with catalogs from seed companies encouraging you to improve your natural environment (yards). I have even seen seed packets for sale in stores! Experts say this is the perfect time to plant grass seed and let the snow and thawing ground do the work for you. You think they might be pushing the season a bit (as I watch snow drift by my window) but actually this is a perfect time to plan one of the 4 Global Service Actions presented by International President Joe Preston. How about an "Improving the Environment Project" for April?

Jamestown has been planning for months to tie their RAP program with the Jamestown Community Nature Park. The RAP program will involve all grades at their elementary school. Students will be bussed to their Nature Park and go to seven different stations for reading comprehension exercise. The final station will be an assessment of their reading comprehension. This includes organization of teachers, school administration, Lions Club members and their Leo Members.

Your project does not need to be as elaborate as Jamestown's. It could include highway clean-up, planting flowers at a Veteran's memorial, or helping elderly people in your community clean up their yards. This will help your club earn the Club Service Project Award. Other service projects include working with young people (a perfect fit for the environment project), a project dedicated to helping others see better and relieving hunger. Some clubs have done all of these projects since last July. Some need to do all the projects before June. It's not too late! Just make sure you report it on your activity reports. So start thinking and planning for spring even if there's snow on the ground.

District Governor, Charles Roth



Filling the Holes...

Some of my recent training for District Governor pointed out some very big holes. One of those holes is in the training of zone chairs and officers. The trainers are there but the “folks” are not. I find that the willing people who populate our system seem to not understand that things change from year to year and even though you may have been a secretary for 12 years there are still some things you need to know for the health of your club, the district and eventually the world. Our 2nd Vice District Governor has done a tremendous job getting the 25-C secretaries to step up and file their Monthly Membership Reports. The next step is for 100% filing of our activity reports. When you start comparing our activities with other Indiana districts and then into other states we are falling far short. This does not mean that we are not doing the activities. It means that we are doing a very poor job of filing. Somehow I find it hard to believe that clubs do not want to brag just a little bit about the good things they are doing locally, at the district level and at the international level. Assuming for a minute that there are clubs that are actually NOT doing any activities they should file anyway. AND just so you know the activity report is one way the district governor knows you are not active. As I have said before, if each lion year you are not doing one new fundraiser and one new service project then you probably are reporting just zeros.

In the next few months, before I actually become your District Governor I will be urging each club secretary to try and start filing an activity report. If you don't know how, call me 317-789-2427; we will find the help. In our home there is a saying, if Dick can do it anybody can do it.

I am absolutely thrilled that through Ross's efforts we have reached the 100% mark with the Monthly Membership Report filing (it gave me an opportunity for a 15 second brag at our recent Global

Membership Team/Global Leadership Team training session and I was very proud to do so).

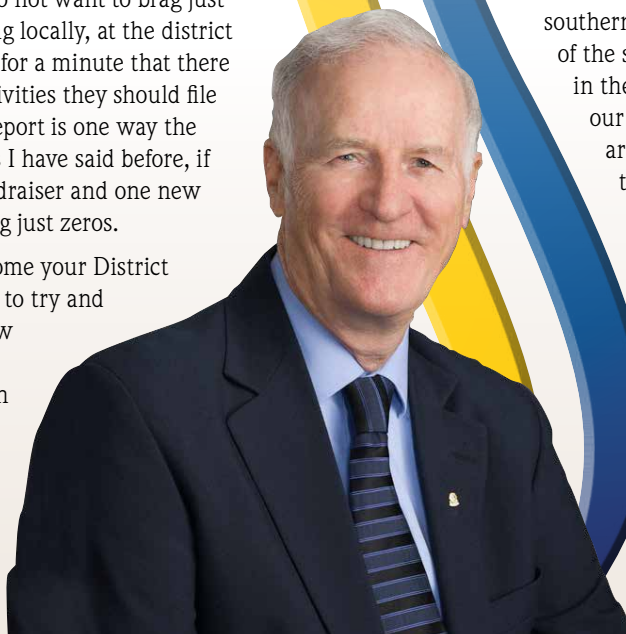
Can we do the same thing with our activity reports. If you are the least bit curious there is a new thing popping up when you open the activity, try it.

Last line – as with all District Governors I am going to need a lot of help in the coming session.

We desperately need someone to step up into the “new” 2nd Vice District Governor position. We are lacking one of four in the southern portion and four of the seven zone chairs in the northern part of our district. Also, if you are really interested there are still some openings for district and state committees.

Catch me at
317-769-2427
or
macagcon@tds.net

**District
Governor Elect,
Dick McKellar**



Facts are Facts... Lions are Dying



Talking about membership is about as popular as the minister talking about stewardship and the giving of tithes. Although both topics need to be reinforced from time to time, people tend to get uneasy when we discuss either.

Since Lions are not supposed to debate or talk about sectarian religion, that leaves us with just one option, talking about membership (personally something that I don't like to hear about, let alone write about). So here we go.

While attending the Winter Banquet of the Monrovia Lions Club, the speaker was a local mortician who gave a talk on preparing yourself for the inevitable. It's undeniable that we are all going to experience physical death on a first-hand basis at some point. Well it got me thinking about how our Lions members are dying; and

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FEBRUARY 28th, 2015

District Governor Buzz Melton was entertaining and enlightening. International Director Steve Tremaroli spoke highly of our District and the Lions in it. Past District Governor Larry Graden and Lion Bob Hrdy brought us up-to-date on the Leader Dog Project. We had lots of fun with Tail Twister Lion Nick Hall and Lions went home with treasures from the silent auction. It would have been perfect if the weather had been a tad bit warmer.



DGE Richard McKellar, ID Linda Tincer, ID Steve Tremaroli, and DG Charles Roth touring the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum.

picture by Linda Tincer



ID Steve Tremaroli and Lion Marianne Tremaroli at the International Director Reception on Friday evening before the District 25-C Convention. *picture by Ray Furner*



A Big Thank You... **to All Who Attended Your District Convention.**



ID Steve Tremaroli and Lion Marianne Tremaroli touring the Eiteljorg Museum after having lunch at the museum.



Lion Suzanne and IPDG Larry Graden, Lion Marianne and ID Steve Tremaroli, and DG Charles Roth at the International Director's Reception.



ID Steve Tremaroli talking with Lion of the Year PDG Bill Penn of the Delphi Lions Club at the International Director's Reception.

picture by Ray Furner

Believe it or not we have CS Gretchen Xinopoulos, DG Charles Roth, ID Steve Tremaroli, Lion Marianne Tremaroli, PDG Vern Tincer, PDG Charlie Short, PDG Pat Short, and ID Linda Tincer all

bundled up for our 9 degree tour of Wolf Park near Battle Ground, Indiana.



District Convention

FEBRUARY 28th, 2015



Keynote speaker ID Steve Tremaroli and Special Seminar presenter DG Buzz Melton for District 1-A, Illinois. *picture by Ray Furner*



Lions Owen and Margery Matz at the KidSight Screening Project table. This was one of several project tables being manned during the District Convention.



GMT-D Mary "Pat" Short receiving the International President's Certificate of Appreciation from ID Steve Tremaroli. *picture by Ray Furner*



Sponsor Lion Gretchen Zentz (Brownsburg), inductee Tom Tillotson being inducted by ID Linda Tincher and ID Steve Tremaroli with inductee Dave Alm and sponsor Lion President David Thomas. *picture by Brookston*



Lion Ray Furner receiving the International President's Certificate of Appreciation from ID Steve Tremaroli. *picture by Ray Furner*



Lion Louanne Giralte, Chair of the Nominations & Elections Committee, presented the results of the election. *picture by Ray Furner*



CS Gretchen Xinopoulos receiving, for PDG Nick Xinopoulos, the International President's Certificate of Appreciation from ID Steve Tremaroli. *picture by Ray Furner*



DGE Richard and Lion Karen McKellar being congratulated by DG Charles Roth on the election of Richard McKellar as the new District Governor Elect of the District. *picture by Linda Tincher*

Club Excellence Awards were earned by 7 clubs for the Lion year 2013-2014. These awards were presented by ID Steve Tremaroli and IPDG Larry Graden. Accepting the awards here is Lion Robert Hrды, Lafayette, Lion Larry Wickens, Newport, ID Steve Tremaroli, Lion Sam Goodman, Martinsville Noon, Nick Hall, Clinton, Lion James McKee, Cloverdale, ZC David Roloff, for Paragon, and IPDG Larry Graden. *picture by Ray Furner*



District Convention

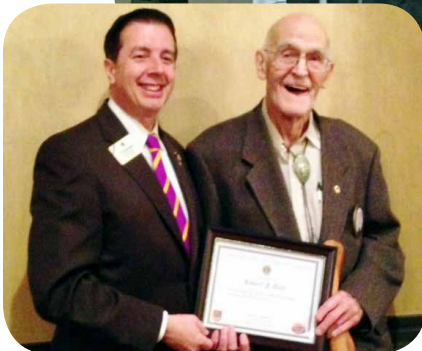
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ID Linda Tincher being presented with a copy of the ID Linda Tincher Law Camp Scholarship that has been sent to the 2015 Vincennes Law Camp from District 25-C in recognition of ID Linda.



PDG Pat Short and PDG Charlie Short receive their Certified Guiding Lions Certificates from DG Charles Roth after recently completing their coursework *picture by Alyn McCannaha*



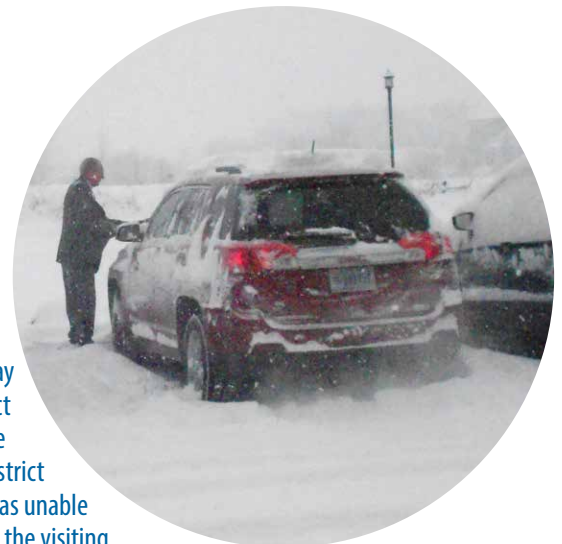
GMT Pat Short, GLT Charlie Short, CT Theresa Bartlett, and CS Gretchen Xinopoulos receiving gifts of appreciation from DG Charles Roth. Lion Steve Hall is in the background helping with the presentation.

ID Steve Tremaroli presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to Lion Robert Dale. Lion Bob is the longest serving Lion in District 25-C at 65 years.

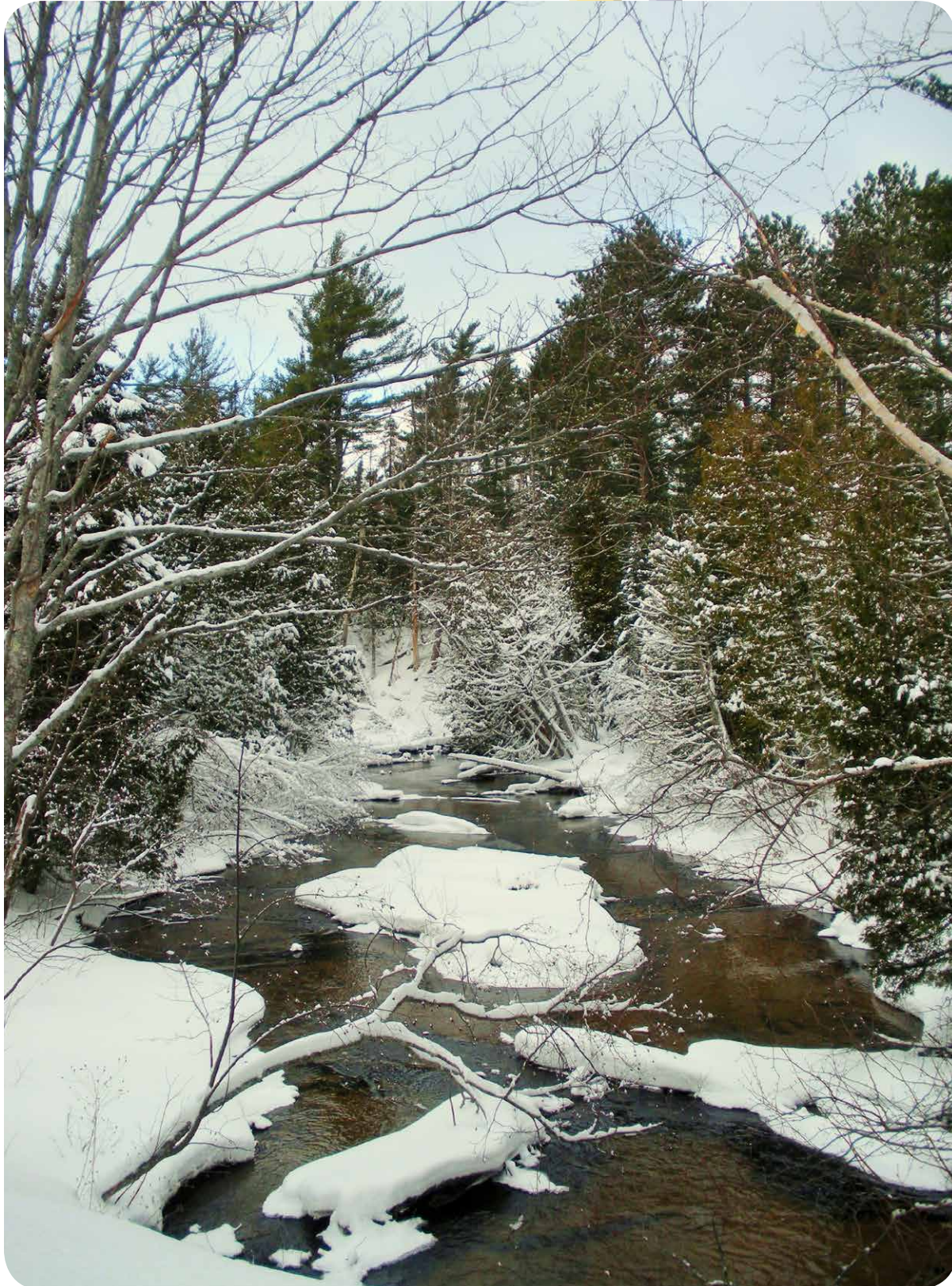
picture by Pat Short



PDG Vern Tincher preparing to leave Sunday morning after the District Convention to attend the District Convention in District 25-D. DG Charles Roth was unable to attend after dropping the visiting ID off at the airport that morning.



Hooray!
Well Done! 3 Cheers!



District C's environmental photo taken by Past District Governor Pat Short has been selected to represent Indiana in the International Environmental Photo Contest.

Winter stream in the Upper Peninsula near Grand Marais, Michigan.

MARCH, 2015

Lions Club International Foundation News

- **IT'S LAST CALL for International President Joe Preston to present your Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards at State Convention this year!** If

you are going to award a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award to a club member this year, why not do it at State Convention? Contact your friendly neighborhood Lions Club International Foundation rep (me) ASAP to get on the agenda!

- **Your club donation is so important!** I will be calling clubs this month to make sure that your club is in the running for the **Club Excellence Award** in June. **Send it today!**

- **The Bainbridge Lions sponsorship of The Hearing Lions secured another \$10,000**

International Assistance Grant, leading to **over FOUR HUNDRED hearing aids being fitted** on their tenth trip to Mexico last month. **BE PROUD OF THIS GREAT PROJECT FROM 25C!**

- Think of what Lions Club International Foundation could help **YOUR** club achieve next year! Let's make a plan to fund your club's major effort with **GRANT** help from Lions Clubs International Foundation.

Past District Governor,
Charlie Short



Lions are Dying

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as these members die, many of our clubs are dying as well. Although the death of an individual member is beyond our control, the vitality of our clubs is entirely within our control. So I began questioning the health of my own club, the Martinsville Noon Lions Club.

On the surface, our club would appear to be a thriving club. It is the third largest club in the district, only behind Clinton with 95 members and Zionsville with 130 members. We have 27 Melvin Jones Fellows, we've never had a single Lion serve more than 1-year as president of our club in its entire 89-year history, and we have increased our number of female members to 16%.

Now let's delve a little deeper about some other facts about my club:

- 1) we have 67 members with an average age of 63 years and 5 months,
- 2) the median age of my club is 66 years and 3 months,
- 3) the youngest member in our club is 19 years old and the oldest is 91 years old, and
- 4) we have 15 members over the age of 80.

The expected life span in the United States is something like 78.74 years. So from looking at merely the numbers, it can be concluded that our club could be realistically 22% smaller than it is currently. Of course that's not going to happen all at once, but the potential is there.

So how are we combating the death of our club? During the past 2 years, we have brought in 7 new members all under the age of 45, and this is the trend that we need to be continuing. This infusion of relatively younger members is the only way that our club will have a chance to survive.

Ask1 That's really all it takes. Don't worry about asking them to join Lions, just person to participate in a vision screening or another Lions' project. Let them see what we as Lions do, and more than likely they may end up asking you if they can join.

So my final question to each of you, "Are you going to just let your club die?"

1st Vice District Governor-Elect, Ross Drapalik

FEBRUARY 18, 2015

Lafayette Lions Club

Tailtwister Auction

An outside auctioneer was brought in to auction off items donated by club members. This event raised close to \$850 for the Club's Administrative Fund. Club Tailtwister is given a budget of \$1,000 a year to raise. This is done through various "fun" fines and 2 Tailtwister auctions a year.



Pictured Right to Left:
Auctioneer Rob Stephan,
President Bob Hrdy,
Lions Vicky Hrdy, Mark
Bowman and Bob Dale.

Lions State Convention

Just Around The Corner!



Lions all,
Please join us to "Celebrate the Pride" at the Multiple District 25 Lions State Convention. The dates are Friday, April 24th,

Saturday, April 25th, and Sunday, April 26th. Our honored guest is current International President, Joe Preston. Please join us to give him a big Hoosier Lions Welcome! The state convention offers a time of fellowship, motivation, learning, and understanding our state organization. It can be a time when Lions from all seven Districts can come together to make new friends, and renew friendships. Everyone will leave with more knowledge than they had before.

The Convention is being held at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center in Columbus, Indiana, just a short distance down the road. District 25F and the Clermont Lions Club are the hosts for this year's convention.

The State Convention Committee has tried to keep prices as low as possible. For example the Saturday night All State Banquet is only \$15. Rooms at the hotel are only \$89, which includes breakfast. I understand that many of us are on fixed incomes, so I am asking if clubs would consider using some of their admin funds for members to attend! What a great way to teach new members about Lionism! Please use the registration form in the newsletter to register as many club members as you can!

Another way that you can show your Lion's Pride is to place an advertisement in the State Convention Program. A copy of the form is in this newsletter. Prices range from \$50-200 for an ad. This is a way that you can show support for your officers, your current District Governor, your District Governor Elect, International President Joe

Preston, and also inform the state about the wonderful projects which your club supports.

Columbus, Indiana offers many sights. The architectural tour is fantastic. Many



buildings were designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. The Edinburg outlet mall is less than ten minutes from the hotel, and Brown County is about a 25 minute drive! There is so much to do outside of the convention itself!

Friday morning begins with a golf outing for those who play golf. Others are welcome to take a tour of the shops in Brown County.

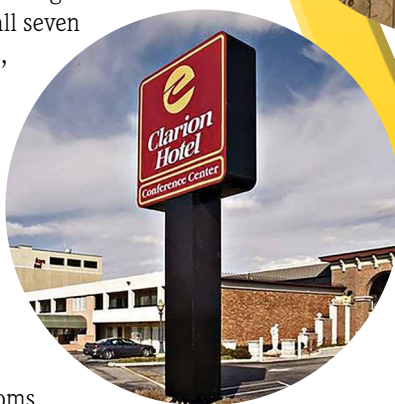
On Friday evening, you can help to support the Columbus Lions Club, and go to the dinner they will sponsor. After the dinner you can attend the first business session and go to the Hospitality Rooms!

Saturday begins with the District Caucus sessions, then the 2nd Business session, followed by seminars, and the "Celebrate the Pride" luncheon. In the afternoon there will be more seminars, and the receiving line for the All State Banquet will begin at 5:45 PM. Of course, at the banquet, we are honored to have our International President, Joe Preston, as the keynote speaker! I am certain he will give us the motivation we need to get right out there and get those new members!

Sunday brings our Necrology Service where those who have passed are honored. Then the Awards Brunch, and finally the 3rd business session. You can see that we have much to do during three days!

I look forward to seeing everyone at the convention!

Past Council Chair,
Sue Topf





2015 State Convention Committee

"Celebrate the PRIDE in Columbus"

April 24-26, 2015

2015 INDIANA LIONS STATE CONVENTION

Hosted by the Clermont Lions Club and Lions of District 25-F, Inc.
With Special Guest

International President Joe Preston



CLARION HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER

2480 Jonathan Moore Pike | Columbus, IN 47201 | (812) 372-1541

Room Rate: \$89.00 plus tax (includes complimentary breakfast)

For room reservations call (812) 372-1541 and mention

"Lions of Indiana" to receive convention room rate.

****Early Registration****



April 1, 2015

Registration Form (one per person)

Name & Title

(Lion, DG, PDG, PID, VDG etc.)

Please print name as desired on badge.

Address

Phone

City, State & Zip Code

District

Club

Email

Friday Golf Outing - 9:00 am (lunch included)

\$ 40.00

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Friday Evening Dinner

15.00

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Saturday Celebrate the Pride Luncheon

10.00

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Saturday All State Banquet

15.00

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Please check entree choice:

Chicken Cordon Blue

Roast Beef

Caribbean Salmon

Please check any dietary needs:

Gluten-Free

Vegetarian

Other

Sunday Brunch

15.00

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TOTAL ENCLOSED \$

Send registration form and check payable to **"2015 Indiana Lions State Convention"**

Lion Cindy Lindgren, 8747 Blooming Grove Drive, Camby, IN 46113 (317) 690-5573



Register online and pay with
(small convenience fee will be charged)



Email: ILSC2015@gmail.com

www.ILSC2015.COM

Registration and Certification will begin on Friday, April 24th at 12:00 pm

****Registrations received after April 1, 2015 will be accepted with each meal cost being \$5.00 extra.**

Convention pin / Convention bag will also be \$5.00 after this date**

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND



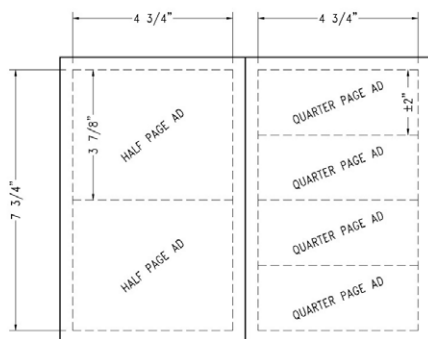
2015 State Convention Committee

"Celebrate the PRIDE in Columbus"

April 24-26, 2015

Convention Booklet Advertising Application

- Promote an upcoming event for your Club, District or Business •
- Honor your club's Melvin Jones, W.P. Woods Fellows or Past District Governors •
- Thank your District Governor for a great 2014-15 Lions' year •



All dimensions are approximate.

SOLD OUT

Outside of Back Cover (full color) - one available

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Please send your camera ready ad by March 15 to Ymccann@iupui.edu

Please mail this application with check payable to

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Club ☐ District ☐ Project ☐ Business ☐ Other ☐ _____

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Ads will be accepted in the order that payment is received.

Join Your Friends in Columbus

No better way to spend Saturday evening than with fellow Lions to renew friendships and meet new Lions from around the state of Indiana while enjoying a delicious sit down meal. For the past several years attendance at the Saturday evening All State Banquet during your Indiana Lions State Convention has been trending in the wrong direction. The planning committee this year decided to make an effort to reverse that trend and encourage attendance by initiating the following changes:

- Affordable meal price, \$15.00 per person.
- Promote the Saturday All State Banquet.
- Start the meal earlier to allow for drive time home.
- Negotiated reasonable hotel rates for those who want to spend the night.
- Acceptable attire is Lions Attire. Those who need formal attire will be notified.
- Reserving tables for ten Lions members or guests so you can all set together.
- Establishing goals from each District based on the percentage of last year's attendance.

District Goals for 2015

District	2014 Attendance All State Banquet	2015 Goal All State Banquet
A	25	46
B	32	59
C	35	64
D	26	47
E	23	42
F	56	102
G	24	44
Totals	221	404

In short, removing all barriers we could think of and encourage attendance this year.

Three forms of recognition will be awarded this year:

- Each District that meets their goal as listed in the chart.
- Districts with the highest percentage of membership attending.
- The top three Lions Clubs from each District with highest attendance.

Won't you join us at the All State Banquet in Columbus, Indiana on April 25, 2015 to demonstrate some real "Hoosier Hospitality" and the great work of Indiana Lions for your International President, Joe Preston, as the key note speaker and to learn of the many great accomplishments of Lions Clubs throughout Indiana during the past year.

Past Council Chair, Stephen Winegardner

Prairie Creek Lions Club New Member Inducted

The Prairie Creek Lions Club had a new member inducted with the help of Past District Governor Ray Collins.



Lion sponsor Bill Pearman along with Lion Marvin Mericle and New Lion Member Larry Ridge, Past District Governor Ray Collins, Past District Governor Dave Parker, Lion Jill Parker, and Lion Chloe Weyrauch.



Sponsor Lion Bill Pearman pinning the Lion Pin on new member Lion Larry Ridge.



Past District Governor Ray Collins with sponsor Lion Bill Pearman and new member Lion Larry Ridge.



25-C

Welcome to the Global Membership Team Awards!

All of February the media has been touting the OSCARS and who might win which award. For people like me who love the movies, it is an exciting time. Will our favorite win? Who truly excelled? Who gets the most media coverage? Who has the most followers? All of a sudden, my thoughts switched to Lions and I thought – WOW, why couldn't we have **Global Membership Team** awards....so how would this work? Here is a list of possible **Global Membership Team Award Categories**.

Juvenile Award – Efforts to engage young people, bring younger folks into the club, start/support a local LEO club, and make your clubs family friendly so members can bring children to meetings?

Costume Design – Promoting club visibility by wearing club shirts and pins for community awareness. Sometimes the first thing identifying a Lion.

Special Effects – Use of technology to enhance the message of what Lions do – website, Facebook, Twitter, etc.

Screenplay – Best plan to help community, grow club, promote leadership and continue the club's legacy.

Song – Club that “sings” its song in the community through media coverage, posters and invitations to attend open houses and assist with service projects/fundraisers.

Director – Lion (President or Membership Chair) who brings the club together to improve the community, encourages/rewards individual efforts, and takes steps to grow its supporting cast. Also ensures a large injection of FUN in club meetings and events.

Supporting Actor/Actress – Lions who are always there in the background but doing yeoman jobs to support their club and what it does, as well as quietly carrying the message to their friends/family and encouraging their fellow Lions in all they do. These Lions support everyone.

Best Actor/Actress – Lions who go above and beyond to convey their strong commitment to the club and its goals; who “study” the script at length and become a true reflection of Lionism for everyone to see.

Best Picture (Club) – Award for all round performance: service activities, fundraisers, help to the young and old, embracing ethnicities, being flexible, encouraging and supportive of new ideas and ways of doing things. The club that would win this award would be well recognized and appreciated by its community who would vote for it as the most recognized and valuable of its volunteer organizations and everyone would clamor to follow its activities and join its parade.

So once the votes are in, how do you think your club will show? Will your club receive a Global Membership Team

Award? All of our communities have many volunteer organizations, but I happen to believe that we are the best. However, we need to get out there, strut our stuff and sing our own praises so we are nominated for an Award. No OSCARS have ever

been won by unknowns who get no publicity.

Votes go to those we see and know and new “actors” want to work with successful “directors” and be part of a winning “film”. Lions are AWARD material --- so smile a lot, flash those teeth, get in front of the cameras and let the world know who you are and what you do.

Lion Pat Short,
Membership Coach



WEBINAR REMINDERS:

Wednesday, February 25

11am-12pm (EST)

“Share the Pride of Serving! Invite Members through Service”

Join us to learn how clubs have successfully invited new members by engaging them in service projects. This webinar will provide best practices for using services projects as a recruiting opportunity.

To register for the webinar, “click” or go here: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/200000000028574629>

Tuesday, March 31

12pm-1pm(EDT)

“Lessons in Fishing: How to Reel in Younger Members”

Recruiting younger members is an excellent opportunity to bring new energy and skills into your club to ensure it will be around for years to come! This webinar will discuss recruiting techniques to help your club invite younger members.

To register for the webinar, “click” or go here: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/200000000028585219>

If you register but think you'll need assistance connecting to the webinar, call Past District Governor Pat Short at 765-743-3160.



MARCH 2015

Leadership Lines

March Madness is right on top of us! Of course, this means we usually have **one last blizzard**, smack in the middle of the big game. **It's a Hoosier tradition**, as undeniable as our tenderloin sandwiches. We have a few traditions in Lions too, and one of them is **our high standard of club, zone and district leadership**. Spring is the time when we not only play championship ball, **we plan for future championships, too.**

In **February**, your club should have formed its nominating committee for next year's officers. That slate should be finalized at your **March** meeting, so they may be properly elected in **April**. This is an important timeline, as it allows new officers to prepare and train at Zone level **Leadership Roundtables** that will start in **May** and continue through **June**.

These Roundtables are the easy way for your club's incoming officers to get the administrative and planning information for their year. If you are re-elected to an office, you get the updates. Everyone has a chance to meet your incoming District Governor team. They are open to all interested Lions, and we have **FUN. Let's have ALL club officers attend!**

One other thing every Hoosier Lion should do, is **attend the Columbus State Convention on April 23-26**. I would ask that every

Lion Leader make a special effort to attend this year's convention with International President Joe Preston, and **get your Saturday Dinner reservation in ASAP**. We had a great time last year, and this one looks fit to get the meter too.

Leadership isn't accidental. It requires purposeful thought, planning and action. Lions lead volunteers to do some things you can't pay people to do as well or as fast as we do them. That's why we are still **the World's Greatest Doers** and you are the Lions that lead them. **Congratulations on a super year so far: let's keep up the great work!**

Past District Governor, Charlie Short

“My faith demands that I do whatever I can, for as long as I can, with whatever I have, to try to make a difference.”

Written by President Jimmy Carter, himself a Lion

April is Lions Family and Friends Month

Now is the time to start planning an event!

Invite family and friends to learn, serve and celebrate with your Lions club in April. Organize a **service project**, plan an **open house** or host a **lunch or picnic** – to introduce your family and friends to our club and to hear what you are doing to make a difference in your community.

So what else can you do in April to promote awareness of what we do?

- **Go Green.** Consider planting trees, recycling or cleaning up a park.
- **Give the Gift of Literacy.** Promote the power of reading to children.
- **Sponsor a Leo club.** April is also Leo Awareness Month. Why not take action to form a Leo Club to support youth development.
- **Host a Picnic or Barbecue.** Celebrate a successful service project or fundraiser and invite your Lions “friends” to join you.

And remember that family members receive a special membership discount from Lions Club International when they join your club. The first family member (head of household) pays full international dues. Additional family members (up to four) pay only half the international dues. After that all family members pay the one time entrance or charter fee.

For more information go to Lions Club International’s Family Membership Program site.
<http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/lions/invite-members/family-membership.php>

Share the day, share the fun and share the dream!

**LAFAYETTE LIONS CLUB
PRESENTATION, FEBRUARY 4, 2015**

Civil Engineering Senior Design Course



Purdue University Civil Engineering Professor R. Jacko, who presented on the Purdue University Civil Engineering Senior Design Course – Savannah Harbor Expansion Project. (Center is Professor Jacko and Past District Governor Charlie Short is shown on the right.)

Six Lions (R-to-L Marty Marino, John Wilson, Eldon Hood, Mary Hood, Pat Short and Dave Ehlers) served brats, sauerkraut, potato salad, carrots, rolls, pastries/cookies and cold drinks to 70 people.

LAFAYETTE LIONS CLUB, JANUARY 29, 2015

Feeding the Hungry



Lion Dave Ehlers serving cold drinks.



This is a very popular British Phrase. (Keep Calm and...)

Why not post these signs around your town?

Congratulations Clinton/Cayuga Lions

Featured in LION Magazine Club News

[Club News]

The Clinton and Cayuga Lions Clubs in Indiana have partnered to provide vision screenings for schoolchildren in three counties since 2007. The clubs share four Optic 5000 machines, two stereopsis kits and one color blindness kit. Lions have screened more than 9,000 students and made nearly 2,400 referrals since the program began. They've spent \$17,568 supporting the program and paying for follow-up treatment for students in need. "School nurses tell us that what we do in just a few hours would take them several months to complete due to all their other tasks," says Clinton Lion Dean Strohm.

This article was on page 50 of the February 2015 LION magazine under CLUB NEWS.

Reasons to be a Lion



By engaging youth, Lions are helping develop strong leaders for the future. Leo clubs provide youth volunteer opportunities that allow young adults become involved in community service and begin learning about the impact they can have around the world.

Lions clubs offer opportunities for families to volunteer together. Become a Lion with your spouse, children, grandchildren and siblings, and start spending quality time together while serving the community.



Lions are committed to partnering with local leaders and organizations, identifying the unique needs of their communities and surrounding areas, and planning service

projects that address those needs. From community clean-up projects to food drives to fundraisers, Lions help people in need who are close to home. We serve!

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



Zionsville Lions Club

In the middle of a major restroom repair at the Zionsville Club house Lions. Boyd Baker (left) and Alan Winters (right) divide a sandwich for lunch.



Strengthening our Pride

Want your club's name on this list?
Want your club to be a ★ ?

It can... Remember... Just... Ask 1,
and Remember to Keep 1!

Past District Governor Pat Short, Recruiting Coach

Ask 1

Net Membership Goals for the Year

DG's Growth
Net Goal
2014-2015

Net Actual
February 21,
2015

+16

+8

0

0

-20

25-C LIONS "ASK 1" STARS

As of January 31, 2015



Most new members
since July 1, 2014



Highest % new members
since July 1, 2014

CLUB	NET GAIN		LIONS AT	
	%	#	JAN 31	JUNE 30
Clay City	15%	3	23	20
Delphi	8%	4	58	54
Jamestown Community	31%	4	17	13
Lucerne	24%	4	21	17
Michagantown ★ ★	50%	7	21	14

February 21, 2015 —
Still feeling year-end
drops, but Spring is just
about here. Time for we
Lions to leave our dens
and go on the hunt for
newbies! Invite them
to service projects!
Let's roar!

Through January 31, 2015

- Clubs with net gain 22
- Clubs with zero gain 15
- Clubs with net loss 20

Strut Your
Stuff and
Show Your
Pride!

Members As of February 21, 2015

	Added	Dropped
Month to Date:	+2	-11
Year to Date:	+105	-125
Net Year to Date		-20

Monthly Membership Report's Help Activity Reports

Since the MMRs reports
have been increasing to 90%
or 100% most secretaries
have decided to file activity
reports at the same time.
Those reports have climbed
to 75%! Wow! This has to
be a first for District C.
Keep up the good work!

Ask 1!
**April is Membership
Month!**

