

DISTRICT GOVERNOR COLUMN

The District Convention is coming in just a couple of weeks. Hope you have your reservation in. If not, it's not too late to do so. Just send in the registration found in this newsletter. We will be welcoming ID Jerome Thompson from Alabama. ID Thompson will be presenting a workshop at the convention as well as speaking to us about our great organization. Good food and fun will also be taking place that day with lots of prizes and surprises!! Our goal is to have over 100 people taking part in the day.

The date has been set for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (ISBVI) spring work day. It will be on Saturday, May 20. Join Lions from around the state as we gather at the school to wash windows, clean flower beds, mulch, and other chores. There will be donuts and coffee beginning at 8:15 with work starting at 9:00. Lunch will also be provided. There is no cost to you except maybe some sweat equity. A count is necessary to make sure there is sufficient food so please let DG Al Arnold know if you will be attending. Contact information is 260 -692-6610 or pamalarn@centurylink.net.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my tenure as your district governor. Even though we have lost two clubs, Ashley-Hudson and Garrett, we have gained one, Berne Centennial, and also gained many new members. Remember, the Lion that sponsors the most new members in each zone will be awarded a prize at the May Cabinet meeting. So keep bring in those new people.

I have also enjoyed my visits with the clubs. Come the end of March, I will have visited each of the 54 clubs in the

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district with the exception of one (I am still working on that one to set a date). It is amazing at what the clubs are doing to reach out to their communities. Keep up the good work.

Don't forget to register for the State Convention which is being held in Evansville on April 28-30. IP Bob Corlew will be in attendance so here is a chance to hear him speak if you haven't yet. Remember, there is no cost for registration, just meal costs. See registration in this newsletter.

Speaking of conventions, don't forget about our 100th International Convention in Chicago from June 30 – July 3. Most of you have signed the banner that I brought to your club visit. I will be carrying that in the parade. If you would like to walk in the parade as part of the Indiana delegation, contact DG Al or PCC Bob Morton. The registration form for the convention is also found in this newsletter.

I have been very pleased with the District's support of Kate's Kart. To date, over \$4000 has been donated from the clubs either directly or through the District treasurer. Also, over 200 new books have been donated. To the clubs that have donated, thank you so much for your generosity to this District project. If your club has not donated yet, please consider doing so.

DG Al



DG Al Arnold at New Haven Lions' skating party

VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S PAGE

MORE RAMBLINGS OF THE 1VDG

1st VDG Roger Cash

The Lion year is moving along quickly. We will soon be into our District Convention and the Multi District Convention. Our goal this year is to have 125 plus at the District Convention on March 18th and about the same number from the District at the State Convention in April. Some incentives for attending the District Convention besides the fellowship of other Lions, the training and the meal are the special awards going to the clubs.

Cash awards will be going to clubs in the following categories:

Most New Members Present

Most Club Officers Present

Largest Percent of Club Members Present

Most Members Present

Largest Spread of Ages Present

There will also be the drawings for door prizes.

Now let me address an issue that is on my mind. As many of you know as the next District Governor I have already began to ask various Lions to step up into leadership positions. Several have either said yes or have helped me to find someone who will serve. However; some still are reluctant and some basic questions come up. The first is how much time will it take out of my schedule. Depending on the position it may mean only a couple hours a quarter or several hours a month. The second is about cost. Most of the positions involve little additional cost. Some such as 2nd Vice District Governor and up do have some cost but most can be reimbursed by the District, State or LCI. The third question is often what will I get out of serving in the position. Now that depends on attitude and effort put in. Remember we serve to be of service not to be rewarded.

Yes, I know I have spent some time on the leadership issue but without leadership in the District and above the clubs will find it difficult to continue to serve their community. Also, Lions as a whole will not be able to grow and continue as a viable force for good, locally and throughout the world. Remember our motto is "We Serve".

LAND OF LAKES LIONS CLUB



District 25B Lions:

Re: Used eyeglass recycling

Region I is planning the 26th annual used eyeglass recycling night for 2017.

It will be held:

<u>DATE:</u>	Tuesday March 14, 2017
<u>TIME:</u>	5:00 PM
<u>PLACE:</u>	Angola VFW Post #7205 2013 North Wayne Street (across from Walgreens) Angola, Indiana 46703
<u>MENU:</u>	Chili and refreshments
<u>COST:</u>	\$6.00 per person

As in years past, come prepared for an evening of work. Do not wear good clothes. Bring other Lions with you.

This is an enjoyable evening. Plan to attend!!! If you have used eyeglasses and cannot attend that evening, please drop off your collection of used eyeglasses to PDG Jim Wyatt anytime before Saturday March 11, 2017. If you have any questions or need more information, contact PDG Jim Wyatt at 260-316-1777.

Yours in Lionism,
PDG Jim Wyatt



We Serve

Sight First Eyeglass Recycling
PDG Jim Wyatt
Land of Lakes Lions
260-316-1777

Club Eyeglass Recycling
PDG Jim Wyatt
Land of Lakes Lions
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MARCH MEMBERSHIP KEY

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. There are even prizes for clubs that bring the most officers or the biggest percentage of members.

1st VDG Roger has some great workshops lined up. I encourage you to invite Lions who have joined within the last few years to attend the Lions 101 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 keeps teasing us that Spring will arrive, the snowbirds will return and service projects will be in high gear. Now is the time to extend that invitation you've been thinking about.

See you at the District Convention!

PDG Kaylene Souers
25B GMT Coordinator



NEW MEMBERS

CLUB	MEMBER	SPONSOR
Ft. W Shoaff Park	Kathleen A. Webb	Kathy Cooper
Harlan	Vivian Smith	Elsie Love
Huntington	Adrian Halverstadt	Gerald Smelser
Roanoke	Caleb Wilcoxson	Diana Bernard

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF DISTRICT B LIONS



LIONS COMPLETING THEIR SERVICE ...

NAME	CLUB
Samuel Armstrong	Ft. W. Central
Allen Felt	Heritage
Land of Lakes	Richard Horr

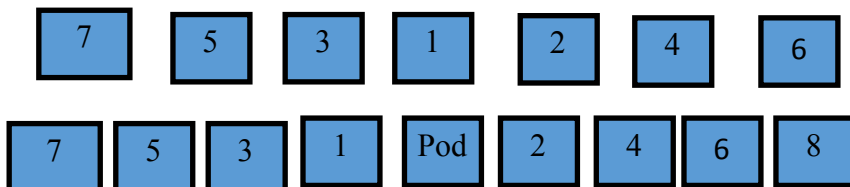


PROTOCOL

Submitted by Lion Jean Howard, Protocol Committee Chairman

The following information can be used at either club meeting, cabinet meeting or an anniversary party where there are dignitaries or guests present.

The head table seating with the presiding officer or meeting chairperson seated at the most central seat at the table when there is no central podium the principal speaker would occupy seat number two, then the other lion dignitaries in accordance with the general order of precedence. If possible, there should be the same number of seats to the right and to the left of the chairperson or presiding officer (club president, district governor, zone chairman or master of ceremonies).



When spouses are present, they should be seated to the members left when on the left side of the table and on the member's right when on the right side of the table.

The introduction of the head table should begin with the meeting chairperson or the presiding officer, then continue from the person with the lowest rank on the order of precedence to the person with the highest. When spouses are present at the head table, they should be introduced with the member (Cabinet Treasurer John Doe and his wife (Lion) Jane). We now have ladies who hold these offices and their spouses should be introduced accordingly.

Non Lion dignitaries should be given precedence in accordance with local protocol and/or custom, keeping in mind that if the non-Lion is the principal speaker then he or she should be seated directly to the right of the chairperson.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE



MARCH UPDATE: Lions Clubs International Convention and 100th Anniversary Celebration

While going to the 100th Anniversary LICCon is an experience all on its own, the city of Chicago has a lot to offer while you're there. Just a few suggestions are . . . The Wrigley Building, Billy Goat's Tavern, Navy Pier, Millennium Park, Second City Theatre (many SNL alumni performed here first), Adler Planetarium, Willis Tower Skydeck (formerly Sears Tower – this tower has retractable glass balconies to walk out on), Lincoln Park Zoo, multiple water/dinner tours including the Chicago river and Lake Michigan. And, there's the Miracle Mile where top drawer shopping abounds. Food? You can get whatever kind you want all over the city.

Make plans now and join your fellow Lions from around the world.

Registration is only \$180 from now through March 31, 2017 after which it will increase to \$200. Go to <http://lcicon.lionsclubs.org> for more information and to register.

NOTE: More of the official Indiana Delegation Parade shirts (and hats) required for the Parade of Nations on Saturday July 1, are just about ready for you. The first place to get one will be at your District Conventions in March. Please attend your Conventions and secure one of these awesome shirts.

PDG Dan Wilcox, ICC Chairman – danwpu@comcast.net

62ST ANNUAL DISTRICT 25B CONVENTION

Saturday, March 18, 2017

*Don Hall's Guesthouse,
1313 W Washington Center Rd, Ft. Wayne, IN*

Guest Speaker:

ID H. Jerome Thompson, Moulton, Alabama

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

Continental Breakfast: fresh fruit, muffins and Danish, coffee, and juice

Chef's Classic Lunch Buffet: Pork, Chicken, Green Beans, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, tea, coffee

We will be holding workshops on "Lions 101: Everything a New Lion needs to Know", "Leadership Opportunities at the District and State Level", and "Ready, Set, Grow!!" As well as possible others.

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 \$28 prior to March 1. From March 1 to March 14 cost is \$35. No reservations accepted after March 14.

Anyone wishing to have a table for a display should contact VDG Roger Cash, 432-638-8032 or email rogercash@att.net

There has been a small block of rooms set aside for the convention at a special rate. First come, first serve. Contact the Guesthouse for reservations.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR DISTRICT 25B CONVENTION

March 18, 2017

Don Hall's Guesthouse, Ft. Wayne, IN



Cost: \$28 prior to March 1
\$35 between March 1 and March 14
No reservations accepted after March 14

Make checks payable to Ossian Lions Club
VDG Roger Cash
5027 N State Road 1
Ossian, IN 46777



_____ 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
C. Ready, Set, Grow!!

B. Leadership Opportunities

Club _____

Lion _____ workshop _____

Guest/Lion _____ workshop _____

Guest/Lion _____ workshop _____

Number of reservations @ \$28/\$35 _____

Total amount due: \$ _____ Total amount paid: \$ _____

Special diet: Glutein Free _____ Diabetic _____

CENTENNIAL UPDATE

Submitted by PCC Bob Morton

At the January 29th District 25 B Cabinet meeting a motion was passed to purchase 100 tickets for the Tin Caps game on **June 16th, 7:05 PM** starting time.

There will be food an hour before starting time and up to half hour after the first pitch. There will be fireworks after the game.

We have 100 tickets ordered in Home Run Porch in left field. These are extra wide padded seats. Ticket price is \$20 per adult ticket. That is a \$6 reduction of the original price. The Centennial committee is picking up the difference of the tickets. These will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. Please contact me with payment, Robert Morton, 8452W-900N, Huntington, IN 46750; [260-344-1339](tel:260-344-1339) or bmorton65@hotmail.com for questions.

We will have Lions 100 Centennial on the scoreboard and Past International President Wayne Madden will throw out the first pitch!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Officer Training sessions have been scheduled. Times and exact locations will be announced later, but you can mark your calendars now and plan accordingly.

Monday June 5th – Ashley, IN

Wednesday June 8th – Fort Wayne, IN

Tuesday June 13th – Ossian, IN

Sessions will be held for: Presidents; Vice Presidents & Board Members; Secretaries; Treasurers and Membership Chairs.



BERNE CENTENNIAL LIONS CLUB

New members Dan and Jodi Mahworr pinning each other



Monroe president Mike Allen giving Berne Centennial president Rebecca Wynn their Charter



The Howe Lions Club just completely redid all four road signs to the entrances in all directions of Howe, IN. Lion Truman Miller spearheaded the job by doing the painting on all 4 signs. Lion Miller is a Melvin Jones Member and has been in Lions for over 40 years. The project was just completed this last weekend, **February 18, 2017**. Pictured with one of the signs from left is Lion President Dave Gunter, Lion Treasurer Roger Fenstermaker, Lion Larry Fetters and Lion Truman Miller.



On **Saturday, February 18**, 9 cadets and their commander of Howe Military Academy helped the Howe Lions Club, store their **Christmas** decorations in the basement of the Paws and Claws Book Store in Howe. Shown is one of the 12 days of Howe pictures that is used in the Town Park.



INDIANA STATE POLICE/LIONS LAW CAMP

Law Camp is a four-day co-ed camp that offers a more advanced look at law enforcement through field trips, exciting demonstrations and motivating programs. Campers meet peers from around the state, participate in recreational activities and leave with a greater understanding of the criminal justice field.



The camp dates are set for the 2017 Law Camps, which for the second year will consist of 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. The dates are: Vincennes University Camp June 14-17 and Anderson University June 28-July 1. The cost of Law Camp is \$150, which is the same as last year. Information and applications can be found on Indiana Troopers Youth Services web site of WWW.TROOPER.ORG

Help us get the word out about these 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. When the campers register they are given a "welcome bag" by Lions containing such things as travel size soap, shampoo, tooth paste, tooth brush, pens/pencils from State Projects or banks, or businesses, note pads, combs, etc. Clubs should start collecting some of these things for us.

Lions Clubs donations also provide transportation for a field trip day, pizza party, and a cookout. Send donations through your State Treasurer to the State Comptroller. Sponsor a 6th, 7th, or 8th grader or send a donation to help with a scholarship to sponsor a child. The kid you sponsor could very well be a future State Trooper and will remember the Lions Club and their motto of WE SERVE.

Indiana State Police/ Lions LAW CAMP

SUBMITTED BY PDG KEN KRAUTER

June 28-July 1 2017 This is a four day camp for both boys and girls from the 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. District 25B will send our students to Anderson University June 28th. The cost is \$150.00 per a student. This can be split between the parent and the local Lions Club or paid by the Lions only. Information and applications can be found on Indiana Troopers Youth Services web page WWW.TROOPER.ORG. Contact PDG Ken Krauter (260-637-0950) or kennethkrauter@comcast.net



DG Alan and District B's Calendar



March 2017

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

			1 Ash Wednesday 	2	3	4 ISBVI Trustees meeting 
5	6	7 	8	9	10	11
12 Daylight Savings starts 	13 Zanesville LC OV 	14 Eyeglasses recycling at Angola VFW at 5:00	15 Rome City/ Brimfield LC OV 	16	17 St.. Patrick's Day 	18 District Convention 
19	20 1st Day of Spring 	21 Chapel Ridge OV 	22	23	24	25
26	27 Huntertown OV 	28	29	30	31	

AROUND THE DISTRICT



January 25 Governor Al Arnold visited the Bippus Lions Club. Shown here is Governor Al installing one of our newest members Dave Rickert, center and sponsor PCC Robert Morton, left.

AROUND THE DISTRICT

THE WAYNEDEALE LIONS CLUB: "FOOD FOR UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT" FUNDRAISER A SUCCESS!

The Waynedale Lions Club has once again teamed with Waynedale Elementary, the PTA, and other local organizations to raise funds for local children in need. This year's fundraiser, held on Friday November 11 from 4-7pm, generated funds that will be used to buy local children in need of uniforms and sports equipment.

The fundraiser was a fish dinner with desserts provided by PTA and other groups. The event was held at Waynedale Elementary School located at 7201 Elzey Street, Fort Wayne, IN.

The project served 296 fish and chicken dinners, and the Waynedale Lions were able to present a check for \$2,000.00 to the school, which will be used to purchase uniforms and sports equipment for the children.



From the Left: Lions Gerret Swearingen, Lyle Simpson, Jim Springer, WES Case Manager Brenda Warren, WES Principal Justin Arkkelin, Lion President Larry Martin, and Lion Lynn Henschen

District Governor
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DISTRICT B
MARCH 2017

Everyone is Irish
on St. Patty's Day!

