

Where there is a need, there is a Lion.

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**The Official Newsletter
of Lions District 25-F
December, 2015**



Thoughts on Our Big Meetings

By District Governor John Brown



I write this article on Veterans Day in the warmth and comfort of my home office and I think of the men and women of the Armed Services who have sacrificed so much to make the life I enjoy possible. I want to salute all of our veterans but especially those who are with us in Lionism. You truly represent our Lions motto of "We Serve" everyday!

Our Fall Cabinet meeting in Connorsville was a great success with 92 Lions in attendance and what a great job our Connorsville Lions Club did in hosting! You made us all proud to be Lions with the warm welcome you extended to all the Lions of District 25F!! The John H. Miller facility was first class and the food was excellent! I want to thank all the speakers who reported on the District and State Projects. Job well Done! Now we get ready for the our Winter Cabinet meeting to be held at Osgood on January 30th. Our Osgood Lions are preparing a great meeting location and be sure to look for the registration flyer in this Newsletter!

The Lions of 25F did our self-proud by turning out in large numbers for the 27th Annual Lions Leadership Conference at Plainfield High School on November 7th. This meeting was formally called the Mid-Winter Conference and had been held in January but has been moved to November to avoid winter travel issues. District 25F was recognized for having the Most Club Members in Attendance and Greatest Percentage of Lions in Attendance. A special thank you to the Lions of District 25F who were on the event staff or who conducted seminars that day!! Be sure to put this great learning event on your calendar next year. As you make travel plans for next year do want to point out a correction to my District Directory..... The State Convention is being held in Shipshewana from April 28-May 1st.

At our Council of Governors meeting in Shipshewana PDG Ronnie Martin from Texas spoke to the Lions in attendance about building new clubs in our Districts or helping established clubs start to grow again. I have asked PDG Ronnie to come to our District in January and help in our

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efforts to start a new club in Rushville. Lion Ronnie has also asked to speak to any other clubs who would like to hear his message of growing your club in membership. Be sure to let me know if you like Lion Ronnie to speak at your club!

I have now completed 23 Official Club Visits in District 25F. We have traveled from the Ohio River near Madison to the Ohio border at Richmond and all parts in between. All the clubs have been gracious to me and my traveling party of Lion Dick, Sarah and Ann. As your District Governor I learn so much from you and hopefully I can impart a little information that helps your club be better in service. The Holiday Season is now upon us and I have much to be thankful for and most of all as your District Governor I say thank you to Fabulous District 25F!

WE SERVE!

Year's End

By 1st Vice District Governor Lion Wayne T. Karanovich Jr.

This year sure has gone fast. This will be the last newsletter of 2015; can you believe it? I have been out in our great District talking to Lions but trying to do a lot more listening. For me that is sometimes a challenge. I look at all the wonderful things that we do as Lions and are amazed by your deep commitment to serving your fellow men and women all over our district and state and for that matter the whole world.

As I am writing this newsletter the Holiday Season is just about on us. Next Thursday will be Thanksgiving to be soon followed by Christmas. My brother who is a Pastor said Sunday that we should be doing more than just saying God Bless you or I am praying for you, we should have actions to back up those words. He talked about service to our fellow man and how we could accomplish that with serving our fellow man/woman. That is the whole reason that I am a Lion. I feel that we are at our best as people when we serve one another. Our motto is "We Serve" and that what I love the most about all of you.

I look around and am humbled by all the work that you do to enrich the lives of others around you, and you do not do this to get reward or praise from those we serve. I am planning on serving dinner this Thanksgiving and Christmas to those who are less fortunate than us. I look forward in the coming months to visit with as many of the clubs as possible. I want to learn what you are doing and how you are doing it so that I can share your success with the other clubs in our district. Lion Pam and I wish you a wonderful Holiday season filled with service.

I am looking for an individual in our district who would like to be my Cabinet Secretary for 2016-2017 I need someone who has a servant's heart and a talent to do this job. I have been looking for a while but need to get this important position filled soon as my year is coming up soon. You can call me at 765-914-5106 or email me at karanovichauction@hotmail.com

Yours in Service,

1st Vice District Governor Lion Wayne T. Karanovich Jr.

ROAR – Reach Out and ROAR!

By 2nd Vice District Governor Melissa Baker

Aurora handed out scholarships to deserving kids, Batesville, handed out candy at the Halloween Parade and Boy Scout Scholarships, Beech Grove participated in Brian's Trike Race at ISVBI, and Beech Grove tutored children with reading. Columbus roared with eye screenings, going out of the way to help other clubs with theirs, Clermont is sponsoring their Boy and Girl Scout Troop for another year. Decatur Central held a food Drive. Fortville also did a food drive. Greater Greenwood did vision screenings and tutored children with reading. Indy Center Township did vision screenings, Indy Chapel Hill did vision screenings, tutored children, Peace Poster, and had Breakfast w/Santa. Indy Warren Township did vision screenings and helped their food pantry. Indy Washington township helped at ISVBI, Dictionary Project and did some coaching. Lawrence did some vision screening. Middletown had entries for the Peace Poster, assisted their food pantry and purchased ear phones for a school test. Milan did their first ever pancake breakfast. North Vernon did new member orientation training. Osgood helped their food pantry, Pike did vision Screening. Richmond Noon did some vision screening, held a soup kitchen and collected for their food pantry. Southport helped their food pantry, did the Dictionary Project and handed out shoebox motivational kits. Last but not the least by any means is the Versailles Club who donated to Safe Passage and give out weekend food backpacks for schoolkids.



Washington Township Lions briefing schoolchildren prior to handing out dictionaries.

I am so thankful for the work these clubs do...and that they took the time to record their activities in MyLCL. If your club is listed send me a message to claim a prize. First Club Secretary or President to do so, wins the big prize! If your club is not listed, let your tail twister know that you missed out on some funding this month so he can fine you! If you didn't read this, then your club missed out on another small bit of funding! Start your year out right with tail twister funds – we all need admin money.

Round out your year with some reporting – only way we'll know what great things you are doing. Reach Out And Roar to the district - who knows you may get picked to be in the Lions Magazine!

Blessings, Good thoughts and safe travels to all of our "Fantastic F" Lions. See you next month.

December...DECEMBER!

By Lion Sarah Getts, Cabinet Secretary, District 25-F

I can't believe it's already DECEMBER!! Where has the time gone? Organization Day at Camp Woodsmoke was just a short time ago...wasn't it?



Let's see, that means that Lion Santa will be here soon and I had better make a checklist to see if I have been a good Lion this year? Have I attended most if not all of my club meetings? Have I brought in at least one new member to my club? Have I participated in my club's fundraiser(s)? Have I been a part of my club or another club's vision screening program? Have I helped with our club's service project(s)? Have I attended any Cabinet meetings, District meetings, or trainings to try to make myself a better informed Lion? If not, there's still time to be a good Lion. Check with your club officers to see what you can do to be of service to your club and the community. Plan now to attend the Cabinet and District meetings in 2016.

The next Cabinet meeting is in Osgood on January 30, and the next District Convention is March 12 at the Colts Complex in Indianapolis. Save those dates and plan to attend!

Voting at our District Convention...

Remember: Our District By-Laws, adopted March 2014, (pg. 14, Article I, Section 5) states:

The Credentials Committee shall certify delegates for voting privileges and provide each delegate with proper identification for voting as specified below.

- Delegate's Club has no outstanding debt with Lions Club International, Lions of Indiana, or District 25-F Lions.
- Delegate has paid up dues card from Chartered Lions Club in District 25-F.
- Delegates dues card is signed by the delegate

If your club Secretary/Treasurer has **not** supplied you with a current club dues card and you have paid your dues, you have the right to ask him/her for your dues card.

Make sure the club secretaries have gone online and updated the club's membership before December 31, 2015!! That makes a difference in dues your club owes to the International, State, and District. It can also make a difference as to how many delegates your club can have.

Thank you to the club secretaries who have taken the time to continually get their club's MMR's and activities reported on time each month. Also thank you to the club secretaries who send their club's DG Points form for the DG Points Contest.

District Update

By PDG Jack Salsbery

As you all know, we have a new newsletter editor, Lion Pat Henninger of the Indianapolis-Washington Township Lions Club. Welcome again, one more time, Lion Pat.

We have updated the Lions 25F email address list for the DG newsletter. Some addresses have been corrected and/or added, some have been deleted. Again, ***it is the responsibility of the clubs' presidents/secretaries to forward the DG newsletter to club members.*** Please address questions to dosalsbery@att.net.

During the month of November three events pertaining to eye problems have been reported.

- The Indianapolis-Warren Township Lions club, in association with the District Vision Screening Program, was able to provide a 20-yr old legally blind woman with a hand-held low vision reader. This is a portable device that can also be plugged into a TV through USB port, to enable usage as a book reader, etc.
- The Madison Lions Club, in association with Indianapolis-Washington Township Lions Club, was able to provide funds to help defray the cost of housing for a young lady (and her family) while she underwent a much needed operation in Florida, operation which could only be provided there. The young lady attends the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and is also a Leo member of the Indianapolis-Washington Township Lions club.
- The Indianapolis Center Township and Warren Township Lions Clubs joined forces (read money) to help a lady who has glaucoma receive a much needed eye exam, her first in three years.

These are just three examples of "Where there is a need, there is a Lion". (Hopefully these items will make it to the International Headquarters via club activity reports.)

As the District Centennial Lion, I am happy to report that as of 7 November 2105 Lions worldwide have reached 57 Million people, of the goal of 100 Million set by our Immediate Past International President (IPIP) Joe Preston. Breakdown of services is as follows: 20 Million to Youth, 10 Million to Vision, 11 Million to Hunger, and 16 Million to Education. Again LI-ONS living the motto "We Serve".

There are numerous awards, patches, banner patches, etc. that Lions, Clubs, Districts can obtain to celebrate our 100 years of service. I encourage you to go to **Lions100.org** and take advantage of these programs.

Centennial MOTTO contest winner: Lion Janet Fish of the Clermont Lions Club is District 25F's winner with the following entry: **"100 Years Making "Great" Things Happen."**

Congratulations Lion Janet, your dinner awaits.

We Are The Most Humble!

By GLT Coordinator Reed Fish

One of the two common phrases that are often heard are “The Lions are the best kept secret” and “Lions don’t like to brag about themselves”. Unfortunately both go hand in hand – if a club doesn’t let the community know everything that it does for the good of the residents then they will continue to have limited knowledge of what the Lions accomplish. So they will continue to be a “secret”.

The second point about Lions not wanting to brag about themselves is understandable – Lions are very humble people – however letting the community know about the club’s achievements should be looked at more as a combination of teaching the community everything that the Lions help with as well as a thank you to the members who have dedicated themselves to serving. A process that each club is eligible to complete to receive recognition from Lions Club International is the Club Excellence Award.

Enclosed in this newsletter is the application that lists the 7 different areas that needs to be completed during the year to qualify. This award recognizes the broad representation of service that the club has completed and the collective work that the members have done to receive it. Once received it can be used as a proud moment to thank the members for their contributions in being in a select group of clubs to achieve this status as well as a publicity release to the local media about the “excellent” club they have in their community. I believe we have 64 excellent clubs in District F – I encourage you to accomplish the criteria on the application and make it official!

Melvin Jones Fellowship at the State Convention

By PDG Gary Ochs

Any Indiana Lions Club or person that would like to receive their Melvin Jones Fellowship presented during the Indiana Lions State Convention on Saturday April 30, 2016 in Shipshewana, IN. should plan for it now. All will have this unique opportunity for presentation by current Lions Clubs International President Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada and PIP Wayne Madden. What makes this a unique opportunity is because of three reasons. First, your MJF plaque will be presented by the International President Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada; Second, PIP Wayne Madden will be there to assist; and third, this will be a great photo opportunity for you and your Lions Club.

Even if you do not have the actual MJF plaque during the Indiana Lions State Convention, we will make the presentation using a “sample” MJF plaque and you will receive your official plaque later.

Please contact PDG Gary Ochs, Indiana LCIF Multiple District Coordinator by Monday April 20th, 2016 at gochsinlions@att.net or 812-275-7241.



Dues Clarification

By Lion Paul Shane, District 25-F Constitution & Bylaws Chair.

District 25-F Lions,

There is some confusion about the dues collected by District 25-F. What is collected doesn’t match the stated amount listed in the District 25-F Constitution & Bylaws. I will try to explain as best I can where that confusion comes from. In 2005 at a District Convention a resolution was passed to add another \$1.60 to the District 25-F assessment of \$1.00. This brought the total District 25-F assessment to \$2.60 per year. It was felt at that time the District needed the additional money to help defray some of the expenses incurred by the 1st Vice District Governor and the 2nd Vice District Governor. I was not the Constitution & Bylaws Chair at that time. Somehow through oversight that resolution change was never incorporated into and made a permanent part of the District 25-F Constitution & Bylaws. At the District 25-F Convention in March 2016 a change to our District Constitution & Bylaws will be presented to the Membership to incorporate that change and make a permanent part of the District 25-F Constitution & Bylaws. The breakdown of the District 25-F Dues and assessment is as follows.

State Constitution Dues to District Governor	\$2.00 per year
District 25-F Assessment	\$2.60 per year
Total for a year	\$4.60 per year

The following is the change that will be presented at the Spring Convention.

ARTICLE XIII District Administration Fund

Section 1 – Assessment of Dues

The sum specified in the Multiple District 25 Constitution & Bylaws shall provide revenue to defray the administration expenses of the District Governor. In addition a \$2.60 (two dollars and sixty cents) per year assessment will be charged by the Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer. An assessment of \$1.30 (one dollar and thirty cents) will be made during each installment of the dues year.

If there are still questions that exist contact me and I will try to answer them. I can be contacted at (812) 350-2969 or e-mail shanept@yahoo.com.

Directory Changes

State Convention, Page 4
Should be April 28th through May 1st.

Lion Pat Vehorn; Pages 24 and 48
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Lonnie Abrams, Metamora Lions Club President; Page 52
New Phone Number: 765-698-7266

Dr. Matt Maurer, Leo contact for ISBVI, Page 58
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Lions Clubs International, State of Indiana and District News

By Lion Dick Getts, Cabinet Treasurer, Lions District 25-F, Inc.

All Lions Clubs in District 25-F will receive dues invoices in early January, 2016 from the International Association of Lions Clubs and from Lions District 25-F, Inc.

The above dues are based on membership reported to International as of December 31, 2015. The District Cabinet Treasurer will download from International on December 31, 2015 at approximately 11 :00 PM Indiana time the above information. The report will have membership total listed by clubs.



On or about January 1, 2016 each Club President, Secretary and Treasurer will receive an E-Mail invoice for State of Indiana and District 25-F dues.

The above dues are to paid to the Cabinet Treasurer before January 25, 2016 so that the State of Indiana dues collected can be sent the State Comptroller no later than January 31, 2016.

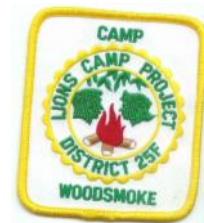
To insure that State and District dues statements are properly received it is suggested that the Club Secretary please send: the Name, E-Mail address and telephone number of the Club's President, Secretary and Treasurer to the Cabinet Treasurer: Lion Dick Getts
RLGETTS@COMCAST.NET.

All incorporated clubs should also check with Indiana Secretary of State for "Entity Filing". Go to search engine type "Indiana Entity Filing". Click on "Business Entity Filing-IN Gov". Click on "File Your Report". Type in name of club. Cost \$7.14. This is the cheapest insurance policy to protect your club.

Clubs and Committees that are not incorporated should incorporate. Committees would keep funds collected in our District under our control and for Clubs it is cheap insurance.

Thank you from Camp Woodsmoke!

By the Trustees of Camp Woodsmoke



Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! to all that helped cutting, hauling, and stacking wood, raking and mowing leaves, changing batteries in smoke alarms and light bulbs in cabins; and anything else that was taken care of around camp. Thanks also to Dave Carter for picking up donuts and lunch.



District Governor's Official Visits: December and January

Wed.	Dec. 2 -	Richmond Noon
Thurs.	Dec. 3 -	Edinburgh
Mon.	Dec. 7-	Franklin Club
Wed.	Dec. 8 -	Bright
Thurs.	Dec. 10 -	Batesville
Wed.	Jan. 6-	North Vernon
Mon.	Jan. 18-	Fairland-Triton
Tues.	Jan. 19 -	Aurora
Mon.	Jan. 25 -	Nettle Creek, Economy, Fountain City, Williamsburg
Tues.	Jan. 26 -	Lawrenceburg
Wed.	Jan. 27 -	Speedway

INDIANA LIONS CONFERENCE SILENT AUCTION REPORT

The Indiana Lions Conference Silent Auction was again very successful this year raising \$1390.00 to support Indiana Youth Programs. Generous donations of items from all MD 25 Districts and vigorous bidding by those attending the conference insured its success.

District 25-F Lions furnished the most auction items which contributed \$498.00 to the profit. For the fourth year in a row PDG John and Lion Linda Scott, District 25-F, were the leading providers of items.

This year's Silent Auction proceeds were shared by the Students Sharing Hearts Leo Club in 25-B, who support us each year, and toward camperships at Indiana Lions Law Camp, Camp John Warvel Diabetes Camp for Children in North Webster, Indiana and Indiana Children's Deaf Camp in Milford, Indiana.

Your Indiana Lions Conference Committee thanks each of you for your attendance and for your support of the Silent Auction at our November 7th Conference.



Indianapolis Chapel Hill Lions Club Complete Vision Screening

By Lion Bob Snyder and Lion Ron Robbins

The Indianapolis Chapel Hill Lions Club has completed the 2015 annual Vision Screening of the 1st, 3rd, & 5th grades in 10 elementary schools and eight grade in 2 Seventh & Eight grade Centers in Wayne Township. This has been an annual community service project by this club for many years. A few years back Chapel Hill Lions decided to provide this vision screening by purchasing the necessary computer equipment and provide the necessary training for the screening personnel. The project has been lead and organized for the last five years by the husband/wife team of Lions Tracy and Carolyn Clayton.



This year screening took place in twelve schools over a period of seven weeks, with 4,314 students screened. Of this number, 1524 or 35 % with vision issues were referred to the school nurse. This referral rate is similar to previous years and indicates the value of this service. Screening was done Mondays and Thursdays in August & September with as many as 15 Lions participating. Screening was done from early morning each day with as many as 562 students screened. On an average day 350 screenings were completed.

Fellow Lions from Ben Davis, Plainfield and Clermont Lions Clubs assisted in this very worthwhile community project. This is a good example of Lions Clubs working together on a project that one club could not have accomplished alone.



The State of Indiana requires annual vision screening be done for students in first, third, fifth and eighth grades. Without Lions volunteering to provide this service, the School Nurse from each school would need to perform this testing. This would be a long and arduous process compared to what 15 trained Lions can do in one morning. As the screening takes place, it becomes apparent as to the value of this screening. In some cases the student's vision is so bad that one wonders how they can process what is presented to them in school.

Once the screening is complete at each school, the screening results are reviewed by Lion Carolyn. These sorted forms are then given to the school nurse for further review. It is then the responsibility of the nurse to notify parents of those children with vision issues. For those children identified to have poor vision, the next step is for them to get a professional eye exam. There are certain cases where a family might be hard-pressed to afford the expense of an eye exam and required eye ware. In those cases the Chapel Hill Lions Club has made special arrangements with Wal-Mart Vision Center to get discounted eye exams and glasses. In verified financial need cases, some assistance may be provided by the Lions Club.

Centennial Coordinator Newsletter



Centennial Service Challenge We are asking clubs to lead through service during the Centennial Celebration. Encourage your clubs to host **at least one Centennial Service Challenge project** in each of our service areas of **youth, vision, hunger and the environment**. So far Lions have served 50 million people—half way to our goal of serving at least 100 million! Remind your clubs report their activities through the MyLCI Service Activity Report so they can receive a special Centennial banner patch. This January, LCI is introducing a new **Centennial Dashboard** on MyLCI that will allow you to see your clubs and district's participation by service activity to help you track the progress of your clubs. More information will be coming soon!



Centennial Celebration Membership Awards We are asking clubs to invite for impact throughout the Centennial Celebration. Help your clubs earn their limited-edition **Centennial Celebration Membership Awards** by encouraging Lions to **invite at least 3 new members** to join their club. You can also help increase membership by supporting your Global Membership Team (GMT), so work with the GMT to get optimal results. Let's work together to strengthen our membership so LCI can be the largest it's ever been by the end of the Centennial in June 2018!



Centennial Community Legacy Projects We're asking Lions to connect with their communities by planning a **Centennial Community Legacy Project**. Legacy Projects are visible gifts that Lions give their communities to commemorate our Centennial and create a lasting legacy of their service contributions. Starting in January, we will encourage all Lions clubs around the world to **complete a Legacy Project by June 30, 2018**. You can help your clubs create a lasting legacy in their community by encouraging clubs to plan a Legacy Project. We will be sharing more information about Legacy Projects with you prior to sharing it with Lions in January, so look forward to receiving more info!



Centennial Training To make sure you have the support you need, we will be offering special training opportunities just for Centennial Coordinators:

- Training for MD Centennial Coordinators will be conducted in January/February, following the GMT/GLT Area Training for DGEs.
- MD Centennial Coordinators training will include an orientation to responsibilities, administrative duties and reporting practices; key Centennial programs and initiatives; and resources available on Lions100. The training will also promote key leadership skills critical to success in the position, and will prepare MD Centennial Coordinators to facilitate their own training for the District Centennial Coordinators in their area.

Look forward to receiving more information in December.

Join the Coordinator Facebook Group The [Centennial Coordinator Facebook Group](#) has over 100 members and counting. Join the group to share ideas and stories, and connect with other Centennial Coordinators like yourself. Join today and be sure to invite other Centennial Coordinators who might be interested.

Lions100.org The [Lions100.org](#) website is still your best source for information on the Centennial. We're expanding the [Centennial Toolbox](#) to provide new resources to support you and your clubs. Check back often for Centennial updates, new tools and more!



November Newswire

This month's issue of Newswire focuses on the GIVING season. This special time of year is an opportunity for Lions to give even more to their communities – whether through the support of eye donations, putting food into the mouths of the hungry, or donating to LCIF. Learn how your club can give back.

Give Back to Your Community in the New Year

This January 10-16, give back to your community by joining the Lions Worldwide Week of Service to Fight Hunger and Poverty. This special international event is designed to bring dignity to the nearly 800 million people in our communities and around the world who go to bed hungry every night. Make a difference by hosting a project impacting hunger and poverty in your community, and you'll help us reach our Centennial goal of serving 100 million people. [Visit the Worldwide Week of Service page](#) for more information and start planning your project today!



Save Sight! Promote Cornea Donation

Lions Eye Bank Week (December 6-12) is an ideal opportunity for Lions to promote the importance of cornea donation to save sight. Increased awareness leads to more tissue donations, which helps eye banks give the gift of sight to even more men, women and children each year. Contact an eye bank near you to explore volunteer opportunities. For more information, [visit the Lions Eye Bank Week page](#).



Lions "Go Blue" for World Diabetes Day

November 14 is World Diabetes Day – a chance to show your club's support in the fight against diabetes. Gather your club, family and friends, dress in blue and form a human circle – the international symbol of diabetes. Consider organizing a diabetes screening, a [Diabetes Strides event](#) or a "Go Blue" project at the nearest diabetes camp or school. Or, light up a city monument in blue. For other ideas, refer to [LCI's 25 Project Ideas for Diabetes Awareness and Action](#). Give your community the education and resources they need to lead healthier lives. Whatever you decide to do, don't forget to [report your service to MyLCI](#) and [submit your photos](#).

Support the U.S. Volunteer Organization Protection Act of 2015

LCI is proud to have taken the lead on this important measure to protect our clubs, strengthen volunteerism and improve the financial health of local nonprofit organizations in the United States. This bill would amend the Volunteer Protection Act of 1997 by affording liability protection to volunteer groups and organizations as they give back to people in need. Please [visit LCI's Advocacy page](#) for additional information, including a new video featuring Tim Shriver of Special Olympics expressing his support of the bill at the 2015 International Convention.

Video: Lions Give Communities Access to Clean Water

In this [video](#) from the Lions Quarterly archives, Lions respond to the global water crisis. With help from Lions and funding from Lions Clubs International Foundation, children are able to safely wash their hands and faces; women spend less time traveling to collect clean water and more time in school; families can grow vegetables to sell in the markets. Access to clean water helps improve health, develop economic opportunities and change lives. [Watch now](#), share on social media and consider [donating to LCIF](#) this giving season to support projects like these.





Dear Lion,

You have an opportunity to lead your club to new levels of success as a club officer. Good leaders can revitalize membership, improve the quality of service and make your Centennial celebration a moment to remember.

Good leadership is more than just natural ability. It's a skill that requires ongoing development in order for leaders to reach their full potential. I encourage you and your club to take advantage of all the great opportunities in Lions to build your leadership skills.

Start by reaching out to your Global Leadership Team. Your GLT district coordinator can recommend and organize local training opportunities to develop new leaders and prepare experienced leaders for a larger role in the district and beyond. And remember to take advantage of LCI's online learning options like self-guided courses, tutorials and webinars that can help you and your Lions develop the skills you want when it's convenient for you.

When you make a commitment to building new leadership skills and developing new Lion leaders, you'll position your club for ongoing success!

Sincerely,

Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada
Your International President



Ava Farrar and Lillian Mackey, students at South Side Middle School, Columbus shown with Columbus LC President Jerry Simo collecting eye glasses at School Fair .



Bright Lions participating in a parade and Halloween community events.





Fortville members Lion John Ritter and Lion James Fuqua receive service chevrons for 30 and 40 years respectively.



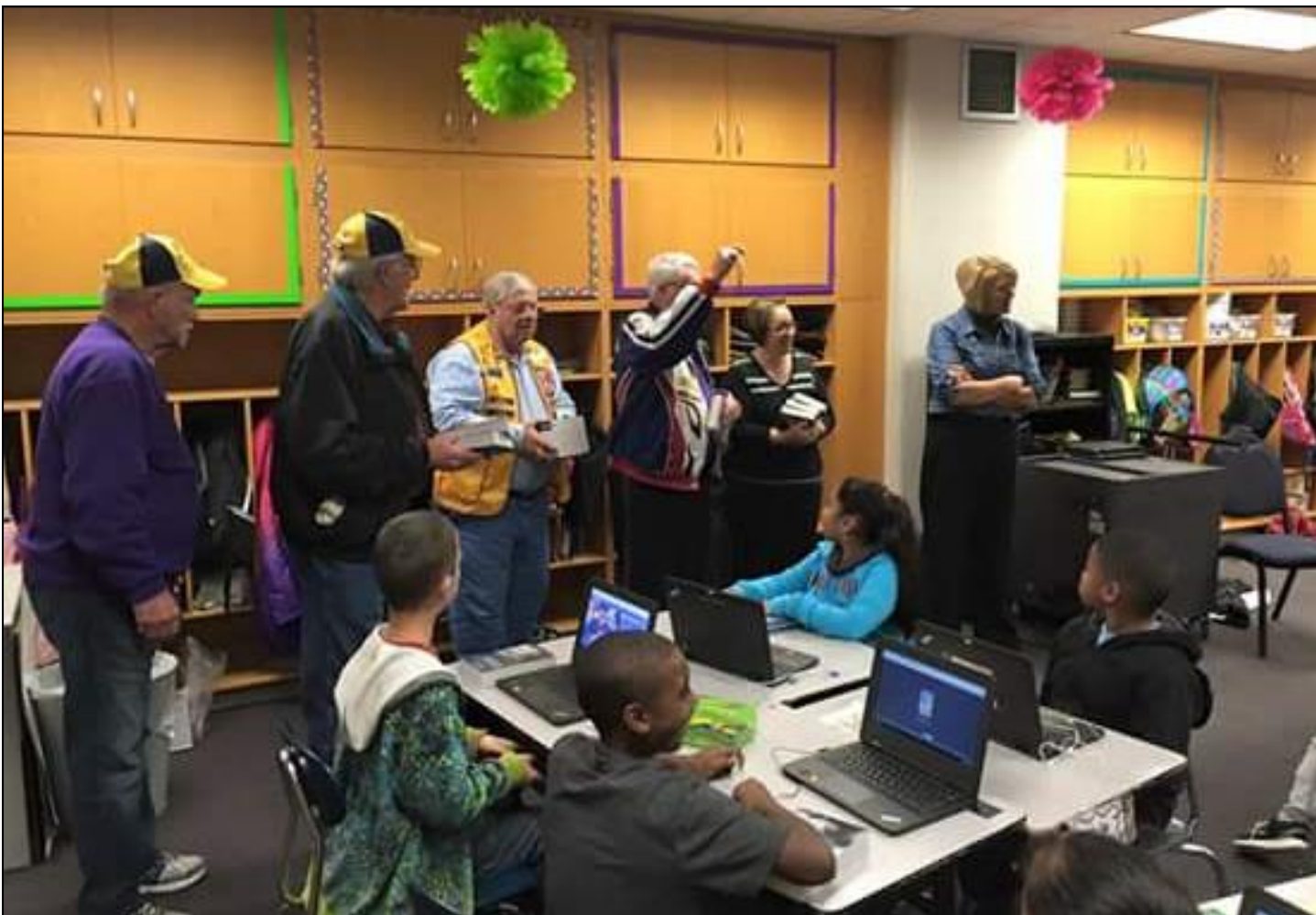
Fortville President Larry Huston, Lion Lee Guthrie, PDG Jack Salsbery, PID Doug Lozier, and PDG Kathy Losier lead Fortville's 90th anniversary celebration.



Lions for Operation Kid Sight USA are busy screening in preschools. Pictured, left to right, are Gayle Feeney and Linda Scott.



Over 2800 preschoolers have been screened so far this year in our district. Screening here, from left to right, are Lions Dionise Salsbery and Sarah Getts. Also participating, but not pictured is Lion Shirley Bocock.



The members of the Ben Davis Lions club distributed dictionaries to 3rd grade students for 6 Wayne Township Schools this year.



The three Lions from the Metamora Club received their 10 year Chevrons. Left to right: DG John, Lion Eva Fuchs, Secretary Connie Ragle, President Lonnie Abrams.



DG John awarded Service Chevrons to Clermont members PCC President Sue Topf for 10 years service, Lion Don Sturdevant for 40 years service, Pat Lybrook for 10 year service and Dan Lybrook for 10 years service.



Pike Lions Club Nov 2 Meeting on November 2nd: PDG Bob Booher presenting Pike Lions John Ellis and Franklin Bradley with W. P. Woods Fellowship. Pictured left to right: PDG Bob Booher, Pike lions John Ellis, Franklin Bradley, and David Straughn.



Barb Simpson received her 15 year service Chevron from DG John at their Official Visit.



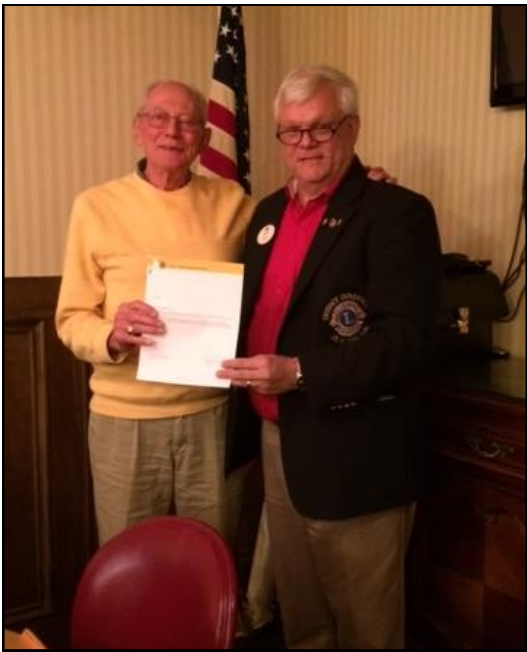
Bob Brand from the Lawrence Club received his 55 year service Chevron from DG John. Way to go!!



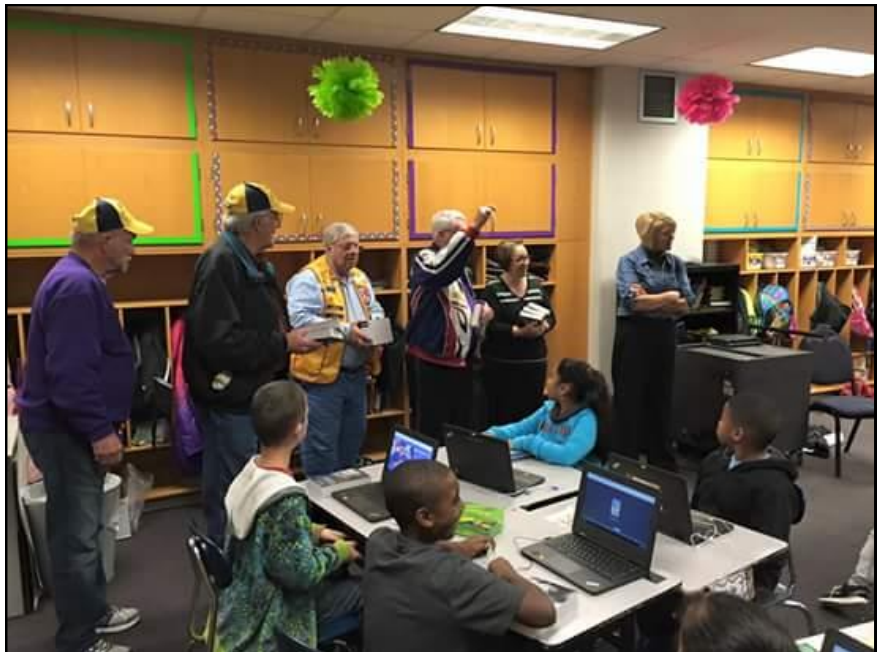
Indianapolis Downtown Club's Terri Stauffer received her 20 year service Chevron.



DG John awarded Service Chevrons to Clermont members PCC President Sue Topf for 10 years service, Lion Don Sturdevant for 40 years service, Pat Lybrook for 10 year service and Dan Lybrook for 10 years service.



Lion Richard Kiefer received his 55 year service chevron from DG John Brown at the Shelbyville Club's Official Visit. Congratulations Lion Richard!



The members of the Ben Davis Lions club distributed dictionaries to 3rd grade students for 6 Wayne Township Schools this year.



New Greater Greenwood member Vicki Gilmore and husband Bob with District Governor John Brown. The induction occurred at DG Brown's Official Visit on October 27, 2015.



DG John was honored to give Lion Jim Jacobi his 30 years of service chevron in the Borden Club.



DG John inducted Robert Waltermann into the Greensburg Lions Club as his sponsor, Herschel Wilson, looks proudly on. (Robert's sponsor is also his grandfather-in-law!)



DG John had the privilege of presenting membership chevrons to Isabelle Royce, 10 years, and Herschel Wilson, 15 years of service in the Greensburg Lions Club.



PDG Jack Salsbery, LCIF KaSondra Byrd, PCC Sue Topf, and PDG Tom Slattery. KaSondra was presented a W.P. Woods Fellowship at International Headquarters on 10 Nov 15. Fellowship presented for her continued support of MD 25 and District 25F.



Ben Davis Lions Club Pancake Breakfast December 12, 2015

Ben Davis University High School

1155 S. High School Rd

Time: 8:00am - 11:00am

Price: \$6.00 at Door

Bring in 4 can goods and get \$1.00 off door sale price.

Pre-sale Tickets from any Ben Davis Lion \$5.00

**Breakfast consists of all you can eat Pancakes,
Sausage, Coffee, Juice and Milk**

A surprise visit from Santa

**We will be collecting the following items:
Eyeglasses, Hearing Aids and Cell Phones**

**We are also collecting can goods and non-
perishable food item for our local pantry.**

Indiana Lions Club District 25F Winter Cabinet Meeting

Host: Osgood Lions Club



Saturday January 30, 2016
St. Maurice Catholic Church Activity Center
Two blocks east of US-421 and St. Rt. 48

8874 N. Harrison St. (State Route 48) Napoleon, IN

Doors open at 8:00 am, Meeting starts at 9:30 am

Coffee, tea, water and pastries
Lunch \$15.00 with advance reservations by 1-16-16
Soup, salad, sandwich, dessert, drinks

Checks Payable to: Osgood Lions Club
Reservations and payment sent to:
Lion Toni McDonald
5756 W. Fairground Rd. Osgood, In 47037
812-689-6699

Name of Members attending _____

Home Club Name _____

Amount Included: _____ x \$15.00 by January 16th
_____ x \$20.00 after January 16th or at the door

Total Amount Included: _____

District Office and Trustee Nominations

It is time to submit your letters of intent to run for a District Office or Trustee position in District 25F.

Anyone who intends to run for District Governor, 1st or 2nd Vice District Governor must submit a request in writing to the District Nominations Chair, David Straughn. You will also need a letter of endorsement from your home club which states that you are a Lion in good standing in that club, and that the club supports you and endorses your candidacy for office. This letter is due 30 days prior to the District Convention. Since the convention is being held on April 29, letters for District Office will be due by March 28, 2016.

Anyone who intends to run for a Trustee of the five state projects , Camp Woodsmoke Trustees and the Indiana Lions Foundation will also need to submit their request in writing, and include the same type letter from your home club. These letters will be due by April 19, 2015, which is ten days prior to the District Convention.

Letters should be submitted to: Lion David Straughn, 8636 Nature Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46278 or straughn@iquest.net.

If you have questions about the requirements for any elected position, you may reference the District 25F. . Constitution and By-laws, may be found on the district website (lions25f.org) under 'Forms'.

If you have further questions, please contact Nominations Chairperson, Lion David Straughn, at (317) 297-1391.



Designed by Lion Janet Fish

Clermont Lions Club (LCI25F)

WEAR THESE Buttons TO ALL YOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS AND FUNDRAISERS

Cost including S&H is approximately \$1 each for 20, depending on Zip code.

Order Information: Wacky Buttons at www.wackybuttons.com 1-585-267-7670

Orders can be called in or placed online at "order@wackybuttons.com"

Design code number is 3761429 Size of button is 2.25 Standard Back Pin

After you order send Wacky Buttons an email letting them know that Lion Janet Fish gave you the order information. Include your club name, where the buttons will be worn.

Doing this usually makes your order arrive sooner. They give Lions Club orders top priority!

Wear them with pride, may your club membership grow!



2015-2016 CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

To qualify the club must be chartered for 6 or more months prior to the end of the fiscal year, further the objectives of the association, adhere to the association's constitution and by-laws and policies, and meet the requirements noted below during the fiscal year.

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Club Number	Club Name	Date
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2015-2016 Club President's Name		Member Number

- ☐ **SERVICE** – The club has conducted at least three service projects. Briefly describe the service activities that were conducted:

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- ☐ **CONTRIBUTION** — The club has made a contribution to LCIF.

- ☐ **MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT** - The club achieved a net growth in membership (including branch club members when applicable) or sponsored a new club. New members attended an orientation and were properly inducted into the club.

☐ Net Growth in Members: ☐ Name of sponsored club or Branch:

- ☐ **COMMUNICATION** – The club has publicized the club's service activities to the public through local media and effectively communicated activities to club members.

Please explain briefly how the club service activities were publicized.

- ☐ **LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT** – All officer positions were filled in accordance with the constitution and bylaws by qualified Lions, the club was represented at zone meetings and a majority of the club officers participated in a leadership training program. The training program could include training offered at the zone, district, multiple district or International level. Online courses from the Lions Learning Center, participation in a Club Excellence Process (CEP) Workshop or completion of the Certified Guiding Lion course also count toward the award.

- ☐ **CLUB ACTIVITY** – The club has hosted regular and meaningful club events and reported Membership Service Activities, and the New Club Officers in a timely manner.

- ☐ **CLUB IN GOOD STANDING** – the club is not in status quo and International dues and new member entrance fees have been paid in full. No more than US\$50 in any other expense due to LCI is outstanding beyond ninety (90) days.

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Date	2015-2016 District Governor's Signature *	District	Member No.

* Applications received from the District Governor's registered email address will be considered signed by the district governor. In undistricted areas the coordinating Lion or provisional zone or region chairpersons should sign the completed form.

The completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or email to clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org, or fax to (630) 706-9273 to arrive by August 31, 2016. Request for review of award eligibility from a disqualified club shall be considered only if received at International Headquarters within 12 months after completion of the fiscal year, provided that the original application form is already filed at International Headquarters. The award will be mailed to the 2016-2017 district governor for presentation. In undistricted areas the award will be mailed to the coordinating Lions or directly to the 2015-2016 club president.

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District Governor's Point Contest

July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016

CLUB:		MONTH:			
MMR REPORTS		DUES			
Online by the 30th	150	International Dues paid by 7/31/15	200		
List of New Officers by May 1, 2016	150	International Dues paid by 1/31/16	200		
Activity Report	100	State Dues paid by 7/31/15	200		
MEMBERSHIP/RETENTION		State Dues paid by 1/31/16	200		
Each New Lion	150	All Dues paid on time (additional)	100		
Reinstated/transfer	100	ZONE MEETINGS (each meeting)			
DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT		President & Secretary	200		
Scheduled by 9/1/15	150	President or Secretary	50		
Scheduled by 10/1/15	75	Each additional Lion	50		
Scheduled by 11/1/15	20	Each non Lion	20		
CLUB VISITATION		President & Secretary attend all	400		
Each Lion (min.2 Lions from same club)	100	LIONS PROGRAMS AT CLUB MEETINGS			
LIONS LAW CAMP		Camp Woodsmoke	150		
Each Camper	100	Cancer Control	150		
LIONS CONFERENCE		Diabetes	150		
Each Lion	200	Eye Bank	150		
USA/CANADA FORUM		Eyeglass Recycling	150		
Each Lion	300	Global Leadership Team	150		
STATE CONVENTION		Global Membership Team	150		
Each Lion	150	Indiana Lions Foundation	150		
CABINET MEETINGS/DISTRICT CONVENTION		ISBAVI	150		
Each Lion	100	Law Camp	150		
CAMP WOODSMOKE		LCIF	150		
Each Lion or guest (per visit)	50	Leader Dog	150		
Work Detail (each Lion)	100	Leo Club	150		
Pork Chop Sunday (each Lion)	50	New Club	150		
Sponsor group at Camp	150	Speech & Hearing	150		
ASSISTING ANOTHER CLUB		Visions Screening Program	150		
Each Lion (per project/per day)	50	Youth Exchange	150		
VISION SCREENING EVENT HOSTED		All Programs an Additional	500		
Each School/site	50	LEADERSHIP TRAINING SESSION			
Each Lion assisting w/screening	50	Officer training (each Lion)	300		
STATE FAIR PROJECTS (FOUNDATION)		All Officers Elect (Pres.,Secr., Treas.,) additional	200		
Each Lion per day	50	Other Leadership training (each Lion)	250		
WHITE CANE PROJECT		NEW FELLOWSHIPS/AWARDS			
Each Lion	25	Lions License Plate (Each Lion)	200		
BANNER NIGHT		W.P. WOODS (each Lion)	300		
Each Lion	50	MELVIN JONES (each Lion)	400		
ATTENDING ANOTHER CLUB FUNCTION		CARTER EVERAGE (each Lion)	300		
Each Lion (NOT a visitation) i.e. pancake breakf	50	RICHARD T. MIYAMOTO (each Lion)	300		
YOUTH EXCHANGE					
Each youth hosted/sponsored	300	TOTAL POINTS			

Points must be submitted to CS Sarah Getts at: district 25fsgetts@comcast.net or by mail postmarked by the 15th of the following month.

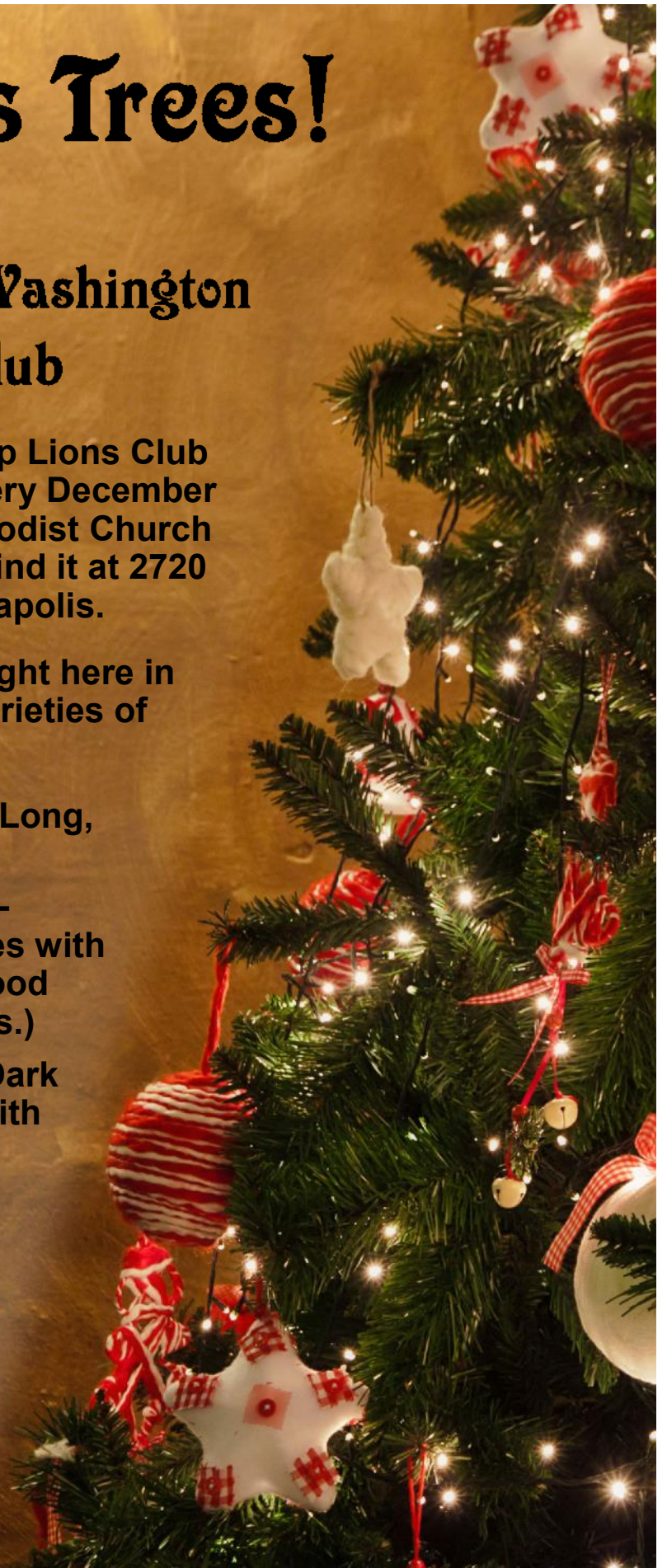
Christmas Trees!

**For sale by
the Indianapolis Washington
Township Lions Club**

**The Washington Township Lions Club
sells Christmas Trees every December
at the Union Chapel Methodist Church
in Indianapolis. You can find it at 2720
East 86th Street in Indianapolis.**

**Trees are sourced from right here in
Indiana. We offer three varieties of
trees:**

- **White Pine (\$35-40) - Long,
soft needles.**
- **Scotch Pine (\$35-40) -
Shorter, stiffer needles with
tougher branches (good
for heavier ornaments.)**
- **Fraser Fir (\$55-60) - Dark
blue-green in color with
pleasant scent, good
form, and excellent
needle retention.
Branches are firm
and turn slightly up-
ward with a soft,
short needle (even
better for heavy
ornaments.)**





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