### February 2024

### **District Officers**

- District Governor— DG Patti Foxx
- 1st Vice District Governor—1VDG John Waymire
- 2nd Vice District Governor—2VDG Paul Scheetz
- Cabinet Secretary— CS Charlotte Query
- Cabinet Treasurer—CT Karen McKellar
- Global Leadership Team—GLT PCC Jim PM Query
- Global Membership Team—GMT PDG Tom Robbins
- Global Service Team—GST Cindy Russell

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# District 25C Newsletter



## From the Desk of DG Patti Foxx Hello Team plus One!!!

Happy February!!

Wow was you at the Mid-Winter Conference? There were over 200 Lions who attended the 3 days weekend. You missed the magician show on Friday night, sessions of various topics, and donated over 2000 items for the Sock Program and Care Packets!!

We do have open spots that need to be filled. Who is going to step up to be our 2VDG position. You can send your endorsement to PCC Jim Query. I can't wait to see who that will be!! Also, its election time and PCC/Election Chair Jim is needing your declaration for DG/1VDG, trustees and chairs positions by January 25, 2024.

Our next 3rd Cabinet/District meeting is February 3rd at the Zionsville Lion Club. See flyer for more information. Plus, a bonus this month for our District Convention is February 24, 2024 at Centerpoint Church (Formally called Centerpoint United Methodist Church). All nearby clubs and everyone I would love to see you!! Come and meet our guest speaker ID Lee Vrieze and Lion Mary from Jim Falls, Wisconsin.

Changing the World by Covering the Need,

Serving With A Smile,

DG Patti Foxx



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## Frankfort Club visit



## Martinsville Evening Club visit

(Photo credit Bynum's restaurant staff.)



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## Flora Club visit

(Picture credit 2VDG Paul Scheetz)



## Cyber Club visit

(Photo credit DG Patti Foxx)



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## **Clay City Club visit**





Lion Terri with 30 years chevron and Lions Kelsey Waite with 10 years chevron.

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## **Spencer Club visit**



DG Patti Foxx celebrated with the Spencer Lions at their Christmas party. Rumors are the governor received an 11 pound ham in a 1" x 3" x 4 " box during the gift exchange! Must have been some magic in that special box!

(Photo by Lion Dave Davies)

## **Poland Community Lions**

Santa, the Poland Community Lions and Rhetta Jean's Cafe hosted over 62 children this year for the annual Breakfast with Santa event. The children enjoyed a breakfast buffet and then visited with Santa. They also had a cookie decorating station, free books and goodies bag. The Poland Lions had an Elf Sale where the customer paid whatever they wanted for the items. Mrs. Claus's Bakery had lots of Christmas homemade baked goods for sale.





Uncle Bob's Christmas Greenery was a great success. Wreaths, greenery vases and little table top trees were sold. The den was decorated by the Lions to create a festive atmosphere. The Christmas committee was Judy King, Kathy Sclight, and Leesa Walker co-chairs. LaVonne Dodson, Barbara Jessie, Kathleen Perkins, Chris Thompson, Ann Stigler, all helped in the den while Bob Dodson, Nancy Jonas, Steve King Anna Long and Lori McIntyre served a delicious breakfast buffet at Rhetta Jean's Cafe. A special thank you to Bob and LaVonne Dodson for supervising and teaching the members how to make wreaths.

(Photos courtesy of Dawn Keller Doll)

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## **Lafayette Lions**



Lions International Certificates of Appreciation presented by Immediate Past Intl Director Nick Xinopolous. Left to right: Lions Kathy Rose, Veronica Pickens (Club President) and Jerry Metzinger.

Lion Anna Wilson being presented with a Indiana Lions for School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Fellowship for her exemplary service in managing the Clubs vision screening service project. In the past seven years we have screened 33,283 students with a referral rate of 21.8%. Without Anna's steadfast dedication to leadership of this project the 7,377 students referred may not have received help critical to their learning in school.

(All photos credit PDG Pat Short)



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## **Lafayette Lions**



IPID Nick Xinopolous presenting Ugly Sweater Award to Lion Carl Landskron. So, is he mirroring Minnie Pearly, Ma Kettle or Grannie from the Beverley Hill Billie's. FYI, his hat had small lights all the way round its brim.

(Photos courtesy of PDG Pat Short)

The seven Lions with a sense of humor in wearing really ugly sweaters!



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## **Zionsville Lions**

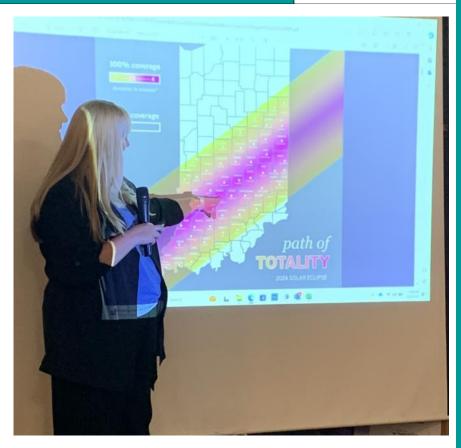
The Zionsville Lions Club will be joining in on the Get Mooned in Boone, Solar Eclipse on April 8, 2024.

Director of Discover Boone County, Allyson Gutwein and their Project Coordinator Leigh Ann Akard pointed out at the ZLC meeting January 9th, the path and the timing of the total Eclipse.

More information on the Zionsville Lions Club participation will be announced at a later date.

allyson@discoverboonecounty.com showing the path of Totality.

(Photos credit Gail Robbins)





Discover Boone County Director Allyson Gutwein, Boone County Project Coordinator and Zionsville Lion Leigh Ann Akard, ZLC 2nd VP Jason Baker.

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## **Zionsville Club**

Lions Park in the Dark

Don't miss this once in a lifetime opportunity to experience a total eclipse of the sun on April 8, 2024. Zionsville, Indiana is in the path of the eclipse and the Zionsville Lions Club and Park has a deal for you. You can reserve a space in our parking lot for the entire day and enjoy a fun family adventure. There are only 290 spaces available, so get your reservation in now!

Our 28 acre park is located at **11053 Sycamore St, Zionsville** and has 2 playgrounds, pickleball, tennis and basketball courts, sand volleyball, baseball diamonds, and a creekside hiking trail. There will be food available to purchase inside the park or you can walk one block from the park and explore the historic brick Main Street restaurants and unique shops. There are restroom facilities in the park. For more info about the park, see zionsvillelions.com.

The parking lot opens at 8:00 AM on April 8th so you can avoid the crowd, come early and spend the day. The eclipse will start at about 3:00 PM. You are welcome to stay and enjoy the park until the traffic clears the area. No overnight parking is allowed in the park before or after the event. To protect your eyesight, ISO certified eclipse glasses, made in the US will be available for purchase for \$1.00 per pair while the supply lasts.

The parking spaces are sized for private passenger vehicles. No large trucks, buses or RVs will be allowed. Ours is a family park, so no alcoholic beverages are allowed.

You can enjoy this once in a lifetime event for only \$40 per parking space. Parking is available on a non-refundable, pre-registration basis only. All proceeds will be used to support the many service projects of the Zionsville Lions Club, Inc.

To reserve your space, go to: https://event.ontaptickets.com/events/lions-park-in-the-dark-4-8-2024



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## **Clinton Lions**



The photo represents just some used glasses that were collected by the Clinton Lions Club recently and taken to the Indiana Lions Office Building in Indianapolis, From there the glasses will be checked, repaired and sent to third world countries for free distribution. Over 1,000 pair of glasses were donated with this shipment.

(Photo courtesy of Patty and Clinton Lions President Jerry Spurr)

## **Spencer Lions**



Spencer LC collection of over 1,000 eye-glasses!!

(Photos by DG Patti Foxx )



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## **Mid-Winter Conference**

Who is this mystery man at the Mid-Winter Conference? He has a Dick Tracy look about him. What? Why it's Stu Claimpitt of Read the Reporter, the man that owns the paper that makes our Hoosier Lion. He spoke to all the Lions and Leo's about our Hoosier Lion and how we could actually make it even better. Thanks Stu for a great paper.

(Photos credit Gail Robbins)



**Care-ing Cases State Project** 



PDG Tom Robbins, Lion Gail Robbins, PDG Kathy Lozier sorting 1st aid and hygiene items to take to the Mid-Winter Conference. The Care-ing Cases Project was a great idea started by PDG Kathy Lozier.

She found a clever way to reuse, in great condition, eyeglass cases and help people by making 1st aid kits inside the cases. The Care-ing Cases are put together by Lions and guests at the Mid-Winter Conference and the State Convention.

By the way, Lions can turn in their time working on the Special Project to their Club Secretary.

The 1st aid supplies are paid for by a Grant from our Indiana Lions Foundation and donations of items from our Clubs all over the State.

Thank you Lions and friends all over the State of Indiana for helping those in need .

## **Mid-Winter Conference**

Thank you ! Thank you ! Lions you are the power and drive behind every Special Project that gets presented at the Mid-Winter Conference and the State Convention . Below are some pictures of you working to bring the Care-ing Cases, which have 1st Aid items in them, Hygiene bags and the Sock it to Me Project , to a finish Friday Night at the Mid-Winter Conference. Thank you for caring about those you don't know. The items go to Shelters, Domestic Abuse Centers, Churches , Schools , rescue homes for children, Food Pantries. If you know of a place anywhere in the State of Indiana that needs any of these items please let us know. A special Thank You to the Lions that donated items and to The Lions Foundation Grant that allows us to buy so many 1st aid and hygiene items plus Thank you to Lion Sam Robbins from ZLC and Screen Broidery in Noblesville for again donating socks and gloves . 115 Blankets, 1520 pairs of socks, 51 winter scarves, 28 scarfs & hat sets, 261 pairs of gloves, 126 hats, 115 miscellaneous items! Because of you, others will be warm.



special Projects : Care-ing Cases, Hygiene Bags & Sock it to Me Co- Chairs PDG Kathy Lozier, Lion Jennifer Drapalik, Lion Gail Robbins

(Photos courtesy of Gail Robbins)

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## **Zionsville Club**

Zionsville Lions Club Chili Cook Off !

Every year Zionsville Lions have a Chili Cook Off , a few District Governor's have even helped judge this fun night.

This year there were 12 chilis trying to win over the Lions taste buds.

Pictured Mike Heffner won Best Chili with beans and Best Chili, Brian Earnhart, the Chair of the Chili Cook Off, won Best Chili without beans. Congratulations!

(Photo credit Gail Robbins)



## District 25 C

Saturday, January 27, members of District 25C attended the Charter Party for the new Muncie Lions Club. Left to right: Lions Gretchen Xinopolous, Vicky Hrdy, Council Chair Bob Hrdy (and Lion Finn), 2nd Vice District Governor Paul Scheetz, Immediate Past International Director Nick Xinopolous and PDG Charlie Short (MD25 GMT).

(Photo taken by PDG Pat Short)



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## Lafayette Club

January 8-10 PDGs Pat & Charlie Short were in southern Indiana at Perfect North Slopes volunteering with the Winter Special Olympics at its winter games (Indiana/Ohio). Both went as qualified volunteers after handbook review and passing various tests/qualification requirements. They were thrilled to lead the Tippecanoe delegation into the Opening ceremonies venue w/lighted torch.

(Photos shared by PDG Pat Short)



Indiana Lions were recognized as co- sponsors with their \$5000 donation.

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### A Message from 1st Vice District Governor John Waymire

Hello Fellow Lions of 25 C,

If you did not attend the Mid-Winter Conference two weeks ago at the Crowne Plaza by the Indianapolis airport, you missed a great learning opportunity. There were sessions on "Lionism Through the Music of the Beatles," Mentoring, Indiana Lions Fighting Pediatric Cancer, Securing Sponsorships and applying for LCIF grants among others. A top session was on the 2024 USA/Canada Forum which will be in Louisville, Kentucky on September 5 - 7, 2024. This is the top learning experience for Lions. There are some 80 sessions on so many aspects of Lionism. This is a can't miss learning opportunity. And we are only a couple hours away.

Mark your calendar now for the 36th Lions of Indiana Mid-Winter Conference is January 24 - 25, 2025.

This year's Indiana Lions State Convention will be April 26th - 28th, at the Embassy Suites and Convention Center in Noblesville.

How are your efforts to keep the following 3 New Year's Resolutions for Lions doing:

#1: Bring in one new member.

#2: Start one new service project, and

#3: Enjoy being a Lion.

There is still time to register to attend the District 25 C District Convention at Center Point on February 24th. Just RSVP me and you can pay at the door.

If I can assist your club in any way, please contact me.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your First Vice District Governor.

Covering the Need, Serving with a Smile

John Waymire

FVDG

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### A Message from 2nd Vice District Governor Paul Scheetz

Happy New Year Everyone,

We are starting the second half of our Lions year. Clubs will be starting to nominate new officers for the upcoming year. I encourage clubs to have elections early. New officers will not take office until July. The new officers and club data should be sent to International as soon as possible after elections. Early elections help the new officers to transition into office. It will also assist the Governor elect to get the most accurate information about each club. As you know the Governor visits each club in the district. They use the information provided by each club to schedule the time and place for the visit. The directory also lists the officers contact data allowing the Governor to correspond with the club for any information pertaining to the visit.

I would like to encourage our Lions to consider running for office in their clubs. There are many different opportunities to grow as a Lion. If you are concerned about having a successful term, do not let this discourage you. There are a lot of your fellow Lions who have been there and can help and guide you. You don't have to start out as president, start by being on a committee and working up to being president!

APRIL 26 - APRIL 28, 2024

## 103rd Indiana Lions State Convention

EMBASSY SUITES CONFERENCE CENTER NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA

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### A Message from Leader Dog for the Blind



Leader Dogs for the Blind | 1039 S Rochester Rd | Rochester Hills, MI 48307

## A Message from District Treasurer Karen McKellar ATTENTION: DISTRICT TREASURES

The January District Dues Invoice has been emailed to each club's treasurer as listed in the Governor's Directory. If you have not received it, please advise me at <u>kadica@tds.net</u> and I will resend to you and correct any changes that have been made since the directory was published last summer.

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Your club must have paid these dues by February 9, 2024 in order for your delegates to vote at the upcoming District Convention on February 24.

Let's get them all paid.

Karen McKellar, District Treasurer



## **District 25 C Cabinet Meeting**

## **CABINET MEETING**

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet meeting is February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 at Zionsville Lions Club. Committee Chairs get your reports ready and email to Cabinet Treasurer Charlotte Query, <u>jequery@bluemarble.net</u> by January 29<sup>th</sup>!! If you don't send something you could be fine by our Tail Twister!!

Location: Zionsville Lions Club

Time: 9:00am-Registration, 9:15am-PDG's meeting!!, 10:00am-Meeting

RSVP to John Waymire \*\*\* Cost \$15.00 – Zionsville Lions Club

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### **District 25 C Convention**



## CALL FOR CONVENTION

This is the Official Call for our District 25C Convention as required by our Constitution and ByLaws, as noted below:

- <u>Constitution</u> Article VII: District Convention Section 1
- <u>ByLaws</u> Article VI: District Convention Sections 1 & 2

*Our 2024 District 25C Convention will be convened on* <u>February 24<sup>th</sup></u> at <u>10 a.m</u>. in <u>Center Point, Indiana</u> at the Center Point Church (Name changed – old CenterPoint UMC) 208 S Cherry Street, Center Point, IN 47840.

All District Lions are invited to attend the convention. Attached is a reservation form.

Details in January and February District Newsletter. If you have any questions in the meantime, give me a call at 812/201-0906.

Looking forward to seeing you

District Governor Patti Four





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### **District 25 C Convention**

DISTRICT 25C CONVENTION

**REGISTRATION FORM** 

#### **MEET AND GREET FRIDAY LUNCHEON**

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6367 N MURPHY ROAD, BRAZIL, IN 47834

LUNCHEON 1:00PM \*\*\* COST \$25.00 # \_\_\_\_

### **ADVENTURES TO THE**

EXOTIC FELINE RESUE CENTER

2221 E ASHBORO ROAD, CENTER POINT, IN 47840

10:00AM COST \*\*\* \$10.00 #

MEET AND GREET FRIDAY DINNER

Logan's Steakhouse

100 S Fruitridge Ave, Terre Haute, IN 47803

SOCIAL 6:00PM \*\*\* DINNER 6:30PM COST \$35.00 #

**DISTRICT 25C CONVENTION** 

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024

**CENTER POINT CHURCH** 

208 S Cherry St, Center Point, IN 47840

**REGISTRATION 9:30 A.M.** 

MEETING BEGINS AT 10:00 A.M. COST \$ 30.00 #

TITLE

NAME:

CLUB

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 SEND TO:

 1VDG John Waymire
 Make checks payable to District 25C

 425 E 500 S, Lebanon, IN 46052

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### **District 25 C Convention**



## **DISTRICT 25 C CONVENTION**

February 24,2024 Center Point Church 200 S Cherry Street Center Point, IN 47840

Everyone is invited to the District 25-C Convention

Our Guest Speaker is Lee Vrieze from Jim Falls, Wisconsin



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### **District 25 C Convention**

### LEE VRIEZE

### INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Lee Vrieze from Jim Falls, Wisconsin, USA was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 104th International Convention, June 24 through June 28, 2022. Director Vrieze works professionally as an information technology infrastructure manager and has obtained multiple computer certifications, including CISSP, VCP, CCNA and CMNA. His over 40 years of information technology experience has included over 11 years of information technology consulting, technical designs and implementations, project management, and personnel management. He has been an active member of the Jim Falls Lions Club since 2001 and has held multiple offices within the association including district governor, vice council chairperson, multiple district global membership champion, multiple district resolutions constitution and bylaws chairperson, and multiple district technology chairperson. In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the International President's Award, the International President's Leadership Award, multiple International President's Certificates of Appreciation, and the GAT Chairperson's Award. Director Vrieze is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. In addition to his Lions activities, Director Vrieze has been active in numerous professional and community organizations, including Information Systems Security Association, Moose International and Knights of Columbus. He is an active member of his church and serves as cantor and parish council member. Director Vrieze and his wife, Mary, also a Lion and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have been married for over 43 years and have two children, two grandchildren, and one great grandchild. Both Director Vrieze and Lion Mary been recognized at the multiple district level as Progressive Birch-Sturm Fellows and have served as Presidents of the Wisconsin Lions Foundation.

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### **District 25 C Convention**



District 25 C CONVENTION FEBRUARY 24, 2024 Centerpoint Church

208 SOUTH CHERRY STREET CENTERPOINT, IN 47840

GUEST SPEAKER ID LEE VRIEZE

District 25 C Convention

9:30am Registration \*\*\* 10:00am Convention begins

Guest Speaker ID Lee Vrieze and Lion Mary Vrieze Jim Falls, Wisconsin

Will I have any PLUS One coming to their First Convention???

Lions Business Wear bring your Lions Club Banner & Stand & an Item for the Silent Auction for Children Cancer Project

Hotel Accommodations: Queen or Kings Room Price \$\$\$ Best Western, 3883 North State Road 59, Brazil, IN 47834 Telephone: 812-420-2299

Registration Deadline is February 14, 2024

RSVP to 1VDG John Waymire Make checks payable to <u>District 25C</u> 425 E 500 S, Lebanon, IN 46052 or email: <u>jwaymire425@gmail.com</u> Phone: 765-481-7917

NAME:

Lions Club Name:

NAME:

Telephone #:

Luncheon \$30.00 X

WILL THIS BE YOUR FIRST TIME ATTENDING CONVENTION?







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11 Colfax Club visit	12 Pierson & Prairie Creek club visit	13 Twelve Mile Club visit	14 Happy Valentine's Dag	15	16	17
18	19	20 Lizton Club visit	21	22	23 District Meet & Greet	24 District Convention
25	26 Cloverdale Club visit	27	28	29		

Official Visits Schedule:

February 3rd Cabinet Meeting #3 @ Zionsville 10:00am

February 7th Newport Lions Club

February 11th Colfax Lions Club

February 12th Pierson & Prairie Creek Lions Club

February 13th Twelve Miles Lions Club

February 20th Lizton Lions Club

February 23rd District Convention Meet & Greet Friday Night Dinner

February 24th District Convention @ CenterPoint Church

February 26th Cloverdale Lions Club



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# **March 2024**

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Official Visits Schedule:

March 7th Crawfordsville Lions Club



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### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2023-2024**

### **CABINET MEETING # 3**

February 3rd, 2024

Zionsville Lions Club

\*Registration included in this newsletter

### **DISTRICT CONVENTION**

February 24th, 2024

CenterPoint United Methodist Church

\*Registration included in this newsletter

**CABINET MEETING # 4** 

May 11th, 2024

CenterPoint United Methodist Church

INDIANA STATE CONVENTION April 26-28, 2024

Embassy Suites Conference Center

Noblesville Indiana

### **ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES 2023-2024**

\* March 7th 2024

**Crawfordsville Lions Club** 

The 2023-24 Indiana Lions Council of Governors is seeking applications for the position of State Administrative Secretary. The State Administrative Secretary serves as the state council secretary, MD 25 Convention secretary and is responsible for making reports on behalf of MD25 to Lions International. A well-qualified candidate is a Lion in good standing with leadership skills and supervisory or nonprofit management experience. The position is part-time exempt and is based at the state office building in Indianapolis. A full list of duties can be found in the policy manual linked at

www.e-district.org/sites/md25/ starting on page 15.

Interested applicants should contact Council Chair Bob Hrdy at (765)426-9037 or lionbobhrdy25c@gmail.com and submit their resume and letter of interest.

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Updates to the Hoosier Lion

For many years, the Lions of Indiana have studied the <u>Hoosier Lion</u>. Multiple surveys have been conducted and various models from other states have been considered. The 2023-24 Council of Governors has voted to approve a proposal from 4<sup>th</sup> Hawk Media LLC to print three issues and publish six electronic issues during 2023-24. The electronic issues will be sent to all Lions with email addresses and the print issues will be sent to all addresses (one per address). This method reduces mailing costs and allows the publication of more information in the electronic issues. The new publisher will also print full color images in the print versions. We are excited to announce these updates and look forward to your feedback. Please send articles for publication to the district newsletter editor and district PR chair, who will forward them for <u>Hoosier Lion</u> publication.

Reminder:

Don't forget to send a picture , a news article or something of interest to :

Gail Robbins your Hoosier Lion PR.

It's exciting to add your Club to the papers .

Gail Robbins

gail45robbins@gmail.com

## Mission 1.5

International President Dr. Patti Hill has challenged us to join in Mission 1.5 – to grow to 1.5 million members by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2027. If every club would host one membership drive think how close we will be to achieving our target for the year and how many more hands we will have to do service for our communities and our world!!



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.

In the August 2023 District 25C newsletter, we took a look at where DG Patti is from starting with Clay County and the town of Brazil Indiana. We continue with our history this month below:

### 1870s to 1890s

The first school, Meridian St. School, was established in 1870. By 1873, the population was 3,000. Originally there was no public sanitation, no garbage disposal, or city dump. Water drained from streets into open ditches at the sides.

In 1873, a city charter was established, and in 1875, water works and fire protection was added. By 1896, the population was over 1,600 households, and an electric railroad (interurban) was started. Brazil had two phone companies and five clay companies. Brazil was paving its main streets, and the downtown businesses were being rebuilt in sturdy brick.

### 1900

By 1906 there were 4 banks, an Opera House, 6 newspapers, 19 attorneys, eight dentists, 19 physicians, 5 railroad depots, 9 hotels, 43 saloons, 9 restaurants, 8 confectioners, 2 milk depots, 11 meat markets, 10 clay works, and 13 coal companies.

Population was 11,600. New schools had been added–a high school and four more elementary schools. In 1908, a piano factory and a boiler works were added. By 1916, a new high school was built. Mines and clay companies still prospered. A new post office was built in 1912 and the Court House in 1913.



(All photos and information taken from Brazil.IN.GOV website)