Vision Through Darkness

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C How We Serve ?? District 25C



From the Desk of DG Bob Hrdy

Greetings Team C!

It's been quite a 1st month-1 down; 11 to go

This month we attended District A's Banner night – and if you haven't been to a Banner night with hula dancers – you haven't lived. DG Nick Gonzales was great host along with District A. We had a great time.

The following day I attended my first Council Meeting as District Governor. I think this was a very productive meeting- accomplished a lot. I predict a great year for 22/23.

By the time you read this the District C Banner night in Lafayette is history. I am sure we had a great time. I would like to thank all that attended. A special Thanks for PDG Tom Robbins for MCing the event, PDG Pat Short for coordinating, and all the Lafayette Lions club members for your help and support. I am particularly grateful to my wife Lion Vicky for not killing me during the planning and execution of my Banner Night.

Furthermore, I feel blessed by the generosity of Lions Cherrie Buckley & Anna Buckley for providing the wonderful food, good Friends Scott Greeson and his wife Vicki Maris for providing the music.

For everyone who donated items/baskets for our ticket raffle/auction and Lion Diane Haby who organized it; your support has enabled us to donate to several causes that are dear to our family.

Now it's time to put our enthusiasm and ideas into practice. Get out and serve your community. Find those in your communities who are interested in serving and invite them to join you. As your club grows so does your service.

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	I encourage you to reach out to other clubs in our district to help with your service/projects. As the old saying goes: The more, the merrier!
	International President Brian Sheehan reminds us: "Together We Can"
	A little bit of "housekeeping" reminders. Be sure to enter your club of- ficers; membership reports and service reports in LCI (you are already doing the service – lets celebrate it). If you need help please reach out to our District Administrator Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos or your Zone Chair for assistance.
	I look forward to getting out to all our Clubs and meeting as many of you as possible I will be contacting each club to set up visits. If you have a particular date in mind let me know ASAP. And remember you can always ASK THE GOVERNOR at dg.25c@inlions.org
	Yours in Lionism,
	DG Bob Hrdy 25C
	"Vision through Darkness"
	#WeServe

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Banner Night proceeds



Lion Vicky Hrdy presenting DG Bob with \$372 check to be sent to the Choroiderema Foundation.

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Choroideremia Research Foundation 23 E. Brundreth St., Springfield, Massachusetts 01109

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\$372 donation check to Winter Special Olympics (Chair Lion Cindy Russell) from DG Bob Hrdy and Lafayette Lions Club



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Banner Night proceeds



Lion Gail Robbins, Leader Dog trustee receiving \$372 donation to the leader Dog state project from DG Bob Hrdy.

The monies that were distributed on this page and the previous page were part of net proceeds from the meal payments and raffle at Banner Night.



Photo shows a check for \$372 being presented to the SURF Board Chair, Marvin Hill by PDGs Charlie and Pat Short on behalf of DG Bob Hrdy.



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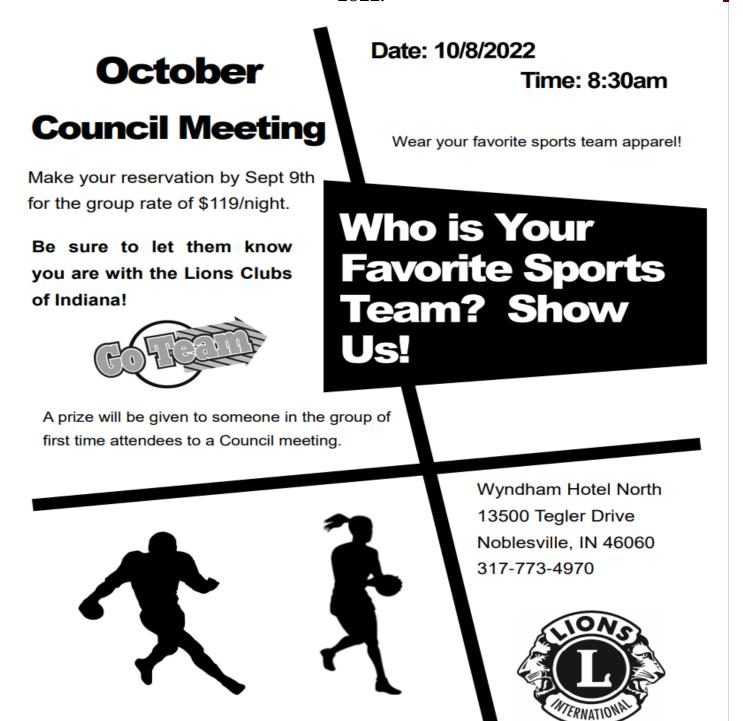
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Any Indiana Lion is welcome to attend regular meetings of the Indiana Lions Council of Governors as an observer. The flyer below is your invitation from CC Scott Smith to attend the Council Meeting in Noblesville, Indiana on Saturday, October 8, 2022.



Look forward to seeing everyone there! Go Team!!

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Poland Lions

In March of this year the club held a fundraising dinner to fund leveling the basketball court in the Park maintained by our club. The Poland Lions also received an Indiana Lions Foundation Grant of \$1,000. This grant and gifts from businesses and individuals in the community made the leveling possible. Money left from the benefit allowed us to level the two basketball goals as well. We give a hearty thank you to Indiana Lions Foundation for making this success possible.

A Park Beautification Day was held on June 25, 2022 and that day 8 Lions and 12 community members spread 100 cubic yards of mulch on the playground, installed an 8-foot basketball goal for younger children, as well as adding a new baseball field.

July 16th, Poland Lions Club members worked with the Poland Volunteer Fire Department to put on the annual Fish Fry, and to host a community gathering in the park, prior to a fireworks display which was sponsored by the fire volunteers. Before the fireworks display, fire fighters and other community members assisted Lion Bob Dodson, in raising the new flagpole and flag in the park.



In rear on climber—Jessie McMains, Jacob Mc Mains, Gage Perkins, Lion Bob Dodson

L-R Gavin Perkins, Kelly Perkins, Grant Perkins, Lion Rebekah Foltz, Laura Wells, Lion Leesa Walker, Lion Don Thompson, Lion LaVonne Dodson, Lion Anna Long, Thad Starkey, John McMains, Lion Steve Smidley.

(Photo credit: Lion Dawn Doll)

L-R Chuck Taylor, Lion Bob Dodson, Grant Perkins, Lion Don Thompson

(Photo by Lion Dawn Doll)



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Oxford Lions

The Oxford Lions Club has started a Youth Program Committee to serve families in the Benton County Community by providing a fun free event each month. The goal is to provide activities each month where families can spend quality time together in an analog manner. These activities provide social opportunities for families to bond and for children to meet and make new friends as well as the adults in their lives. We hosted an Ice Cream Social in June and a Water Fun Day in July as our first two events. We have created a private Facebook group for our volunteers and families to join as a safe place to share photos and events. The Facebook page is Oxford Lions in Training. We have a list of dates scheduled through June 2023, and activities planned through January! We are off to a great start and hopeful that the word of mouth and flyers will continue to grow our program and build socially stronger families! Some upcoming events include: End of Summer Fun, Dan Patch Days Festival, Halloween Party, Everything that Flies, Christmas Around the World, and Count Down to Noon Party.

Youth Committee photo: Lion Veronica Pickens, Lion in Training Vallen Dodson, Lion Clyde Pickens, Lion Emily Dodson, Lion Michelle Brouhard, and Lion Michele Veach





Slip & Slide: Slip & Slide and Water Guns for the Win on Water Fun Day !

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Zionsville Lions

RAP Day in the Park.

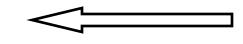
Preschoolers and elementary students celebrated the joy of reading through activities at "Stories in the Park" on Friday, June 17, in Zionsville Lions Park.

Sponsored by Zionsville Lions Club, Inc., Stories in the Park included ten different booth. The booth activities were children writing their own poems, with the help of Brick Street Poetry, Inc., telling tall tales with the ZLC Senior Committee, books being read to them by the Inday Book Project, watching and listening to a puppet horse interact with the young man reading, you could build your own boat by reading instructions and see if it would float, color pages of healthy activities or pick our healthy foods thanks to the ZLC Diabetes committee.

To end the event on a fun note Inday Book Project provided a free book to each child. The Hussey -Mayfield bookmobile was also on site for children to browse and check out books.



Two of the "Stories in the Park" guests, trying out the boats they made.



Lafayette Lions

Members of Lafayette Lions Club with 2 other volunteers worked to alleviate hunger in the community. We sorted and checked donated items best use-by-date at local Food Finders Warehouse before sorting items into banana boxes. The 70 banana boxes each weighing up to 24 # (approx. 1,680# average will be sent to local Food Finders supermarket for local family support.

Left to right in photo -Lion Marvin Taylor Lion Aki Kamsali, Lion Pat Short, and friends Geetha and Sneha.



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A Message from 1st Vice District Governor Patti Foxx

It's August !!

Hello everyone! If you don't know me, I'm 1VDG Patti Foxx. I am from Brazil, Indiana and belong to Brazil Lions Club. I have been the Club President, Club Secretary and Zone Chair. I am married to Tim Foxx which we be celebrating 38 years in September.

DG Bob Hrdy banner night was on July 23rd at Duncan Hall in Lafayette. It was awesome with a Band, Silent Auction Raffle and dinner was very yummy. I was totally excited that I won one of the Silent Auction items. It was the Dog Basket which my three dogs were happy with the toys in it.

August means State Fair time, kids going back to school and maybe the Lions will get to do more vision screening!!! If you haven't signed up for the State Fair there is still time to do it. Maybe you get to see me on August 7th and 21st working the second shift. (8am-2pm).

Serving With A Smile, 1VDG Patti Foxx

A Message from 2nd Vice District Governor John Waymire

Can you believe that school is starting in districts around the state already and the State Fair hasn't even started yet? (Sign up to work the State Fair and see the fair for free. There are over 500 shifts still available. Your help assists the Indiana Lions Foundation.)

Now is a great time to contact area school principals and discuss how your club can support the school through literacy projects as part of the Lions Reading Action Program. Your club could provide tutors, books, reading activities after school, or just be there for a kid who needs you. RAP projects also apply to preschools, nursing homes and parks.

While you are talking to the school authorities, find out of your local school needs help with vision screening. Did you know that District 25 C is the second-best district in the United States for total number of students screened? The top district in California by 25 C by only 121 students. Last year, by the second week in August the Zionsville Vision Screening team had screened 16,000 students. This year they expect to screen 20,000 by the same date.

WE ARE LIONS. Because LIONS SERVE!

John Waymire 2nd VDG

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A Message from IP Brian Sheehan

The following information about special club awards was pulled from the LCI e-newsletter sent on July 21, 2022. The links to these awards can be found there.

Check them out and consider nominating your club for their outstanding accomplishments.

Special Club Awards

Lions have always been innovators. And a little thinking outside the box goes a long way toward making a bigger impact in our communities.

Here are two ways that we're recognizing innovation and the clubs that are changing the way we serve:

* <u>Kindness Matters Service Award</u> – Get the recognition your club deserves for an outstanding project in one of our global cause areas. Have your club service chairperson submit your nomination by **August 15** to qualify.

* <u>Marketing Award</u> – Showcase your club's innovative marketing and be recognized for your creativity. Application materials are due by **December 31**, so get your great campaign ready to share.

Let's give each other to chance to think bigger about service, because our work will always change lives.

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Zionsville Lions Club, Inc. Half-Day Diabetes Family Event

Event Details Date: Sunday, August 14th Time: 2-5pm Where: Lions Park, Zionsville About:

Join the Zionsville Lions Club, Inc. for a Half-Day Diabetes Family event. This day of fun in the park will include family activities such as cornhole, children's games, and bingo, as well as **free Diabetes screening and education.**

Following the event, the Zionsville Lions Club, Inc. Concert in the Park will begin at 7pm. To learn more about the event: www.zionsvillelions.com/diabetes



* Note new date



Strides For Diabetes Awareness 5k/10k Walk/Run

Sponsored by Zionsville Lions Club, Inc.

Saturday, Oct 15, 2022

8:30 AM Walk & Run start time

Register online at getmeregistered.com & search for STRIDES FOR DIABETES

PACKET PICKUP/ Onsite Registration at Zionsville Lions Clubhouse

Friday 5:30pm – 7pm & Saturday 7am – 8:15am

Email: zlcdiabetes@gmail.com with questions



Scan to Register

Participants receive an event tee shirt

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Want to visit the Indiana State Fair and save money? Work at the State Fair for the Indiana Lions Foundation as a ticket seller, monitor, scanner or hand stamper and you do not have to pay either the admission or parking fees. Sorry, you still have to buy your own fair food! Work the morning shift and you'll be finished by 2:30, which is still plenty of time to visit the fair, or come in the morning, enjoy the fair, and check in at our booth at 2:00 for the afternoon shift.

Need a place to stay if you're volunteering for more than one day at the State Fair? There are two options this year. Three bedrooms are available for your use at the Indiana School for the Blind and 4 camping spaces at the Indiana State Fairgrounds are reserved for Foundation use. Both options are on a first come first serve basis. Call Lion Rose Russell, Indiana Foundation State Fair Committee member, at 574-250-0125 to make your reservation or for more information.

Who can volunteer to work for the Indiana Lions Foundation at the Indiana State Fair? A person need not be a Lion to volunteer at the Indiana State Fair. Ask your friends, your children, and grandchildren to volunteer – all are welcome who are at least 15 years old.

What are the starting and ending times for the shifts? There are four shifts available this year. The start time listed for each shift is the time you are expected to check in at our booth. These times have changed from previous years.

• 5:30 am—8:30 am Volunteers on this shift will earn 1 W.P. Woods credit.

· 8:00 am—2:30 pm Volunteers on this shift will earn 1 W.P. Woods credit.

· 2:00 pm—8:30 pm Volunteers on this shift will earn 2 W.P. Woods credits.

· 4:00 pm—8:30 pm Volunteers on this shift will earn 1 W.P. Woods credit.

Sign up today to make new friends and renew old friendships with Lions from all over the state.

http://IndianaLionsFoundationMD25.org/?page_id=50

Takes you directly to the sign up page

For more information, contact any member of the Indiana Lions Foundation State Fair Committee.

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August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Indiana State Fair	4 Indiana State Fair	5 Indiana State Fair	6 Indiana State Fair
7 Indiana State Fair	8	9	10 Indiana State Fair	11 Indiana State Fair	12 Indiana State Fair	13 Indiana State Fair
14 Diabetes Family Event Zionsville IN St Fair	15	16	17 Indiana State Fair	18 Indiana State Fair	19 Indiana State Fair	20 Indiana State Fair
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	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.



dg.25c@inlions.org

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Brookston Lions



The Brookston Lions Club had their bells a-ringing at the White County 4-H fair. Many little and big kids took a swing at ringing the bell. Proceeds will go to support various community projects.



Lafayette Lions

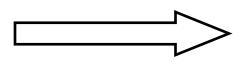
Lafayette Lions hosted 1st of 2 golf annual "Shootout-Fire-Sight" golf outings. July 16 event took place at the Battle Ground Golf Course on a par 3, 151 yd hole. Golfers who donated \$10 to support Lions vision services were given an opportunity to win \$10,000 if they shot a hole-in-one; win \$20 if they landed w/I 10' of the pin; and a sleeve of golf balls for landing on the green. SpongeBob SquarePants balls were awarded to those whose balls landed in the stream and Angry Bird balls to those who lost balls in the trees.



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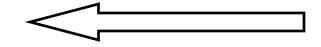
PID Nick Xinopoulos very cleverly surprised Lion Gail Robbins when he presented her with the 4 th highest award, a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of Distinguished Achievements in fulfilling the Mission of the Lions Clubs International. Truly Service from the Heart.







PDG Charlie Short pulled a surprise on PDG Tom Robbins. He presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation 21-22 from the Global Action Team. His award is in recognition of his passion to serve his community and the world .

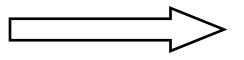


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The honors keep coming, PDG Charlie Short had one more person to honor, Lion Dan Dumbauld, Zionsville's Lions Club Membership Chair, received the Chairperson " Medal " from the Global Action Team.

The Global Action Team is comprised of Leadership, Membership, and Service.

Only 3 of these medals were awarded in the State of Indiana for membership.







Lion Paul Marsh, District A, Stephanie Russell, District C, Future District C Lion, Eric Russell, two Lions from District D, Debbie and Rocky Kraemer making a fun day out of working at the Indiana State Fair. *(Photo by Cindy Russell)*

New member Lion Stephanie Russell, hopeful future member Eric Russell and Lion Cindy Russell had so much fun scanning tickets at the State Fair Thursday 8/4. They will be at it again on Saturday 8/6 and Thursday 8/18. They joked around, tried to guess the ages of the babies coming through the lines and even had a little competition to see who could get the most people to come through their line. Lion Cindy thinks she won, but her son Eric says he was the winner. They had great company while we were there. Lion Paul Marsh, District A, Rocky and Debbie Kraemer, Greentown Lions, District D, and Past International Director Doug Lozier popped in from time to time to see how we were holding up. He made us all look bad by having more than 10,000 steps on this Fitbit.

LAFAYETTE AND OXFORD LIONS CLUBS

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Feast of the Hunter's Moon Saturday/Sunday ---- October 1&2, 2022



Each fall, local Lions Clubs operate the Croquignole Booth at Lafayette's Feast of the Hunter's Moon. The Croquignole Booth is always popular for its period "donuts." The Lions are proud to be involved with the Feast as a food vendor and a supporter of the Tippecanoe County Historical Association. The Croquignole Booth is a major fundraiser for the Lions in the area, but it can't happen without a good deal of volunteer effort - we need to fill 90 slots. In return for volunteering at least 1 x 4 hour shift, you will receive a button good for admission on both days of the Feast! If you enjoy the Feast, music and good food, tepees, Indians or you just love the Croquignoles ---- sign up now!

Contact: lionpatshort@aol.com 765/743-3160 Laf LC/Lion Pat Short Oxford LC/ Dianna Brown dianna3382@aol.com 765/401-1885

Come join us...it's a lot of fun!









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.

However, I am asking up-front for your assistance. I am requesting your ideas on a clever newsletter name! I received one request last month. Check it out on the title page. Let's put our thinking caps on and forward me your ideas for this.

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

Thank you greatly for your support.

FINN'S TALE

Hello everyone... here I am reporting on our first month on the job. As DG Bob's Leader Dog I knew from my training that I'd have to work hard, but thought, he's a lot older and not as fit as me, so should be a breeze. Well, this Lions gig is like a gale force wind blowing us headlong around the state.... Banner Nights, District Lions meetings, and the State Fair, not to mention club events.



I thought I was leading Bob, but sometimes he is leading me into all kinds of new experiences. What fun this is! All the new people to meet ... all who want to make a fuss of me! Think Bob just takes me along to draw attention to him. He's deFINNitely smart. So if you want to meet me get on DG Bob's calendar for his official visit soon. And don't forget I like treats!

Boy, was Banner Night a blast. I was led into the hall to massive applause (for me or DG?) We both just beamed as did Lion Vicky. Getting to meet the leaders of our district made me so proud. Especially gave big woofs for PID Nick/Lion Gretchen and 1VDG Patti and 2VDG John. I thought I lead the way, but this group will be leading and I'll be following I may be a Leader Dog, but on this night, I felt like the Lion King.

Forgot to tell you, we went to the State Fair to help with entrance ticket selling, etc. Amazing place with even more amazing "aromas".... If I hadn't been working, I'd have been roaming around telling everyone I was a proud Lion and making many new friends.

See you soon... Lion Leader Dog Finn