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#### DISTRICT GOVERNOR COLUMN

Hello to District 25 B Lions

I want to start out by thanking all those Lions who helped to make District 25 B's Banner Night a success and a special thanks to Zone Chairs Susie Hudson and Pam Arnold for stepping up to help plan it and the New Haven Club for all the decorations and all the rest they did that night to make it such a success. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

I have been thinking about what it means to be a Lion and what are we in District 25 B doing that is causing us to be in decline of members over the last few years. As I visit the clubs in the district I hear of the many projects that they have to support their communities, their district and multiple district projects, International projects and LCIF projects and I am amazed and proud to be your Governor. District 25 B truly is the BEST. I think our problem is we are afraid to toot our own horn and let people know what we are doing to improve our communities and the world. People tend to show up to help when there is a real need. So we need to be communicating the need to them. We are know longer the club that goes around selling light bulbs or the club that has something to do with glasses. We are a lot more than that. So I am going to share an idea that came from Zone Chair Steve Kramer. Clubs need to develop a poster that lists the projects they support and all their events for the year. Talk to you local publishing companies and you may find out they will print them for you for free or a reduced price if they can sell advertising space on the poster. Then plaster those poster all over your communities so people know what you do and that they may be able to support the projects through your fund raising.

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My goals for this year is to see our membership grow. So far, in the clubs I have visited, most have already met my goal of two new members per club. That may not sound like much, but when you multiply it by 48 clubs that 96 new members. Add in a new club or two and we can be on our way to being a district that has 1250 members not 1004 members.

It also takes leaders. Members who are willing to step out of their comfort zone and lead their club, zone, district, and even Internationally. We are very good at serving. After all that is or motto, "WE SERVE." But I would like to see us do more for our environment than pick up trash, which is important. So my challenge to the clubs is to plant one or two trees this year. Let us show the world we care about our environment.

Have a great month. Have a great time with the kids at Halloween. A great time serving your communities.

## DG Terry L. Marker

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## **UPCOMING DATES**

**Nov. 4--2nd** District Cabinet meeting at the Lighthouse Church, Monroe, IN. Registration at8:30am.

Dec. 3 -- ILS&H Holiday Luncheon

**Jan. 20--** Mid-Winter Conference at the Crown Plaza Hotel, Indianapolis, IN

**Jan. 27**—District 25 B 3rd Cabinet Meeting and the Cromwell Library, Cromwell, IN. Registration at 8:30 am.

Mar. 23—District 25 B Convention – Place to be determined.



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## **PLEASANT LAKE LIONS CLUB**

Fore!

Golfers get ready for lunch following the Pleasant Lake Lions Club tournament at Hidden Valley Golf

Course. A total of \$3,130.91 was raised for the scholarship fund. The club will be presenting \$1,000 scholarships in the Spring



## FROM THE DESK OF 1ST VDG

Submitted by 1st Vice District Governor Jim Bush

Greetings LIONS of 25B!

A quick note about our district membership. As you may or may not know, we are hovering around 1000 members in 25B. Our District Governor's goal is to add 1 new member per club this year, but I know YOU ALL can do better than that! Let's try 1 new member per member this year! I know that may seem like a lot, but I'm pretty sure we all have at least A FRIEND that we could invite to become a LION with us, and as the old commercial goes, they have two friends, and they have two friends...I'm sure you get my point.

It's been a busy month for 25B with our recent cabinet meeting, thank you for attending, and if you didn't have the chance to attend it, we had a District Banner Night for District Governor Terry Marker on the 16th. It was organized by the New Haven Lions and they did an outstanding job. ROARS of thanks go out to them, the venue was nice, the food was excellent and the bartender/busboy/waiter was very nice. Thanks again to all who were involved in putting this event together. Also, PID Doug Lozier was called on at the last minute to prepare a presentation and he (of course) did an excellent job. Sadly, the scheduled speaker PCC Scott Smith suffered a stroke the night before banner night and couldn't attend for obvious reasons. Please pray for a complete recovery for Scott.

If you haven't have a chance to check it out recently, please take a look at our District 25B FB page, it is full of information about upcoming events in the district. If you have events or information to post, please forward it to our fb administrators, Speaking of upcoming events, Monroe Lions are celebrating their 70th Anniversary with a dinner on October 16th please come out and support them on this momentous occasion.

I know calendars fill up fast, and maybe it's because of my duties, or simply getting older, this year is flying by. Please check out our calendar on e-district.org and mark your calendars now. Upcoming events include the second State Council meeting on October 6th, in Noblesville, Past District Governors Weekend on November 4th, Cabinet Meeting on Nov 4th, Mid Winter Conference in Indianapolis on January 20th, 2024, and the state convention on April 26-28th 2024 in Noblesville. If you haven't EVER been to the state convention (or it's been over 10 years) I'm offering an incentive. 1 winner will be drawn from attendees to win \$500.00 at the state convention. Come for the whole convention or for the day, just make sure you register to win. State convention is a good time and attendance is FREE plus lodging and meals. in 2024 the convention will be at the embassy suites in Noblesville. The hotel accommodations may seem a bit pricey, but made to order breakfast and evening cocktail/social hour are included in the price. Please plan to attend our convention and join the celebration!

In summary; bring a friend, lift Scott Smith up in your prayers, Happy Anniversary Monroe Lions,



## **LCIF Newsletter Article**

Hello Lions of 25B! thank you for all the support for LCIF. As you know, WE are MAKING A DIF-FERENCE every day for people in our communities, Indiana and around the world. This wouldn't be possible without your support for your Lions Club and LCIF. Thank you for both.

I haven't really been specific about our District 25B LCIF goals, but if you'll indulge me, LCI has asked District 25B to raise \$27,234 this year, and we're a little over \$3,000.00 behind where we were last August. We have a little catching up to do. I know we can hit and exceed our goal this year if we just make a plan to do it, so whatever your plan is, let's work on it together and crush that goal! Thank you for your LCIF support and I look forward to the numbers climbing.

I know it's early in the year, and many clubs wait until later in the year to make their contribution, but it's never too early to make an impact, and if you turn on the news, it's clear that the need doesn't have an appointment on our calendars. Whether it's a food or storm in Indiana, a fire in Lahaina, or an earthquake in Morocco, Lions are responding to a World in Need, and that requires financial support. I'm asking you to make your own contribution in addition to whatever your club is planning to contribute.

When I was young, my dad used to say that I was "nickel and diming him to death". He understood that the nickels and dimes add up to real money, and he was right! That's what I'm asking for, a few of your nickels and dimes, not just at the end of the year, but all year long! Whether you choose to wait until the end of the year and break open your piggy bank, or decide to contribute on a monthly basis, please know that your contribution to LCIF is changing lives every day,

We are helping PEOPLE WITH NEEDS around the globe, and as PCC/PDG Jerry Ziegler would tell you "if that doesn't light your fire then your wood's all wet" Please see the information below to learn more about what LCIF is doing to support a world in need and check out LCIF on YouTube to see if your wood's all wet, or if there's a little fire in there. LCIF is OUR organization, please search your (LION) hearts and see if you can find a way to make regular contributions. THANK YOU!

#### **Morocco Earthquake**

On the morning of September 9, LCIF awarded an Emergency Grant for \$10,000 to help fund immediate basic needs. Later that same day on September 9<sup>th</sup>, LCIF awarded an additional Major Catastrophe grant for \$100,000. Lions of Morocco are still working to finalize plans for how to use the Major Catastrophe funding, but they are looking at supporting infrastructure related to schools and education. Additional grant funding may be available in the future, depending on donations and Lions plans for additional efforts.



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#### **Libya Flooding**

There are no Lions active in Libya. LCIF has not awarded any grants to Libya thus far, as there are no local Lions to manage a project. There are some preliminary discussions about how LCIF can support efforts, but it may be difficult with no Lions presence in the country.

#### **US/Canada Hurricane Lee**

LCIF has not yet received any applications from the impacted districts. However, disaster grants are available if the impacted districts and Lions wish to apply. This is early days after the hurricane, so it is possible that local Lions are working on a plan.

#### **Other Disasters**

LCIF continues funding disasters around the world that do not make international news headlines. Since July 1, 2023, \$610,000 has been awarded across 21 different countries for a variety of different disasters. In areas where more long-term reconstruction LCIF will work with local Lions on relief efforts for years to come.

If you have additional questions, please do not he sitate to contact me and/or the LCIF Grants Team.

Yours in Service, Jim

## **MD-25 Lions**

## International Pin Design 2025

July 4-8, 2025: Mexico City, Mexico: Mexico is currently the sixth most visited country in the world, welcoming more than 39 million international visitors each year. Mexico City is a busy modern city with a rich heritage dating back 30 centuries! The historic city center has a pyramid, an ancient castle and fort and many museums to celebrate and display the culture. Mexico is also an excellent touristic destination, with more than 6,000 miles of coastline, 35 UNESCO World Heritage Sites, the world's most dazzling assortment of resorts, 28 World Cultural Heritage Sites and 187 archaeological sites, a vibrant, indigenous culture and a 300 year Spanish/European Colonial legacy. Mexico is unparalleled in diversity, hospitality and the quality of its visitor experience.

Pins MUST include: a-MD 25 Indiana (as text) b-the Intl Convention year - 2025 c-Lion Club Intl Logo d-Intl Convention Host City representation e-MD 25 graphic representation of MD-25 usually includes a race car and/or the outline of Indiana.







Each club can submit one design. If there are multiple designs submitted by one district, one design will be selected by that District Governor. All District designs need to be submitted to me by January 15, 2024. You can scan and attach it to an email to me at angbelc@iue.edu. Each District's selected design will be presented to State Council in January. Remember: pin designers do not have to be (a) Lions.

Be creative and have fun! CS Angela Locke, State Pin Chairperson



## **MONROE LIONS CLUB**

The Monroe Lions will be celebrating their 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Monday, October 16. The celebration will be at The Lighthouse Church in Monroe beginning with dinner at 6:30. If you would like to join us in celebrating 70 years of service, please fill in the registration form below.



Look forward to seeing you on October 16.

| Those attending:        | Name                                | Club |             |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|------|-------------|
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| Cost is \$20 per person | n. Total amount enclosed: \$        |      |             |
| Please send this regist | tration and money by October 11 to: |      |             |
| Lion Jim Moeschberg     | ger                                 |      |             |
| P.O. Box 9              |                                     |      | TH (C)      |
| Monroe, IN 46772        |                                     |      | YEARS       |
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## **HERITAGE LIONS CLUB**



Allan Doctor of the Heritage Lions is once again chairing the Peanut Sales fundraiser for the local Lions club this year. All profits from the sale go to our local EMS and Fire departments, food banks and many other worthy organizations. This is a limited time sale, so stock up and help the Heritage Lions help your community. Lion Allan reports that the following business locations will be selling salted-in-the-shell peanuts at \$3 per bag:

In Hoagland: Aspy's Best-One Tire, The Hair Lounge, and Dick's Piz-

In Monroeville: AG Plus, Moon Tavern, All-American Marathon gas station, American Legion, Meyer Auto Sales, and in the beauty salon
In Maples: the Maples tavern
In New Haven: Norms Point Service

Watch for Allan and his fellow Heritage Lions selling peanuts soon at the Monroeville Rd./Hoagland Rd. intersection, and at the intersection in Poe.



## Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference Catch the Magic of Lionism







It's not too early to start planning for 2024.

Mark your calendar now for the 2024 Mid-Winter Conference.





Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport January 19-20, 2024







# MONROEVILLE LIONS CLUB

# Pulled Pork Dinner

Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Bun & Cookie

\$10.00 per dinner Sunday, October 8 11 a.m. until gone

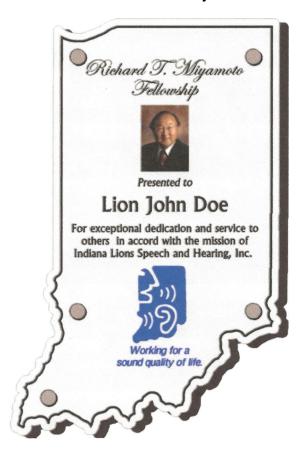
> Drive-thru Only Monroeville Fire Station 205 W. South Street Monroeville, IN

Pork prepared by Doc's BBQ

A fundraiser to benefit

Heart Beat of Hoagland Foundation

## The Dr. Richard T. Miyamoto Fellowship



Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing has established the Miyamoto Fellowship to honor Lions and others for their dedication to their Lions Clubs, to Lions Clubs International, and to those in need in their communities around the world. Dr. Richard T. Miyamoto retired as Chairman of the Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at the Indiana University School of Medicine. At Riley Hospital, he served as Medical Director of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology.

In the 1980's, a grant from Speech and Hearing was provided to Riley Hospital and Dr. Miyamoto to expand the use of cochlear implants for children. Dr. Miyamoto's pioneering work has been recognized around the world, and he continues his close relationship with the Lions of Indiana.

A handsome plaque has been designed to honor the recipients of the Miyamoto Fellowship. For a \$500 donation to Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, Inc. within a two year period, one plaque may be ordered in the recipient's name to be presented by the donor Lion or Lions Club. There is no charge for the plaque. Please contact any Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing trustee in your district for information or to order a plaque.

## **ANDREW LIONS CLUB**



1st picture is Past President Phil Bitzer presenting Lion of the year to Andrew Lions member Clara Blevins and Mike Blevins.

2nd picture District 25B drews Lion member Glenn



Terry Marker installing An-Fisher as President.

3rd picture District Governor congratulating Glenn Fisher as new President of Andrews Lions Club.



## **HELPING THE BLUFFTON COMMUNITY**

By: IPDG Lion Sandy Zeigler



So many of us throw away our empty plastic pill bottles. Boy, do I have some great news for all of us! The Bluffton Lions Club wants these empty pill bottles.

#### This is almost like BREAKING NEWS!

I just talked to the lady who oversees the recycling project. These bottles can be used toward our Bluffton Lions Park Pickle Ball Benches! You just need to separate these bottles from their lids and caps and put them in another bag.

There are only a few bottle requirements. Like shown in the above photo, these bottles must be devoid or empty of all their content, caps, and lids.

The bottles MUST have all their labels removed along with any pill residue.

Another requirement for these bottles to be acceptable is that these amber colored hard plastic bottles MUST have a number 2, 4, or 5 on the bottom in the triangle which indicates that this bottle can be recycled. You can see in the photo of this triangle that this bottle can be recycled, because there is a number 5 in the triangle on the bottom of the bottle.





We want the bottle caps, too; but the caps MUST be off of all pill bottles, and they MUST be in another bag or box separate from any pill bottles.

PCC Jerry and I are pleased that many of you have been bringing your plastic bottle caps and plastic container lids in your bags and/or boxes and placing them in front of our garage door. PCC Jerry or I have found them at that drop off place at: 1121 Ridgewood Lane, Bluffton, Indiana.

Now, you are also encouraged to bring your amber colored pill bottles in another separate bag or box. These bottles MUST have any labels removed, MUST had their caps off, and MUST be empty of any pills or residue.

It will take roughly 200 pounds of clean, dry plastic bottle caps, container lids, and/or clean, dry, pill bottles for our 2 benches that the Bluffton Lions want to donate to the Bluffton Lions Park Pickle Ball Courts.

Acceptable Caps must have a number 2, 4, or 5 in the inside of the cap in the

triangle. These include: Medicine pill bottle CAPS/ (info packet must be removed), milk jug caps, creamer caps, detergent caps, caps off of hair spray, toothpaste caps, caps off of deodorant, caps off of drink bottled soda, water,



Gatorade, and juice caps, sports drink caps, flip-top caps (ketchup), spout caps (mustard) ,spray paint caps, ointment tube caps, baby food caps, and shampoo/conditioner caps. All caps must be clean and dry.

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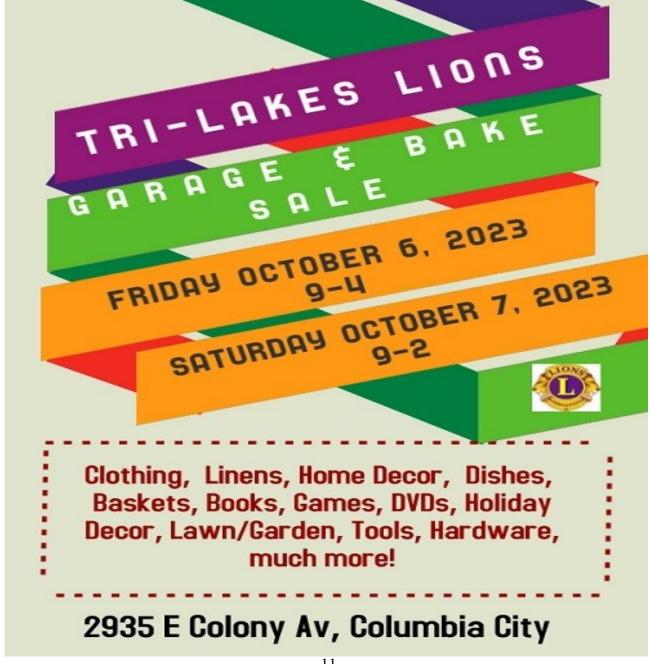
Acceptable lids include: Cottage cheese, sour cream, any type of Cool Whip, Parmesan cheese lid, peanut butter, and mayonnaise container lids. All lids must be clean, free of cottage cheese, sour cream, peanut butter & /or mayonnaise. Ice cream bucket, Ensure rings, jelly rings, Ragu rings, butter lid, Pringles lid, and Kool aid Container lid may all be included. Be sure to measure your ice cream lids. If they are over 8" do not include them. Please pop out the metal center in the Jelly, Applesauce, Ragu, & Ensure lids.

This ice cream container's lid measured 7 inches. It is ok for this lid to be included with the other lids.

The Bluffton Lions Club will also be required to donate money to cover additional expenses from making the Lions Club Park benches.

Thank you for helping the Bluffton Lions Club by donating dry, clean caps, lids, and empty pill bottles to be used toward this Bluffton Lions Club Service Project.







# DISTRICT B AND DG TERRY'S CALENDAR OCTOBER 2023



| Sun  | Mon  | Tue             | Wed | Thu                              | Fri | Sat  |
|--|--|-----------------|-----|----------------------------------|-----|--|
| 1  | 2  | 3               | 4   | 5<br>Stroh Lions<br>Club O/V     | 6   | 7 Second Council Meeting – Noblesville   |
| 8 Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, Inc. Meeting | 9  | 10              | 11  | 12                               | 13  | 14<br>Columbus<br>Day  |
| 15   | Monroe Lions<br>Club 70's An-<br>niversary O/V | 17              | 18  | Sweetest Day  Sweetest  Sweetest | 20  | 21<br>District 25 B<br>GAT Meeting<br>at Sunrise Ca-<br>fé on Coldwa-<br>ter- 9:00 am. |
| 22   | 23   | 24              | 25  | 26                               | 27  | 28   |
| 29   | 30   | 31<br>Halloween |     |                                  |     |  |





