

#### **DISTRICT GOVERNOR COLUMN**

Here it is. The last newsletter of the 2016-17 Lions year. And what a year!! Let me first of all thank all Lions in District 25 -B for making this an enjoyable year as your District Governor. I greatly enjoyed the club visits, the fundraisers, and the District meetings. Thanks again for all your support this past year and I hope you will do your best in making DGE Cash's year as fun as mine.

Nearly \$5000 and over 300 books were raised for Kate's Kart. Again, thank you for supporting this District project. Krista Layman, founder of Kate's Kart, is extremely grateful for your generosity. If you did not invite her to speak at a club meeting this past year, you may want to do that next year. Also, if your club has not donated, you may still do by sending a contribution to District Treasurer PDG Richard Hill.

I hope to see you at the Tin Caps game on June 16. This will be a fun evening celebrating Lions 100 years of service. If you haven't reserved your ticket yet, contact PCC Bob Morton. As of this writing, there were less than 10 available.

As our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Lions comes to an end, let's start concentrating on the next 100 years. In my talk that I shared when I visited your club, I asked you to think about where your club will be 100 years from now. Will it still be here? Let's make sure it is by inviting people to join, coming up with new and

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creative ideas for projects, and continuing to serve our communities as only Lions can.

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#### We have locations for all training locations:

Ashley Town Hall 500 S. Gonser Ave. Ashley Harris Elementary School 4501 Thorngate Dr. Ft. Wayne (off of Reed Rd. between Stellhorn & St. Joe Center Rd.)

Norwell High School 1100 US 224 Ossian

Sessions will be held for: Presidents; Vice Presidents & Board Members;

Secretaries; Treasurers and Membership Chairs.

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Musings from the DGE

1st VDG Roger Cash

This is getting to be a very busy time of year for some Lions while for others they are looking forward to a quite summer. For while many clubs have fund raisers and projects planned throughout the year other chose to do their work during only part of the year while taking a break either in the summer or the winter months. This is one of the nice things about Lions is that each club and decide for themselves how they will work, what fund raisers to have and where their funds are to be spent.

As an incoming District Governor I would like to take this time to encourage each club to take a few minutes and plan their year in projects, fund raisers and budget to make sure they are meeting the goals of Lions and being a benefit to their community and the world as a whole. For unfortunately over the years I have seen many clubs develop problems simply because they failed to look to the future.

Having said all of that I do wish every club in the district a very successful year in 2017-18 and encourage them to reach out in service to their community and to LCI. Lets us make this a great year building toward the future while growing our numbers in service.

Please remember that LCI and the club is only as good as its members and the service they provide to those around us.

DGE Roger Cash

#### LCIF IS OUR FOUNDATION

"Stepping Up To the Plate" Leadership & LCIF

DG Arnold has challenged us all year to "Step Up to the Plate". It has been a challenge to fill the too many leadership holes at the club and district level. Those leadership holes could be the greatest challenge facing our district. Too many repeats in too many positions is a problem; too many vacancies is a problem. We have not had a full complement of Zone Chairs for years; we went this year without a  $2^{nd}$  VDG; too many clubs do not have a full complement of officers. Being a good Lion means "Stepping to the Plate"; the opportunity to be a leader is one of the great benefits of being a Lion.

On the district level we have had a few Lions who have "stepped up to the plate" and it bodes well for the future. First, a newcomer to the district, stepped to the plate to fill one of the vacant Zone Chairs, he then stepped to the plate and will be our next 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG; because Terry Marker has stepped to the plate several Albion Lions have also followed suit. Kathy Cooper and Nancy Daugherty stepped to the plate and jointly agreed to serve as Zone Chairs for the Fort Wayne area clubs. Finally DG Al Arnold stepped to the plate and agreed to serve again by filling the 1<sup>st</sup> VDG vacancy.

Our DGE needs several Lions "step up to the plate" to fill several vacancies. It is an opportunity that can bring much in the way of personal satisfaction and growth; an opportunity that can make a difference in your community.

Stepping Up to the Plate" is also a challenge to each club to step up and do their share in supporting our Foundation; LCIF. Rated the number one NGO in the WORLD and nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize. A foundation that does us all proud; enabling local Lions, worldwide, to provide service on a massive and life changing scale. As of April 30<sup>th</sup> 22 of our clubs have not donated to LCIF. 22 clubs that have the opportunity, by June 30<sup>th</sup>, to "Step Up to the Plate" and do t

Submitted by PID Dave Fiandt

## JUNE MEMBERSHIP KEY

With 6 weeks remaining in this Lions year, 31 Clubs have added 67 new members. It's great that more than half of the clubs have added at least one new member. Of those clubs, 16 are currently positive with another 16 clubs that need to add one member and retain their current membership to have more than 50% of clubs end +1 or more. Congratulations Lions for sharing the joy of service.

\*bold indicates positive status, first number is # of new members

Andrews 2 +3	Angola 1 +1	Auburn Classic 2		
Bippus 2 Bluffton	n 5 +6 C	lear Lake 1		
Cromwell Kimmel 2.	FW Central 2	Chapel Ridge 1 +1		
McMillen Park 4 +4	Shoaff Park 1	Hamilton 3 +4		
Harlan 1 +3	Heritage 2	Huntertown 7 + 5		
Huntington 1. Ke	endallville 5 +2	Land of Lakes 1		
Ligonier 1.	<b>Mongo</b> 2 +2	Monroeville 5 +4		
New Haven 2 +1	Ossian 1 +1	Pleasant Lake 2		
Roanoke 1.	South Milford 4 -	+3 Tri Lakes 1 +1		
Union Township 1	+1 Waterloo 2	Wolcottville 1		
Woodburn 1				

Interesting projects and serving the community are key to keeping members active and finding new members.

Consider participating in the Lions booth at the Foundation Fighting Blindness VisionWalk on June 10.

Project School Sight is a new project for 25B clubs to serve kids and adults and involve more members who sometimes struggle with a project that requires physical activity. Even if you haven't been trained, extra hands are needed and you will see the benefits of Project School Sight. Continued from previous Page June Membership Key

It has been my pleasure to work with all the great clubs in 25B these last few years as the District Global Membership Team coordinator. Although my term has ended, I will continue to provide any help I can. District 25B is truly the best and we will continue to grow and serve.

Serving together, PDG Kaylene



## WP WOODS FELLOWSHIP



Lion Mike Allen, President Monroe Lions Club ,receives WP Woods Award

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#### WORKDAY AT ISBVI

Cheryl Oakley, Cabinet Secretary, working at blind school workday





Mike Oakley, Trustee, at ISBVI workday

Roanoke Lions working ISBVI



#### INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE



JUNE UPDATE: Lions Clubs International Convention and 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

LAST CALL! LAST CALL FOR LCICON! Don't let the sun set on this opportunity.

It's not too late to attend, but some things have changed regarding registration. You can no longer register online. You can only register when you arrive. **Onsite registration is available at the Onsite Registration Booth located at McCormick Place South, Room S 102 starting Friday, June 30th at 09:00 AM CT.** 

The International Parade is on Saturday, July 1. If you plan to march with Indiana Lions in the parade, you must be registered for the convention and wear the official Indiana Lions parade uniform (parade shirt, parade hat (if wearing a hat), black pants (trousers, skirts, or capris) and black shoes. We are a juried entry and must look cohesive to have any chance of an award.

To follow events while at the LCICon or from home, on Facebook look for INDIANA LIONS LCICON. Updates will be posted there.

For information and to register go to <u>http://lcicon.lionsclubs.org</u>. PDG Dan Wilcox, ICC Chairman – <u>danwpu@comcast.net</u>

#### NEW MEMBERS

CLUB Albion Albion Albion Cromwell/Kimmell Ligonier Pleasant Lake Roanoke Roanoke South Milford Waterloo MEMBER Kathy Bixler John Fritzpatrick Daniel Tayloe Nicholas Tayloe Craig Coleman Philip Fought John Ruiz Marrianne Peterson Ron Peterson Russ Shartzer Bill Walters Melody Schmitt



WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF DISTRICT B LIONS

#### LIONS COMPLETING THEIR SERVICE

NAME John Higgins Gene Weicht Roger Etzler



## **KENDALLVILLE LIONS CLUB**



Kendallville Lions Club members recently sold more than 500 chicken barbecue halves to raise money for summer baseball/softball league donations. Lions Mike Toles (hidden inside left), Jim Haddock, and John Clifton man the sales trailer while others wait on customers as they drive through the lot."

Recently honored by the District Governor for their years of service to the Kendallville Lions Club were: Ann Linson, 10 years Preston, 20 years; Ron Godby, 35 years; Bob Farmer, 15 years Jim Haddock, 10 years."





Newly inducted members of the Kendallville Lions Club this past year include, left to right, Ken Lash, Loren Allen, and Greg Kruekeberg Keith Ballard was not present for the photo."



# DG Alan and District B's Calendar June 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Officer Training	6	7 Shoaff Park Officer Installation	8 Officer Training	9	10 Vision Walk 11th Annual Fort Wayne VisionWalk
11	12	13 Heritage Officer Installation Officer Training	14 Flag Day	15	16 Tin Caps Game	17
18 Father's Day	19	20 First Day of Sum- me	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Its summer!	28	29	30 International Convention Chicago	

## AROUND THE DISTRICT

**Lions Night at the Ballpark**: June 16<sup>th</sup> at Tin Caps Parkview Field, Fort Wayne, 7:05p.m. Game time. *Food, Fun, Fireworks*! \$20 per ticket. Only 100 tickets are reserved. I have less than 30 tickets left so don't wait till the last minute.



**Centennial Coins**: We still have Indiana Centennial Coins available at \$10 apiece.

**Indiana Lions Service Day:** June 10th each club is asked to have a service project for 1-2 hours.

#### ATTENTION PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS

Past District Governors, Christmas party, hold the date of December 8'th 2017 at Don Halls Factory, 5811 Coldwater Rd. Fort Wayne at 6:00 PM, in The Wine Room Thank you, PDG Ken Krauter



## AROUND THE DISTRICT

# **Arcola Lions Club**



EXIMER'S DAY CHICKEN BBQ SUNDAY 11 AM to 1 PM Arcola Fire House



ALL YOU CANEAT:	ADULTS	\$10
	CHILDREN 6-12	\$5
CARRYOUT:	DINNER	<b>\$9</b>
	1/2 CHICKEN	\$7



#### **HUNTERTOWN LIONS CLUB**

FISH AND TENDERLOIN FRY Friday, June 16, 2017 4:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M. Huntertown Elementary School Pavilion Located behind the School on Gump Road





ALL YOU CAN EAT OR CARRY-OUT FISH, TENDER-LOIN, COLE SLAW, POTATO SALAD, BAKED BEANS, POTATO CHIPS, DESSERT/COOKIES DRINK \$10 ADULTS (11 YRS AND UP) \$5 CHILDREN (3-10 YRS) FREE (2 YRS AND UNDER) \*\*FISH OR TENDERLOIN SANDWICH & CHIPS CAN BE PURCHASED FOR \$5\*\* District Governor Alan Arnold 595 E. State Rd. 124 Monroe, IN 46772

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