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Lions Talkin' District 25C



From the Desk of DG Bob Hrdy

Welcome to April (no foolin)



March has been a very busy month for Team Hrdy. We visited 11 Clubs and made a trip to District B's Convention in Bluffton.

I would like to thank everyone for their hospitality, their questions and most importantly their Service to Lions. I enjoy getting to know local Lions from around the District and hearing about your various service projects and fundraisers. As I always mention, that is the best part of being District Governor – the interaction with all of you!

We start April off with a visit to District A's convention in Merrillville. April 4-11th we are taking a break for a Hrdy Family vacation – all of our kids & grandkids in 1 place at the same time. We will either come back recharged – or need to rest up from our vacation . Either way will be on the road again, visiting clubs, attending events, doing our part to promote Lions.

A few reminders:

Promote your upcoming project or events – utilize; the Newsletter, email, Face-Book

Get your Service and Membership report submitted – lets finish the year strong – if you need help contact Lion Cindy Russell (GST) or Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos (our District Administrator)

State Convention May 12th – 14th in Bloomington – our keynote speaker will be IP Brian Sheehan

We are looking forward to warmer weather and getting outside to Lion events.

I want to encourage everyone to continue to reach out to your communities, inviting new members to join our family of Service!

Yours in Lionism

DG Bob Hrdy

Zionsville Lions

Zionsville Lions Club welcomes new members. They are the largest Lions Club in the State with 178 members.

Left to Right: ZLC President Dennis Tackett, Sponsor Lion Paul Dreier, new Lions Kurt Eckert, Ross Miller, Mark Rubino, Kathy Terrell, Sponsor Dot Yarnell, new member Nancy Veazey, sponsor Shawn Woodward, new members Steve Hageman, Karl Kouns, sponsor Kenny Caldwell and membership chair Tom Robbins. Missing is new member Blake Johnson

(Photo credit: Gail Robbins)





Plainfield Lions

Attached is a photo of our newest member being inducted into the Plainfield Lions Club. Alex Rushing was inducted into the Plainfield Lions Club on March 1, 2023 by Club President Tom Iles. His sponsor was PDG Gary Lawson. Alex is a beauty salon consultant who recently moved to Plainfield from Southern Indiana.

(Photo credit: Worth Donaldson)

Lebanon and Whitestown Lions



DG Bob made his official visit to the Lebanon and Whitestown Lions Clubs. Their joint meeting was held in Lebanon.

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)

Lizton Lions

The Lizton Lions Club hosted DG Hrdy, Vicky and Finn at their March 13 meeting, along with First DG Elect John Waymire. We had a good meal provided by the members and an informative presentation from DG Hrdy. The club also inducted three new members (picture attached from left to right – DG Hrdy, Patricia Johnson, Donnie Watkins, Fred Osborn and President Keith Asbury).

(Photo shared by Wendy Asbury)



Plainfield Lions



Attached is a photo of Sandy Rutter receiving the W.P. Fellowship. Club President Tom Iles presented Lion Sandy Rutter with a W.P. Woods fellowship award in recognition of her vital role in making the craft fair a success at the Hendricks County Rib-Fest & BBQ and helping staff the Club's booth at the Farmer's Market. Lion Sandy is the Club's second newest member joining in June 2022.

(photo credit: Worth Donaldson)

Lebanon and Whitestown Lions

DG elect Patti Foxx, DG Bob Hrdy, Whitestown Lions president Mike Hancock & Lion Cheryl Hancock, both recipients of 20 year membership chevrons, Lebanon Lion, Leo Shaw, recipient of the 35 year chevron and Lebanon Lion Cindy Russell.

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)



Oxford Lions



Lion Karen Ahlbrand presenting DG Bob with Certificate stating the Oxford Lions Club was making a \$100 donation to our Leader Dog State project in his name.

(photo credit: PDG Pat Short)

Oxford Lions members present for DG visit - from left to right: Lion Gigi Sims (Club Secretary), DG Bob Hrdy, Lion Karen Ahlbrand (Club president), Lion Diana Brown, and Lion Clyde Pickens (Membership Chair and Zone Chair).

(Photo credit: PDG Pat Short)



Plainfield Lions



What is \$600? A Plainfield resident received the gift of sight with the help from the Plainfield Lions Club and VisionFirst - Indiana Lions Eye Bank Ocular Surgery Assistance Program. \$600 made it possible for her to receive treatment and platelet rich in growth factors (PRGF) eye drops made from her own blood to treat neurotrophic keratitis, a severe ocular disease, that progressively damages the eye's surface causing loss of vision from scarring, corneal melting, and perforation. \$600 may not be much but the gift of sight is priceless.

(photo credit: Worth Donaldson)

Brookston Lions

Brookston Lions club will be hosting a community Easter Egg Hunt on April 8th. Fingers crossed that the Easter bunny can find its way—stay tuned for photos in next month's newsletter.

BROOKSTON EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 8, 2023
10:00 AM
Argel Ball Park, SR 18 W
*Rain location is Frontier Elementary Old Gym

Children ages 1 to 10 are invited to participate. Bring your own baskets and cameras to have a picture with the Easter Bunny!

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Clinton Lions

CLINTON LIONS CLUB





80th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A RECEPTION RECOGNIZING OUR 80TH ANNIVERSARY

CLINTON COMMUNITY CENTER 301 S MAIN ST CLINTON, IN 47842



A Message from 1st Vice District Governor Patti Foxx

Its April which means April showers bring May flowers..... and warm weather. Flowers are popping up everywhere just like Lions popping up everywhere.

How is everyone doing on their March madness bracket? At the moment Gonzaga and Michigan State so far still alive. All my others picks are done. As we March into April the month of our State Convention is getting closer. Have you sign up for the adventure it will turn out to be. Lions are working hard to have a roaring good time.

I'm still looking for Zone Chair 4 which cover the following clubs: Eminence, Martinsville Evening, Martinsville Noon, Monrovia, Mooresville, Morgantown, Paragon, and Plainfield; and I also need Law Camp Chairs and Youth Camp & Exchange. If you are interested in the position give me a call or text or email. I know your shy but I know you want to step up and have exciting time. Don't know what to do well just call me and we can discuss it.

Time is coming to a closed so remember to schedule your District Governor visit with Bob and Finn along with Vicky. You only have 3 more months to enjoy your time with the Governor.

Serving With A Smile

Patti Foxx

25-C VDG



A Message from 2nd Vice District Governor John Waymire

Hello Fellow Lions of 25 C,

Is anyone still fighting the effects of "Springing Forward?" Sometimes I wonder if I still am. I miss my hour of sleep. Anyway "April showers bring May flowers" so maybe all is good. Spring is a time of renewal and new growth. The District Convention was such a renewing event. Such positive an inspiring speakers and experiences. I hope you had the opportunity to attend.

If you missed the district convention you still have the opportunity to sign up for the Indiana State Lions Convention which kicks off in Bloomington from May 11 to 14. Indiana is lucky to have International President Brian Sheehan from Bird Island, MN as our keynote speaker. He is such an energetic and inspiring speaker that the price of attendance is well worth his keynote.

This year's Lions International Convention will be held in Boston, MA July 7 - 11. No passport needed just a sense of learning and fun. Enjoy lobster and clam chowder from the source.

If you are looking for Lions training or seminars the USA/Canada Forum in Reno, NV September 21 – 23 is the place to be. Registration is now open for this enriching event. They say learning is a lifelong process.

A service project for your club may be to assist at the ISBVI workday May 20th. To assist with this project, please contact Mike Okuly at 260-519-3541 or email mokuly52@yahoo.com.

It is also the time to prepare for Lions International Website upgrade coming July 1. Our district directory is only as good as the information that goes into it so, please make sure all of your members data, name, physical address, web address, phone, email, birthday, etc. is entered correctly. Also, please enter 2023-2024 club officers by June 1st. If you need help reach, out to our District Administrator Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos.

Lions Club secretaries continue to report MMR (which only takes a couple of clicks in MyLCI) and SAR (which takes a few more clicks in MyLion).

Lastly, as your 2nd VDG, my goal is to help all 25C Lions Clubs be the best club they can be. You can help me with this goal by inviting me to your meetings, projects and fundraisers. Only by interacting with your club and your officers will I get to know District C Lions better and in turn be a better VDG.

Together We Can – Together We Will

Vision Through Darkness

John Waymire

25C SVDG

A Message from Cabinet Treasurer Karen McKellar



Nonprofit Tax Changes for 2022-2023

Dear Customer,

You are receiving this email because you filed an NP-20A or NP-20.

The Indiana General Assembly recently passed new legislation affecting nonprofit organizations, including:

- Revising the filing frequency for <u>Form NP-20</u>, Nonprofit Organization's Annual Report, from annually to every five years.
 - You will need to file <u>Form NP-20</u> for tax year 2021 in 2022 to qualify for the new filing frequency.
 - After 2022, the due date for the new Form NP-20R, Nonprofit Organization's Report, is based on the last two digits of your organization's federal employer identification number (FEIN).
 - Form NP-20R will be due on:
 - May 15, 2024, if the organization does not have a FEIN or if the organization's FEIN ends in 00 through 24.
 - May 15, 2025, if the organization's FEIN ends in 25 through 49.
 - May 15, 2026, if the organization's FEIN ends in 50 through 74.
 - May 15, 2027, if the organization's FEIN ends in 75 through 99.
 - After the date shown above, your organization must file Form NP-20R by May 15 every fifth year.
 - You still need to file <u>Form IT-20NP</u>, Indiana Nonprofit Organization Unrelated Business Income Tax Return, for each year in which your organization has unrelated business income (as defined under Internal Revenue Code Section 513) of \$1,000 or more.
 - You will not need to file Form NP-20 in 2023 for the 2022 calendar year. Fiscal year filers who file Form NP-20 for a fiscal year ending after July 31, 2022, will not need to file an NP-20 during the 2023 calendar year.
- Beginning Jan. 1, 2023, exemption certificates will no longer be mailed and will be available only through INTIME.
 - You should no longer use Form ST-105 because the option for nonprofits will be removed. You will need to go through INTIME to request Form NP-1 as a replacement for Form ST-105. (Previously issued ST-105s will remain valid.)
 - Nonprofits that are not registered for INTIME, DOR's e-services portal, will need to create an INTIME account to access their exemption certificates. Instructions on creating an INTIME logon are available through <u>DOR's website</u>.
- Effective July 1, 2022, nonprofits must collect state gross retail sales tax after exceeding \$20,000 in sales during a calendar year.
 - This includes sales made by all units operating under the organization's registration with DOR.

For more information, see the Nonprofit Tax Forms page on DOR's website, dor.in.gov.

Sincerely,

Indiana Department of Revenue

A Message from MD25 LCIF Chair, PDG Ken Faulkner

Hello Lions of Indiana.

Our State Convention in Bloomington IN is soon approaching. During the Saturday Luncheon, would you like to have someone recognized and awarded a Melvin Jones or a Progressive Melvin Jones? Now is the time to order or make that \$1000 donation to LCIF. We are in Convention season which means they are very busy and back logged with requests. If you haven't done this already then please do it now.

LCIF requires all Districts to have goals regarding fund raising just like your district has goals. Here are the following goals per district and total funds raised through January 2023.

District A, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$29,988.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$12,401.00 District B, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$25,628.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$10,864.45 District C, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$34,833.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$24,176.00 District D, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$29,096.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$11,540.22 District E, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$31,263.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$5,875.10 District F, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$33,533.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$16,536.50 District G, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$31,824.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$15,073.60 TOTALS FOR MD 25- FY 2022-2023 \$216,165, TOTAL Funds raised thru January 2023 \$96,469.87

As you can see, we are only at 44.6% of our target fund raising goals through January. My hope is as LCIF catches up with their reporting figures, we will get closer to our goals. But you can help by making a small donation to LCIF. IF every Lion in Indiana gave \$26.00 then we would meet our goal. Will you help us meet our goal?

This year's signature cause is childhood cancer. When you come to the State Convention, and you are coming right? You don't want to miss the big announcement by our state project, Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, INC. Deadline for registrations is April 30. Come join us and If you have gift basket you'd like to donate, send Cheri Faulkner an email to clermontlionla-dy58@yahoo.com or text 317-271-3314 and let her know, She still needs baskets to assist in making this a great convention.

Respectfully Submitted, PDG Ken Faulkner, MD25 LCIF Chair, 317-847-7884



A Message from ISBVI



ISBVI

WORKDAY

ISBVI WORKDAY IS BACK ON TRACK AFTER AN ABSENTS DUE TO COVID.

This is an opportunity to show others our motto WE SERVE.



INDIANA SCHOOL for the BLIND and VISUALLY IMPAIRED will once again start up its annual workday for Lions and anyone that wants to participate. This event is held at the school in the spring on the weekend before graduation. Coffee and donuts along with lunch will be provided. If you want to bring a covered dish to share that would be appreciated. This event is free we will not be asking for donations or hitting you up for funds. All we need is your help to clean windows, pick up grounds, pull some weeds in main entrance flower beds and maybe place some bark chips in playground areas. We give certificates to any college or high school student that helps this certificate will look good on a college application form or job interview resume. Work starts at 8:30 am with registration and donuts/coffee (of course) Work hours 9am- 1pm. Lunch 1pm (provided by the school)

After lunch tour of school for those interested. (This is worth taking)

After lunch Afternoon work session until done or you are worn out.

Event will be Saturday, MAY 20th 2023.

If interested contact your ISBVI District Trustee or contact

Mike Okuly 260-519-3541 mokuly52@yahoo.com

This is your Indiana's Lions State Project

Save the Date from ISBVI

Save the Date September 9th, 2023



The Indiana Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
State Project's annual fundraiser 'Brian's Trike Race'
& Disc Golf Tournament is coming Sept. 9, 2023 to the ISBVI Campus

This event raises funds to assist both residential and outreach students of the school. Sponsorships and team participation of this event help to underwrite costs, which include but are not limited to, expenses to help students attend national leadership conferences for the blind and visually impaired, to assist with technology upgrades and many other expenses that directly effect improved learning.

Please encourage your club to send a team. You could also sponsor a Leo club, local school team or a local Boy Scout or Girl Scout troop that would like to have a fun afternoon racing around the David Letterman Track on adult trikes. Peddling not your thing? No worries. Play it through on the campus's 9 hole Disc Golf Course. You too could be a basket case!

Bragging rights and trophies are included in all the fun and competition!

All are welcome and participants must be 14 years of age or older.

Applications and sponsorship opportunity forms will be coming soon. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact an ISBVI trustee in your district or the 2023 event chairs.

Be sure to visit the ISBVI booth and attend the seminar at this year's State Convention.

2023 Event Chair 2023 Event Co-Chair

PDG Connie Roe PDG Robin Smith
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A Message from District GST

Service and Partnerships



No one can do everything, but everyone can do something.

Consider reaching out to the other service organizations in your community.

When nonprofits "join together", volunteers are empowered, and local and global needs are served.

Not sure where to start?

Lions Clubs International provides an organizational structure and global network that joins hands in service and provides resources and leadership opportunities — all with a brand that has been respected since 1917.

Learn more about partnerships. Developing local partnerships: A hands-on guide that helps clubs evaluate their strengths, identify their needs and connect with like-minded organizations in the community for potential partnership opportunities. Affiliations and partnerships: Lions International collaborates with a number of dedicated nonprofit, government, NGO and corporate partners — providing access to a diverse pool of resources and knowledge.

Lions are proven. A lot has happened since 1917, but one thing hasn't changed — the service, dedication, and leadership of Lions in their communities.

Lions are agile. 1.4 million Lions. 48,000 clubs. 200+ countries. We can respond quickly to the unique challenges facing each community.

Lions are connected. Lions live and work in communities they serve. We know how to encourage, serve and advocate for our neighbors and those in need.

Lion Cindy Russell

District C GST

A Message from Cancer Control Project

Cancer Control Project Expanding to Address Childhood Cancer



For more than 75 years, Indiana Lions have supported cancer treatment, research, and education through our partnership between the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc. and the Department of Radiation Oncology at the Indiana University Medical Center campus in Indianapolis. The department serves cancer patients of all ages, but the vast majority of the patients are adults.

In order to better serve pediatric cancer patients in Indiana, the Board of Trustees of the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc. has voted unanimously to establish a partnership with the pediatric

oncology programs at Riley Hospital for Children. We will kick off this partnership with a \$25,000 commitment to support ongoing research by Dr. Jennifer Belsky and her team at Riley to address severe neuropathy experienced by more than 50 percent of the children undergoing chemotherapy.



We look forward to this new partnership with Riley Hospital for Children, even as we continue our longstanding relationship with the Department of Radiation Oncology.

If you would like to learn more about the Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc., please contact one of your district's Cancer Control Fund trustees. Their names and contact information are listed below.

District 25-C Cancer Control Fund Trustees:

Lion Susan Bowron-White 150 Lexington Ct. Zionsville, IN 46077 (C) 317-654-4100 caranddia@gmail.com Lion Kathryn Mellinger 8037 W SR 26 Rossville, IN 46065 (H) 765-296-7881 (C) 765-418-5452 mellross@mintel.net PCC Jim P.M. Query 2408 Shepard Patrick Rd. Spencer, IN 47460 (H) 812-829-4496 (C) 812-322-8950 jpmq77@yahoo.com

A Message from Indiana Disaster Assistance Committee

Lions of Indiana are a part of a disaster relief network of volunteer organizations in Indiana. The purpose of this network is to coordinate disaster relief efforts and avoid duplication. Through that network earlier today, I learned in my role as chairman of our Lions of Indiana Disaster Assistance Committee that the Morgan County Emergency Management Agency is requesting relief supplies such as roof tarps for damaged homes. The exact location was not specified. I also learned that there may be needs in Owen County but received no specifics. I am sending this request to club secretaries in Owen and Morgan counties to 1) determine from clubs more precisely what the needs may be, 2) to determine how many people have been impacted by these recent storms and 3) to determine if our District Governor should submit an LCIF disaster assistance grant request for District C. LCIF disaster assistance grants are available only if more than 100 people have been impacted across the district.

John R. Wilkins

Secretary, Indiana Lions Foundation and Holding Corporation State, District C and Club Chair, Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Assistance Committee Past President, Zionsville Lions Club

Past President, Zionsville Lions Club Phone 317-408-7515 jw6222@earthlink.net



April 2023

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30 State Reg- istration Due						

DG Bob Hrdy is scheduling to attend club meeting now. If you have a particular date in mind, reach out ASAP to schedule.



dg.25c@inlions.org

May 2023

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14	15	16	17	18	19	20 ISBVI Work Day
21	Newsletter info. due	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 MEMORIAL DAY	30	31			

DG Bob Hrdy is scheduling to attend club meeting now. If you have a particular date in mind, reach out ASAP to schedule.



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Indiana Lions State Convention

Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center

Bloomington, Indiana

May 12-14, 2023







Your State Convention Needs You



The Indiana Lions State Convention which will be held in Bloomington, May 12th through 14th, needs your help. We would like every club to donate an item for the Silent Auction. The International President will determine where the money will go. IP Brian is a penguin guy so he or his wife may possibly bid on an item or two.

Please assist if you can. You can contact me for more information at clermontlionlady58@yahoo.com or by calling me at 317-271-3314.

Thank you,

Lion Cheri Faulkner

Indiana Lions State Convention News

International President to Speak at State Convention



Lions Clubs International President Brian Sheehan and Lion Lori will be our guests at the 2023 Indiana Lions State Convention, to be held in Bloomington, Indiana, May 12-14, 2023.

President Sheehan was elected to serve as international president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 104th International Convention, June 22 through June 28, 2022.

President Sheehan is the founder and CEO of Rural Computer Consultants, a software development company.

A member of the Bird Island Lions Club since 1991, he has held many offices within the association, and has received numerous awards in recognition of his

service to the association. In addition to his Lions activities, President Sheehan is active in numerous professional and community organizations.

President Sheehan and his wife, Lori, also a Lion and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons and two daughters. And in their spare time, they have enjoyed raising many types of exotic animals.

A Message From State Convention Co-Chairs PDG Mark Clark & PDG Gary Ochs



TOGETHER WE WILL (IN BLOOMINGTON IN MAY, 11-14, 2023)

PDG Gary Ochs and I want to give EVERY Lion a personal invitation to attend the 102nd 2023 Indiana Lions State Convention in Bloomington, Indiana on May 11-14-2023. All Lions will have a great opportunity to meet other Lions, hear great speakers, attend wonderful seminars and learn what wonderful things that the Lions are doing across the State of Indiana. But for one especial reason to come to the convention, you will have the opportunity to meet one particular Lion, OUR INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT BRIAN SHEEHAN. President Brian and his wife, Lion

Lori, will be the special guests of Indiana Lions and will be traveling to Indiana just TO MEET YOU, HEAR FROM YOU, AND TO GET YOUR INPUT FOR THE BETTERMENT OF LIONS.

The convention will start on Friday, May 12, 2023. You can come into Bloomington and stay at either the Courtyard at the Monroe County Convention Center or at the Hyatt Place on Kirkwood. Both of those hotels have blocks of rooms reserved for the Lions at rates that you will not want to pass up. See the registration form for the specific details to register with the block reserved from the Lions.

On Friday morning, there will be a presentation in the Monroe County Convention Center on the limestone industry of Lawerence and Monroe Counties. This industry has in the past provided the limestone for major monuments and buildings in Washington DC as well as in numerous states and countries. We will have a special speaker from Bloomington to make this presentation to the Lions. This will be given on Friday morning at 9:00 am, so you will want to plan to attend this event.

Friday night the Ellettsville Lions will be sponsoring a bar-b-q dinner with the High Sierra band performing at the Monroe County Fairgrounds. This will take place prior to the first general business session of the convention at the convention center. The dinner will be sure to be a good time to catch up with old friends and make new friends over great food and music. The first business session will be the official beginning of the convention.

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Indiana Lions State Convention News

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Saturday is filled with the district caucuses, vendors, exhibits, the second general business session, seminars, and the ALL STATE BANQUET. See the full schedule of events for the convention at www.indianalionsconvention.org. Not only will we have the keynote address from IP Brian, but he will lead a seminar at 1:30 in the afternoon and his wife, Lion Lori, will lead a seminar at 2:30 pm. But make sure to plan to attend the All State Banquet to enjoy the presentation from the INDIANA SINGING HOOSIERS that will perform during our dinner meal. This will be a great performance given just for the Indiana Lions.

Sunday will be a special day of remembrance for those Lions whom we have lost in the past year. PDG Newell Cliffton and his wife Lion Judy, will lead the memorial service and help us remember those we cherish for their past service. The brunch will fill you up and we will conclude the convention with the third business session. At the end of the third business session all the ladies will receive a gift for attending the convention on Mother's Day.

All in all, the convention will be a busy and exciting time for the Lions of Indiana. Make plans now to attend in Bloomington and have a great experience being a Lion. We both look forward to seeing you in May.

See you then,

PDG Mark Clark & PDG Gary Ochs.

Donations Wanted for Silent Auction!



The Indiana Lions State Convention is quickly approaching. The Convention Committee is asking for silent auction items to help achieve our mission of providing relief to those in need. We can use items unique to your geographic locations. Perhaps there are very talented members in your local clubs that love to craft. And...who can't use a spa/relaxation treatment, or maybe a movie night would interest people. Please bring your auction items to the Convention Center. If you know in advance what you are bringing, contact me and I will prepare a bid sheet for each item.

Thank you in advance. If you have any questions, please contact Lion Cheri Faulkner at 317-271-3314, via text or voicemail or you can email me at clermontlionlady58@yahoo.com.

Lion Cheri Faulkner, Silent Auction Chair for the Indiana Lions State Convention.





2023 Indiana Lions 102nd State Convention



Hosted by District 25E May 12,13,14, 2023

Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center with special guests: International President Brian Sheehan and Lion Lori PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY APRIL 11, 2023

Courtyard by Marriott Convention Hotel (attached to Convention Center)

310 South College Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47401 (Free Parking available at Convention Center)

Room Rate: \$109.00 per night, plus tax, until April 11, 2023.

Call 1-812-335-8000 for Reservations and mention LIONS CLUB 2023 in making the reservation Hyatt Place Hotel: 217 S. Kirkwood Avenue, \$119 per night w/ breakfast Hyatt Hotel does charge for parking; 1 ½ block north of Convention Center & free parking Call 812-339-5950 and use block code LION for the reservation.

Come and visit several Lions project tables and related booths including a USA/Canada Forum apparel vendor. Friday Golf Outing to be at Stonecrest Golf Club – 18 holes at \$39. Meet in the hotel lobby.

Scooter rental is \$120 for Friday thru Sunday.

Friday, May 12th 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, MONROE COUNTY LIMESTONE PRESENTATION

Registration Form (one per person)

Register Online and pay with PayPal: www.indianalionsconvention.org
Deadline: All Registration Forms must be postmarked by April 30, 2023.

Please print name/Lions Title as desired on name badge:

Name and Lion	Title:			
Address:	ne:			
City/State/Zip:				
District:	Club:	_ Email:		
Is this your FII	RST Indiana Lions State Convention	(circle one)	Yes	No
Attend the Frie	ay morning Monroe County Limesto	ne Presentation (circle one)	Yes	No
Choose pulled Saturday Lun	g BBO Dinner at Monroe County For pork: or pulled chi ch: sandwich bar: chips, seasonal fre peef & swiss sub w/ lettuce & tomato	cken: sh fruit, pickle spear & drink	S	ns Club 5 18.00=
	& cheese on sourdough bread:		S	20.00 =
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Scooter Rent	Friday thru Sunday)			120.00 =
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Special dietary	needs, list here:			

Mail this Registration Form and Your Check, payable to Indiana Lions State Convention 2023 to CT Debbie Ellis, 8262 East Center Road, Sullivan, IN. 47882 Contact Info: 1-812-798-2096 or ellisdebbie259@gmail.com



IT IS NOT TOO LATE, BUT IT IS GETTING CLOSE

The time is quickly coming upon us for the 2023 Indiana Lions Multiple District Convention in Bloomington Indiana on May 12 through the 14th, 2023. Final preparations are taking place by your convention committee and District E as the host district is very excited to welcome International President Brian Sheehan and Lion Lori to Indiana as well as the rest of the Lions of Indiana to Bloomington.

The Lions of Indiana have been registering for the convention, but now is the time to make sure you get your registration mailed to Lion Debbie Ellis as soon as possible. The Courtyard hotel is full at this time and we are now using our block of rooms at the Hyatt Place on West Kirkwood. These are great rooms, and are an easy walk to the Convention Center down the B&O walking trial. And did I mention, the Hyatt Place includes breakfast each day with the room? Don't forget to drop your luggage off at the Hyatt Place and then park at the Monroe County Convention Center to avoid the parking fees at the Hyatt Place. The cutoff date for rooms at the Hyatt Place is Sunday, April 16th. After April 16, any rooms not reserved in our block will be released to the general public and will not be held for Lions. Reserve your room today so that you do not miss out on the great rate of \$119.00 for the room.

You will want to make sure that your preferences for seminars and meals selections also need to be made. Make sure you are one of the first 200 registration forms into CS Debbie so you can receive your souvenir mug at no cost. Registration number 201 will be too late. Registration needs to be made by April 30, 2023 and mailed into CS Debbie Ellis at 8262 East Center Road, Sullivan Indiana, 47882; ellisdeebbie259@gmail.com. Do it today so you do not miss out.

If you are a club president, you will definitely want to sign up for the 1:30 seminar with International President Brian to hear what he has to share with you as to his vision for our organization. Small and medium size club members will want to hear from our President how our work internationally is so important around the world. This may give you some ideas to help grow your club in your towns, but also to spread your club's influence beyond the town boarders. Speaking of the seminars, plan to get to Bloomington early on Friday morning to attend a seminar on the limestone industry and how our state is world famous for limestone building materials. A special speaker has been arranged for this presentation and is willing to share his experiences and knowledge with us in this area. A special gift for those who attend will be waiting for you, so plan on getting to Bloomington early Friday morning and attending this presentation at 9:00 AM.

The final countdown is on for our 102nd State Convention and you want to be a part of this exciting event. Don't wait another day and get your hotel reservation made at the Hyatt Place, 812 339-5950, and send in your registration form today.

We look forward to seeing you in Bloomington and having a great weekend as Lions.

PDG Mark Clark and PDG Gary Ochs

2023 Indiana Lions 102nd State Convention Schedule

Friday May 12th

9:00 am-11:00.am Welcome to Monroe County Limestone Quarries Presentation in Bloomington Indiana. Enjoy a historic limestone slideshow presentation with Duncan Campbell, an experienced preservationist with a passion for limestone. During the presentation you will learn about the deep history and heritage of the world-renowned limestone industry that exists in Monroe County and nearby Lawrence County, Indiana. Campbell's presentation will last approximately one hour. A special 2023 Convention limestone gift will be presented to you for attending.

9:00am	Golf Outing	Courtyard Lobby
9am-6pm	Convention Committee Staging / Break	Cook Group West
9am-11am	Monroe County Limestone Quarries Presentation	Cook Group East
9am-noon	Exhibits setup	Olcott Young/Upstairs Hall
9am-noon	Silent Auction setup	Convention Hall Lobby
9am-noon	Blue Frog Vendor setup	Finch Room
9am-noon	Registration Table Setup	Information Desk
Noon-5pm	Registration open	Information Desk
Noon-5pm	Exhibits open	Olcott Young/Upstairs Hall
Noon-5pm	Silent Auction open	Convention Hall Lobby
Noon-5pm	Blue Frog Vendor (LCI Apparel vendor)	Finch Room
1pm-2:30pm	Cabinet Secretary Training	Ralph Rogers
2pm-4pm	Service Project	Zebendon/Hansen
2:30-3pm	Credentials Committee Meeting	Ralph Rogers
3pm-5pm	Credentials open	Lobby
5:00-7:30pm	BBQ at the Monroe County Fair Grounds	Fair Grounds
7:30-8:30pm	General Session #1	Duke Energy East/West
15 minutes aft	er General Session Hospitality	Hospitality Area in Hotel

Saturday May 13th

8am-4pm	Registration open	Information Desk
8am-4pm	Exhibits open	Olcott Young/Upstairs Hall
8am-3pm	Silent Auction open	Convention Hall Lobby
8am-5pm	Blue Frog Vendor	Finch Room
8:00-9:00	District A	Cook Group West
	District B	Cook Group East
	District C	Zebendon
	District D	Hansen
	District E	Duke Energy West
	District F	Duke Energy East
	District G	Ralph Rogers
9:00am-4pm	Credentials open	Lobby
9:15am-10:00	Strides Walk	Back Parking Lot
10am-11am	Leader Dog Quarterly Meeting	Ralph Rogers
10:30-11:45am	General Session #2	Duke Energy East/West
11:55-1:15pm	Awards Luncheon	Great Room

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1:30-2:20pm	Seminar #1 "Together We Can, Together We Will"	Duke Energy West Room
	with IP Brian Sheehan For Club Presidents and Vice Pre-	sidents (Everyone Welcome
1:30-2:20pm	Seminar #2 Indiana Lions Foundation and Holding Corp.	Hansen Room
	Presented by PDG Don Cooper	
1:30-2:20pm	Seminar #3 Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing Inc.	Cook Group East Room
	Presented by PDG Alan Arnold	
1:30-2:20pm	Seminar #4 Indiana School for the Blind and Visually	Cook Group West Room
	Impaired. Presented by PDG Connie Roe	
1:30-2:20pm	Seminar #5 Indiana Lions Leader Dogs for the Blind	Ralph Rogers
	Presented by Lion Pauline Ulrey	
Afternoon Sei	minars Second Session: 2:30 pm to 3:20 pm	
2:30-3:20pm	Seminar #6 Lions in Motion and LCIF	Duke Energy West Room
	Presented by Lion Lori Sheehan and PDG Ken Faulkner	
2:30-3:20pm	Seminar #7 How to add new members into your Club	Hansen Room
	Presented by PDG Charlie Short	
2:30-3:20pm	Seminar #8 Indiana Lions Cancer Control Fund	Cook Group East Room
	Presented by Lion Bev Coombs	
2:30-3:20pm	Seminar #9 VisionFirst Indiana Lions Eye Bank	Cook Group West Room
	Presented by PDG Kevin Roe	
3:30-4:00pm	PDG meeting	Cook Group East Room
5:15-5:45pm	Receiving Line prep (Council, IP, & PIDs)	Cook Group West
5:45-6:45pm	Receiving Line	Outside Great Room
6:45-7:00pm	Introductions	Great Room (Spotlight)
7:00pm	Welcome and Opening	Great Room
7:15pm	Begin Serve Dinner	Great Room
7:15-7:50pm	the "Singing Hoosiers" Perform	Great Room
7:55pm	Formal Introduction of IP Brian Sheehan	Great Room
8pm	Keynote Speaker and Awards	Great Room
15 minutes af	ter All State Banquet – Hospitality	Hospitality Area in Hotel

6-7am	Credential Committee Breakfast (not on printed schedule) Ralph Rogers F		
8am-noon	Blue Frog Vendor	Finch Room	
8am-10am	Voting	Hansen Room	
9am-noon	Exhibits open (if they choose to open)	Olcott Young	
9am-10am	Memorial Service	Duke Energy East/West	
10:30-noon	Key Member Brunch/Keynote Speaker	Great Room	
	"Mother's Day Presentation at Brunch"		
12:30-1:30pm	General Session #3	Duke Energy East/West	
1:45pm	Council Meeting 2	Zebendon/Hansen	

Honoree-PDG Dr. Charles Barron Roth

Who's Who of Distinguished Leaders: 2023 Honorees

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Bolstered by over four decades of professional experience Dr. Charles Barron Roth has cultivated a career of excellence as a collegiate educator. Specializing in agriculture studies, he served as a professor of agronomy at Purdue University from 1968 to 2001. Having since retired from working in the field, he maintains the honorary title of professor emeritus at the university. Much of his work in the field pertained to teaching and researching soil chemistry and mineralogy. Dr. Roth became a professor after completing postdoctoral coursework at the university and being offered a formal position within his



department, to which he gladly agreed.

Prior to embarking on his vocational journey, Dr. Roth pursued his own education, beginning with his time at the University of Missouri, where he earned a bachelor's degree in agricultural chemistry and a master's degree in soils. He subsequently continued his studies at the University of Wisconsin and achieved a PhD. He has published over 50 publications pertaining to his research in the filed of agronomy.

Along with his professional career, Dr. Roth has remained active in his volunteer efforts, serving as chair of the State Vision Services Committee of the Lions Club of Indiana. This committee has been responsible for vision screening over 65,000 Indiana children this year.

Dr. Roth was largely influenced to pursue a career as an educator by his father, who previously served with the research staff and taught agriculture classes at the University of Missouri. In his retirement, Dr. Roth has taken to woodworking in addition to regularly volunteering at his local United Methodist Church. In light of his fulfilling career, he largely attributes his success to his outward focus and desire to constantly more forward. To this end, Dr. Roth is especially proud to have made a lasting impact on the lives of many of his former students.

The attached photos were recently published in The Wall Street Journal on February 22, 2023. The press release was for the Millium Magazine of Marquis Who's Who in America.

(Photo and articles provided by Lion Roberta Roth)

In Remembrance

Eugene "Gene" R. Young



It is with deep sadness and heavy hearts that the Plainfield Lions Club informs you of the death of our colleague and friend, Gene Young, who passed away on March 9, 2023. Gene had suffered with a prolonged illness in recent years. Gene was a United States Army veteran serving in Korea and retired from Allison Gas Turbine after 41 years of service. Gene was a faithful member of the Plainfield United Methodist Church and extremely active with the Plainfield Lions Club since 1975. Gene was a W.P. Woods recipient, an active officer in the Club most recently as Treasurer and Board Director. If there was ever a need one could rely on Gene to actively be involved. A life so beautifully lived and giving deserves to be equally remembered. We will miss him more than words can express.

* If your club would like to remember any club members that have passed within the past month, please share that information with newsletter editor, Terri Delp at leetd@hotmail.com for inclusion in the District C newsletter.





DISTRICT 25-C NEWSLETTER EDITOR Terri Delp leetd@hotmail.com Hello District 25-c and friends. Thank you for putting your faith and confidence in me to send out a timely and informative newsletter.

Thank you so much for submitting your clubs news articles and photos. They are greatly appreciated and I will do my best to include each and every one. Keep them coming!! I kindly ask that you have a brief description of what the photo depicts and perhaps the names of anyone in the photo. I also like to give credit to those behind the lens—the photographer!

Also, if there is anything you would like to see added or removed from the newsletter, please share that as well.

Well, the year seems to be passing fast these days, especially this month with all of the district conventions taking place. As a friendly creature, I just love going to these and meeting so many good Lions from around the state. No other dogs so far, so no-one to compare notes with, but still think ours was the best to date. Guess I am biased but being with Bob/Vicky is always the best!

On March 23, Bob made his official DG visit to a joint meeting of the Lebanon and Whitestown Lions Clubs in Lebanon. A good time had by all at Arni's...all the usual fixins, plus service Chevrons distributed to those who'd been Lions from 5-50 years. Hope I get my 5-year Chevron someday; after all I am a bona fide paid up Lion member. The Whitestown Lions have a great tradition of presenting checks to the Governor at his visit supporting various State Projects. This year they allocated funds to Cancer Control, ISBVI and Leader Dog.



Lebanon Lion spoiling me after Bob removed my harness so folks could see that I am not always so serious and laid back.



This is me alert and working....but could be looking to see if Bob is going to give me a treat.

At District 25B's Convention on March 25, DG Sandy Ziegler's half of the 50/50 drawing went to Leader Dog too.

We're off to the Oxford Lions Club on March 28 and then to another District Convention March 25. It's a full life but Bob is careful to not let me gain any weight. If I didn't have my harness on, I'd be getting treat after treat and I'm sure would be put on a diet.

My thanks to all those who donate to our Leader Dog project -- without it, I wouldn't be here or living the life of Riley with Bob/Vicky. Lots of other visually impaired people wouldn't be able to live such full lives if they didn't have Leader Dogs too. Thank you.

Happy Easter and good Egg Hunting



Lion Leader Dog Finn