



Lions Club- District 25-B



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GOOD NEWS FOR DISTRICT B

Club Excellence

From the Desk of DG Ken Krauter

We have some clubs who have gained membership and are ready to become Club Excellence Award recipients. Is your club a member of this group? I start with my home club Huntertown Lions who have gained 5 new members. Next, look at the following clubs; the Ossian Lions Club, the Heritage Lions Club and the Woodburn Lions have each gained four new members. The Albion Lions and the Fort Wayne Central Lions have each gained two new members. In one group we have the Anthony Wayne Lions, St. Joe Lions, Rome City/ Brimfield Lions, Ligonier Lions, Shoaff Park Lions, Bluffton Lions, Waterloo Lions, Arcola Lions, and Auburn Classic Lions. We are growing and we are getting closer to the goal which was set. Thank you for all you do to make us great- you have done an amazing job everyone.

More good news, the Zanesville Lions have started a new Leo Club. This club has Melba Edwards as one of the sponsors and over 25 new Leo Members. LCI has recognized this new Leo club on February 15, 2016.

CLUB NEWS: The St. Joe Lions are putting a new sign up to point the way to the covered bridge. The Waynedale Lions held their first Food for Shoes fundraiser, a project that ROARS. The DuPont Lions are working on becoming the first Cyber Lions club in District "B". This is how it works: a member will call on their phone or on their computer a specific number and enter a pass code. That's it; simple as pie. Just talk and respond just as you would do at a normal meeting. We hope this will be the way of the future for some additional Lions club meetings.

The "Club Excellence Award" is a goal that all clubs should be working toward. The club that achieves it, is a club that is better serving its community and better taking care of its members; that should be the mission of all clubs!

The requirements for the award are those things that any good club should be doing: meeting regularly, paying their bills, developing their membership, providing leadership opportunities for their members, supporting their Foundation and most importantly providing service to their community.

Some of the requirements your club is probably already doing; some require planning and effort to complete.

We all know that growing our club's membership is not easy; but it can be done. Last year about 1/3 of our clubs grew; more could have done that with some planning and effort.

Most of the requirements are easy: you are already meeting regularly and doing service projects; you can easily file reports and pay your bills on time; a contribution to LCIF is easy (support of our award winning Foundation is something all clubs should do and no minimum is specified).

Leadership development opportunities are provided by the district: Zone Meetings have been provided in most of our zones with more scheduled; the District Convention is scheduled for March 19th, in Fort Wayne, with a variety of workshops designed for all members (bring your newer members and help them broaden their perspective of Lionism). The State Convention will be held in our district (Shipshewana) in April with the same opportunities available to all members. Three

Officer Training sessions will be held in May: one in Ashley, one in Fort Wayne and one in Monroe. See that your officers are there.

A copy of the "Club Excellence Award" application is included in the newsletter. Club Excellence should not be an option but something all clubs strive for; your members will benefit as will your community.

Lion Bev Fiandt, Ft. Wayne Central, composed 10 Membership Minutes to promote membership for Central several years ago. This information is timeless and a good source to educate new Lions and remind seasoned Lions of our beginnings and purpose.

March Membership Key

Submitted by: PDG Kaylene Souers, 25B GMT Coordinator

The 25B District Convention is just around the corner. Have you sent in your registration and filled your car with Lions from your club? Do it now while it's at the front of your mind. The registration form is in this newsletter.

1st VDG AI has 3 great workshops lined up. I encourage you to invite Lions who have joined within the last few years to attend the Lions Orientation session. We all do our best to make sure our members understand how our club operates and even what happens around the District and State, but there are always new things we can learn that will excite and energize us.

Speaking of new members, have you invited a friend or family member to join you lately at a club project or meeting? It's never too late. The weather will start to warm up, the snowbirds will return and spring projects will be in high gear. Now is the time to extend that invitation you've been thinking about.

In a recent communication from International President Yamada, he shared these statements ...

"New members energize your club, bring fresh ideas and position your club for ongoing success. And new members also have a tremendous impact on your ability to serve. On average, each

*new Lion serves 50 people a year. That's 50 more helping hands and 50 more smiles. That's 50 more lives that you can change by inviting a new member. And it all starts by asking one family member, friend or neighbor to serve with you. That's all it takes to increase your impact, so **Ask One today!**"*

See you at the District Convention!

Membership Minute **Segment 3 (2 minutes)**

Submitted by: PDG Kaylene Souers

During Membership Minute we have been looking back to 1917 to the beginning of Lionism. Across the country, businessmen found their clubs to be lacking something essential –Purpose. We looked at the symbolic reasons our Lions' colors were carefully chosen. We also took a close look at the objects, seeing the first object influenced by the major war of their time, is to Foster Understanding Among the Peoples of the World.

Now take a look at the delegates' impressive list of Ethics. This list serves as a vision to finding new members and an inspiration to all Lions and their clubs. The Lions Code of Ethics is a guideline for the personal values that each Lion should exemplify.

- To SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application, to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.
- To SEEK success, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect.
- To REMEMBER that in building up my business, it is not necessary to tear down another's.
- WHENEVER A DOUBT ARISES as to the right or ethics of my position or action toward others, to resolve such doubt against myself.
- TO HOLD FRIENDSHIP AS AN END and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists, not on account of the service performed by one to another, but demands nothing and accepts service in the spirit it is given.
- ALWAYS bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my

community; and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed.

- TO AID OTHERS by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.
- And last, but not least, TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and LIBERAL with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

This list of ethics created by the founding fathers of Lionism in October 1917 at the first convention in Dallas has served Lions well for almost 100 years.

New Members

Albion

Lauren Hansel sponsored by Robert Beckley
Philip Lock sponsored by Christina Magnuson
Anthony Wayne
Millie Coffman

Arcola

Linda Parish sponsored by William Brumbaugh

Auburn Classic

Doug Norrick – transfer

Bluffton

Thomas Genska

Central

John Butler - transfer
Margaret Keesler sponsored by Michael Keesler

Shoaff Park

Thomas Blaugh sponsored by William Ternet

Huntertown

Richard Williams sponsored by Philip Ginder
Tina Williams sponsored by Howard Gudakunst

Ligonier

Gary Stover sponsored by Kent Saggars

Ossian

Gaye Marotti sponsored by Roger Cash

Rome City Brimfield

Paul Hoffman sponsored by Cindy O'Brien

St. Joe

Lee Yoder sponsored by Tony Miller

Waterloo

Susan Steinman sponsored by William Hubartt

Woodburn

Todd Carpenter sponsored by Robert Buck
Martin Powell sponsored by Dennis Miesle
Chad Wood sponsored by Lynn Fish
Linda Wunderlin sponsored by Dennis Miesle

Deceased

Bippus – Douglas Boone

Central – Alan Cyr

Woodburn – James Bridge

Leader Dogs for the Blind Trip

Due to popular requests we are once again taking a trip to **Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester Michigan.**

We will be leaving from Indianapolis on April 7th and returning on April 8th. We will park our vehicles at Southport Baptist Church at 2901 East Banta Road where they will be monitored by the Southport Police Department. We will visit the puppies, kennels, and see how these wonderful animals are trained.

The trip will include:

- Transportation to and from *Leader Dogs for the Blind*.
- Overnight stay at the Quality Inn in Troy Michigan.
- Transportation to and from the Greek Town Casino Thursday Evening.
- Breakfast at the Inn on Friday morning
- Lunch at *Leader Dogs for the Blind*.
- Free snacks and drinks on the bus to and from Michigan
- Door prizes and give a ways during the trip

The all inclusive cost is **\$175.00** per person.

Cash, Check or Credit Card

Please contact Alescia Johnson at 317-250-3556 or Bob Roe at 317-797-3294.

We must have at least 20 seats sold to make the trip. If you pay in advance and we don't get the required number of participants your money will be refunded. Seating is limited and is on a first come first served basis.

A Lion Odyssey

Submitted by: Lion Roger Cash, 2VDG

It has been a strange but wonderful year in Lions for me. After moving up from Texas to Indiana I felt I had to get back into Lions. I Drop by the local club in Ossian. Found a wonderful group of Lions. Shortly after joining the club I was asked to represent the club at a Zone meeting that was to be held in Decatur.

At that meeting I shared some of my background in the Lion Clubs and Districts. Then things started happening. I was asked if I might be willing to serve as 2VDG for the district since that office was open. I agreed and began visiting clubs as the District Governor asked me to. I also sponsored three new members into the Lion Club of Ossian. Two of these new members have agreed to serve as club officer for the Lion year 2015-16.

There were a few hic ups along the road to being officially appointed as 2VDG. I got to meet many Lions in Indiana as I attended various State and District Cabinet meetings and Training Forums. Along the way I was also appointed as Zone Chair to Zone C MD25-B.

Yes this has been a strange and busy year. However, it has been a wonderful time of service, making of friends and getting to know the District. I look forward to serving the District and all of the Lions there in as they see fit.

Now let me shift gears and speak of some things I have noticed in my travels. First, I have found that there are many great and wonderful Lions throughout the District. They are hard working and want to serve their communities. However, there appears to be so problems with getting information out to our Lions. As I tried to contact the various clubs I found many bad or missing e-mail addresses and phone numbers. This does make communications a bit difficult. I also noted that several club officers are struggling to perform their duties because of the lack of training. I am very encouraged by the District planning various training sessions throughout the District. I encourage all new club officers to take full advantage of these training opportunities.

Personal Hygiene Collection

The Lions of Ossian are collecting Personal Hygiene Items such as shampoo, razors, toothpaste, tooth brushes, combs, hair brushes, hand and body soaps, etc. The collected items will be delivered to the Ossian Food Bank to be distributed to those in need.

Chair Person: Lion Diane Holloway
www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/Ossian
Face Book: Lions Club of Ossian

RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS

On Thursday March 3, 2016 the Lions Club of Ossian delivered a large selection of snacks and activity items to the residents of the Ossian Health Care Center for Random Acts of Kindness Week. Pictured are residents Donna Helms, left and Ilene Meyer, right. Also pictured is Club President Joyce Kamerer, left and Staff Member Jan Earnest.



The Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Needs YOU

The Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired trustees are seeking your help on Saturday, May 21. This is the date scheduled for our annual workday at the school. The Indiana Lions have supported ISBVI not only financially but also physically for many years. Here is an opportunity to help a state project in a hands-on way. There will be a number of inside and outside jobs to do that day. Registration begins at 8:30 with work beginning at 9:00. Lunch will be provided. We are usually done by 3:00. Get a carload from your club to attend!! If attending, please contact Al Arnold by phone or email by May 13 so we can have an accurate count for lunch. Contact information is 260-692-6610 or pamalarn@centurylink.net. Thank you for your support of this state project.

Reminder for Next Cabinet Meeting

Our next Cabinet meeting will be held on Sunday, May 15th at the Roanoke Cottage Event Center the address is: 9524 US 24 in Roanoke. Dinner will be served at 1:00pm.

Status of the USABA Project to Construct Residential Facility for Blind Athletes

Submitted by: DG Kenneth Krauter

The following aspects of the project have been completed:

- 10/23/2015 Property Purchased by Turnstone
- 10/09/2015 Environmental Testing, Site Design, and Zoning Approval
- 12/01/2015 Final Determination on Build-House#1/ House#2 (USABA)
- 12/15/2015 Final Zoning Approval
- 09/15/2015 to 12/31/2015 Requested Funding from District 25B Clubs
- Verified the collection of the required US \$50,000 in local matching funding.
- The clubs of District 25B have exceeded our goal by \$3,677.97.
- 01/15/2016 placed an order for a plaque bearing the LCIF Logo.

At this time Adventure Homes & Dealer is requesting additional funds; thus the project is on hold. Turnstone and USABA group are determining and negotiating the final home/delivery and installation price.

Zanesville Lions Club

The fund for the handicapped van for Tam Sadler has reached \$15,000. A used van that will accommodate Tom has been located but the cost is \$26,000. Therefore there is a need for donations to purchase this van. Please send donations to Markle Church of Christ, Box 35, Markle, Indiana 46770.

61st Annual District 25B Convention

Saturday, March 19, 2016
Holiday Inn IPFW, Ft. Wayne, IN
Across from the Coliseum

Guest Speaker: ID Karla Harris from South Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. with opening session at 9:00

Continental Breakfast: bagels, Danish, coffee, and juice

Little Italy Lunch: Fettuccini, grilled chicken breast, alfredo sauce, penne pasta baked with marinara and mozzarella cheese, Caesar salad, breadsticks, lemonade, coffee

We will be holding workshops on "Lions 101: Everything a New Lion needs to Know", "The Lions Centennial Celebration", "Leadership Opportunities at the District and State Level", and "Ready, Set, Grow!!"

If you are a first time attendee of a District Convention, you will have an opportunity to have your registration reimbursed by attending a workshop. Details will be given at the Convention. There will also be a special prize to the club president that is present with the most club members in attendance.

Early Bird registration cost is \$26 prior to March 1. From March 1 to March 14 cost is \$32. No reservations accepted after March 14.

Anyone wishing to have a table for a display should contact VDG Al Arnold at 260-692-6610 or email pamalarn@centurylink.net

Volunteers Needed!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 <i>Turnstone Zone Meeting 6-8:30 PM</i>	4	5
6	7 <i>Kendallville Lions Official Meeting 6:15 PM</i>	8	9	10 <i>Andrews Lions Official Meeting 7 PM</i>	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 <i>District Convention IPFW Holliday Inn 8:30 AM- 5:00 PM</i>	19 <i>District Convention IPFW Holliday Inn 8:30 AM- 5:00 PM</i>
20	21	22	23	24 <i>Bippus Lions Official Meeting 6:00 PM</i>	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		<i>Next Cabinet Meeting is May 15, 2016 at 1 PM</i>



Cedar Creek Lions



Monroe Lions Club

Sunday Breakfast Buffet

To Benefit Honor Flight
of Northeast Indiana
Sunday, April 3, 2016



Time: 8:30-12:30

Place: American Legion Post
420,
Monroeville, IN

Cost: 11yrs & Older \$7.00
5-10 yrs- \$4.00
4 yrs & younger- Free

More Info: 260-623-2120

High Chairs & Booster Seats will
be available

~ Menu~

Sausage
Scrambled Eggs
Biscuits & Gravy
Pancakes
Applesauce
Tropical Fruit
Coffee, Milk &
Juice

All proceeds will benefit Honor Flight
of Northeast Indiana

61st District 25B Annual Convention

25B Annual Convention Order of Business

March 19, 2016

Holiday Inn @ IPFW/Coliseum

Convention Host: Monroe Lions Club

8:15 – 9:00 a.m. Convention Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:15 – 11:30 a.m. Delegate Registration

9:00 a.m. Opening Session

- **Call to Order: VDG Al Arnold**
- **Pledge of Allegiance: 2VDG Roger Cash**
- **“America”: PDG Kaylene Souers**
- **Invocation: Lion Gerald Smelser**
- **Introduction of Governor: VDG Al Arnold**

9:10 a.m. Memorial Service

9:30 a.m. Morning Session

- **Report on Rules: PCC Herb Gaff**

Morning Session (continued)

- **Election Committee Report: PDG Joseph Frymier**
- **Nomination of 2VDG**
- **Nomination of 1VDG**
- **Nomination of District Governor**
- **State Projects Reports**
- **Indiana Lions Foundation Report**

11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Workshops

- **Lions 101: PDG Dick Dodge, PDG Bob Howard, PDG Jim Wyatt**
- **The Lions Centennial: PCC Bob Morton**
- **State and District Leadership Opportunities: PID Dave Fiandt, VDG Al Arnold**
- **Ready, Set, Grow!!: ID Karla Harris, Lion Clarence Harris**

11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Voting

12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. Afternoon Session

- **Introduction of Keynote Speaker**
- **International Director Address**
- **Special Presentations**

1:45 p.m. Business Session

- **Call to Order: DG Ken Krauter**
- **Secretary's Report: Cabinet Secretary Cheryl Okuly**
- **Treasurer's Report: Cabinet Treasurer PDG Richard Hill**
- **Election Results: PDG Joseph Frymier**
- **Lions Centennial Report: PCC Robert Morton**
- **Remarks: DG Ken Krauter**
- **Resolutions: PCC Herb Gaff**
- **Introduction of District Governor Elect: DG Ken Krauter**
- **Introduction of 1st VDG Elect**
- **Introduction of 2nd VDG Elect**
- **Special Awards**
- **50/50 Drawing**
- **Benediction: Lion Gerald Smelser**





Lions of Multiple Districts - 25

Show your pride of Lionism with an official Lions Clubs of Indiana license plate. When you purchase or renew your Lions Clubs plate, a \$25 contribution will be designated to the Indiana Lions Foundation Grant Project. The Grants assist our Lions Clubs, Districts, and State Projects throughout Indiana to help carry out their charitable purposes.

For more information on how you can show your Lions Pride whenever you travel, visit:
indianalionsfoundationmd25.org



Indiana Lions 2016 State Convention

“In the Heart of Amish Country”
Shipshewana, Indiana

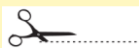
April 29—May 1, 2016

Convention Booklet Advertising Application

- Promote an upcoming event for your Club, District or Business
- Honor your club's Melvin Jones or W.P. Woods Fellows or your Past District Governors
- Thank your District Governor for a great 2015-16 Lions Year

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Please send this application with check made payable to 2016 Indiana Lions State Convention to
PDG Ann Haffner, 11268 N. St. Rd. 13, Syracuse, IN 46567



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Registration form for District 25B Convention
March 19, 2016
Holiday Inn IPFW, Ft. Wayne, IN

Cost: \$26 prior to March 1
\$32 between March 1 and March 14
No reservations accepted after March 14

Make checks payable to Monroe Lions Club

Send reservations to:
VDG Alan Arnold
595 E. State Rd. 124
Monroe, IN 46772

_____ Check if first time District Convention attendee

Names of first time attendees_____

Please indicate after name which workshop you would like to attend.

A. Lions 101 B. The Lions Centennial
C. Leadership Opportunities D. Ready, Set, Grow!!

Club _____

Lion_____workshop_____

Guest/Lion_____workshop_____

Guest/Lion_____workshop_____

Number of reservations @ \$26/\$32 _____

Total amount due: _____ Total amount paid:_____

Special diet: Gluten Free_____ Diabetic _____

New Monroeville Lions being Inducted by DG Ken



Fort Wayne Shoaff Park Lions
at Turnstone to see the facility
and Goal Ball demo!

