



# District C Roars



Issue 4

District Governor Richard McKellar

October 2015

## Step Out

Imagine yourself sitting in a meeting in your club house planning the service projects for 2015-2016. It can be exciting to know that you are going to help make someone's life better.

If you were to walk over to the door of the club house and open it just a crack, you would probably see a need. Step out and look around, you could see another need. Move on down the street. Another need? Yes, keep on going and you will see that everywhere around you there is one or more needs, more now than ever before.

With this message I am asking each Lion in District 25C to step out of your immediate surroundings and participate in a larger humanitarian effort. Sometimes we see the service that we do in our clubs as the total service necessary to take care of the prevailing needs. NOT TRUE!!! I know that most all clubs do service "outside" by giving to the state projects, i.e., Cancer Control, Leader Dog,

ISBVI, Speech & Hearing, and the Eye Bank supporting the Indiana Lions Foundation and yes, even LCIF.

The easy way to do service is just pass on a check. Don't get me wrong! That check is also needed and very much appreciated, *but we need "hands on" service also*. I can't help but think of the news item just a short time ago where a policeman bought diapers for a woman caught shoplifting. Why was she shoplifting? *She was living in a car with six children*. Is there any question in your mind about her situation? Would you say there is a need there?

We need to do more "outside" the club, or if inside the club, we need to know that this situation doesn't exist in our community, or if it does, find out when, where and why and do something about it! Other examples of service are the Special Olympics, the Reading Action Program and engaging in food pantries, preparing meals for

disadvantaged children, and vision screening. Clubs are doing some or all of these. More need to start.

I have tried to make a point about service. In District C we have had an excellent kick off for the 2015-2016. I would encourage you to get involved. Do a self-assessment, check to make sure you are doing all **you** can to help those less fortunate.



*Don't forget our District Cabinet Meeting October 10 at the Riley Lions building. We will also be holding a special convention.*



club's 50/50 drawing or other gaming. You can come and learn about the state projects and Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). You can come and learn about club leadership or how to make your meeting fun through the art of Tailtwisting.



*1929 Ford Model "A", winner of the "District Governor's Award" awarded by 1VDG Ross Drapalik at the 2015 Delphi Lions Club Car Show on September 19, 2015.*

## Fall is a Busy Time

Fall is such a busy time for Lions with all of the festivals, carnivals, food stands, and parades, not to even mention the many vision screening teams hard at work in the schools.

For Lions in Indiana, this Fall will also see a change with the 27<sup>th</sup> annual **Indiana LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE** being held in Plainfield on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Five workshops and 24 seminars were being offered during the single-day event. You can come and learn things such as creating a website or Face book® page to filing the proper paperwork for your

Although my District Governor year is still nine months away, my schedule is starting to fill up. If you would like for me to attend one of your club's events during the 2016-17 Lions' year, you need to be getting your requests to me as soon as possible.

Lastly, I'm really proud how our clubs have responded to the challenge to improve their monthly filing of their Service Activity Reports (SAR) so far this year. We're nearing the goal of 80% (45 clubs) per month. **Keep up the great job, and make the rest of the districts be envious of 25C.**

1VDG Ross Drapalik

Fellow Lions ,

Please share with your members that PDG Tom Slattery collected (at our Zone meeting) nearly 5,000 pairs of recyclable eyeglasses and over 20 lbs. of brass keys. He wanted to thank everyone for all that is being done by the Lions of Vigo county.

Lion Ray Collins  
Zone 6 Chair

Gov. McKellar says that Mooresville Lions did the same during his visitation!



The leaves are changing color and beginning to fall and as we begin to enjoy cooler temperatures and football games, it won't be long before we enter the holiday season which is closely followed by "tax" season.

As you begin to think about the coming seasons, and planning your year-end charitable contributions for 2015, please consider a personal donation to the Melvin Jones Fellowship Program. Individuals may make personal contributions online at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) and clicking on LCIF Button. Be sure to include your club and district number. Honor someone special by making a donation in their name to LCIF.

Last year 35 of our 57 clubs participated by making a contribution to LCIF. 22 clubs did not make a contribution to LCIF.

This year we hope to have 100% participation of the 56 clubs in the district either through the Melvin Jones Fellowship program or an undesignated donation to LCIF. The District's goal this year is \$11,665 which is an increase of 10% over the 2014-2015 year. A contribution to LCIF is one

of the requirements for obtaining a "**Club Excellence Award**" and/or the "**Club President's Excellence Award.**" The DG is asking those clubs who contributed last year to increase last year's donation by a minimum of 10%. For only an additional \$10 ten lives can be saved through the **Measles Initiative.**

#### 2015-2016 DISTRICT GOALS

100%  
PARTICIPATION  
BY 56 CLUBS IN  
THE DISTRICT  
(UP FROM 61%)  
ESTABLISH A  
LCIF CONTACT  
WITHIN EACH  
CLUB.  
INCREASE  
ANNUAL GIVING  
GOAL TO  
\$11,655.00 (10%)  
ENCOURAGE  
PERSONAL  
GIVING

#### LCIF STATISTICS:

- ✓ Millions of people around the world have benefited from more than 11,800 foundation grants, which have totaled **\$873 million**

- ✓ In 2013-2014, LCIF was able to award **538** grants totaling **\$46,000,000**

- ✓ Lions and LCIF have provided vision screening for more than **338,000 Special Olympics athletes** from 85 countries through Opening Eyes

- ✓ Lions and LCIF constructed more than 1,000 Habitat for Humanity homes for people with disabilities

**LIONS CLUBS  
INTERNATIONAL  
FOUNDATION is  
YOUR  
FOUNDATION!**



**Lions Clubs International  
FOUNDATION**

KAREN MCKELLAR

## Leadership Oct. 2015

Ah...Fall! Indiana has nine months of crummy weather, but we get a 90 day rebate in September, October, and November!

By the time you read this, the Grand Rapids USA/Canada Forum will be over, and we are all looking forward to next year's great time. Next year's Forum will be on the Nebraska coast in Omaha, September 15-17<sup>th</sup> 2016. Early registration is open now. If you have never been before, TRY IT!

This month, no big talk about programs, training and stuff. Let's **enjoy** our Lions time! **Encourage** our Lions to have a good time while we serve. **Praise** them for jobs well done. Give out the attaboys and attagirls like they don't cost anything, because they don't. They pay off.

**Have FUN** at your Fall events and fundraisers, **SERVE** with a smile, and let everyone you see know that **It's Great to be a LION!** It just might be the best thing you do for the Club all year.

Charlie Short  
Leadership - GLT



### Bringing in new members is as easy as **'ASKING ONE!'**

LCI conducted a webinar on August 25 on "How to Invite New Members and Start New Clubs" to share how clubs like yours have done this successfully. If you were unable to participate in August, the webinar has been archived so you can listen to the recording now at your convenience. Tune in to this webinar to learn tools and strategies to help your club grow through the following link:

<https://vimeo.com/ionsclubs/review/137279603/d8314fe82d>.

Comments made following the live broadcast: nice easy to follow format; very useful webinar; this will help all of us to invite NEW members; good presentation; loved the video; very informative; great resource. Call me if you need any additional information or help accessing the archived webinar.

PDG Pat Short  
- Membership

Many are available 24/7 for free.

## Leading the Way

Brownsburg, Lafayette and Zionsville Lions Clubs were acknowledged at the USA/Canada Forum in September for their great monetary donations to Leader Dog! Congratulations!

Indiana Lions for Leader dogs, Inc. were also recognized, so while your club may not have been individually named, it was right there on the board in the Indiana group!

## Don't Forget :

### Brian's Trike Race

This is an annual fundraiser for the School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Oct.4.

E-mail Pat at :  
[iwtlions@gmail.com](mailto:iwtlions@gmail.com)



### Clubs Add New Members

From Aug. 20-Sep. 20

Clinton: 1

Colfax: 6

Flora: 1

Martinsville Eve. : 1

Royal Center: 1

Wolcott: 1



President     Lion  
Jamie Blacker of  
Colfax says:

Key to our  
success in adding 6  
new members was  
identifying new  
people moving into  
the community and  
having a fun service  
project focused on  
kids..... doing  
something for kids  
brings parents in as  
they want to help  
make programs  
better."

Colfax LC has built 3  
baseball diamonds and 1  
basketball court and hosts  
the semi-state baseball  
tournament for 12-13 year  
olds.

*PDG Pat Short  
Membership*

### **Dear State Project and State Committee Chairpersons and Others,**

If you wish to have a  
display table at the Indiana  
Lions Conference at  
Plainfield Middle School for  
your organization or  
committee please notify us by  
October 1, 2015. If we don't  
hear from you by that date  
we will assume you do not  
desire a table for presenting  
materials and information at  
this year's conference on  
November 7, 2015. Please  
note the new month for the

former Mid Winter  
Conference. Table areas will  
be assigned in the order the  
requests are received.

Only a limited number of  
power outlets will be  
available. However, please  
advise us if your table needs  
to be located near a power  
outlet and we will do our best  
to try to accommodate you.  
You will need to bring your  
own extension cord and  
power strip with you.

Yours in Lionism,

PDGs Charlie & Ann Haffner

Displays Chairpersons

(574) 457-3054

## **I Thought I Saw the Gov!**

Yes, you just may! Here is  
his schedule for October:

Oct.4: Newport Hill Climb

Oct. 5: New Goshen Lions

Oct. 6: Flora Lions

Oct. 13: Thorntown Lions

Oct. 14: Martinsville Noon  
Anniversary

Oct. 21: Rossville Lions  
Anniversary

Oct. 27: Zionsville Lions

## **Acknowledgment**

Perhaps LCI has sent your  
club something like the  
following:

Dear Lion Leader,

We noticed the Lafayette Lions  
Club was mentioned in the *Lafayette*

*Journal & Courier.*

We would like to congratulate your  
club on the difference it is making in  
your community through your  
involvement at the Feast of the  
Hunters' Moon. Your tireless service  
to your community and your success  
in promoting the important work your  
club is doing through the news media  
is an inspiration to all Lions.

As we get closer to our Centennial  
year, we want to share information  
about the special recognition that is  
available to Lions clubs through our  
Centennial Celebration Membership  
Awards. This program rewards clubs  
for inducting new members and  
helping grow Lionism in their district.

Please contact us if you have any  
questions about the Centennial  
Celebration Membership Awards at  
[lionsmembership@lionsclubs.org](mailto:lionsmembership@lionsclubs.org).  
We're happy to help!

Sincerely,

Membership Development Division  
Lions Clubs International  
[lionsmembership@lionsclubs.org](mailto:lionsmembership@lionsclubs.org)

I've been told that the  
Zionsville Lions Club has  
also been so recognized  
with a similar letter.

While my club (Spencer  
Lions Club) has been in our  
local paper several times a  
year, we've not received  
such a letter of  
congratulations. (Perhaps  
the newspaper is too small  
to be caught by their  
search engine!) So, if your  
club has not been noticed  
by LCI, be assured that you  
have been noticed by those  
you serve!

- Editor -

## 25-C District Cabinet Meeting Saturday, October 10, 2015

Hosted by the Riley Township Lions Club

**Registration:** 9:00 a.m.  
**PDG Meeting:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Cabinet Meeting:** 10:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Riley Township Lions Den

7801 State Road 46  
Riley, IN 47871

(At the flasher light on SR 46 in Riley, IN)

Directions: From I-70, take exit for State Rd. 46 (toward Bloomington)  
Follow SR 46 for approximately 3 miles to flasher light  
Parking available across the street from Lions Den

*(Donuts & Coffee in the morning)*

**Lunch at 12:00 noon — Cost is \$10.00**

Menu: Sloppy Joe or Pork BBQ Sandwiches  
Salads, Chips & Desserts  
Coffee, Tea, Lemonade

**RSVP by October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015, to [liongretchen@att.net](mailto:liongretchen@att.net)**

Or mail this form with a check to

CS Gretchen Xinopoulos, 6785 E. US 136, Brownsburg, IN 46112

Make checks payable to: Riley Twp Lions Club

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lion, PDG, PCC (Circle one)      Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lion, PDG, PCC (Circle one)      Club: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*"Your attendance will be appreciated! Please share this invitation with your club!"*

*Richard "Dick" McKellar, District Governor, 25-C*

# **REGISTRATION FORM--2015 Indiana Lions Conference**

*(Each Attendee Must Complete a Separate Form)*

**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATIONS: OCTOBER 20, 2015**

**PRE-REGISTRATION FROM OCTOBER 1 TO OCTOBER 20, 2015**

Lions - \$35.00,    Lioness - \$35.00,    Partner-in-Service - \$35.00,    Leos - \$15.00

Friday Night Dinner - \$15.00

**\*NO PRE-REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED POSTMARKED AFTER OCT. 20, 2015\***

Conf. Registration(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Fri. Nt. Dinner(s) \_\_\_\_\_ +Book @ \$8 \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**ON SITE REGISTRATION \$ 40.00**

**REGISTRATION PRICE INCLUDES THE 2015 COMMEMORATIVE SOUVENIR  
CONFERENCE PIN, PROCEEDINGS CD, AND THE BUFFET LUNCH.**

**(☐ Please add \$8.00 extra for Proceedings Book.)**

Workshops and Seminars will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

**Send registrations early to assure getting the Workshops or Seminars of your choice.**

**PLEASE SEND COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM AND CORRECT REMITTANCE TO:**

**PDG Jim Query, 2408 Shepard Patrick Rd., Spencer, Indiana 47460**

**Make Checks Payable to: Indiana Lions Conference**

**E-Mail Address: jequery@bluemarble.net    Phone: (812) 829-4496**

ID ( ) PID ( ) CC ( ) PCC ( ) DG ( ) VDG ( ) PDG ( ) Lion ( ) Lioness ( ) Leo ( ) Partner-in- Service ( )

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Lions Office \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ District 25- \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Need diabetic meal ( )    Need gluten-free meal ( )    How Many Mid-Winter Conferences Attended ( )

( ) **This is my first Mid-Winter Conference. I was encouraged to attend by \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Review the Workshops and Seminars offered.**

**Please circle your selections below to help us plan sufficient handouts for all attendees.**

**CIRCLE 1 WORKSHOP OR 2 SEMINARS (NOT IN THE SAME LINE) FOR BOTH MORNING AND AFTERNOON.**

## **"MORNING"**

WORKSHOP: (9:45 A.M. – 11:45 A.M.) \_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_\_ B \_\_\_\_\_ D \_\_\_\_\_

**"OR"**

SEMINAR: (9:45 A.M. – 10:45 A.M.) \_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_ 14 \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ 21 \_\_\_\_\_

**"AND"**

SEMINAR: (11:00 A.M.--12:00 P.M.) \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_ 17 \_\_\_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_\_\_ 15 \_\_\_\_\_ 16 \_\_\_\_\_ 22 \_\_\_\_\_

## **"AFTERNOON"**

WORKSHOP: (2:15 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.) \_\_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_\_ E \_\_\_\_\_

**"OR"**

SEMINAR: (2:15 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.) \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 9 \_\_\_\_\_ 10 \_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_ 23 \_\_\_\_\_

**"AND"**

SEMINAR: (3:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.) \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_ 11 \_\_\_\_\_ 12 \_\_\_\_\_ 13 \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_ 24 \_\_\_\_\_



Lion President Bill Schooler of the Delphi Lions Club working a booth at the Indiana Bacon Festival.



Delphi Lions Ray Ward, Jana Schwartz, and Ron Israel at the Indiana Bacon Festival.





The installation of officers by DG McKellar, Wed. Aug.26, 2015.

Left to right: DG McKellar, Pres. Robert Dodson, Vice-President Tom Schultz, Treasurer Marge Schultz, Membership Chair Ann Stigler, and Secretary Anna Long.



Spencer Lions Anita Kay, Shirley Dunigan and Anton Neff are anticipating the beginning of the 37th Annual Apple Butter Parade. The Apple Butter Festival is always the 3rd weekend of September, and this trio can be found onstage announcing the parade for the thousands who crowd the streets of Spencer.



Clinton Lions Members wear many hats within our community. Pictured are eleven Clinton Lions working at the Club's Cheese and Salami Wheel during the Little Italy Festival which is held over Labor Day weekend each year. Nine of the members pictured are also members of the Clinton Fire Department with the exception of Lion and Mayor Jack Gilfoy and Lion Secretary and City Council President Dean Strohm.

Pictured in the front row from left to right are Lions Chris Laws, Dean Strohm, Board member Tom Sims, Jack Gilfoy (Mayor). Back row left to right, Financial Secretary Sean Avenatti, Board member and Chief Chris Strohm, Board member Mike Curry, Club President and Vermillion County Deputy Sheriff Nick Hall, Austin Jacks, Board member Cody Anderson and Vermillion County Deputy Coroner Brian Morris



Oxford Lions welcome everyone to Dan Patch Days and roar to attract new members! Read on to learn more about attracting new Lions to your pride!

**WEAR THESE PINS TO ALL YOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS AND FUNDRAISERS**



Design by Lion Janet Fish  
(Claremont LC/25F)

Cost including S&H is approximately \$1 each for 20, depending on Zip code.

Order Information: Wacky Buttons [www.wackybuttons.com](http://www.wackybuttons.com) 1-585-267-7670

Orders can be called in or placed on line at "[order@wackybuttons.com](mailto:order@wackybuttons.com)"

Design code number is 3761429 Size of button is 2.25" Standard Back Pin

After you order send Wacky Buttons an email letting them know that Janet Fish gave you

the order information. Include your club name and where the button will be worn. Doing this usually helps make your order arrive sooner. They give Lions Club orders top priority!

Thank you Lion Janet for sharing this idea with us -- another example of Lions working together for a common goal.

**Wear them with pride, tell your story and strut your stuff!**

*GMT Pat Short*

**DO YOU KNOW THAT "YOU" HAVE THE KEY  
TO  
YOUR CLUB'S SUCCESS?**



Our Lions USA/Canada Forum was held this past weekend in Grand Rapids....new connections and friendships made and successful ideas shared. Three great days of informative seminars --- 90 sessions total with my particular interest focused on membership issues: "Hello, I'm your new member...I'm leaving", "Community Service Builds Clubs", "Member Retention", "Use of Social Media to Attract Members", "Just Ask -- Recruiting New Members", "Power of Diversity", "Orientation for Member Retention" and "Recruiting Younger Members". During the Just Ask session, we talked about the Top 10 Motivators that bring new members into our clubs. I'd like to share these with you. Some you'll know, but there may be others that might give you an aHa moment.

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|---|---|
| 1. Someone <u>asked</u> them. (duh!)  | 6. They have <u>untapped skills</u> they can use by volunteering with our organization.             |
| 2. They care deeply about our organization's missions, and/or <u>social change</u> .                        | 7. They want training or might want the experience as a <u>credential for their job or resume</u> . |
| 3. They feel a need to <u>pay back society</u> for help or opportunities they have received.                | 8. They actively enjoy the kind of work that volunteering brings; <u>it's fun for them</u> .        |
| 4. They are motivated to try to <u>improve the quality of life in their community</u> .                     | 9. They enjoy the <u>social aspect</u> , and contact with other members.                            |
| 5. They seek the external <u>recognition</u> and internal <u>good feeling</u> that comes with volunteering. | 10. It makes that <u>feel needed and useful</u> .   |

What motivated you to join your club? Take a look around at your own community leaders, relatives, friends, neighbors, local professionals, people you do business with and colleagues.....seems to me that you probably know folks in each of these groups whose lives are inspired by one, two or more of these motivators. So make a list of your contacts, figure out what motivates them and use these keys to light their passion to join your club!

(Join us for next year's Forum  
in Omaha, Nebraska!)



*Lion Pat Short  
Membership*





September 5 – Greater Lafayette Community Global Fest. The Lafayette LC promoted Lions Clubs activities and club membership in other parts of the world to Purdue University's international students, which currently accounts for 30% of student enrolment. L-to-R behind table are Lion Bob Goldberg ( president) and Lion Chuck Scholer.



Dayton Elementary School, Lafayette. PDG Charlie Short screening the vision of a student using the Aapos Chart System.





Sept 15 – Sunnyside Elementary School, Lafayette. The Vision Screening Team L-to-R: Lafayette Lion Chuck Scholer, IPDG Charles Roth, PDG Pat Short, Laf Lions Ron Castleberry and Keith Bundy.

Please send photos/articles to:

Lion Charlotte Query

[jequery@bluemarble.net](mailto:jequery@bluemarble.net)

Please send flyers to PDG Sara Provines at: [sjprovines@att.net](mailto:sjprovines@att.net)  
for publication between the newsletter publications.