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DISTRICT GOVERNOR COLUMN

Greetings to the Lions of District 25 B

I don't know about you but it seems like time is really flying right now. Where did February go? As many of you are aware our District Convention is March 16, 2024 at the 5 C Farms Event Barn and we have been busy planning for that. That will be followed by the Indiana Lions State Convention, April 26-27, 2024.

So what does that mean? It means the Lion year is rapidly coming to an end and it's time to start picking your club leadership for next year. It also means that there are some clubs in the district that need to be contacting me for a club visit. You know who you are so step up and decide when I can visit your club.

It would be great to see each club represented at the District 25 B Convention. We have a great PID coming, and he will be the keynote speaker. His name is PID Don Noland and his wife Betty. They are from Missouri, and I am looking forward to meeting him and his wife and learning from his words of wisdom.

One of the fun seminars will be led of Lion Jeff Kozicki, husband of DG Julia Kozicki. We will be hearing from both, but Lion Jeff is leading a seminar titled "Lionism through the Music of the Beatles. There will be a seminar on Mission 1.5 and a topic that PID Don Noland chooses.

We are asking everyone to bring a Door prize and each club to bring something to be auctioned off.

And I am asking anyone who has a report to get it to me by March 12 so I can get it printed. This will speed up the day's activities, which I believe will be fun enough.

It's been really great for me to visit the various clubs to hear about what you are doing.

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And for some, what their plans are. Every club should have a 5-year plan that they have made that will help them know where they are headed. Yes it may change with each new president, but you will have a general direction that you want to go. I also think each club needs a project that may last longer than a year. One that can make a difference in your community.

If you want examples, look at LCI and LCIF. With the help of Lions around the world have accomplished over the past 5 years and what they are going to accomplish with their plans over the next 5 years. Over 300 Million dollars raised to be used around the world to make a difference. A drive to increase our membership to 1.5 million Lions. That's 3 million hands to make a difference in our world.

We are moving forward and upwards.

Serve with the heart of a Lion,

DG Terry L. Marker

MONROEVILLE GAINS NEW MEMBERS

Zone Chairperson, Pam Arnold, visited the Monroeville Lions' Club meeting February 13th and inducted 2 new members! Both were former club members that took a hiatus but have returned to the club. Welcome back!



Pictured l to r: Judy Wagner, Sponsor; Linda Stephenson, New Member; Mary Beth Sipe, New Member; Susan Hoffman, Sponsor; Pam Arnold, Zone Chairperson

Donated Items

Mike and I donated gloves, hats, blankets, hygiene kits to New Life Ministries in Huntington, Indiana. These items were donated at the Mid Winter Conference in January. 1st Vice District Governor Jim Bush brought them to the cabinet meeting in January to have clubs donate them to the needy,. Mike and I chose the New Life Ministries to donate the items. They were very appreciative for the great donation. Big shout out "Roar to the Lions!".

New Life Ministries is a church that helps 4 organizations that deal with the homeless population in Huntington.



From left to right: Andrews Lions Member Mike Okuly, New Life Ministries member Savannah Marlow and Andrews Lions Member Cheryl Okuly presenting the items to New Life Ministries in Huntington.

UPCOMING DATES

Apr. 26-28 - Embassy Suites by Hilton, Noblesville Indianapolis Conference Center, 13700 Conference Center Fr. South, Noblesville, IN.

June 21-25 - Lions International Convention, Melbourne, Australia.

FROM THE DESK OF 1ST VDG

Submitted by 1st Vice District Governor Jim Bush

Greetings Lions of 25B

It seems as if time is really flying, the holidays are over and we're already into March. Can you believe it? I can't but it's true. It's time to start planning our service projects if we haven't already locked them in. While the District has added Lions, we're still 4 away from being in the black for the year. It's true, we're down 3 Lions year to date. Keep doing what you do, and I'm sure by the end of June we'll be back in the black. Is there someone you know that you like and don't see in your club meeting? Invite them to join us. If they've told you no in the past, that's ok, maybe this time they'll say yes. Speaking of service projects, they are a great way to invite people to become Lions. Maybe shoveling 10 yards of mulch isn't a good way to introduce them to Lions service, but small projects are a great way to meet our Lions and get a feel for what it's like where the rubber meets the road. There are many complicated theories and formulas you can use, but here's a pretty simple formula to remember. Every new member needs a job and a friend, and if they're already your friend you're half way there, all that's left is to find our new Lion a purpose. So please get out there and see what we can do.

With Spring comes the start of the Lions busy season (I'm not convinced there's a slow season). Upcoming events include the District Convention on March 16th, State Convention on April 26-28 and don't forget to sign up to work some shifts at the State Fair. Days and hours have changed for the fair this year, and if you haven't worked it, give it a try, it's a lot of fun and it helps the Indiana Lions Foundation a lot.

As for the Conventions, please mark your calendars and give them a try. The district convention promises to be fun and informative, and the State Convention will be as well. This is a great opportunity to see and hear first-hand what Lions in our District and State are doing and make some new or see some old friends.

Thank you for all the good things you do, hope to see you all soon!
Lion Jim

HERITAGE LIONS CLUB

Wanda Demeke, Director of Program Services at Charis House, gave an interesting talk last night before the Heritage Lions in Hoagland. Charis House is a faith-based division of The Rescue Mission in Fort Wayne that helps homeless women. From their website: "We offer resources that can provide emergency housing, food, and healthcare services, as well as help with job training, education, and childcare. Building a network of support is crucial, and connecting with other families who have faced similar challenges can provide a sense of community and empowerment. It is also important to prioritize self-care and mental health, seeking counseling or therapy if needed."

Charis House houses some 33 women each night, 26 without children who sleep 4-6 in a room, and 7 more private rooms for women with young children. The women stay as long as they need to learn new skills and regain their independence. Daily check-ins are required. All of the women are required to help with the day-to-day operation of the facility. Work skills are facilitated by the Blue Jacket organization.

Charis House relies completely upon donations from the public. Their greatest need is for supplies, such as diapers, personal care products, t-shirts, leggings, towels and washcloths. Treasure House at 10202 Coldwater Road accepts donations, along with a Thrift Shop to aid the homeless. Eighty-five cents of every dollar donated is used in assisting these homeless women.

The Heritage Lions are in the process of collecting personal care items (such as soap, shampoo, deodorant, women's razors), towels and wash cloths, t-shirts, and other materials to aid Charis House as they assist women experiencing homelessness. If you wish to contribute to this project, please contact Cindy Wolf at speedywolf54@gmail.com.

Together We Serve: Our mission is to empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs. The Heritage Lions motto is "We Serve" and we welcome anyone who wishes to help their local community to contact a Heritage Lion.

Wanda Demeke of Charis House; Cindy Wolf, Chairperson of the Heritage Lions



COME AND JOIN US AT DISTRICT 25 B CONVENTION MARCH 16, 2024

8:30 a.m. Registration and Fellowship time

5 C Farm Event Barn 1261 N. 300 E.

Albion, IN 46701

KEY NOTE SPEAKER: PID DON NOLAND

FUN TIME— LEARNING TIME — FELLOWSHIP TIME



REGISTRATION FORM FOR DISTRICT 25 B CONVENTION



March 16, 2024
5 Farms Event Barn
1261 N. 300 E., Albion, IN 46701



Doors open at 8:30 AM. Registration. Opening session at 9:15 AM.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: **PID DON NOLAND (from Missouri)**

For our lunch we will have pulled pork sandwiches, potato salad, baked beans, pasta salad and pie.
There will be Doughnuts, coffee, juice and water at registration.

Cost is: 25.00 per person.
Make checks payable to:
Albion Lions Club
% Treasurer Jim Sprague
1355 N. Finlandia Way
Albion, IN 46701

Send Reservations and checks by March 4, after that date the cost goes to \$35.00 per person.

Please indicate which workshop you would like to attend.

- A. Topic from: PID Don Noland
- B. Lionism Through Music of the Beatles – Lion Jeff Kozicki
- C. Mission 1.5

Please bring an auction item & Door Prize.

Club: _____

Lion: _____ Workshop: _____

Guest: _____ Workshop: _____

Lion: _____ Workshop: _____

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Guest: _____ Workshop: _____

DISTRICT 25B

ENVIRONMENTAL PHOTO CONTEST

The 2023-24 Environmental Photo Contest is open to all Lions and Leos in District 25B.

There will be four divisions: Wildlife 18 & under, Wildlife 19 & older, Scenery 18 & under, and Scenery 19 & older.

All photos depicting a natural theme (such as plants, animals, urban or natural landscape, weather phenomenon, etc.) are welcome.

Photos must be original and unaltered.

Photos must be taken within the state of Indiana.

Photos must be on high-quality photo paper and measure 8" x 10" (20.3 cm x 25.4 cm)

Photos need to be submitted with entry form on next column.

Photographers accept responsibility for the cost of taking and processing photos.

Contest photos become the property of the 25B Environmental Committee. The Committee reserves the right to disqualify entries that do not meet contest criteria or that may be viewed as inappropriate or objectionable.

Awards

1st Place in each category: \$25 gift card

If you have a question please contact:
PDG Alan Arnold at 260-216-1101 or
email pamalarn@myfibersolution.com.



25B LIONS

ENVIRONMENTAL PHOTO CONTEST REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Age Category:

_____ 18 & under _____ 19 & older

Club Name _____

Photo Category

_____ Wildlife

_____ Scenery

Send completed registration form and photo to:

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

Please address questions to:

DG Alan Arnold at 260-216-1101 or
pamalarn@myfibersolution.com.

**Photos must be postmarked by
March 8, 2024.**





LAND of LAKES LIONS ANNUAL EYEGLASS SORTING

Where: VFW in Angola

When: Tuesday, March 26, 2024

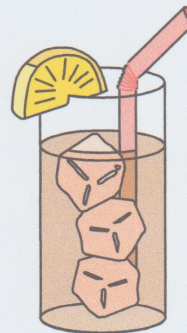
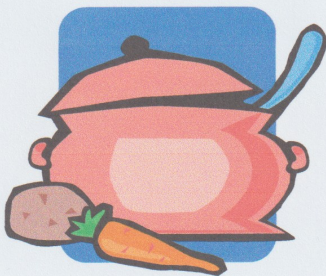
Menu: Chili and Drinks \$6.00

Start: About 5:00 PM

It is time for our annual recycling evening at the VFW.

Wear old clothing and expect to be busy.

We have several glasses to sort.



Drive-thru & Dine In Fish & Chicken Fry

Fried by Harlan Lions Club

Saturday, March 23, 2024

Harlan United Methodist Church Parking Lot
16434 State Road 37E—Harlan, IN

4:30—7pm

**Full Size (\$12) – Fish or Chicken,
Baked Potato, Choice of 2 Sides, and dessert**

**Half Size (\$6) – Fish, or Chicken,
Baked Potato, Choice of 1 Side, and dessert**



Proceeds to Both Organization's Missions



DISTRICT B AND DG TERRY'S CALENDAR MARCH 2024



Sun

Mon


Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 District B Convention 
17 St. Patrick's Day 	18	19 Auburn LC O/V 	20 	21	22	23 Harlan Lions Club Drive & Eat In Fish & Chicken Fry 
24	25	26 Land of Lakes Lions Club Eyeglass Recycling 	27	28	29	30
31						



**Past Council Chair
Lion Reed Fish
Indiana MD 25
Candidate for
International
Director**



**International Presidential
Leadership Medal
International Presidential
Certificate of Appreciaion (3)
Progressive WP Woods
Fellowship
District Leadership Chair 9 years
Cabinet Treasurer 7 years**

**State Convention Chairperson
Mid-Winter Chairperson
International Convention
Chairperson
Club Extension Awards (2)
Eyeglass Missions to Mexico (5)
Trustee for Vision First Eye Bank
Progressive Melvin Jones
Fellowships (14)
Member of Speedway Lions Club
Since 1989**



We would be honored to represent YOU!

Charlie Short for Lions International Director



PDG Charlie and PDG Pat Short

Expanded our **Indiana Lions**
vision screening!

#1

US Screening Program

Strength in Service, Vision in Action

INDIANA SERVICE

- Co-Founded Facebook *Global Lions Forum*
- Statewide Google Workspace system for Clubs
- Eyeglass World/America's Best Partnerships
- Visionworks Partnership
- Lions Certified Instructor Program Graduate
- 30 Year Lion Leader
- International President's Medal
- IP Leadership Medal
- IP Certificates of Appreciation
- GAT Chairperson Medal
- Progressive WP Woods Fellowships (5)
- Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowships (5)
- New Club Extension Success (4)
- Senior Master Membership Key Award

NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- **Oregon** Lions Leadership Conference
- **California** Lions District 4-C6 Convention
- **Illinois** State Convention and Mid Year Forum
- **Iowa** Leadership Conference
- USA/Canada Forum **Spokane, WA**
- USA/Canada Forum **Des Moines, IA**
- USA/Canada Forum **Calgary, Canada**
- USA/Canada Forum **Reno, NV**
- LCI Convention **Milan, Italy**
- LCI Convention **Montreal, Canada**
- LCI Convention **Boston, MA**

Your Voice for Indiana Lions

2024 STATE CONVENTION TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Time Begin	Time End	Event
FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024		
9:00am	11:30am	Council of Governors
2:00pm	4:00pm	Top Golf
2:30pm	3:00pm	Credentials Committee Meeting
3:00pm	5:30pm	Registration and Packet Pick-Up
3:00pm	5:30pm	Exhibits and Silent Auction Open
3:00pm	5:00pm	Credentials Certification
5:30pm	7:30pm	Manager's Reception/ Lions Reception with Hors d'oeuvres
7:30pm	9:00pm	General Business Session 1
9:00pm	11:00pm	DJ with cash bar
SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024		
8:00am	4:00pm	Exhibits and Silent Auction Open
		Service Project
8:00am	4:00pm	Registration and Packet Pick-Up
8:30am	9:30am	District Meetings
9:00am	4:00pm	Credentials Certification
10:00am	11:30am	General Business Session 2
11:45am	1:45pm	Luncheon
		Katie Stam Irk, 2009 Miss America
		Presentations (MJF, WPW, etc).....
		State Awards
2:00pm	2:45pm	Seminars
3:00pm	3:45pm	Strides Walk for Diabetes
4:15pm	5:00pm	Past District Governors Meeting
5:30pm	7:30pm	Hotel Manager's Reception
6:00pm	6:50pm	Receiving Line
7:00pm	9:30pm	All-State Banquet
		Past International President Frank Moore
SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024		
6:30am	7:00am	Credentials, Nominations, Elections Breakfast
7:00am	10:00am	Voting
7:00am	10:30am	Full Service Breakfast – For Embassy Suites Guests
10:00am	10:45am	Worship and Memorial Service
11:00am	11:30am	Morning Session
		Jeweled PDG Pin Presentations
		Membership Award Presentations
11:30am	1:00pm	General Business Session 3
1:15pm	4:00pm	Council Meeting (starts 15 minutes after General Business Session)

2024 Indiana Lions 103rd State Convention

Hosted by District 25D April 26 – 28, 2024



**Embassy Suites Noblesville Indianapolis Convention Center
With Special Guest Past International President Frank Moore**



PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY APRIL 1, 2024

Embassy Suites Noblesville Indianapolis Conference Center
13700 Conference Center Drive South, Noblesville, IN 46060

(317) 674-1900 (Group Code LIO) or click [here](#)

Room Rate: \$175/night. Includes cooked-to-order hot breakfast and manager's reception
For those not staying at the hotel who wish to enjoy the breakfast or reception, the cost is
\$20 per – please register below.

Friday Golf Outing at Top Golf, 9200 E 116th St. Fishers \$20 per person / limited to
48 golfers

Registration Form (one form per person)

Deadline: All Registration Forms must be Postmarked by April 12, 2024 Please
print name/Lions title as desire on Name Badge:

Name and Lion Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

District: _____ Club: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Mail this form (**postmarked by 4.12.24**) and your check, payable to: **Indiana Lions State**

Convention to: Lion Christine Woodward, 13862 Kickapoo Trail, Carmel, IN 46033

Woodward1999@sbcglobal.net or 317-716-0622

Is this your FIRST Indiana Lions State Convention (circle one) YES

Special Dietary Needs, list here: _____

Is this your FIRST Indiana Lions State Convention (circle one) YES NO

Special Dietary Needs, list here: _____ NO

Friday Top Golf \$20 _____

Friday Evening Hors D'oeuvres \$10 _____

Saturday Lunch: Beef Tips with Buttered Noodles Or
 Chicken Parmesan (**circle one**) \$25 _____

Saturday Strides Walk T-Shirt Size (S to 3XL) \$20 _____

Saturday Dinner: Grilled Ribeye or Filet of Salmon (**circle one**) \$35 _____

Non-Hotel Guest: Breakfast ticket(s) \$20 _____

Non-Hotel Guest: Manager's Reception ticket(s) \$20 _____

Total Registration Paid _____

INDIANA LIONS 2024 CONVENTION SILENT AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED



The Indiana Lions 2024 Convention will once again be having a Silent Auction. It will only be successful with your help. Have your Club donate something to the Silent Auction that will run during the Convention. This could be a basket representative of your community, or something Lion related, or anything that you think another Lion will enjoy. These donations can be brought to your District Convention, as members of the Convention Committee will be on hand at each to collect and transport to the State Convention or bring it when you come to the State Convention. Please send questions to woodward1999@sbcglobal.net

INDIANA LIONS 2024 CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Dear Friend of the Indiana Lions,

The Lions of Indiana have a mission to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities and support those in need through humanitarian services and grants that impact lives globally and locally. For more than one hundred years, Lions have embodied our motto of 'We Serve' by supporting life-changing research at the IU Med Center in vision and hearing and by a multitude of projects in 331 cities and towns across the state of Indiana. Our 8500 members are the glue holding communities together by providing leadership and service supporting those in need.

In April 2024, the Lions of Indiana will be gathering for the 103rd state convention in Noblesville to celebrate the many great works accomplished by Lions and Lions Clubs across the state. We anticipate 400 members will join us at the Embassy Suites over the three days of the convention to learn and have fun while serving.

As a friend of the Indiana Lions, we hope that you would consider sponsoring or advertising at our event. The details for sponsorship and advertising are shown on the next page. All sponsorship and ad information must be submitted by March 15, 2024 to meet our publication deadline. Please know that your support will allow our members and clubs to pour more into their communities, supporting the Hoosiers we know and love.

In appreciation,
The 2024 Indiana State Lions Committee

For questions regarding sponsorships, call Lion Jeff Kozicki (765) 481-0822
For questions regarding program ads, call PID Nick Xinopoulos (317) 797-8730

More Information on Next Page

Indiana Lions 2024 Convention Committee

Convention Sponsorship Levels

\$10,000 Premier Level: This sponsorship includes your logo on all printed materials, including a full page ad in the program book, logo in all ads in the Hoosier Lion newspaper (sent to all members in December, February and April), logo in the convention information on the state website, public acknowledgement at all meals and 10 minutes to speak to the attendees during the Saturday lunch.

\$5,000 Platinum Level: This sponsorship includes your logo on all printed materials, including a full page ad in the program book, logo in all ads in the **Hoosier Lion** newspaper (sent to all members in February and April), logo in the convention information on the state website, and public acknowledgement during all meals.

\$2,500 Gold Level: This sponsorship includes a half page ad in the program book, logo in the April Hoosier Lion, logo in the convention information on the state website and a public acknowledgement during the Saturday lunch

\$1,000 Silver Level: This sponsorship includes a half page ad in the program book and a public acknowledgement during the Saturday lunch.

Program Book Ads

\$250 – Full page ad ☐ **\$150 - Half page ad**

\$75 - Quarter page ad

\$50 - Business Card size ad

Please contact and provide the following information:

Company Name: _____

Sponsorship Level _____

Contact Information: _____

Invoice needed? Yes ___ No ___

■ DG Terry Marker
■ 3454 N. Skinner Lake Dr. W.
■ Albion, IN 46701

Maarch 2024

INDIANA STATE FAIR



Come work the State Fair and earn credits for a WP Woods Fellowship. District 25-B will be taking a van of workers to the State Fair on Wednesday, August 7. We will be working the afternoon shift. Pick up points will be the Rural King in Decatur, Kroger at Dupont and Coldwater in Ft. Wayne, and Exit 278 near Warren. Jobs available are ticket seller, ticket scanner, and Kiosk monitor. Save the date now. More information later.



OFFICIAL MD25 STATE CONVENTION NOTICE

Embassy Suites by Hilton Noblesville Indianapolis Conference Center
13700 Conference Ctr Dr S, Noblesville, IN 46060 (317) 674-1900

April 26, 27 & 28, 2024

Election on Sunday, April 28, 2024 – 7:00 am to 10:00 am,
Check Convention Program for LOCATION

CERTIFICATION of DELEGATES IS OPEN

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024, from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm
SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

CHECK Convention Program for LOCATION

Lion Barbara Toosley, PDG 25A
MD25 Nomination and Election Chair
lionbarb@comcast.net
219-798-5950