

## DISTRICT 25B

AUGUST 2016



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Issue II

### DISTRICT GOVERNOR COLUMN

I'm off and running just ready to round first base!! My theme this year is a baseball theme, "Step Up to the Plate". We need Lions who are willing to step up and serve their clubs, their district, and their state. More will be shared on this when I visit your club for my official visit. So if you haven't already done so, please contact me and get yours scheduled as soon as possible.

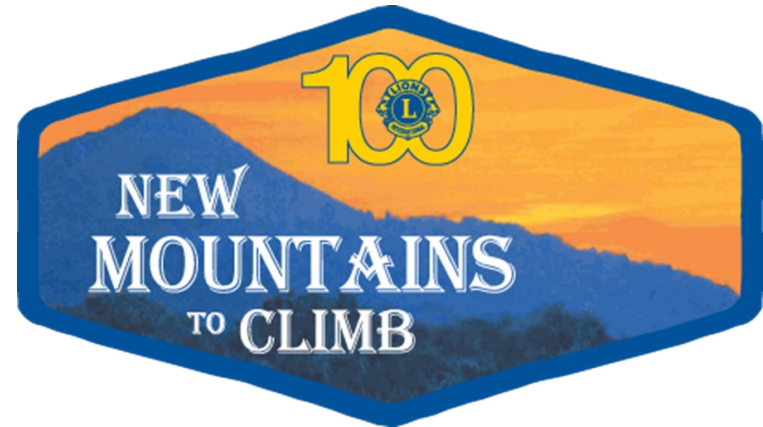
I do have a few other goals that I would like each club to try and achieve this year.

- \*Try and have all new club members (1 or 2 year members) to serve on the Board of Directors or be on a club project planning committee. This should help with retaining new members.
- \*Each club promote and implement one community service project that includes the participation of non-Lions. This should help to bring in new members once they see how the club helps the community.
- \*Qualify for the Club Excellence Award. This will help your club to become a better club.
- \*Have your club or group of clubs have displays or booths at community events. This will help promote Lionism. Especially promote our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- \*Participate in the district Kate's Kart project. Kate's Kart is an organization that places books in the hands of children up to the age of 18 that require hospital stays. Learn more about this project at our first cabinet meeting on August 14.

Please keep me informed of any fundraisers your club is planning. I would like to attend as many as possible. Also, contact Jean Howard with information about your fundraiser so we can get it in the newsletter.

So let's get excited, step up to the plate, and have a really great Lions year!!

DG Al



International President Bob Corlew has chosen the theme "New Mountains to Climb". Following is an excerpt from a piece that he wrote explaining what these words represent.

"Climbing a mountain is used as a metaphor for many daily situations people confront. It represents something that is difficult and arduous and that takes a maximum effort to scale. But it is only by climbing those mountains that we ever excel to our fullest. Each mountain represents a new challenge – a new opportunity."

"As our world continues to change, each of us face new challenges – new opportunities to serve others. Blindness, measles, other health risks, food insecurity, lack of clean water, war and civil unrest – all represent challenges for countless people around the world, and they represent opportunities for Lions as we work to make the world a better place. Lions must continue to climb upward, finding new ways to serve. Every mountain represents a new opportunity for Lions, and scaling each mountain provides each of us a chance to make the world better for another person."

"As we commence a year of celebrating 100 years of community service – honoring our past and embracing our present – it is our future that we must plan and begin to forge. Our future is bright. But speaking metaphorically, if we are to ascend the next mountain, we must lay out a trail in front of us; we must mark our trail for future generations of Lions who follow, and preserve our tradition of service."

"Reaching the top of a mountain is not the end of a journey; it is the beginning of another. A new opportunity."

So as you face new mountains to climb, keep in mind that each obstacle you may face can make you a stronger individual and club.

DG Al

## VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S PAGE

### HOW DO WE SHOW

In several exit interviews with those who have left Lions three things kept coming up. One was that Lions had not meet their needs, another was they just didn't have time, but the most common reason for leaving was the lack of recognition for what they had done.

Now they were not looking for some big or fancy gift or plaque but they often said they go no thanks or positive reinforcement for their service. And I must say many clubs often forget to brag on those who have done a good job.

Now there are two basic categories of recognition for people. The first is formal and the second is informal. The formal would be like a Melvin Jones Fellowship, Lion of the Year, and certificate of appreciation. Under the informal just a simple thanks for a good job, mention in the club news letter or press release to the local paper. Some clubs set aside a few minutes every so often to brag on those who have served on committees or volunteered to help with a project. Others have an award night once a year to recognize those who have served as club and or district officers for the year along with the various committee members and those who donated funds and service to the club.

There are many ways to recognize a member for their service but when we do it must be to the point and sincere. By to the point we mean about the one being recognized and not all about the project or service. As far as sincere it must be heartfelt and meaningful. For example, many years back while working with a Cub Scout pack we presented a parent with "The Xerox" award for making copies for us. Years later hanging in her office next to her law degree was the award.

Only recently I presented a fellow Lion a centennial mug for agreeing to serve one more year as club president. These were simple acts of recognition but they went a long ways in the hearts of those involved.

So, now I am asking how does your club recognize the work your members do. Do you have any plans or even thoughts about recognition?

VDG Roger Cash



## FIRST CABINET MEETING

**August 14, 2016**

**Monroe United Methodist Church,  
201 S. Van Buren  
Monroe, IN**

PDG meeting at 12:30

Cabinet meeting at 1:00

Guest speaker: Krista Layman from Kate's Kart

Cost is \$12



**Registration deadline is Monday, August 8, 2016**

Make checks payable to Monroe Lions Club.

Send to Lion Ron Stuckey

PO Box 206

Monroe, IN 46772

**BRING A DOOR PRIZE**

**Club** \_\_\_\_\_

**Lion/Guest** \_\_\_\_\_

**Lion/Guest** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Number of Reservations** \_\_\_\_\_ **@ \$12.00 each**

**Total included \$** \_\_\_\_\_

## AUGUST MEMBERSHIP KEY

Recently I had the privilege of inducting a new member into the Cromwell-Kimmel Lions Club. What a joy to welcome Sara into the family of District 25B Lions. Sara had been a Leo so she knows what service involves and the satisfaction it brings to help another.

As of the 19 reports that have been filed for July through the middle of the month, 7 clubs have added at least 1 new member. Congratulations! While some clubs don't hold regular meetings in the summer, we are all out and about performing service projects, raising funds and inviting new Lions.

Are you equipped with information about your club and Lions International that you can share with a friend and prospective member? Brochures are available for the asking from Lions International and also can be printed from the website. Several clubs have developed their own brochure that tells their history and shows pictures of their service projects and events. If your club has a brochure, please bring it to the August Cabinet meeting so that we can share ideas with each other.

Let's keep spreading the joy of service by inviting a friend to join you in your next project.  
Serving together,

*PDG Kaylene*



## PICTURES FROM INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



DG Al and other District Governors and spouses at International Convention parade

DG Al vs Godzilla at International convention in Japan.



DG Al enjoying octopus in Japan



# LCIF Is Our Foundation

## HELPS LOCAL LIONS PROVIDE LOCAL SERVICE WITH A GLOBAL IMPACT

The last Lions year found 40 (73%) of 25B's clubs &/or Lions donating to our Foundation. The total amount donated was \$24,425. This was the second largest amount donated by MD 25's seven districts. It was the highest amount per club or per member in MD25! Just think what we could do if 100% of our active clubs donated.

Twelve 25B Lions received Melvin Jones Fellowships and another 6 received Progressive MJF's. Most of those were the result of club donations of \$1000 to honor a member. Several were personal contributions (it is ok for Lions to make personal donations to our Foundation). Congratulations to Alex Pennington (Auburn Classic); Doug Morrow (Auburn LC); Kenneth Cripe (Cromwell-Kimmel); Bill Bailey (Central); Jeff King (Chapel Ridge); David Gunter (Howe); Candy Landis, Greg Landis Daniel Michaels, and Earl Yoder (Monroe); Richard Krull (South Milford); and Duane Franz (Union Township) who all received their first Melvin Jones Fellowships. In addition the following 25B Lions received Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowships: Joe Frymier (Angola); Wayne Madden (Auburn LC); Bev Fiandt, Dave Fiandt and Tom Kleber (Central); and Dick Dodge (Pleasant Lake). Thanks to those clubs and those Lions who stepped to the plate in support of our Foundation.

LCIF is one of the reasons we as Lions can be proud to be a Lion. Unfortunately many of our Lions are unfamiliar with the Foundation and what it does. To help increase your members perspective of Lionism go to the LCIF link at [www.lionsclubs.com](http://www.lionsclubs.com) for more information, or contact Bob Morton or Dave Fiandt. Both would be happy to come to your club and share the LCIF story.

All Lions share in the daily miracles made possible by our Foundation; we all should step to the plate and do our share and support LCIF.



## DISTRICT 25B BANNER NIGHT

DISTRICT GOVERNOR ALAN  
INVITES YOU TO BANNER NIGHT

WHEN: September 10, 2016

Where: Rack and Helen's,

525 Broadway Street  
New Haven, IN



Social time starts at 6:00 p.m.  
Mexican Buffet at 6:30 p.m.  
Cash bar beginning at 6:00 p.m.  
Cost \$20.00

PIP WAYNE MADDEN WILL BE GUEST SPEAKER

**Registration deadline is Monday, September 5, 2016.**

Make checks payable to DG Alan Arnold

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

**Help DG Alan celebrate his year as Governor**

Club \_\_\_\_\_

Lion/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Lion/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of Reservations \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 each

Amount included \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**Check out our State Fair videos by clicking on the link below. Several Lions throughout the state are featured in these videos.**

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP0zQdRE1ngA-CcR\\_XRBHFA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP0zQdRE1ngA-CcR_XRBHFA).

## **Indiana Lions Foundation Needs Your Help**

### **Please volunteer to work at the Indiana State Fair**

The Indiana Lions Foundation provides ticket sellers and ticket scanners at four gates at the Indiana State Fair. **The fair runs Friday August 5th—Sunday, August 21st.** Over 600 shifts need to be filled over this 17 day period. This is the single largest fundraiser for the Foundation and the money is used to provide Foundation Grants to individual clubs.

Working at the State Fair as a ticket seller or scanner is much easier than it has been in the past. The computer terminals worked very well last year and selling tickets requires pushing only three buttons. Scanning tickets requires only that the worker hold the hand held scanner over the bar-coded ticket and press the trigger.

Most positions are sitting and two of the four gates have air conditioned booths for the ticket sellers. Only the Tunnel Gate may require standing, although that is not normally a busy gate.

Two shifts are available to work. The morning shift is 7:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.. The afternoon shift is 1:30 p.m.—9:00/9:30 p.m..

In return for working the Indiana Lions Foundation is offering W.P. Woods Fellowship credits for workers—one credit for the morning shift and two credits for the afternoon shift. It takes 10 credits to earn a regular W.P. Woods and 12 credits for the Centennial Plate. Bring a car load of Lions and friends and join us at the Fair this year.

You may use the Foundation website to volunteer. Click on the link below

**<http://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/>**

For more information contact:

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I am willing to help anyone who needs help in accessing the Lions International Website to report membership or activities. I have the capability to go in and do reports for the clubs. I will do this if your computer is down or another similar problem.

This year the 990-N needs to be filed through the IRS web-site. This requires you to register with the IRS. If you haven't done so and have problems filing this year contact me I will try and help. I don't have all the answers but am willing to listen and help in anyway I can. If I can't help you I will let you know and attempt to let you know who to call.



**St. Joe Lions Club** erected a 4' x 8' sign at the corner of Co. Rd. 68 and State Road 1 that will direct travelers to the site of our Spencerville Covered Bridge

# MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

## SEGMENT 7

Written by Lion Bev Fiantt

Every year Lions Clubs International sponsors the International Convention for all Lions worldwide, and several regional forums, ours being the USA/Canada Forum.

Attending an International Convention or Forum provides members with a wonderful opportunity to rekindle their dedication to those in need; meet Lions from all over the world; learn new tips and techniques for being the best Lion one can be; and obtain valuable resource materials. Plus, it's great FUN!

The annual International Convention, held in late June or early July, is much more than business meetings, although that is ONE important purpose.

Even before the Convention convenes, District Governor's School prepares new District Governors for the various aspects of their position, including being an effective liaison between the clubs in their local district and International.

General Sessions include wide variety each year. Major speakers from the International President to other respected people, such as Helen Keller, Mother Teresa, and even a sitting American President, Ronald Reagan, have given Lions something about which to think.

The Flag Ceremony, where the 200 plus member flags are formally presented one-at-a-time with background video about each country, is an audience favorite. When the International Convention was held in Indianapolis, Indiana Lions were lucky to participate in carrying a flag.

The Peace Poster Contest Winner receives recognition and shares their fresh view on securing peace with all peoples of the world.

Each delegation has their time in the spotlight during the four-hour Parade of Nations, celebrating Lions diversity and unity. (Usually we are lucky and there are no thunder and lightning storms to stop the parade as there was in Indianapolis.)

Special entertainment comes in two forms: the Host Country Festival of Talent and an internationally well-known talent, such as Debbie Reynolds, Scott Hamilton's ice show, and even the Flying Wallendas.

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Of course, there is campaigning for office or for changes in the Constitution or By-Laws, with CLUB DELEGATES voting later in the week. Newly elected officers begin their terms near the end of the Convention. For instance, the International Board of Directors goes into session as soon as the Convention is adjourned.

And, all this time, there are seminars of interest to ALL Lions. So, you have to plan ahead to be at the right place at the right time, but you won't be bored if you choose to attend the International Convention.

I must remember to mention the location with its sights and foods, and especially the people. It's in Chicago next summer! (update the location as needed)

In our next Membership Minute, the USA/Canada Forum and the Lion Magazine, two more highly regarded services from International to local Lions.












# DG ALAN AND DISTRICT B CALENDAR

## AUGUST 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Hamilton L.C. O/V 	5/4 Heritage LC Monroeville Har- vest Festival Selling Ice Cream	6 Heritage LC Monroeville Har- vest Festival Selling Ice Cream
7	8	9	10	11	12 	13 
14 District Cabinet Meeting, Monroe UMC, Monroe, IN 1:00 p.m.	15 	16	17	18	19	20  Zanesville LC Community Celebration
21	22	23	24	25	26./27 Heritage LC Selling Ice Cream Poe Days 	27 Hamilton LC Pancake/Sausage Breakfast 
28	29	30	31			



## ANDREWS LIONS CLUB



Left to right. District Alan Arnold, Cindy Rice Secretary, Mike Okuly President, Don Morgan Treasurer. This was DG Alan's first Installation as Governor.



Seated is Shirley Brown DG Alan's first new member he installed with her sponsor and daughter Lion Cindy Rice.

## MONROEVILLE LIONS CLUB



**MONROEVILLE LIONS CLUB OFFICERS 2016-17** - Front Row: Ralph Klinker, 1st Vice President; Susan Hoffman, Publicity/Historian; Colleen Grabner, Secretary; Terri Berry, President. Back Row: Jerry Sipe, Treasurer; Judy Kill, Lion Tamer; Matt Blauvelt, Tail Twister; Paul Row, Membership Chrm. Also pictured is Lion Roger Cash, 1st Vice District Governor Elect who installed the new officers. Absent: Tim Berry, Tail Twister



### Lions Club Support Honor Flight

On Sunday, April 3, the Monroeville Lions Club held a pancake breakfast at the Monroeville American Legion Hall. The club was very pleased with the turn-out and the profit of \$936. As advertised, the benefit was for the Indiana Honor Flight. Since the Honor Flight representative, Kathy Berkshire, was out of town until recently, the check could not be presented until the May 10th meeting when the Lions Club was a guest at the Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, a many time sponsor of the Honor Flight. At this time, President Loren Grabner presented Kathy Berkshire with a check for \$2,000.



## STEP UP TO LEADERSHIP

Submitted by Roger Cash VDG

The story is told of how a great kingdom that was conquered by a very small and untrained force. It happened even though the country had a very large and well trained military, an advanced society and a well organized government. So what was lacking, it was the lack of solid leadership. You see, as the story goes, the top level of leadership was missing.

So, now you're asking why I bring this story up. Well, it seems that in many clubs there is a serious lack of leadership. Sometimes it appears as the unfilled leadership offices, other times as poorly motivated leaders or even as untrained leaders. Let us look at each of these and their possible cures.

First let us look at the open leadership positions. Lions Clubs International (LCI) provides a model diagram of how a club should be set up. But it is just a model. Each club is allowed to organize themselves as they see fit. In the model leaders progress up the ladder from lion tamer to treasurer to secretary to first vice president to president to board member. A lion tamer learns what property the club has and how things are to be set up for each meeting. Then as treasurer they learn the club budget, fund raisers and project cost and the dues system. As the secretary they learn the history of the club, the different committees and how they work and how important keeping the club informed as well as what reports that need to be sent to district, state and LCI. Then comes the first vice president who now has a good foundation but now has a year to learn what it takes to guide the club. After that year they serve as "the leader" of the club. As president he guides the club through a year of projects, fund raising, and growth. But their time of service to the club does not end. For now there is time to serve on the board of directors.

Yes there are those that will accept a leadership position with little or no interest in fulfilling the duties of the office. I have seen those that take an office because they think it will look good on a resume or for a feeling of self importance. Others accept a position because they just can't say no. If this happens then it is up to the club and the other officers to motivate and inspire these people to perform. Now to address those who lack training, there is hope. As outlined briefly above one of the reasons for progression up the ladder of leadership is to gain training and experience. But there is more training

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offered. The Multiple District (State) and the District both offer officer training at various times during the year. There is training given at the Zone meetings also. Then there is online training and webinars offered by LCI along with such forums as the USA/Canada Forum and the Indiana Lions Conference. Then there are several Lions in the district and state that will come to your club to provide whatever training you may require.

I know that many Lions feel that once they have served their club that is it, but, it takes many more leaders to keep the Lions going and growing. At the District level there is the need for various committee members and chairs, Zone Chairs, second and first Vice District Governors and District Governor. Each of these offices has a progression laid out by LCI. For example to be a Zone Chair one must first have served as a Club President. And for one to serve as a Second Vice District Governor one must serve first as a Zone Chair.

Having spent all this time going over Club and District leadership I think we now come to a couple of questions each needs to ask. Do I want Lions to continue to serve my community? Could this service disappear if the Lions do not have good leadership? How can I help our current leadership? And finally, Why haven't I stepped up and filled that need for leadership?



*Coming Soon ~ Save the Date*

*November 5th 2016*

*28th Annual Indiana Lions Conference*

*(formerly Known as Mid Winter Conference)*

*Same Great Place-Plainfield High School*

*Same Great Learning Experiences*

# LIONS LAW CAMP THANK YOU



Lions of District D,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support of Law Camp. With your help we are able to provide scholarships, taco parties, pizza parties, cookouts, transportation, gift bags, eye screenings, Beep Ball, Leader-dog presentations, ice cream socials, lots of water and snacks, and extra hands to assist where needed.

We know that Law Camps have been outstanding camps that the campers love to attend, meet peers from around the state, and have a better understanding of the different aspects of Law Enforcement through the guidance of the best handpicked counselors who have a real dedication to the well being of the Camps.

The Lions of Indiana have been an important part of Law Camp and we appreciate your help.

Sincerely,

PID Linda Tincher and PDG Betty Weist, Law Camp State Co-Chairs

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## AROUND THE DISTRICT

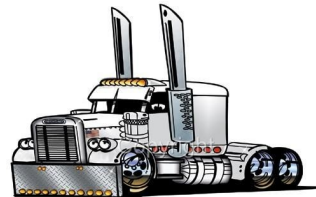
Heritage Lions Club will be selling soft ice cream from our concession trailer at: Monroeville Harvest Festival August 4,5,6 and Poe Days August 26, 27.



Saturday, September 17 the Howe Lions Club will have their food wagon at the Indian Summer Days celebration at the Square in Howe. The Lions will have sandwiches, hot dogs, ice cream, popcorn, plus pop and water. This is a town celebration from 9:00 - 5:00 with farmers market, food, crafts, games, Live Howe, IN caricatures, a parade at 1:00 p.m. with Lion Jim Parker being the grand marshal.



The Monroe Lions Club will be sponsoring a truck/tractor pull on Saturday, September 17, at the Swiss Heritage Village pulling track in Berne, IN. The pull begins at 6:00 p.m. There will also be a drawing that evening for the Monroe Lions Raffle. First prize is \$1000 cash. There are 33 other prizes including \$350 and \$200 gift certificates from Zurcher Tire, \$200 gift certificate to Clauser's Furniture in Berne, and numerous restaurant and miscellaneous certificates. Raffle tickets are \$10 each. The Monroe Lions will be selling tickets at the Cabinet meeting on August 14 or contact DG Al Arnold.

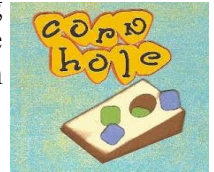


St. Joe Lions Club will be at the DeKalb Free Fall Fair. We have a food tent at the Northwest corner of the Courthouse square. We have been there for many years and are well known for our food. The dates are September 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, Oct. 1. During the week we serve from 4:00 pm to closing. On Friday and Saturday we are open from 11:00 am- closing.



## AROUND THE DISTRICT

At Ossian Days on Sept 15th,16th and 17th Ossian Lions will have a booth with a ring toss and corn hole game. Moneys collected from this will go to the Project Fund.



Ossian Lion's will be placing containers around Ossian during August to collect Keys for Cancer. Sites will include two businesses and the bank

The Zanesville Lions Club will be celebrating with the community on August 20, 2016. There will be a car show , breakfast, lunch a bike reodeo, softball tourney and a parade.



There will also be food, craft, flea market and fun booths. The Lions Club will be serving Lasagna, Fettuccini, sides, Apple Dumplings, and Root Beer Floats from 11 am to 2 pm at the Zanesville Ball Park



The Hamilton Lions Club along with other service organizations will be sponsoring a Pancake and Sausage breakfast on Saturday morning, August 27, 2016. Serving from 7:30 - 10:00 am and the price of the breakfast is a donation. The community will be celebrating Summer Fest. All proceeds from the breakfast go towards the Boomerang Backpack program at the Hamilton Community Schools. This program provides finger type food for elementary students to take home for over the weekend.





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