

## **DECEMBER 2025** **DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

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Hello Lions!

Christmas is coming, the goose is getting fat, please put a penny in the Old Man's Hat.  
if you haven't got a penny, a half-penny will do.  
if you haven't got a half-penny, GOD BLESS YOU!

As we have traveled around these past several weeks, we have noticed that the Lions of 25-E are stepping up with assistance to Food Pantries, etc. to giving food or moneys to buy food to put into the panties, soup kitchens, etc.

With the talk around Washington of doing away with SNAP and Food Subsidies, more and more people are going to be in dire need of sustenance to live.

Lions have been a good source of food and drink and will continue to do so.

We as Lions are out there as **WE SERVE**. So continue to Come Serve with us.

Other service opportunities come around often, as Vision Screening (many are wrapping up these services) for 2025. Hopefully now we will be contacted regarding those who are needing assistance. We have several sources to aid in purchasing these glasses, we just need to know who needs the referrals.

Remember the Reason for the Season as we enter this Christmas.

COME SERVE WITH US

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Fellow Lions,

I want to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season. For some of our clubs, this is one of the busiest times of the year; for others, it's a chance to slow down and recharge. Whichever it is for you, I'm grateful that you continue to serve with us in Lionism.

As we look ahead, I am preparing the officer list for the upcoming year and am looking for Lions interested in serving at the district level. We have several positions available—perhaps you'd like to help with this newsletter, serve as treasurer, or even consider working toward becoming a District Governor someday.

In the coming months, I may be calling on some of you to help fill open positions. Please keep an open mind and consider serving in a district capacity. We need new leaders—dedicated Lions with fresh ideas and youthful energy. Some of us aren't getting any younger, and we need new generations ready to carry the torch and continue the great work of our district.

If you are interested in serving at the district level, or if you simply want to learn more about the opportunities available, please reach out. Our district needs dedicated Lions like you to keep us strong and moving forward.

Thank you for all you do, and enjoy this holiday season with your families and communities.

Yours in Lionism,

*VDG Brad Nolan*

Vice District Governor, District 25E

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### Volunteer appreciation guide

Volunteers are the backbone of any successful organization, especially in the Lions Club. They give their time, energy, and skills to support causes they believe in and make a positive impact on the community. So, it's essential to recognize and appreciate the efforts of these dedicated individuals.

This article will provide tips and ideas you can use throughout the year to acknowledge your valuable volunteers. Plus, recognizing your volunteers is crucial to maintaining current levels amid ongoing recruitment challenges.

### Understanding volunteer motivation

Why do people volunteer? For all kinds of reasons—and their motivations can differ depending on the individual and the context. People volunteer to:

#### 1. Help others and impact community:

Many people volunteer because they genuinely desire to help others and positively impact their communities or the world. They may feel a sense of empathy and compassion towards those in need and want to contribute to improving their situations.

#### 2. Gain personal fulfillment and satisfaction:

Volunteering can provide a sense of fulfillment and satisfaction that comes from knowing you've made a difference in someone else's life or in a cause you care about. It can be gratifying to see the direct results of your efforts and to feel like you've made a meaningful contribution.

#### 3. Build relationships and social connections:

Volunteering often provides opportunities to meet new people and connect with others with similar interests and values. It can help individuals expand their social networks and develop a sense of belonging and community.

#### 4. Develop new skills:

Volunteering can also help individuals develop new skills, gain valuable experience and broaden their perspective. Many volunteers have the opportunity to learn new things, take on leadership roles, and challenge themselves in ways that contribute to their personal and professional growth.

#### 5. Give back to the community:

Some people volunteer out of a sense of duty or responsibility to give back to their communities or to support causes they believe in. They may feel compelled to contribute their time and energy to address issues they see as important or urgent.

#### 6. Health Benefits:

Research suggests that volunteering can positively affect both physical and mental health. Getting involved in purposeful activities and building connections through volunteer efforts can lower stress levels, boost happiness, and support overall wellness.

**By Eddie McKim, SVDG**

## UPDATE FROM THE INDIANA LIONS STATE OFFICE BUILDING WE HAVE A NEW ADDRESS!!!

The Lions of Indiana State Office has relocated to **9002 Vincennes Circle, Suite 110** in Indianapolis, IN 46268. The phone # remains the same: 317-824-1024.

**Please Note:** It is anticipated this transition will be completed in about six weeks. One of the transitional challenges for us is the closing of the brick plaza at 8780 Purdue Road, which contains about four-hundred etched pavers that have been purchased as a fundraising project of the Indiana Lions Foundation. The Foundation plans to commission a donor wall in the new office suite containing all of the names of Lions, clubs, state projects and others who have purchased pavers over the years.

If you have purchased a paver in previous years and want to have that paver taken out of the plaza and given to you, **please contact State Secretary, Lion Ann Niness, at 317-289-3896 or by email at [Ann@indianalions.org](mailto:Ann@indianalions.org) prior to December 1st** so the contractor can remove the brick.

**Also Note:** The Eyeglass recycling will be remaining at 8780 Purdue Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268, and will continue accepting glasses at that location. The old drop off mailbox is being reconditioned and will be back in place soon. If you have questions, contact PDG Ed Harper at [edharper46268@peoplepc.com](mailto:edharper46268@peoplepc.com)



Left: DG John Spurgeon presenting 20 year Milestone Chevron Award to Lion Maye Anderson from A. P. Singh, International President.



## Reading Action Plan

By Debbie Ellis, Chairperson

The Lions Reading Action Program is a global initiative by Lions Clubs International to improve literacy through community-based projects. The program, launched in 2012, encourages Lions clubs to organize service projects like reading to children, donating books and computers, and providing tutoring to help improve literacy skills for both children and adults. It focuses on activities that support early literacy development and helps to provide children with the reading resources they need to succeed in school.

You might also volunteer to read or participate in a reading action program at a nursing home. Reading to residents at nursing homes benefits their mental and emotional health by reducing loneliness, stimulating their minds, and providing social connection. To make it successful, ask residents about their interests, keep sessions short and engaging, read with expression, and encourage discussion to spark memories and conversations.

### Benefits of reading at nursing homes

- **Improves cognitive function:** Reading engages the brain, which can help improve memory, focus, and concentration, and may even help delay cognitive decline.
- **Reduces loneliness and anxiety:** Reading aloud creates a shared experience, fostering human connection and providing an opportunity for social engagement. Listening to a calm voice can also be very relaxing and reduce stress.
- **Provides entertainment and escape:** It can offer residents a mental escape and a chance to enjoy a story, which can be especially helpful for those with vision loss or memory issues.
- **Sparks memories:** Reading familiar books or materials like old letters and newspaper clippings can trigger cherished memories and lead to meaningful conversations.

**Improves mood and well-being:** Reading together can uplift mood, reduce agitation, and increase feelings of purpose and connectedness.

What service activities are your clubs doing right now? Now is a great time to start a reading action program at your community schools, libraries or nursing homes. We Serve!



Left: Presenting dictionaries to Mrs. Shelton's third grade class, along with all third grade classes at Brownstown Central elementary school.

Lions Mary Ann McMahan, David Willey and John Spurgeon DG25E.



Above: 75 Years of service.

The French Lick-West Baden Lions Club celebrated the club's Diamond Anniversary during the November 4th meeting with a special 75th anniversary cake. The French Lick-West Baden Lions Club was organized in 1950 and has become known for providing eyeglasses for those who cannot afford them, and for the monthly fish fries held during warm weather months. The club meets for dinner at 6:30 the first and third Tuesday of each month at Springs Valley Wesleyan Church in French Lick.

From left to right: From left: Lion Jim Springer, treasurer; John Doty, 2nd VP; Frances Drabing, Secretary; Dick Kerby; Sheila Fischer (in Lions shirt); Bruce Anderson, LT; Teresa Robinson, Dir; Dan Fischer, 1VP; Ron Woolsey, TT; Willard Owen and Bill Willis, Pres. (Photo by Catherine Willis).

Below: Picture from Ramsey Lions annual Turkey Shoot. Shot 43 rounds, 15 shooters each. Ruffled off a rifle and provided food/drink at concession stand. Glad to have DG John in attendance. No turkeys were harmed at this event but some of the paper targets got shredded!





# Lions Clubs International **FOUNDATION**

As we continue our mission of empowering communities across the globe, LCIF remains committed to providing hope where it is needed most. Thanks to your dedication and generosity, lives are being transformed every day—through disaster relief, vision programs, youth empowerment, and humanitarian service.

## **Global Impact Highlights**

### **Disaster Relief**

LCIF has deployed emergency grants to support communities affected by recent natural disasters. These funds have helped provide food, water, medical supplies, and temporary shelter to families in crisis.

### **Vision Initiatives**

Through the *SightFirst* program, LCIF continues to fight preventable blindness. Recent partnerships have enabled new screenings, surgeries, and distribution of eyeglasses in underserved areas.

### **Youth & Education**

Our *Lions Quest* initiative continues to grow, equipping teachers and students with essential life skills and social-emotional learning tools. New training workshops have launched in multiple regions, reaching thousands of students.

### **Humanitarian Support**

LCIF funding has supported various projects focused on access to clean water, disease prevention, and services for individuals with disabilities.

## **How You Can Help**

Your gift to LCIF directly supports Lions' service in:

- Vision
- Youth empowerment
- Disaster response
- Hunger
- Humanitarian needs
- Childhood cancer
- Diabetes awareness
- Environment

**Every contribution—large or small—creates lasting impact.**



Hello, my Lions Family!

I can hardly believe we have almost completed another calendar year! The stories that have been shared, the people that have been helped, the smiles and tears that have been shared, our growth as Lions and human beings are great things to be thankful for!

I wrote last time that I would bring to focus some things as humans (and Lions) we need to unlearn, here we go as presented by ThatTherapistIFollow.

1. Rest does NOT equal laziness.
2. Your Worth is not determined by your productivity.
3. Conflict isn't bad.
4. Saying Yes is not the same as being Kind.
5. Feeling deeply is not the same as overreacting.
6. Happiness does not equal the end goal.
7. Vulnerability doesn't equal weakness.
8. Success doesn't mean hustle at all costs.
9. Seeking help does not mean failure.
10. Healing does in no way mean getting over it.

Some of these items are self-explanatory. Some of these items have been instilled in us at a very young age and reinforced many times throughout our lives. Are we going to change our beliefs about how we define ourselves and judge those around us overnight? No, but becoming more aware that these beliefs don't HAVE to define us leads to opportunities where we might be able to think about those beliefs differently and choose a different response or action more mindfully and positively. All it takes is just one time of doing something different to begin the path to new habits and beliefs. As we draw near to the beginning of a new year, I challenge you to pick one of these beliefs that you really struggle with and make that a goal to focus on healing or changing.

As part of self growth and educating, here are things that we can continue to focus on more: Talk slowly, Observe more, Speak Less, Always prioritize our health, Never stop self-educating, Learn to control our ego, urges, and anger, Smile more, Worry less, and remember Family means Everything! Regardless of how family is defined.

Until next time,

PDG Erica



## District 25-E Disaster Response Trailer

District 25-E Disaster Trailer: As many of you know, the district is putting together a trailer to use in any disaster that may occur in the district. We acquired a grant from LCIF to purchase the trailer and supply it with cabinets, shelving, electric, generators, and other supplies. PDG Dale Leffler is working with the Gibson County EMA Director to help with suggestions.

At this time the trailer has been decaled, working on insurance and title. We are also working on getting shelves and cabinets put into place. There were some lights for the trailer donated. More updates to follow.





## Lion Governor John 25E Enjoying Wall art throughout the district.

Above: The Gil Hodges Mural stands as a poignant tribute to one of baseball's beloved figures, celebrating the life and legacy of Gil Hodges in the heart of Petersburg, Indiana. This impressive mural, vividly painted on an exterior wall, showcases Hodges in action, encapsulating his significant contributions to the sport and his role as a hometown hero. Visitors to the mural will appreciate its artistic detail and the emotional resonance it carries for local fans and baseball enthusiasts alike. As you stand before the mural, take a moment to reflect on Hodges' journey—a player who not only excelled on the field but also made an indelible mark in the hearts of many. The mural is easily accessible, making it a must-visit for tourists exploring the area. It serves as a perfect backdrop for photographs and a great conversation starter about the history of baseball. While visiting, you may also want to explore other nearby attractions that celebrate local history and culture. Engaging with the local community, learning about its passion for baseball, and understanding Hodges' influence will enrich your experience. Whether you're a die-hard baseball fan or a casual visitor, the Gil Hodges Mural is sure to leave a lasting impression and connect you to the rich tapestry of America's favorite pastime.



**Gene L. Rice, 93 of Wanatah, IN, passed away on Friday, November 21, 2025. He was born on the Rice family farm on May 13, 1932. He was preceded in death by his son-in-law, Rodney Elliott, brothers Wayne Rice and Earl Rice, his sister Bonnie Christoph, and his grandson Michael Rice. He is survived by his wife, Kathryn, of 70 years, along with their children Julie Elliott (Perry) Nigh, Scott (Marianne) Rice, and Dana (Lisa) Rice, 10 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild due in December.**

**Gene was a US Army Veteran who served from 1953 to 1955 and spent several months in Korea.**

**Gene was a lifelong farmer on the Rice Family Farm, which his grandfather purchased in 1917. He did his part to advance the legacy that continues today. His great passion was the Lions Club International, of which he was a member of the Wanatah club for at least 65 years. He served in every office from local to district level and was elected to a 2-year term on the International Board of Directors, serving from 1975 to 1977. It was through this opportunity that he and Kathryn travelled to many countries around the world. Their love for international travel stayed with them throughout life as they visited nearly 60 countries. Gene was also**

**instrumental in developing the Lions eyeglass mission program, which continues to send missions every year to help people in need.**

**Gene was known throughout the area as the "wedding singer." He sang at hundreds of weddings and funerals spanning six decades.**

**A special thank you to the staff of Pines Village in Valparaiso for their love and compassion for Gene. Special thanks also to Dunes Hospice for their compassionate care. And a very special thank you to his caregiver, Ms. Sharon Malama, for the incredible love and care she gave Gene during these past 11 months.**

**A visitation was held on Saturday, November 29th, from 10 a.m. to noon at Salem Church, 302 S. Main St., Wanatah, with a Lions Club service at noon.**



# SEYMOUR EVENING LIONS 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Since 1925, our club has been a cornerstone of the Seymour community, serving with unwavering integrity and energy. Join us as we mark this momentous occasion with an evening of remembrance, and the enduring themes of our heritage: trains, airplanes and music.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> 2025**

**JACKSON MASONIC LODGE  
1818 N. Ewing, Seymour, In 47274 (Highway 11)**

**SOCIAL: 6:00 PM - DINNER: 6:30 PM**  
**MENU INCLUDES: TURKEY, MASHED POTATOES, GRAVY, GREEN BEANS, CORN, SALAD, ROLLS AND DESSERT**

**GUEST SPEAKER: BILL BAILEY**  
**FORMER H.S. TEACHER, MAYOR OF SEYMOUR, IND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**\$25.00 PER PERSON**

**RESERVATION DEADLINE: November 28, 2025**

**SEND RESERVATION TO:**

**PDG Robert Kamman  
922 Holly Dr  
Seymour, In 47274  
812-216-1500 ©  
rdkrph@comcast.net**



PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: SEYMOUR EVENING LIONS CLUB

NAME OF CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

LION \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE/GUEST \_\_\_\_\_

LION \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE/GUEST \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_





# ELIZABETH LIONS 14TH ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF AND SILENT AUCTION

DECEMBER 6, 2025 | 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

South Harrison Community Center  
5101 Main St. SE, Elizabeth



## CELEBRITY JUDGES:

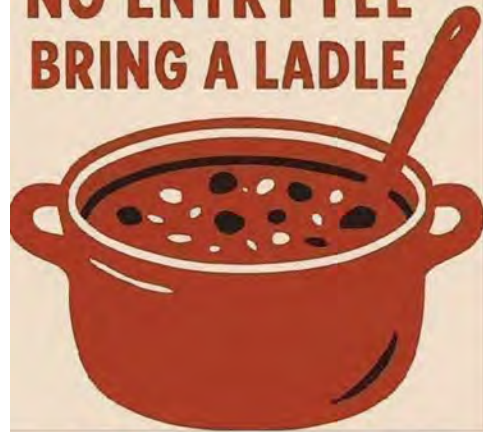
*Mike Marshall (WDRB TV)*

*Georgette Saltsgaver*

*Brad Rothrock*



**NO ENTRY FEE  
BRING A LADLE**



Enter chili between  
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM Chili  
must be in a crock pot  
or pot. Electric limited.

**DINNER IS FREE - WILL OFFERING**  
Enjoy: Chili • Hot Dogs • Homemade  
Desserts • Drinks

## SILENT AUCTION

Closes promptly at 5:30 PM and must  
be present to win – no deliveries

## PRIZES



\$100



\$75



\$50



\$25

## COMMUNITY GIVING:

Accepting donations for the South  
Harrison Community Center Food Pantry and ornaments for  
WDRB's Jude Redfield's Jingle Tree



*All proceeds will benefit Elizabeth Lions Club community projects*



**INDIANA LIONS**



## **MID-WINTER CONFERENCE**

January 17, 2026

**Crowne Plaza, Indianapolis Airport**



### **ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY!**

To help offset the drastically increased cost of EVERYTHING at Mid-Winter, the committee is selling ads in the Mid-Winter program booklet.

These ads could include all kinds of messages:

- Congratulate your District Governor on a Great Year so far.
- Challenge the other clubs of your district to a membership increase!
  - Promote upcoming fundraisers.
- Challenge the other clubs of your district to attend your district and multi-district conventions.
  - Invite clubs to club anniversary celebrations.
  - Anything you want!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Club \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Full Page Ad \$100.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Half Page Ad \$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter Page Ad \$30.00

#### **PAYMENT OPTIONS:**

Make check payable to: Lions of Indiana, Inc. and mail to Lions of Indiana, 9002 Vincennes Circle, Indianapolis, IN 46268 [or register and pay online here.](#)

#### **Card Type:**

[ ] VISA [ ] MC [ ] Discover Card#: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Ads should be photo ready in PDF or JPG Formats.





# Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, Inc. Annual Holiday Luncheon



You are invited to attend! The Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing, Inc. Board of Trustees will have our annual holiday luncheon on **Sunday, December 7, 2025**, at the Indiana School for the Deaf Brown cafeteria, 1200 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, Indianapolis, across from the State Fair Grounds. Activities will begin at 12:30 p.m. Plan to arrive early to check in at the registration table and visit with friends. The cost per person is **\$25 in advance and \$30 at the door.**

Our special guests will be the deaf high school students, your donations helped sponsor, who attended the Deaf Youth Leadership Camp for four weeks in Stayton, Oregon last summer. As a highlight of the luncheon program, the students will report on their experiences while attending the Leadership Camp.

Also attending will be staff members of the Indiana School for the Deaf, staff members from the Riley Children's Hospital Audiology & Speech Department, and Riley Children's Foundation. Faculty representatives from our four state universities as well as scholarship recipients will be in attendance.

In support of your project, the Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing trustees hope you will join us for this inspiring occasion. We encourage you to bring other Lions and friends to experience the excellent work we do in fulfilling our motto "We Serve." **Please complete the form below and return it with your check to arrive at the address shown below no later than November 28, 2025.** Thank you for your support.

**We will be having a Silent Auction**, if you have an item you would like to donate, please bring it with you on December 7th.

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ dinners at \$25.00 each. (Children under 4 no charge)

Amount enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Make check payable to Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, Inc.

Name	Title	District	Club

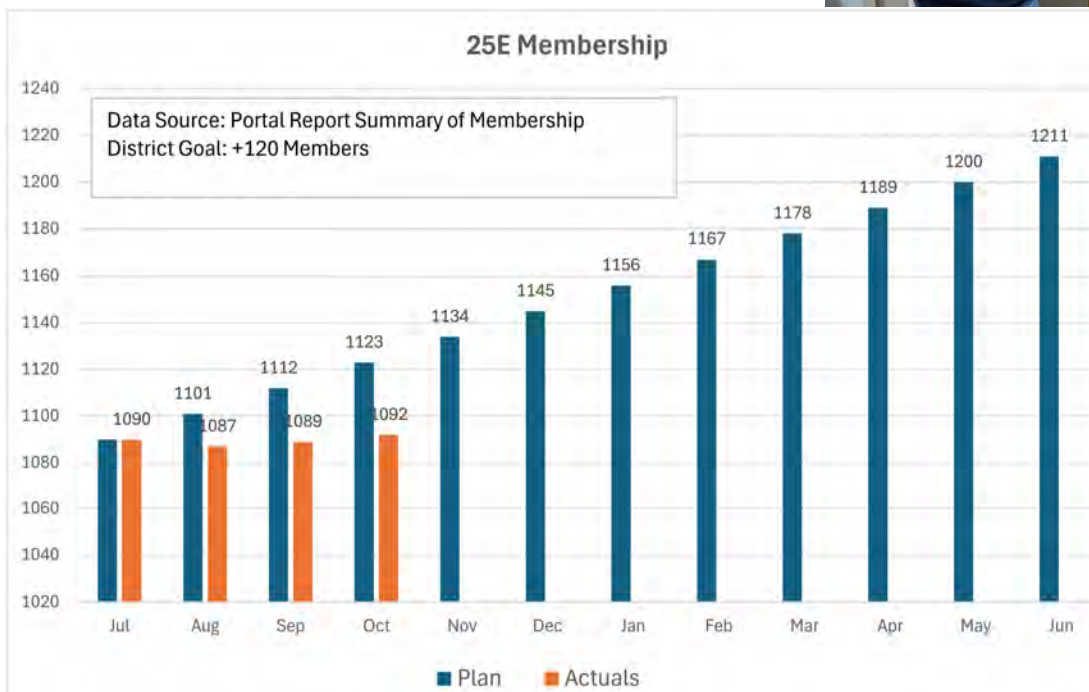
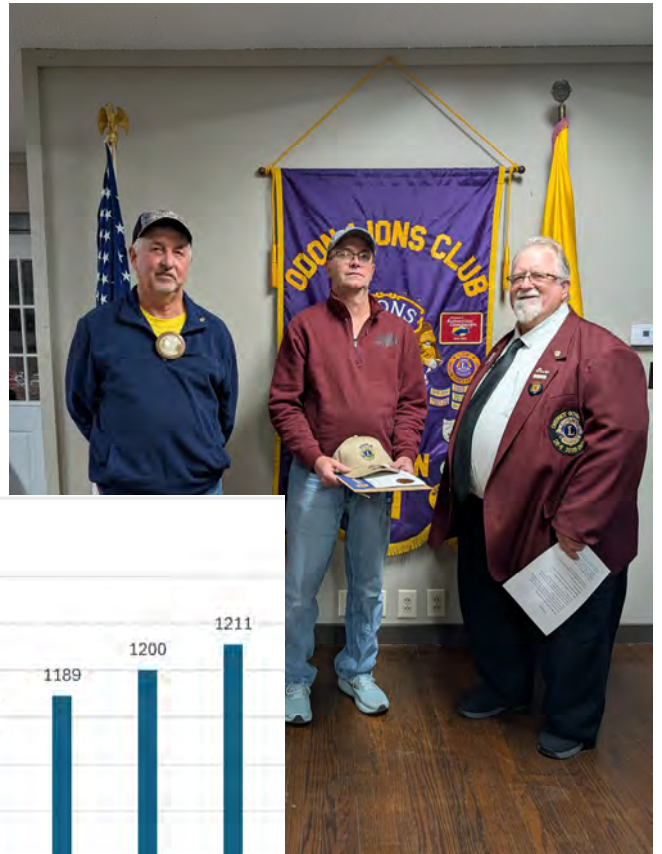
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Left and Above: On November 1st Odon Lions set up chicken poop bingo to help the town of Odon celebrate Harvest Festival.

Right: District governor John Spurgeon presides over new Odon member initiation. Shown here with lion Sponsor Terry Swartzentruber, new member Michael Finny Graber is sworn in by Sir John



Left: Chart showing the goal and the actual membership growth for the year.





Left: Chandler Lions Sue and David Boyles presenting the club's donation for Riley's Children Foundation!

Chandler Lions Club awarded their first two Citizenship Awards during Celebration Day. This award will be given each year going forward to someone who has contributed to the community over and above!

Left Below: Tony Rhoades presenting (Fallen) Lions member Citizenship Awardee Don Derrington

Below: Tony Rhoades presenting Citizenship Awardee Richard Lautner



Hello Lions, In March of 2026 we will be electing a new District Governor, new Vice District Governors, and project Trustees.

Currently we are looking for a 2nd Vice District Governor.

The current trustees for Cancer Control, Speech and Hearing, and Indiana Lions for the School of the Blind and Visually Impaired and Special Projects are not planning to seek re-election.

The current trustee for the Indiana Lions Foundation is still considering running, so if you are interested, please run.

For more information, please contact PCC Keith Thomas at [kthomas@threeidesign.com](mailto:kthomas@threeidesign.com).

Hello Lions,

Please remember to contact Lion Ceal Schulz to add and remove names from the Prayer List and the Fallen Lion list. Also please let Ceal know about the memorial service or visitation. Ceal's email address is [cealschulz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cealschulz@sbcglobal.net)

## ***Fallen Lions in November***

<b>Fallen Lion</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Years of Service</b>
Lion Doug Scherle	Ireland Lions Club	47.0 Years of Service

## ***Prayer List***

### **Lions in need of Prayers**

Lion Carol Murdock	Lion Marvin Mast	Lion Jim Smith
PDG Charlie Crawford	Lion Jim Springer	Lion Bill Hinkle
PDG Don Russ	Lion Ben Davis	Lion Nichole Harris
PDG Cindy Wright (25D)	Lion Sue Boyles	Lion Bill Schulz
Lion David Boyles	PDG Trea McCandless	Schoerle Kaiser

## ***New Lions in November***

<b>New Member</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Sarah Rehmel	Ellettsville Lions Club	Erica Thomas
Michael Graber	Odon Lions Club	Terry Swartzentruber

## ***Club Anniversaries in December***

Mitchell #91782	Chartered 12/07/2005
Georgetown #107008	Chartered 12/08/2009



# ***District Events and Calendar***

## **2025**

- December 2** Official Visit to Tell City Lions
- December 6** Seymour Evening 100th Anniversary Celebration
- December 7** Speech and Hearing Dinner
- December 8** Official Visit to Shoals Lions
- December 11** Official Visit to Petersburg Lions
- December 16** Official Visit to Salem Lions

## **2026**

- January 5** Official Visit to Palmyra Lions
- January 12** Official Visit to New Albany Lions
- January 15** Official Visit to Boonville Lions
- January 16-17** Mid-Winter Conference at the Crowne Plaza
- January 18** 3rd Council Meeting at the Crowne Plaza
- January 20** Official Visit to Ellettsville Lions
- January 27** Official Visit to Canton Lions
- February 9** Official Visit to Wheatland Lions
- February 23** Official Visit to New Middletown Lions
- March 9** Official Visit to Elizabeth Lions
- March 16** Official Visit to Brown County Lions
- March 20-21** District Convention at the Bedford 1st Baptist Church with ID Chris Carlone.
- April 20** Official Visit to Elberfeld Lions
- May 1-3** State Convention at the Embassy Suites in Plainfield.
- July 3-7** Lions International Convention in Hong Kong.

**District Governor John is scheduling meetings with the District's Lions Clubs. Please contact District Governor John Spurgeon to schedule your club's Official Visit!**

## ***Directory Changes***

### **District 25E changes**

Page 6—Change Zone 1 chair John Delph's email to johndelph915@gmail.com

# "CALLING ALL LEOS!"

YOU'RE INVITED TO  
MID-WINTER  
CONFERENCE!

**FUN**

CHANT COMPETITION!

TEAM BUILDING EXERCISES!



STATEWIDE SERVICE PROJECT

LEOS ARE WELCOME TO FRIDAY NIGHT, THE ROOM  
RATE IS \$126.00+ TAX AND BREAKFAST/LUNCH ON  
SATURDAY IS \$65.00. LEOS CAN SHARE ROOMS. IF  
YOU NEED HELP WITH PAYING FOR YOUR ROOM/  
FOOD, SPONSORSHIP/FUNDS AVAILABLE TO HELP  
YOU ATTEND

**January, 16th-17<sup>th</sup> 2026**  
**Crown Plaza, Indianapolis, IN**  
COME SEE WHAT YOUR FELLOW LEOS ARE

DOING IN THEIR DISTRICT!  
FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL:  
[WENDYSEMANS71@GMAIL.COM](mailto:WENDYSEMANS71@GMAIL.COM)





# **Wheatland Lions Club**

## **Soup Supper with Santa**

**Chili , Vegetable Soup, Potato Soup,  
Hot Dogs, Beverages, & Desserts**

**Saturday, December 6**

**4:00 pm to 7:00 pm**

**Steen Township Volunteer Fire Department Building  
210 S. Niblack Street**



**Proceeds go toward purchase & installation of new slide and  
merry-go-round for our Lions Niblack Park.**

**Vision screenings for  
children 18 months and  
older will be offered.**

**Don't forget to see  
the brooms we  
have for sale.**







From Linda Goodrich, President,  
Fredericksburg Lions:

I probably have more pics. Our late leader of the Lion's son donated everything to us. We just put it all in our neighbors barn. There are two really nice hospital beds and recumbent bike that we have no way to take which are available for the taking. I also wanted you to see the supply we have available in case anyone in your community can use them.





Left: Tunnel Hill Craft Bazaar, public outreach. Georgetown Lions Mary Ellen Kleinke and Betty Lee sold some Christmas items and gave out several Lions brochures to the local shoppers.

Below: The Lions tables were next to Santa and Santa appreciated the help that Lions offered with the kids during the Tunnel Hill Bazaar event. Lion Betty Lee with Santa.



Above: Georgetown Lions Mark McComas, Pauline Mills, and Mike Mills handing out candy at the Town of Georgetown Trunk or Treat event for over a 1000 local children and their families.

Right: Georgetown Lion Mark McComas trying the corn dog from Ducks Dogs food truck (run by Georgetown Lions Ron and Carmen Bishop), Georgetown Lions Pauline Mills, April Boemker, Mike Mills, handing out candy and Mike Boemker in the background restocking supplies. Leader Dog for the Blind poster display under hanging pumpkin man. Lions serving at the community event hosted by the Town of Georgetown.

