



# Indiana Lions District 25C

## District Newsletter

### Late July, 2017

#### DG Chloe's Notes:

Wow ... the LCI International Convention held in Chicago from June 30 to July 4, 2017 was a wonderful experience! If you've never been to an International Convention, try to make next year's convention in Las Vegas. Seeing the number of people that come to the conventions from the United States and countries internationally is overwhelming. We have been lucky that 2 consecutive international conventions have and will be held in the United States. The International Parade was wonderful, even if you were participating and not watching. IVDG Doug Eversole had the privilege of watching the parade, and PID Linda Tincer was the announcer for the parade! Over 30,000 Lions and friends participated in the 5 hour plus parade. A special thank you to Danielle Drapalik for being there at the convention to "pull my ribbon", when I was inducted as District Governor.

As you will find in CC/IPDG Ross Drapalik's Out Like a Lion article on the next page, we finished up 2016-2017 club MMR and SAR reporting with 10 consecutive months of 100% of all clubs filing their reports. 100% reporting on both MMR and SAR for 2017-2018 is one of District 25C's goals. We all have to work together. Secretaries should know the importance of filing these reports, and Presidents should know the importance of being a backup for the Secretary in the case that they are unable to do it. This is also an emphasis of International, in that they have instituted a new position of Global Service Team, in addition to the already existing Global Leadership and Global Membership Team. Please know that you don't have to wait until the last day of the month to file your reports. You can file after your first meeting, and then update or add services as they happen.

I look forward to visiting with each club at the official DG visits that will be scheduled, but please let me know of special programs you have going on so that if I'm in the area, I can make it a point to stop by. In regards to official DG visits, as in past years, International's new programs will be presented, as well as my personal message.

The **District 25C Banner Night** will be held on **Sunday, September 10, 2017** from **4:00 to 7:00 p.m.** at the First Financial Bank Conference Center located at 3005 S 7th Street, Terre Haute, IN 47802. Flyer will be sent and posted shortly.

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DG Chloe



# Out Like a Lion

## Immediate Past District Governor and 2017-2018 Council Chair Ross Drapalik

The first 100 years of Lionism is in the books and the reigns have been turned over to a new district leadership team at the direction of DG Chloe Weyrauch; BUT before we turn the page, let's look at the final numbers for June.

We closed out the month with the 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive month of 100% MMR and 100% SAR filing, and we had an amazing turn around in membership, adding a total of 70 Lions in the month of June alone and ending the month at +50. Our district was one of only 330 districts which grew in the month of June, and we were recognized at the International Convention for this feat.

We did end the year just 5 members short of the goal of 200 new members and finished -8 for the year. What a run we had toward finishing in the positive, and if we would have just had a couple of more weeks?

For the second consecutive year, District 25C also had 100% participation in LCIF club contributions. To top that, 100% of our clubs will be receiving at least a 2-gem Centennial Service Challenge Award, and 32 qualified for a 4-gem award this year. That's we report!

While canvassing the exhibit hall in Chicago and looking at the Environmental Photo Contest entries, I noticed one that seemed familiar, and it was. Congratulations to Lion Jennifer Meek of the Delphi Lions Club for making the finals. I sent out a text to vote for #24. Way to go, Lion Jenny.

Lastly, a big CONGRATULATIONS to PDG Nick and Lion Gretchen on being elected as an International Director for 2017-19. This is definitely our district's crowning jewel for a wonderful 2016-17 Centennial Year of Lions.

Thanks, CC Ross Drapalik



# First Vice District Governor Doug Eversole

Hello, Lions!

When you are trying to prepare for the upcoming fair season, consider having a booth to pass out information about what Lions do. New members will come!

The Lions International Convention in Chicago was great! We made new friends and enjoyed the sights of the city. Other than the buses being messed up the first few days, everything went well. Entertainment in the form of the Beach Boys & Charlie Daniels band was great. PDG Nick Xinopoulos was elected International Director. Huge congratulations to ID Nick & Lion Gretchen.

This is the time for our new governors who are taking over the leadership role. We all need to support their goals as they move forward. DG Chloe Weyrauch has worked hard and will continue to work as she moves District C forward. Immediate Past District Governor Ross Drapliak has been elected as Council Chair for the 2017-2018 Lions year.

Thanks to all who have filed their MMRs & SARs. We need to continue this goal of 100% reporting for our new Governor. As the gavel is passed to new club presidents, and other officers, please--as the out-going officer--continue to help and guide your new officers.

The last few weeks have been busy with Lions work: installing club officers, inducting members and getting our trailers ready for the fairs.

Our first cabinet meeting was held at the Riley Lions Club in Riley, with Prairie Creek Lions providing a tasty lunch. DG Chloe ran the meeting, and the attendance was good. Thanks to all who came and gave their reports.

Shelia and I are looking forward serving our District, State and International as your 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor.

Let's keep the Lions ROAR loud and proud for the New Year.

Thanks,

1<sup>st</sup> VDG Doug

## Rose Russell, Trustee, IN Lions Foundation re: the Indiana State Fair

Your Indiana Lions Foundation needs your help at the Indiana State Fair. In 2016, 38 Lions, family members, and friends representing 11 Lions Clubs in District 25-G volunteered for 116 shifts as tickets sellers and ticket scanners at the Indiana State Fair. This year, in addition to staffing four gates for the entire 17 days of the State Fair, we will also provide volunteers to collect money on four State Fair tractor shuttles on week-end (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) afternoons and evenings.

In return for working for the Foundation at the State Fair, you will earn credits towards a W.P. Woods Fellowship or a nominal cash donation to your local Lions Club or favorite Indiana Lions state project.

385 positions are currently open. Sign up now at [indianalionsfoundationmd25.org](http://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org).

I hope to see you at the Indiana State Fair.



**Left:** **Lafayette Lions** manned a booth at a farmer's market, handing out fruit strips, pens and brochures. Working the booth were Bob Hrdy, his pal Finn, Jenn Weiss and PDG Pat Short (taking the picture.) At least 10 people have asked for more information on joining the Lions.

**Right:** **Zionsville Lions Club's** International Day of Service, celebrating 100 years, was chaired by Lion John Wilkins, 2nd VP & Lion Art Small. Buses arrived with 25 guests from 2 nursing Homes. The Gazebo was set up in the park with Bingo and prizes, ice cream, homemade cookies & refreshments. Pro Cartz loaned a classy cart to give tours around the park. Some played corn hole, others chatted with Lions & Leo's and each other, while others sat close to the playground and watched the kids play. The 18 Lions & 4 Leo's enjoyed the day as much as our guests.



**Below left:** **PDG Dick McKellar** officiated the installation of club officers and the induction of four new member at the **Plainfield Lions Club**. In addition to the installation of club officers and induction of new members, the Lions also surprised **Lion Marge Welker** with a birthday cake due to her upcoming 100th birthday (**below middle**).

**Below right:** **Cassidy Sampson** won a \$3000 Scholarship from the **Zionsville Lions Club**, presented to her by ZLC President Gail Robbins.



Articles for publication in the newsletter should be forwarded to Cabinet Secretary and Newsletter Editor Charlotte Query at [jequery@bluemarble.net](mailto:jequery@bluemarble.net). Deadline for August newsletter is August 10th. September deadline: September 1. All remaining deadlines will be the 25th of the previous month.

# Lions District 25C Cabinet Meeting

July 15, 2017

The first 25C Cabinet Meeting was hosted by the Prairie Creek Lions Club at the Riley Township Lions Den. A special thank you to the District Governor Chloe Weyrauch's home club of Prairie Creek for a wonderful lunch. You will find a schedule of events on another page that will highlight when and where the remaining Cabinet Meetings will be held, along with other important dates.

Pictures: (below left) DG Chloe Weyrauch listening to a report from PDG Dick McKellar on the Indiana Lions Foundation. (below right) ID Nick Xinopolous giving his first presentation to his home district.



(left) Clinton Lions Club President Jerry Spurr and Secretary Andrew Poletto making a presentation about their recent loss of the Clinton Lions Club building due to a fire. The district approved a Lions for Lions fundraiser, to be hosted by the Zionsville Lions Club. Details will be forthcoming.

# IMPORTANT DATES

## 2017-2018

### DISTRICT 25C

June 3, 2017	Pre-Council Meeting	Indianapolis
June 30-July 4, 2017	International Convention	Chicago
July 15, 2017	First Cabinet Meeting	Prairie Creek LC @ Riley Township
July 15, 2017	District 25E Banner Night	Petersburg
July 20-23, 2017	Council Meeting	Portage
July 22, 2017	District 25A Banner Night	Chesterton
July 29, 2017	District 25G Banner Night	North Manchester
August 19, 2017	District 25F Banner Night	Milan
September 10, 2017	District 25C Banner Night	Terre Haute
September 16, 2017	District 25D Banner Night	Upland, IN
September 20-23, 2017	USA Canada Forum	Portland, OR
September 29, 2017	District 25B Banner Night	Ossian
October 7, 2017	2VDG Training	Indianapolis
October 14, 2017	Second Cabinet Meeting	Brookston
October 21, 2017	Council Meeting	Indianapolis
October 28-29, 2017	1VDG Training	Plainfield
November 3-4, 2017	Leadership Conference	Plainfield
November 18-19, 2017	1VDG Training	Plainfield
January 6, 2018	Council Meeting	Muncie
January 27, 2018	Third Cabinet Meeting	Zionsville
February 17-18, 2018	1VDG Training	Plainfield
February 23-24, 2018	District 25C Convention	Terre Haute
April 7-8, 2018	Leadership Workshop	Plainfield
April 26-29, 2018	State Convention	Muncie
April 27-29, 2018	Council Meeting	at State Convention
April 28, 2018	Fourth Cabinet Meeting	at State Convention
May 19, 2018	Fifth Cabinet Meeting	TBD
June 29-July 3, 2018	International Convention	Las Vegas