

District 25E Southwest Indiana Lions

December 2016 Newsletter

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- Dec 7: 2017 State Convention Mtg -Elberfeld
- Dec 10: 25-E Christmas Party - Hardinsburg
- Dec 10: Martinsburg Lions Annual Bazaar -
- Jan 7: MD 25 Council of Governors Mtg -Evansville
- Jan 22: GMT Rebuilding Mtg - Jasper

See more details at our Website under Calendar

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Upcoming Official Visits:

- Dec 12: Shoals
- Dec 13: Salem
- Jan 3: Odon (TBD)
- Jan 12: Oakland City
- Jan 16: Richland
- Jan 18: Jasper
- Jan 23: Ramsey
- Jan 24: Sandborn
- Jan 26: Campbellsburg

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Governor's Corner

Hello Lions.

Half the year is alright gone. It is going by so fast. I'm enjoying visiting all your clubs. Before long it will be time for District Convention. It will be in March at The Season Lodge in Nashville. Hope everyone will come.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year.

District Governor Trea McCandless

January newsletter.

Hello Lions!

1st Vice DG Corner





Keith's Editorial Assistant, Dusty!

I hope you all enjoyed the gathering of family and friends at Thanksgiving and got some real deals on Black Friday and Cyber Monday! The first pass of my December article ended up being three pages long, so I decided I must split the article into two articles which I will cover in the December and

I feel it is important information for all our clubs to do a self-assessment. I recently attended a meeting in which GMT Herb Stevens presented a Rebuilding program. In this program was a section on the "Signs and Symptoms of a Debilitating and Weak Club" which we did not discuss. This topic had 15 signs that indicated a club might need help. In the December newsletter I will discuss the first six signs.

The first sign was "Low Membership". Lions Club International requires a club to charter with 25 members because a new club is expected to lose a few members in the first year. The Club Health Assessment report flags clubs with less than 15 members. That does not mean a club with only 12 members is in trouble. Some clubs have 10 to 15 members and don't really want to get bigger. That is the club's right and it may work for their community.

Another early warning sign is dropping membership. A club could be in trouble and not realize it. If a club had 35 members 3 years ago and now has 20 or 25 members it could be in trouble. At that rate of decline, the club in question will have serious issues doing fundraising and service projects in 2 or 3 years. If members are dropping out of the club, the club should address why. Health reasons and moving away are some reasons the club cannot control.

The second sign was "Low Meeting Attendance". It goes with saying that if the club has low membership, the attendance will be low. But if the club has 10 members and an average attendance of 7 or 8 members, the club is doing something right at the meetings! If a club has 30 members and the same average attendance of 7 or 8 members, this club needs to address something about their meetings. Meetings may be too long, too boring, disorganized, etc. Meetings should be worthwhile, have a purpose and involve as many of the attendees as possible.

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1st Vice DG Corner

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The third sign was "Little or no Involvement above the club level". Using only this criteria, most of the clubs in the district would be considered a weak club and I can understand why. None of us joined the Lions to do anything other than **Serve our Community**. The reason that little or no outside activity is that the club may miss out on new ideas, new projects or fundraisers. The club misses out on updated information about the State and District Projects. When the club is not gaining members, it is harder to find new ideas. If the club's current projects or fundraisers become irrelevant, the club will start losing the projects and their identity.

The fourth and fifth signs were "No Major Fundraiser" and "Very Few Community Projects". I combined these because I feel these are related, and not because some clubs think they are one and the same. Both usually require member involvement. It is impossible for only two members to do a pancake breakfast or a community cleanup. Both are very important to a club, because it is what the community sees. The community does not regularly see what happens at a meeting, but it does see you flipping pancakes, trimming trees and weeds, building wheelchair ramps, fogging for mosquitos or whatever your club does in the community.

The sixth sign was "Same Officers Year after Year". This can be a weakness. The weakness is that it doesn't allow other members to holding an office. Members may lose interest and may leave the club. Also, if someone else takes a turn in various positions, new ideas can be introduced to the club. New project and fundraisers can be the result. Sometimes members are afraid to step up and become President. There seems to be two reasons for this. One is that they do not really understand the office and thinks it takes too much time. The other reason is they are afraid of making a mistake. Everyone makes mistakes, it happens. Learn from it and go on. It is not that big of a deal.

I would like you to take these signs back to your club and review if this is something that describes your club and if any of them do, is it something your club can address. Don't be afraid to ask for assistance or suggestions for help. Don't forget to read next month's article for the remaining nine items.

Until next month, VDG Keith Thomas signing off.

Fallen Lions in November 2016

New Albany	Harry Harbison
Ramsey	Jacqueline Carter



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2nd Vice DG Corner

ORGANIZATION

Occasionally it pays to stop, take a look around and evaluate where we are and where we are going. We are in an organization that is a voluntary one. One that is already involved



in the types of activities we are interested in. So, are you involved to the extent you want to be? Or is there a need you could be of help in? I'm not just talking about activities; what about leadership? Do you have an idea that will enhance the way your club conducts its business? If so volunteer to work on the Board of Directors to promote your idea(s). Be involved in the club leadership as well as the activities to learn how the organization functions. Attending leadership training not only informs you how an office functions, but enlightens you how the office affects the club, zone, region, district, multi-district (state) and international levels.

At first we were individuals looking to give back to our communities and folks in need. So we became part of a local organization so that our efforts and resources would be applied better in serving our communities and those in need. That organization is our local clubs. However our local clubs are part of a larger organization to help us identify additional needs in our communities and give us an opportunity to participate in a wider service to others outside our communities and obtain additional resources for service in our local communities we would not have access to otherwise. This larger organization is the District. And the District is divided up into Regions and Zones as well. After being involved in the local club leadership as a President, the next challenge is to become involved at the zone level. After that involvement in district leadership is possible.

The club operation is critical for the community and to the operation of the whole organization. Take membership for example. Should a club neglect getting new members, the club will dwindle in size and no longer be capable of providing services at the same level or in some cases not provide the services at all. To the larger organization because it lessens the effectiveness of the entire group and the larger groups depend on local clubs for new and fresh leadership and therefore ideas.

Bottom line is, be involved in your club, zone, region, district and multi-district as much as your knowledge, experience desire and time allows. Each and every Lion is important to your community and the larger organization of which you are a part. Take advantage of training opportunities; whether in person or on line and participate in zone, regional and district meetings.

As always continue doing all you do in your Lion Organization for your communities and strive for continuous improvement.

Yours in Lionism 2nd VDG Ron Edwards

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Prayer List:



Our thoughts and prayers are with those Lions and their family members or friends around the world that are sick or in the hospital or at home, and all others whose losses were unknown to us at this time.

Lions if you have prayer requests, please let me know so we can add you to the prayer list. Prayer and trust are powerful in our lives.

DG Trea McCandless Lion Sam Hopper Lion Doris Bliss Catherine Willis April Ferry Lion Bill Schulz Send Newsletter
Articles and
Pictures (with
captions) by the end
of each month to:

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Preferred format for articles is .pdf and for pics is .jpg.

We're on the Web at:

www.lions25e.org

Club Anniversaries

Club	Charter	Age (Yrs)
Campbellsburg	12/15/1938	78
Crothersville	12/05/1972	44
Rockport	12/22/1997	19
Mitchell	12/07/2005	11
Georgetown	12/08/2009	7



"Secretary's Challenge"

In **November** we had **78.5**% MMR submitted and a **37**% on the Activity Reports. This is significantly better than we accomplished in October and second only to July 2016, so continue submitting these reports and hopefully we'll reach our goal of 85%+ during the second half of the year for MMR submittals!

MMR Tip: Go into MyLCI at the beginning of the month and submit your MMR with "no changes for the month." Then if you have changes in membership or contact information you can make the change and it will update your MMR to reflect the change (even though earlier you posted "no changes"). If you have no changes, then nothing is lost and you would have submitted your MMR on time and you don't have to worry about it at the end of the month!

Activity Report Tip: If you have activities that are repeated month after month (or even annually), create a "signature" activity and all you have to do is select that "signature" activity each month and no additional key punching is required. The only way to contribute towards the Centennial Service Challenge is to post your "Activities" using MyLCI! Let's get our clubs earning those Centennial Badges for your Banner!

Need Help: Call or email CS PCC Jeff Schafer, 812.325.3130, jeff.schafer1@comcast.net anytime!

Let's keep up the GREAT effort and work!

Newsletter, Public Relations & Hoosier Lion

Some of you have ask the question of who to send information (photos including captions, event flyers & articles) to when it comes to the newsletter, public relations and the Hoosier Lion. Below are the points of contact and deadline (if there is one) for each:

25-E Newsletter: CS PCC Jeff Schafer, <u>jeff.schafer1@comcast.net</u>. Deadline by the end of each month. Public Relations: VDG Keith Thomas, <u>kthomas@threeidesign.com</u>. No deadline. Hoosier Lion: Lion Jaline Spurg@notmail.com. 10th of each month.



How Will You Celebrate Our Centennial?

The Centennial celebrates 100 years of Lions' service, but our true legacy was built in communities like yours. Be sure to plan your own Centennial celebration to inspire your Lions and share your achievements with your community.

Visit the <u>Ways to Celebrate</u> webpage to find great ways to celebrate. With dozens of ideas to choose from, there's a Way to Celebrate that's perfect for your club. Start planning your club celebration today!



2017 Indiana Distinguished Lion Award

The Indiana Lions Foundation, Inc. is again sponsoring the Indiana Distinguished Lion Award to recognize an outstanding member of the Lions of Indiana. This award will be presented at the 2017 State Convention. The award is a standing Lion replica for the recipient's desk and their name will be placed on a plaque in the Lions State Office.

The qualifications for this prestigious award are:

- 1. The nominee must be a member of a Lions Club in Multiple District 25 (Indiana).
- 2. The nominee has been a Lion in good standing for at least 25 years prior to the nomination.

Nominations may be submitted by a Lions Club, the sub-district cabinet with the approval of the sitting District Governor, or by the Council of Governors with the approval of the Council Chair.

The Nomination Application form must provide as much information as possible concerning the nominee's service. Only one applicant per club per year. Nominations must be received by January 31, 2017. Applications can be mailed to P Robert Booher Jr., Chairman-Indiana Lions Distinguished Lion Award, 4920 W 15th St., Speedway, IN 46224-6506 or online at:

https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/?page_id=42.

Application is included later in this newsletter.







Club	Member	Sponsor
Ellettsville	Rebecca Howe	Kenneth Williams
Fayetteville Community	Mary & William Barnes	David Pinnick
Fayetteville Community	Katrina & Mick Miller	Dave Cox
French Lick/West Baden	Joseph Ellis	Ronald Woolsey
French Lick/West Baden	Douglas Finney	
Georgetown	Daniel Lee	Tim Wolf
Mitchell	James Freeman	Larry Root
Mt Vernon	Bruce Breeze	Ken Rudibaugh
Mt Vernon	Marcey Nobles	Michele Hardin
Oakland City	Carol & John Bajzath	Gilbert Hayes
Richland	Joseph Crofton II	Ami Crofton



2016-17 President's Message More Members Means More Service



Dear Lions,

We surpassed the 1.4 million member mark at the end of October thanks to Lions like you. It's a great accomplishment, and I want to thank you for working to make your club and your community stronger.

Reaching the 1.4 million mark early in the year puts us on a path to continue membership growth into 2017 and beyond. It also puts us in position to be the largest we've ever been, allowing us to serve more people than ever before.

The goal of our new strategic plan, LCI Forward, is to triple our service impact by serving 200 million people a year by 2021. More members means we can provide more service to those who need us most. Each member serves 70 people on average, so imagine how many more people we can help by inviting others to join us in service, and by keeping our current members as Lions.

To keep this momentum going and to help reach our service goals, I am asking every member to think about someone they know who shares our desire to help people and then ask them to join us in service.

Thank you again for helping us grow so we can serve even more people. Let's keep climbing new mountains together!

Very truly yours,
Chancellor Bob Corlew
Your International President

Glimpse the Future of Service with LCI Forward

The future is closer than you think. Get a glimpse of LCI Forward and the innovations to come. From our four areas of strategic focus to cutting-edge technologies, see how LCI is moving forward into our second century of service. Visit the LCI Forward page to watch a special video that brings the vision to life, and download an LCI Forward PowerPoint and share it at your next club meeting!

Help Eliminate Hunger in Your Community

The future of Lions will be defined by service, just like our past. Over 800 million people around the world go to bed hungry. Your club can help eliminate hunger in your community by organizing a **Worldwide**Week of Service to Fight Hunger project during January 9–15. Visit the Worldwide Week of Service to Fight Hunger event page for more information on this special Centennial Service Challenge event, then start planning your club project today!



Build Your Lion



Legacy!

Connect with your community by planning a **Centennial Community Legacy Project** during our Centennial

Celebration. Legacy Projects are visible gifts to your

community that commemorate our Centennial and create a

lasting legacy of your service contributions.

Plan Your Legacy Project

All Lions clubs around the world are encouraged to complete a Legacy Project by June 30, 2018. With three levels of participation, there's an opportunity for every club to get involved.

Promote Your Legacy Project

Your Legacy Project is an opportunity to showcase your project and club to the community. These tips can help you maximize this great PR opportunity:

- Dedication Ceremony Host a dedication or ribboncutting ceremony and invite your community and media to attend.
- Social Media Share your project on social media and ask your community to share photos at the site of your Legacy Project. Use the hashtag #Lions100 on all your Centennial posts.
- Local Media Send out a press release or ask a reporter to help tell your story.

Report Your Legacy Project

Be sure to report your Legacy Project using the MyLCI Service Activity Report, under the Community and Culture activity type. Clubs can earn a special banner patch, and select projects will be featured on the LCI website, social media and LION Magazine.



Start Planning Your Legacy Project Today!

Choose from the project ideas below or create your own to address specific needs in your community.

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Raise Your Community Visibility

- Post new Lions signs
- Donate a park bench
- Dedicate a statue
- Sponsor a fountain in a local park





Provide a Community Gift

- Refurblish a park or playground
- Build a footbridge over a busy road
- . Fund resources for the visually impaired
- Donate a vehicle to a community organization





Make a Community Impact

- · Build a clinic
- Expand a library or school
- Develop a training center
- Equip an area hospital







All Legacy Projects should be identified with a sign or plaque indicating the project was deneted by your Lions club.

Choose your project and start building your Lion Legacy today! Visit Lions100.org to learn more.



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District 25-E Centennial Coordinator is PCC Jeff Schafer, 812.325.3130 or email: jeff.schafer1@comcast.net



Register for the 2017 Centennial Convention in Chicago

Be part of history and <u>register today</u> for the 100th LCICon in Chicago, June 30-July 4, 2017. Celebrate your pride in being a Lion with thousands of members from around the globe for fun, fellowship and more!

January 13 is the deadline to lock-in the best 5-day centennial registration fee of US\$130.00 and to guarantee your hotel reservation at our specially discounted Lions rates. These hotel rates are available only to Lions convention attendees and are sure to sell out quickly.

McCormick Place Convention Center will be the hub of activity where the plenary sessions, International Show, Lions exhibit hall, voting, seminars and more will take place – all within one convenient venue. March down Chicago's famous State Street in the Lions International Parade of Nations. Make plans to tour the International Headquarters Office, visit Melvin Jones' gravesite and see Chicago's architectural gems on one of our special Lions convention tours.

Some special surprises are in store too – keep up-to-date on the LCICon website and Facebook page!

District 25–E Points Contest (as of October 31, 2016)

Large Clubs (>30 Members)

Bedford Evening 8,775 pts Evansville Eastside 8,650 pts Fayetteville 7,575 pts

Small Clubs (<= 30 Members)

Petersburg 12,925 pts
Bloomfield 7,600 pts
New Salisbury 4,850 pts



OUR FOUNDATION

Dear Lions,

We have seen many amazing advancements throughout our lives. We have walked on the moon, we have phones that guide us when we are lost and we have robots that perform intricate surgeries. Yet, we still see hundreds of children die every single day from a vaccine-preventable disease.

Measles is a highly contagious disease. Those that survive are often left with serious complications, including brain damage, hearing loss and blindness. Too many children are lost to a disease that we can prevent. For about US\$1, a simple vaccine provides immunity against measles. That is why we Lions committed to raising US\$30 million for Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, by 2017. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the United Kingdom's Department for International Development (DFID) will match our contributions, for a total of up to US\$60 million mobilized for the fight against measles.

Over the next year, we will need to raise approximately US\$10 million to fulfill our promise to the world's children. I am asking each and every Lion to <u>renew your dedication</u> to the fight against this deadly disease. Together, we have vaccinated millions of children. But the work is not done and we cannot rest until it is. Please <u>make a donation</u> today to LCIF's measles fund so that no more families have to endure the heartbreaking loss of a child to measles.

Sincerely, Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation







Message from our 1st International Vice President Lion Dr. Naresh Aggarwal:

One of my favorite proverbs is, "Gratitude is not just a virtue, but the parent of all other virtues."

Once we realize that God has given us everything we need, we are free to chase everything we want The public holiday of Thanksgiving began with US President Abraham Lincoln, who said in 1863 that, "Today, I want people to recognize that we are one voice and one heart."

The thing to be most thankful of is our fellow humans. The neighbor is not irrelevant - he is the source of friendship and respect.

Let us be thankful to have each other. I am thankful for each of the 1.4 million Lions I have the privilege to lead.

Together, we shall make every human feel thankful for something.

Candidate for International Director: PDG Mark D. Clark (Salem Lions Club) Vision for the Future



Why Do I Serve?

Being a part of the world's largest service organization is an opportunity to positively change the lives of individuals throughout the world every day. As a Lion, I am proud to be a Volunteer in an organization that has members who come together to help make life better for others throughout our world. Our members have an Ingenuity that allows us to accomplish service projects that other groups only dream about. When Lions work with each other locally and globally, we accomplish our goals. We do this with Sincerity of heart that allows us to work in our clubs, zones, regions and districts to improve the lives of those less fortunate than ourselves. We truly work to help others with no thought of benefit to ourselves. Integrity in the character of each of our members strengthens the core fabric of our clubs to continue this service daily.

Our sincerity and integrity leads us to seize Opportunities to expand our service around the world so that we may include more hands for more service and greater participation by our members. By doing so, we know that our work provides Needed Services to the individuals who depend upon our projects. These values are what drive me to serve the Lions of Indiana and why I wish to extend that service to the Lions of the world.

<u>Recognitions:</u> Three Presidential Medals, LCI Leadership Medal, Three Presidential Certificates of Appreciation, Membership Advancement Key, Two Club Extension Awards, District 25E-2 Lion of the Year, Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow and Progressive W. P. Woods Fellow

<u>Salem Lions Club Achievements:</u> Member since 1985, Club President 1988-89, Club Treasurer 2011-present, member of the Board of Directors, Membership Advancement Key, Club Orientation Chair, and has worked at all Salem Lions Club's service Project.

<u>District Service:</u> District Governor 25E-2 1993-94, Vice-District Governor 1992-93, Region Chair 1990-92, Zone Chair 1987-90, Two Club Extension Awards, Trustee for Cancer Control 2015-present, Trustee for 9 years for the Indiana Lions Eye & Tissue Bank serving as Assistant Treasurer and Secretary, Trustee for 29 years on Indiana Lions Foundation (ILF), Inc. & Indiana Lions Holding Corporation, Inc. serving as Secretary, Vice Chair, and Chairman, District Global Leadership Chair 2014-present, Past Member of MERL & GLT, Parliamentarian & Resolution Chair, and Constitution Chair.

<u>Multiple District (MD) 25 Service:</u> Leadership Chair and MD 25 GLT Chair 2008-14; Mid-Winter Leadership Conference Chair 2008-14; Indiana School for the Blind & Visually Impaired Committee Chair; Attended multiple Lions Club International Conventions, USA/Canada Leadership Forums and have been made multiple presentations at the Mid-Winter Leadership Conference and MD Leadership Training events.

Vision for the Future

Volunteers

Ingenuity

Sincerity

Integrity

Opportunity

Needed Service

Indiana Lions State Convention Information





Happy Birthday Lions!

That is the theme for the 2017 Indiana Lions State Convention in Evansville on April 28—30, 2017. Make your plans now to join Lions from across the state of Indiana at the 2017 Indiana Lions State Convention to celebrate 100 years of Lionism. More than 130 Lions have already pre-registered for the convention. The convention will be hosted by the Oakland City and Petersburg Lions Clubs, assisted by Lions from throughout District 25-E.

Lions Clubs International President Robert Corlew will be our special guest at the convention. IP Corlew will participate in the presentation of awards at the Awards Luncheon on Saturday, and will be the keynote speaker at the All-State Banquet on Saturday evening. Convention attendees will have an opportunity to meet IP Corlew during a seminar session on Saturday afternoon.

A frequently asked question about the convention is: "What is the dress code for the All-State Banquet on Saturday evening?" The District Governors and other Lions leaders seated at the head table will be wearing formal dinner jackets, but this is a Lions function and Lions apparel is always appropriate at a Lions function. Please plan to attend the All-State Banquet, even if you don't have a Lions vest or shirt. We want you there, no matter what you wear.

Several exciting events and tours are being planned including a Friday evening dinner aboard the LST 325. LST 325 is a restored, fully operational, Navy ship that actually served our country in WWII. The LST is docked in Evansville on the Ohio River and will provide a unique dining experience. There will be a special breakfast commemorating Dr. W. P. Woods, LCI's first International President, who just happened to be from Evansville. Theme baskets are great items to bring for the Silent Auction. A great way for your club to participate in the convention. There will be many surprises throughout the convention

There is no charge to attend the convention business sessions, seminars, or visit the exhibit tables. We have done our best to provide affordable meals at the convention, including children menus for the Saturday Luncheon, All-State Banquet, and Sunday Brunch. Walk-in registrations will be accepted during the convention, however, no meal reservations will be accepted after April 20. The deadline for meal reservations at regular prices is April 1. After April 1, the price for each meal will increase by \$5.00. We encourage you to register early to avoid the added cost.

We look forward to celebrating 100 years of Lionism with you at the 2017 Indiana Lions State Convention! **www.indianalionsconvention.org**



Centennial Coins are Here!

DG Trea McCandless has the NEW Centennial Coins. The cost is \$10 per coin. Pictured on the left is the coin, both front and back side.

Be sure to ask her about them during your clubs Official Visit!

Oakland City Lions Club







<u>Left Photo:</u> Local Law Officers visit with Santa at the Oakland City Lions breakfast with "Santa for the Kids."

Middle Photo: Lil Miss Maddy Brown talking with Santa!

Right Photo: Sweet Corn Festival Queen, Miss Erica Gaines with Santa.

Petersburg Lions Club



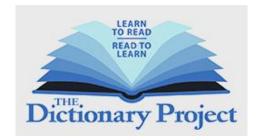


<u>Left Photo:</u> Lion Erica Thomas handing out dictionaries to the 3rd grade students at Petersburg Elementary School. She is helping the kids pronounce the longest word in the English language!

Top Photo: Lion Erica Thomas reading to the 3rd grade students at Petersburg Elementary School.

The goal of The Dictionary Project is to ensure that everyone will be able to enjoy the benefits of owning a dictionary.

www.dictionaryproject.org



Crandall Lions & Their Community!



The Crandall Lions and their community helping to clean up their environment!

Evansville Eastside Lions



51 Individuals were screened at the CK Newsome Center in downtown Evansville on Saturday, November 5. Pictured from left to right are Evansville Eastside Lions Bill Schulz, Don Russ, Sue Russ, Sue Ahlbrand, Ceal Schulz, and Theresa Arvin.

<u>Below Photo:</u> From left to right, Lions Carleen & Maury Wade, with their son Mike Wade. Lion Maury was an honored guest on the Honor Flight from Evansville to Washington DC.

We are all so PROUD of these Lions!



Lions Ceal & Bill Schulz during a vision screening session

Seymour Noon DG Official Visit



District Governor's Trea McCandless official visit at the Seymour Noon Lions Club. During her visit she awarded length of service chevron to their members.

<u>Left Photo:</u> From left to right are Lion Rosy Jennings (25 year chevron), DG Trea, Lion Mike Crouch (20 year chevron), and Lion Barry Downing (20 year chevon)

New Albany DG Official Visit



District Governor's Trea McCandless official visit at the New Albany Lions Club. During her visit she awarded length of service chevron to their members. Lions Barbara Harbison received a 25 year chevron, Lion Dave Milby a 25 year chevron, Lion Mickey Kahl a 25 chevron and Lion Jim Goad a 15 year chevron

Lawrence County Lions Clubs



Members of the four local Lions Clubs (Bedford, Bedford Noon, Fayetteville Community, and Mitchell) joined together, in vision screening teams of 5 to 8 trained Lions, from October 24, 2016 to November 10, 2016 to conduct vision screenings on students at 19 Lawrence County Schools, screening one school in the morning and one school in the afternoon each day. Working with the Principals and Nurses the Lions helped complete this school years state required mandated school vision screenings for each school. This was the seventh year the local Lions have volunteered to do vision screenings in all schools. There were a total of 33 different Lions from the four clubs who volunteered to help this year. The Lions complete a certification-training program and donate all their time performing screenings at the schools. Each student's eyes are screened for distance and near visual acuity using Optec optical testing machines for 1st, 3rd, 5th, and 8th graders. The total number of students screened includes 1,396 at the North Lawrence Elementary and Middle Schools, 352 at the Mitchell Elementary and Junior High Schools, 171 at the St Vincent DePaul School, 66 at the Stone City Christian Academy, 50 at JC's Christian Academy, and 15 Lawrence County Home School kids. Of the total of 2,050 students screened for vision problems 384 were referred to seek additional professional eye exams. Many Lions Clubs throughout the state are now performing this valuable service for their community schools and children with great success and many others are working to get this great project started in their communities.

<u>Left Photo:</u> Photo shows Lions screening 1st, 3rd, and 5th graders at Stalker Elementary School. Screeners from left to right are: Lions Ron Edwards, Duane Terry, Gary Ochs, JoHannah Edwards, Butch Fish, Jan Allen, and Ken Brumbaugh

<u>Right Photo:</u> Photo shows Lions screening 8th graders at Bedford Middle School. Screeners from left to right are: Lions Newell Clifton, Judy Clifton, Jan Allen, Kevin Stailey. and Lynn Burch

Election Results in Harrison County

Two District 25-E Past District Governors (PDGs) were elected to office in the same county. Probably won't find that in too many places across the United States! Congratulations to PDG Charlie Crawford on his election to the Harrison County Commissioner, and PDG Harold Klinstiver on his re-election as the Harrison County Surveyor. You both make us PROUD!

Best wishes for success.

Information provided to us by PDG Bill Willis, French Lick/West Baden Lions Club

Brown County Lions



President Deadra Nail receiving a gift from Leader Dog Trustee Lion John Spurgeon



DG Trea & VDG Keith



DG Trea presenting VDG Keith with the 2016 Petersburg Lion of the Year Award. Keith has served multiple offices with the Petersburg Lions along with various state and district positions. Twenty-four members and their guests were in attendance at their annual Christmas Party at the Village Inn.

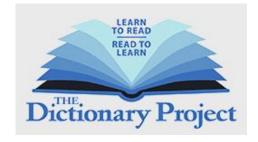
French Lick / West Baden Lions Club





<u>Left Photo:</u> President PDG Bill Willis, left, presents used eye glasses to PDG Tom Slattery, Indianapolis for the Indiana Lions Eye Glass Recycling Center. Used eye glasses are collected from the French Lick Resort, CVS Pharmacy in West Baden and Valley Eye Care. These and other eye glasses will be used during mission trips to Mexico and other South American Mission Trips. Seven (7) million pair of glasses have been processed by Indiana Lions since 1994.

<u>Right Photo:</u> Lions Rita Hinkle (left) and Frances Drabing (right) hand out dictionaries to 3rd grade students at the Springs Valley Elementary on September 8.



The goal of The Dictionary Project is to ensure that everyone will be able to enjoy the benefits of owning a dictionary.

www.dictionaryproject.org



At the November 12, 2016 meeting of the Indiana Lions Foundation the Trustees passed a policy to deal with outdated credits and money that are shown on the received funds lists. This is credits earned by working at the state fair, race track, etc. or money donated by clubs or individual. The W.P. Woods Fellowship program began in 1995 and Lions have been working since to gain credits towards a W.P. Woods Fellowship.

Some of the credits or money were earned or donated as far back as 2006-2007 Lions Year. In an effort to use these older credits and moneys the Trustees are

going to be contacting each of the older accounts to see what they want to do with their credits or moneys. The policy will take effect July 1, 2017.

Every effort will be made to contact the account holders to determine what steps will be taken. Also you do not need to wait for a Trustee to contact you about your club or individual account. You can contact them. You have 3 Trustees in each district to contact. They are listed in your District Governor's Directory and the State Directory.

Please see policy provided below for reference.

Thank you and I hope to hear from you soon.

Lion Sandy Ruean Indiana Lions Foundation President W.P. Woods Fellowship State Chair fsruane@frontier.com 812-498-3565

W.P. Woods Sunset Policy

During the fourth year of inactivity of W.P.Woods accounts of credits and donations, the Foundation Trustees of each district will be notified in August by the W.P. Woods State Chair to make contact with each of the inactive account owners, or with the presidents of the clubs in which those owners are members, to explain the options for the inactive accounts. Method of use of credits or donations recorded in an account for a deceased Lion should be determined by his or her club. If an account owner cannot be located and his or her club has been dissolved, the appropriate District Governor shall be consulted for resolution. The options include:

- 1. Using the credits and donations for a W. P. Woods Fellowship; or,
- 2. Making an account active again through additional credits or donations; or,
- 3. Identifying recipients, other than the current owners, to receive the credits or donations toward W. P. Woods Fellowships; (recipients may be clubs and districts) or,
- 4. Permitting the Foundation to apply the credits or donations to the districts in which they were earned.

W. P. Woods credits and donations in accounts that have been inactive for five years or more will be moved to the account of the district in which they were earned.



ANNUAL LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2016 6:00 PM HARDINSBURG BEARCAT CIVIC CENTER HOSTED BY THE PAOLI MERIDIAN LIONS CLUB

PLEASE BRING:

1.	Crandall	Salads
2.	Hardinsburg	Paper Products, Rolls, Coffee,
		Lemonade, Tea & Ice
3.	New Salisbury	Vegetables & Casseroles
4.	Ramsey	Desserts
5.	Paoli Meridian	Meats & Salads

Instead of having a gift exchange this year, we will be having a silent auction. We are asking each person to bring one item to be auctioned off. The proceeds of the silent auction will go to the Bearcat Civic Center for providing the Lions of this area a beautiful building for meetings.

Bring your children and grandchildren to enjoy the fun and see Santa Clause. He will be stopping by with a treat for each child.

Please confirm how many you think will be attending from your club to Nancy Lambert at the following email address: nlambert@electricominc.com or by phone at 812-653-0127.

ALL LIONS IN THE DISTRICT ARE WELCOME TO COME AND ENJOY THE FELLOWSHIP WITH OTHER LIONS. PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH FOR THE PITCH IN DINNER ALONG WITH A PRESENT FOR THE SILENT AUCTION





2017 Indiana Distinguished Lion Award

The Indiana Lions Foundation, Inc. is again sponsoring the Indiana Distinguished Lion Award to recognize an outstanding member of the Lions of Indiana. The award will be presented at the 2017 State Convention. The award is a standing Lion replica for the recipient's desk and their name will be placed on a plaque in the Lions State Office.

The qualifications for this prestigious award are:

- 1. The nominee must be a member of a Lions Club in Multiple District 25 (Indiana)
- 2. The nominee has been a Lion in good standing for at least 25 years prior to the nomination.

Nominations may be submitted by a Lions Club, the sub-district cabinet with the approval of the sitting District Governor, or the Council of Governors with the approval of the Council Chair

The Nomination Application form must provide as much information as possible concerning the

nominee's service. Nominations mus club per year.	t be received by January 31, 20	017. Only one applicant per
Apply online through the website:	https://indianalionsfoundati	onmd25.org/?page_id=42
Or mail completed applications to:	PCC L. Robert Booher, Jr. Chairman—Indiana Lions I 4920 West 15th Street Speedway, IN 46224-6506	_
Nomination From: (check one	e)	
Lions Club Sub-Distric	t Cabinet Council	of Governors
Nominee Information:		
Title LAST Name	FIRST Name	MIDDLE Name
	Address	
City	State	Zip Code
Home Phone Number	Cel	I Phone Number
Lions Club	District	
Number of years in good standing in loca	al Lions Club Number of year	rs in good standing in Indiana

Please provide a narrative of the service that the nominated Lion has given to:	
His/Her Lions Club	
His/Her District	
The Lions of Indiana—Multiple District 25 (Stat	e Organization):
Lions Club International:	
Other Organizations and/or the community:	
If nominated by a Club, signature of Club Presider nor. If nominated by the Council of Governors, signature	nt. If nominated by a District, signature of District Gover- gnature of Council Chairperson.
Signature:	Title:

District 25-E Nominations and Elections for 2017

The following positions will be up for election at our District Convention on March 11, 2017:

<u>Second Vice District Governor:</u> Information pertaining to the nomination/election process and the duties of this position can be found in the District 25-E Constitution & By-Laws (Article IV, Section 2) (Article V Section 4).

<u>Multiple District Project Directors/Trustees:</u> Information pertaining to the nomination/election process and the duties of this positon can be found in the District 25-E Constitution & By-Laws (Article IV, Section 4) (Article VI Section 1).

Indiana Lions Cancer Control Fund

Indiana Lions Eye and Tissue Bank

Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing

Indiana Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Indiana Lions for Leader Dog

Indiana Lions Foundation

District 25-E Special Projects

A candidate seeking election to one of these positions must submit a letter of intention as well as a letter of endorsement from his or her club to the Chairperson of the Nominations & Elections Committee by February 9, 2017:

PDG Dale Leffler, Chairperson District Nominations and Elections 1737 S 950 E Oakland City, IN 47660 Sue2dale@yahoo.com

A copy of the 25-E Constitution & By-Laws can be found on our website (www.lions25e.org) under "Documents & Training" section along the left side, then under "Documents". The link to the file is given below:

http://www.lions25e.org/25E%20Constitution%20&%20Bylaws.pdf



Lions District 25E December 2016 Newsletter

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NOVEMBER UPDATE: Lions Clubs International Convention and 100th Anniversary Celebration The Indiana International Convention Committee has chosen a parade uniform for our Indiana Lions. The expectation is to unveil the shirt and hat at the November 5 Indiana Leadership Conference. The parade gear will represent Indiana with a racing theme. Also at the November 5 Leadership Conference is a session presenting more information about how to attend LCICon and how to experience and negotiate Chicago.

As always, you can go to the LCICon web site at http://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php for more information.

Look for the next ICC update in your December newsletters.

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