LIONS DISTRICT 25 A NEWSLETTER

Coming Together to Serve

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District Governor: Patty Cooke-Furlong

Hello 25A Lions:

Lion Jim and I started September at the USA Canada Forum in Louisville. This is a great event for all Lions! You get the chance to meet Lions from all over the United States and Canada! From talking to them you get new ideas for service and fund-raising activities. Then there are all the seminars – about everything from building new clubs to using AI to determine the best location for a new club and then to generate ads to market Lions.



Next year the Forum will be in Atlantic City, NJ from 9/18-20, the following year it goes to Memphis, TN from 9/3-5. Mark your calendars and plan to attend a future forum!

Thank you to those clubs who are adding new members! I have some new memberships packets if they are needed. I also heard that you can now order the 24-25 Packets from LCI.

Then we attended Banner Night – it was fantastic! Thank you Schererville and District 25A Lions for making it a great event. And thank you to two of my fellow District Governors for attending: PCC Bob Hrdy and his dog Finn, DG Jim Bush from 25B and his son Josh, DG Warren Allender and wife Suzy from 25G. Now that we are done partying, it is time to get serious about growing District 25A.

At the end of the month, we headed to Branson, MO and a reunion of Lion Jim's fellow soldiers of the 25th Infantry Division and their wives. It was moving for me to realize that these people have stayed connected since 1969. Oh, the men still tell their stories of their time in service, but they all share other memories of their lives since then – getting married, having kids, losing a family member, growing older, etc. -- and seemed to pick up where they left off at the last reunion two years ago. And all of them seemed to still be serving – not their country, but their families, towns, churches, and neighbors.

In ways it reminded me of the Lions – working together to serve our communities over the course of time. In some clubs this bond is strong, and the club continues to thrive – bringing in other members who want to be part of the Lion 'family'. Other clubs do not build this bond, and members seemed to come and go overtime.

I applaud clubs who are actively recruiting new members but are you retaining them. Do you have a club mentor whose focus is to help new Lions become part of the pride? Do you get your new Lions involved in a service project right away? Are your club meetings fun?

Check these five innovative ways to jazz up your meetings from Lion MaryJane DiMichele:

- 1. **Interactive Polls and Quizzes**: Use live polling or quiz apps to get instant feedback and keep everyone engaged. It's a great way to make discussions more interactive and fun.
- 2. **Themed Meetings**: Give each meeting a unique theme or dress code. Whether it's a retro day or a superhero theme, it adds a fun twist and makes meetings more memorable.

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- 3. **Guest Speakers and Workshops**: Bring in guest speakers or host mini-workshops on interesting topics related to your meeting's agenda. It adds variety and fresh perspectives.
- 4. **Breakout Sessions**: Divide into smaller groups for parts of the meeting to tackle specific tasks or brainstorm ideas. This encourages more participation and keeps things dynamic.
- 5. **Gamify Discussions**: Turn discussions into games or challenges. For instance, use a point system for contributions or create friendly competition with problem-solving tasks.

These approaches can help keep meetings lively and engaging, making them something everyone looks forward to!

Our Mission 1.5 goal is to add 117 new members. However, we have incorporated a loss of 136 members, resulting in a net gain of -19! Let us reduce that drop! Let us hold on to the members we have while adding new members - to truly grow our membership!

Thank you 25A Lions for all you do

Lion Patty Cooke-Furlong

District Governor, 25A

First Vice District Governor: Jim Furlong

Hello. I believe in the Lions Clubs and our goal to serve people. I hope you do too.

Your District Team is currently undertaking their official visits to as many clubs as we can over not only this year but next year as well.



When we meet with clubs, I'd love to have a good time, slap each other on the back and say: "Good job." That's what I'd like to do.

But I'm afraid all too often there's an elephant in the room. In the past two years we've lost four clubs---way too many. And many of those clubs were "sick" long before they surrendered their charter. That sickness is becoming familiar to me and that is the elephant in the room.

What does a "sick" club look like?

- The same club officers, year after year. These officers will burn out eventually.
- The same (too few) people showing up for club activities. Those members will burn out eventually.
- Dwindling numbers of active members results in fewer club activities. Our visibility in the community is dropping making it more difficult to recruit new members.
- Total membership is under 20 members as is the case in 48% of the Clubs in District 25-A.
- Average age of the club is increasing steadily.

That said, I don't believe the above characteristics are a terminal sickness. There is still time and still hope. AND your District Team is here to help. However, the will to become a healthier club starts within the Club. There is nothing that myself, DG Patty, or 2VDG Dave can do if you don't recognize the problem.

So, I ask you, if you see your club in a few of those symptoms above, ask this one question: WHAT WILL THIS CLUB LOOK LIKE IN TWO YEARS? IN FIVE YEARS? And this question should be asked of the club at your next meeting, don't wait for your "Official Visit".

Perhaps you've already recognized the issues and need help confronting them. That's where you're District Team can help. I did not take this job to be a **HEAVY** in this District. I came to help. I am not prone to pointing fingers as to how any club got into difficulty, but I am prepared to dig in and help. I have a Toolkit.

TRUST ME

First Vice District Governor: Jim Furlong

HELP WANTED

THE DISTRICT WOULD LIKE TO ENTER THE 21ST CENTURY AND AUTOMATE THE REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR THIS YEAR'S CONVENTION. <u>DON'T WORRY, YOU CAN</u> <u>STILL USE PAPER, PENCIL, CHECKS AND SNAIL MAIL—THIS WILL ONLY BE AN OPTION.</u>

WHAT I ENVISION IS:

- 1. A FLYER WITH A QR SCAN CODE WHICH WOULD TAKE YOU TO OUR WEBPAGE/FACEBOOK PAGE
- 2. THE REGISTRATION PAGE WOULD ALLOW YOU TO REGISTER ONE OR MORE LIONS WITH:
 - NAME
 - CLUB NAME (DROP DOWN BOX)
 - ADDRESS
 - PHONE NUMBER
 - o EMAIL ADDRESS
 - SIGN UP FOR OPTIONS LIKE MEALS, EVENTS
 - PAYMENT ABILITY WITH CREDIT CARD OR DISTRICT VENMO ACCOUNT DIRECT TO BANK
- 3. ALL CAPTURED DATA WOULD BE PLACED INTO A PRINTABLE EXCEL SPREADSHEET
- 4. A HOTLINK BUTTON TO THE CONVENTION HOTEL THAT WOULD INCLUDE ANY DISCOUNT CODE FOR THE HOTEL
- 5. THE ABILITY TO EASILY MODIFY FOR ANY FUTURE CONVENTION OR OTHER DISTRICT FUNCTIONS LIKE CABINET MEETINGS.

I KNOW I AM ASKING FOR A FAVOR SO I WILL COME TO YOUR HOUSE OR BUSINESS OR YOU CAN COME TO MY HOUSE—WHICHEVER IS MOST CONVENIENT FOR YOU.

CONTACT 1st VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR JIM FURLONG AT 630-699-4278 OR JIMFURL179@AOL.COM IF YOU CAN HELP.

SOMEONE WITH THE SKILLSET TO DO THIS PLEASE CONTACT ME IF YOU CAN HELP. THANKS

State Fair Report—Rose Russell

Two hundred thirty-three Lions, Leos, family members, and friends representing 67 Lions Clubs and Leo Clubs from throughout the state of Indiana worked 6,971 hours for the Indiana Lions Foundation at the 2024 Indiana State Fair.

This project is the Foundation's single largest fundraiser, and we want to thank every volunteer who helped make this our most successful year.

Included on the next page of this newsletter is an announcement about ways to redeem W.P. Woods Fellowship credits earned at the Indiana State Fair, and a form that can be used to transfer credits to another individual or club, or to request a \$200 Community Service Grant from the Indiana Lions Foundation. Please share this information and these forms with Lions in your district.

State Fair Credits Transfer Form

	TRANSFER STATE FAIR CREDITS
Transfer Credits From:	
	(Name of individual or club)
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Rules for Redeeming State Fair Credits

A person (Lion or non-Lion) may use their state fair credits in one of three ways as follows:

1. Expend 10 of their accumulated credits for a W. P. Woods Fellowship for oneself or to give to another person (Lion or non-Lion) in recognition of their commitment to community service

2. Expend 10 of their accumulated credits for a \$200 Community Service Grant for a Lions club located in Indiana. A check for \$200 will be made out to the designated club and mailed to the person using the credits for their presentation to the club in a manner of their choosing.

3. Expend 10 of their accumulated credits for a grant to one of the five Indiana Lions state projects, LCIF, one of the seven MD25 districts or the Indiana Lions Foundation.

A check for \$200 will be made out to the designated state project, LCIF, district or the Foundation and mailed to the requesting person for their presentation to the receiving organization.

A person may wish to present the check to one of their district trustees of the designated state project or perhaps mail the check with a cover letter to the state project with a personal note relating why they are supportive of the work of that state project.

A person (Lion or non-Lion) can transfer their credits to an Indiana club, an MD25 District or to another Lion. Two or more Lions who don't have 10 accumulated credits as individuals could band together and decide to transfer their credits to one person or to a club, who could then amass the required 10 credits to use in one of the three ways stated above.

A Lion or non-Lion may wish to transfer their credits to an MD25 District to allow the District Governor to present W. P. Woods fellowships.

In a fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) a person or club may only use 10 of their accumulated credits either for the \$200 Community Service Grant to a club or for a \$200 grant to one of the state projects, LCIF, MD25 district or the Foundation.

If you have any questions contact one of the Indiana Lions Foundation trustees in your district or one of the following individuals: Lion Rose Russell PCC Sue Topf Lion John Wilkins 574-250-0125 RoseWRussell@gmail.com 317-332-5450 pccsue@indianalions.org 317-408-7515 jw6222@earthlink.net

News Around the District—Schererville Central Lions

Our club has had a busy summer participating in another year of the Lake County Fair Parking and National Night Out. Additionally, we honored our Dollars for Scholars winner and had the chance to participate in the Schererville town parade! We had another successful Candy Day and are looking forward to our annual Octoberfest Pork Chop Dinner September 27!









News Around the District—Koontz Lions Pancake Breakfast

Koontz Lake Lions held their Labor Day Pancake Breakfast fundraiser on Sunday Sept 1st from 8 to noon CT. Over 400 breakfasts were served - Pancakes, sausage and scrambled eggs.

The pancake is held at the Firehouse at Koontz Lake, thanks to the cooperation of the Volunteer Firefighters and their Chief Andy Lawrence. We recruited help from other local organizations, and this resulted in one new member application.

Our pancake griddle is unique and was built for us by a former Lion, Dave Freet. He also maintains the griddle for us, and we have convinced him to rejoin the club!

1. Lions Tom Camire and Jim Yorko at the griddle.



2. Lion Jim Millice and his wife Renee at the welcome desk selling tickets and 50/50 raffle entries.



3. Lions Sandy Santacaterina, Joe Rannells and Candice Gomez busy in the kitchen

4. We went around Koontz Lake the day before with a banner on a boat and a loudspeaker to inform out-of-towners at the sand bar of the event.

News Around the District—Geminus Provider Fair

Lions Carolyn & Barb Toosley attended the Geminus Provider Fair on September 11th. Exchanged great information about Lions and had other organizations wanting information about Kids Sight. Many requested information on how Kids Sight could attend their function. It was a great opportunity to interface with other children orientated groups.





News Around the District—District 25A White Elephant

District 25A WHITE ELEPHANT EVENT

Sunday, November 3rd @ 2pm Seasons Lakehouse in the LOFS (1048 N. Lakeshore Dr, Crown Point, IN)

Bring a wrapped gift to be auctioned off while enjoying the afternoon with fellow Lions, all while we help raise money for the District Convention

Items Must be:

- Functional
- Not Living or Dead



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News Around the District—East Chicago Lions Club



August 24th: Lions and Leos volunteered with The Nature Conservancy to assist in planting native plants to the East Chicago Roxana Marsh.



August 6th: Lions and Leos, participated and volunteered at the East Chicago National Night Out.



September 15th: Both Lions and Leos participated in the Mexican Independence parade in East Chicago, with its 100th year of celebrating in the city and the oldest celebration in the state.

News Around the District—East Chicago Lions Club



August 15th: Lions donated 300 pairs of socks and various food items for the East Chicago Salvation Army food pantry.

October 19th: We will be sponsoring and accepting donations for a free community clothing giveaway at the East Chicago Salvation Army, **see flyer on the next page.**



Free Community Clothing Giveaway



 Location: The Salvation Army East Chicago Corps Community Center 513 W Chicago Ave., East Chicago, IN
 Time: 9:30am to 12:30 pm
 Date: Saturday, October 19, 2024

If you would like to donate items for the event, we will accept new, gently used, clean, clothing and shoes and small housewares.

Donations can be taken to Performance Auto, 4607 Magoun Ave. East Chicago, IN from 8:00am to 4:00pm through October 11th.



Sponsored by The East Chicago Evening Lions Club

News Around the District—LOFS Lions Club



The LOFS Lions Club has made it a goal to work with other groups as part of "We Serve." In the picture to the left, Lion Jennifer Niemeyer poses with lead members of the Challenger Baseball League, a group that works with disabled individuals to play baseball at their own level. The money was raised from a hotdog stand run during the annual Cardboard Boat Race.

In the pictures below, the LOFS Lions Club attended the Story Walk dedication. LOFS provided the funding for Winfield's Story Walk; a program developed by the Crown Point Library to allow families to walk and read a story in an outdoor setting.



News Around the District—St. John's Lions Club

BUNCO-WEEN October 19th



News Around the District—MD-25 Lions Pin Design Contest



News Around the District—Hobart Lions Club

YOU'RE INVITED



Helping to make positive changes

Joe's Spaghetti Dinner



All you can eat Spaghetti, Breadsticks, Salad, Drink & Dessert

(CARRY OUTS AVAILABLE)

Adults \$ 12.00

\$8.00 Children under 10

UNDER 5 FREE

Sunday October 6" 2-6PM

Trinity Lutheran School 891 S Linda St, Hobart Call Joe Sally

219-781-9604 OR 219-942-4433

for tickets

Hobart Lions Club

Connecting with the Community

Help so we can support our projects

Police, Fire, Parks Departments, Food Pantry, softball, baseball, ROTC, backpack food program, Leader Dogs, Cancer, providing medical equipment, provides glasses and vision screening for children

We need your supporting

Supported by a Thrivent Action Team

News Around the District—Crown Point Lions Club

CROWN POINT LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS



Crown Point Lions purchased a chair for the Healing Garden at the new Franciscan Hospital in Crown Point. We requested to use Past District Governor Steven Helmken's motto for the 2023/2024 Lion year "A Beacon of Hope" which seemed perfect for the garden. The Crown Point Lions are also listed on the hospitals donation wall



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Nick Riech, Executive Director of Pack Away Hunger and Georgia Falkenburg, the Crown Point Volunteer Coordinator (pictured left) made a presentation about Pack Away Hunger and the upcoming "Meal Pack" event, October 5, 2024, at the Crown Point High School.

Their mission is to "eliminate hunger in Indiana and around the world which start with providing nutritious food, hunger education and service opportunities". One in five children in Indiana is food insecure, 23% are in Lake County.

The meals packed at the high school cost 35 cents and make 6 meals. Of the meals packed in Crown Point, 90% stay in Lake County and is distributed to many churches and organizations such as food pantries. Volunteers are needed to workfrom 9:30 am to 12:00 pm and 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm. Approximately 100,000 meal packs will be prepared.

To register or donate, visit **rb.gy/gipfpd** Also, for more information visit **packa**wayhunger.org





Jessica Dennev and Faith Evers of Meals on Wheels (pictured above) gave a presentation about their organization and the needs. This is a program that prepares and delivers meals for all ages. They have clients from age 3 to 105, most of which average over 65. They stressed that it is not just about the food which is delicious and very nutritious, but also the interaction between the volunteers and the clients. Many of the recipients look forward to and enjoy the visit from the volunteers even more than the food. These visits can also serve as a wellness check. There is always a need for volunteers, the greatest need being drivers. Some or our Lions expressed their volunteerism with Meals on Wheels as a very rewarding service project.





September 15, 2024 was a special day for "Teal Hearts of NWI". It was their annual walk and the Crown Point Lions were proud to be a part of their day. Teal Hearts Support Group was presented a \$500.00 check in memory of Joan Gang, wife of Lion Ron Gang. The group picture (left) includes Lions and family members of Joan. (pictured lower left).

Joan was one of the founding members of the support group along with Sue Straatman, Market Manager and Volunteer for National Ovarian Cancer Coalition which started in January 2019 and meets once a month and has a zoom meeting once a month for fellowship and companionship in their journeys. You can contact her via email, <u>tealheartsnwi@gmail.com</u>, check out their face book at Teal Hearts NWI. For more information about ovarian cancer go to <u>northwestin@ovarian.org</u>.

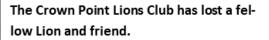


Officer Jeff Gang, Joan's son thanked the Lions for honoring his mother.

News Around the District—Crown Point Lions Club







Dom DiMichele joined the Crown Point Lions Club January 2020. His sponsor, the love of his life, was Mary Jane, his wife. Dom was inducted at our Presidents Night by the then District Governor, Mitch Semans.

Dom was a faithful attendee to club meetings and earned the perfect attendance award every year of his membership. He contributed to many discussions the club had about service projects and club possibilities.

Dom also brought a fundraiser idea to the club, to run the concession stand for the Coin and Currency Club Shows. All money raised in sales went to the club.

Dom was the 50/50 Chair for Bingo and also served in many of the club activities.

As you can see by the pictures (left) he was always smiling. The club was proud to have him as a Lion and a friend.

Even before Lions Dom became a member of the Lions organization, he was very active in the community and helping others with his passion of stamp and coin collecting.

Dom's greatest passion surpassing that of stamp and coin collecting was traveling and the love he had for Mary Jane and his daughters.

He will be missed.

News Around the District—Crown Point Lions Club



Crown Point Lions Club Holiday Bingo

Thursday, November 21, 2025

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM * FIRST BINGO AT 6:00 PM

St. Elijah Church 8700 Taft Street - Merrillville, IN

Tickets are available at the door or presale from a Crown Point Lion

\$6.00/Person



Bingo and Door Prizes

Bring used eye glasses and receive extra Bingo cards

Tip Boards for Bacon, Sausage, Hams, etc.

50/50

Money Bingos

Loads of Prizes and Fun.

License #001729 - Event #161457

District 25-A Cabinet Meeting Flyer

District 25A 2 nd Cabinet Meeting Governor Patty Cooke-Furlong Sunday, October 20, 2024 Center of LaCrosse 100 S Washington St, LaCrosse, IN 46348
1:00 PM CST
Cost: \$15.00
Pork Burgers/Italian Beef, Potato & Pasta Salads (no meat), Dessert & Beverage
Club, Zone, and Committee reports should be submitted via email to CS Robin Smith by 10/16 - <u>mswolfen@aol.com</u>
Please RSVP to CS Robin Smith by October 16, 2024
Name: Title:
Name: Title:
Number attending X \$15.00 =
Make checks payable to: LaCrosse Lions Club
Mail to: CS Robin Smith 745-1 Capitol Rd, Valparaiso, IN 46385 Cell: 219-916-4549 Home: 219-364-9432

Other Upcoming Events in the District

OCTOBER

PACKAGING FOR THE HUNGRY – CROWN POINT SATURDAY = OCTOBER 5TH Crown Point HS 8:30-11 shift or 1:3pm shift

> <u>CABINET MEETING</u> Sunday – Oct. 20th 1-4pm CDT LaCrosse Lions Club

SCHERERVILLE FUNDRAISER AT CULVERS Tues – Oct 22d 3-8 PM AT SCHERERVILLE Location

HALLOWEEK FESTIVAL – SCHERERVILLE CENTRAL Sat. Oct.26th At Safety Village

NOVEMBER

<u>CROWN POINT BINGO</u> Thursday, Nov. 21st Doors open at 5pm Location?

JANUARY 2025

<u>MID-WINTER CONFERENCE</u> Friday-Saturday January 17 & 18th Crown Point Indianapolis Airport

<u>CABINET MEETING – SOUTH HAVEN LC</u> Saturday – Jan. 25th 9-12 CDT

District Governor's Calendar

Kouts OVThursday10/3/20242nd Council, MiddleburySaturday10/5/2024Hobart Spaghetti DinnerSunday10/6/2024PDG Weekend, New Harmony10/11/202410/13/20242nd Cabinet, LacrosseSunday10/20/2024Zone 3 MeetingThursday10/10/2024Zone 1 MeetingWednesday10/16/2024Montery OVThursday10/17/2024St. John BuncoSaturday10/19/2024
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LOFS OV Wednesday 10/23/2024
25A White Elephant Event Sunday 11/3/2024
St. John OV Thursday 11/7/2024
Whiting OV Thursday 11/14/2024
Meeting in Arizona Sunday 11/17/2024 11/21/2024
Koontz Lake Thursday 11/21/2024
MD25 Holiday Gathering Saturday 12/7/2024
Speech & Hearing Brunch Sunday 12/8/2024
South Haven OV Thursday 12/12/2024
Star City OV Tuesday 12/17/2024

Membership

DISTRICT 25-A New Members

CHESTERTON LIONS CLUB LISA M STROOP Joined: 07/04/2024 Sponsor: THOMAS LEE

<u>CROWN POINT LIONS CLUB</u> BEATA EAGAN Joined: 09/19/2024 Sponsor: CARLA SMOLEK PAMELA J GRAY Joined: 09/19/2024 Sponsor: CARLA SMOLEK

KOONTZ LAKE LIONS CLUB CANDICE GOMEZ Joined: 09/23/2024 Sponsor: SARA YORKO FRANK GOMEZ Joined: 09/23/2024 Sponsor: JAMES YORKO CATHY HENSELL Joined: 09/23/2024 Sponsor: SARA YORKO

<u>MUNSTER LIONS CLUB</u> BRIAN CUMMINGS Joined: 09/04/2024 Sponsor: MICHAEL MEZEY

VALPARAISO LIONS CLUB CHRISTINE ZYGMONT Joined: 09/01/2024 Sponsor: TOM CATH

Memorial: District 25-A Members Who Have Passed Away

<u>CROWN POINT LIONS CLUB</u> DOMINICK E DIMICHELE Joined: 01/02/2020

WHEATFIELD LIONS CLUB THOMAS E STRAIN Joined: 01/01/2010

District Governor's Banner Night



Schererville Lions - Kristi Nance-Hmurovich, Robin Arvanitis and Tom Talaga.

CS Robin Smith, VDG "Jake" and our D.J.

DG Jim Bush, 25B, DG Patty Cooke-Furlong, PCC Bob Hardy, Finn, and DG Warren Allendar from 24G