

District 25 hronicles

Now You've Done It!

Well, now you've gone and done it! There is no-where to turn! There is no escape, I have you in my clutches! That's right, I am now your District Governor! Ok, all kidding aside, the last two years have gone by amazingly fast! I have had so much fun, and made so many new friends across the district and state. First and foremost, I want to thank PDG Tom Robbins for his leadership across this last year, especially during the COVID crisis. I know we are not out of the woods yet with the virus, and who knows if, or when, things will get closer to normal, but Tom kept us together and kept grinding throughout it all, keeping his trademark smile all along the way. Congratulations, Tom, on an excellent year!

One thing that has come out of this virus is that Lions are becoming really good at adapting to the world around them. There is no way that Lions could make it over 100 years without adapting. That's where we find ourselves today. Faced with a health crisis that has kept many practically prisoners in their own homes. However, we have reached out to others more often. Picked up the phone and checked on others; fired up the computer and video- conferenced with friends and family! Training sessions have been held online, and meetings via many different platforms have brought us all together to keep the fire of Lions alive and burning within us all. We are in a time where some of our long-time fundraisers may be compromised due to COVID. Take this opportunity to look outside the box and find something different to raise funds. **DO NOT STOP DOING GOOD!** There are many people out there that need our help!

A couple dates for you to remember, coming up this month, July 25th, we will hold the first meeting of the year at 10:00 a.m. via ZOOM video conference. I understand, it is not the most ideal way to hold a cabinet meeting, but at this time, it is the best alternative. Coming up at the end of August, on the 29th, we will hold our Banner night in Spencer! After
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Upcoming District Events

District 25C Cabinet Meeting

July 25, 2020 10:00am on Zoom

District 25C Banner Night

August 29, 2020 (watch for details)



**TOGETHER
WE SERVE**

2020-2021
DG Jim PM Query
District 25C



almost 5 months, our district will be holding an event face to face! It will be a Luau, so make sure to wear your best (or brightest) Hawaiian apparel! After 5 months we need to celebrate! I hope that you will consider making the trip down!

Together We Serve ... Because Kindness Matters!

DG Jim P.M. Query

P.S. Now is the perfect time to make your reservations for your Governor Visit! Get it in early so you can get the date you would like!



Lion James Roth
District 25C 1st VDG

Sharpening the Saw

We start a new Lions year. DG Jim Query has chosen the theme of “Together We Serve”. That is a great theme that reflects his many years as a Lion. Our district, multi-district, and Lions Club International are all built on the foundation of strong local clubs working together to serve their communities.

Stephen Covey talks about the habit of “Sharpening the Saw”. He tells the story of two men frantically trying to cut down a large tree with a dull saw. When someone suggests that they take time to sharpen the saw, they say that they are so far behind that they cannot take time to sharpen the saw! Maybe that is a good analogy of where some of our Lions Clubs are. Some clubs are just trying to survive with smaller numbers and, at the same time, do familiar fundraising and service.

We want to listen and help a club find a way to do more than survive. This is not a push for new technology or for pleasing the district. This is an offer to help each club to find what works for them.

In a Lions Club there are many layers of interactions and relationships. We cannot understand all those layers in a few visits. What we might do is help your club members figure out what is best for you and your club.

We are available to help your club. Contact us. We can find a compatible Lion who is willing to share his knowledge and experience with you. Hopefully this will lead to a more rewarding experience, more service and a stronger club. Your club, your way.

Thank you for your past service, and we look forward to being with you as....

Together we serve!

Lion Jim Roth
District 25C 1st VDG





Lion Bob Hrdy
District 25C 2nd VDG

Welcome 2nd VC DSTRCT GVRNR HRDY

As the new 2nd VDG I would like to tell you a little about myself. I was born in a small log cabin..... OK, not really. LOL I was born in Frankfurt Germany – an Army Brat.

My name is Bob Hrdy (no that is not a typo – 4 letters- no vowels -we are the “sometimes Y” of the vowel family.) Pronounced Her-dy. It is a Czech word meaning “Proud”.

I am legally blind due to a degenerative genetic eye disease called Choroideremia. My vision slowly narrowed to where it is today – close 1 eye and look through a straw.

I have been married for 37 years to my wife Vicky. I have a daughter Katie (Dave) Loudon and son Frank (Kelly) Hrdy and 2 of the prettiest grand-daughters, Quinn (4) & Nora (4 months) Hrdy.

I met Lafayette Lions Club member Dave Ehlers in 2008 after I came home with my 1st Leader Dog, Alex. Dave presented me with a Puppy Welcome Basket on behalf of the local Lions Club. Knowing that Leader Dog for the Blind was supported by Lions I was interested in joining my local club in a desire to give back to an organization that had given me so much.

Since joining the Lafayette Lions Club in 2008 I have served in many capacities: club Vice-president, club President, Tail Twister, Indiana Lions for Leader Dog Trustee and Indiana Lions for Leader Dog Chair.

As you might expect I have a strong interest in issues affecting the Blind and Visually Impaired and actively raised funds for the Leader Dogs for the Blind recent renovation and expansion. I am willing to visit your clubs, talk about Leader Dog (have dog will travel), and my vision journey.

Looking forward to working with DG Jim and will all the clubs in our district to explore ways to promote Lionism.

Stay Safe!

We Serve,

Lion Bob Hrdy



LEADER DOGS
FOR THE BLIND

New KidSight Guidelines Released

With any luck, children will start returning to school with the next couple of months and we can start vision screening again. To prepare ahead of time, here are some guidelines which have been established by *Indiana Operation KidSight* and *KidSight USA* for when we are able to start screening again:



- If you are uncomfortable going to the site to screen, DON'T go. There is nothing more important than your health.
- Wash your hands frequently following local guidelines the proper hand hygiene. Please refer to <https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/when-how-handwashing.html>
- Follow all local, State and National guidelines on social distancing and the use of personal protective equipment (PPE). Masks or face shields for the screeners may be required by the school/daycare. Check out the CDC website for updates and additional information.
- Ask the site if they have a large room to screen in. Many times, we have screened in small offices and work rooms.
- Limit the number of children in the room. Ask the site to send in one child at a time.
- All Plusoptix cameras will do a reading through a plexiglass sneeze guard. You can check out YouTube to see how to make one easily and inexpensively. It is important that there are no scratches or fingerprints on the plexiglass when doing a screening.
- Completely clean and disinfect the Plusoptix cameras between operators and at the conclusion of the event. Plusoptix recommends the use of Clorox Healthcare Bleach Wipes, Bacillo 30 Tissues, or Teccare Control Tissues to clean the cameras. **NO OTHER SOLUTIONS ARE RECOMMENDED.**
- If you pass out stickers or books to the children, give the staff sheets of stickers and the books to pass out.
- Be flexible

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Zoom - A New Type of Meeting



As we have been in this uncharted territory for the past few months with COVID 19 and not being able to meet face to face with our fellow Lions, we must look for new ways for our clubs, districts and state to keep connected with each other. I have found that Zoom is one way we can do this. Zoom is very inexpensive as they have a free version or you can pay as little as \$14.99 a month for the Pro Version.

Why meet virtually?

- Stay connected. It’s always nice to see that smiling face.
- No matter whether you have a smartphone, land line, table or computer, you can participate
- No drive times. You don’t have to leave home early to get to the meeting and you are home as soon as the meeting is over.
- Is it fun? It can be. It’s whatever you want it to be. Have a wear your funny hat or your favorite sports team attire meeting. Bring snacks and see what everyone else has to eat.

Here are the basics of how to get ready for your first Zoom meeting.

Whoever is hosting the meeting should send you a meeting invitation. That looks similar to the following:

Invitation:

Jennifer Drapalik is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Zoom 101 – Introduction to Video Conferencing
 Time: Jun 29, 2020 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81781372874?pwd=T0pjZjlxZ0lsaDZvb3JnZFB2Umw4Zz09>

Meeting ID: 817 8137 2874
 Password: LIONS
 One tap mobile
 +13126266799,,81781372874#,,,,0#,,374160# US (Chicago)
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Dial by your location
 +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)
 +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)
 +1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown)
 +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)
 +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)
 +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Meeting ID: 817 8137 2874
 Password: 374160
 Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdR8Yef8Dn>

Please login with your first and last name.
 The password is case sensitive.

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How to set up your electronic device to use Zoom:

Cell Phones

Go to your app store. For iPhones- It is a Blue icon with an "A" in the middle. For Samsung (Android), you will use the Google Play app.

Once in your app store, search for Zoom Cloud Meetings.

Click the download button (looks like a cloud with a down arrow).

When you go back to your phone look for the blue icon with a movie camera that says Zoom.

When ready to attend the meeting, you can do one of two things:

- 1) Click on link included sent to you for the meeting and it should automatically open up the page OR
- 2) Click on the Zoom button and enter the meeting ID and phone number.

Go to settings on your phone.

Go to Apps

Go to the Zoom app - should more and likely be toward the bottom

Click on it

Go to permissions

Make sure that both camera and microphone are on.

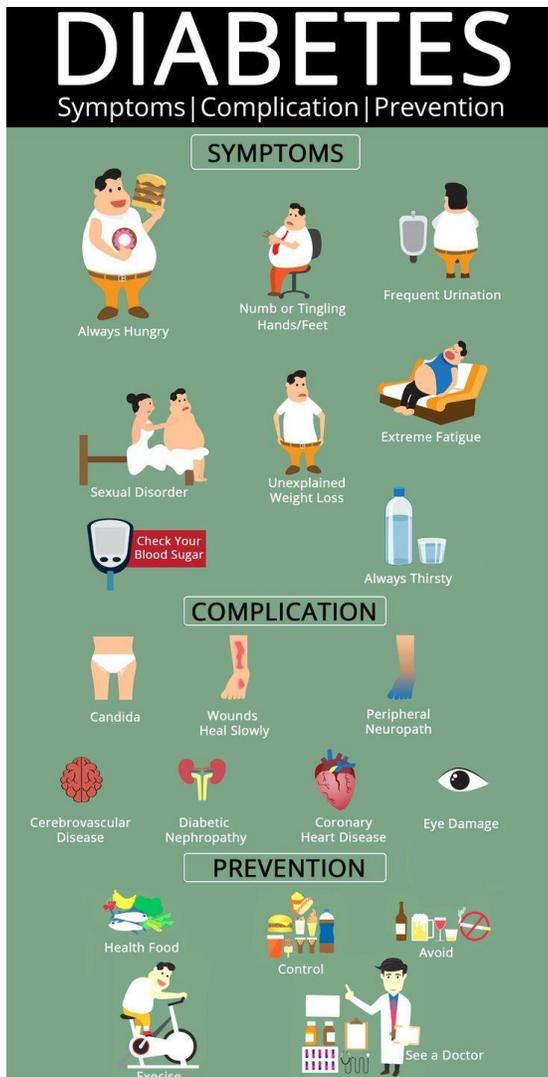
Laptop Computer - you should be able to insert the link into the browser or go to Zoom.com and enter the meeting ID and Password. You will want to enable your video and audio.

Computer - If you are wanting to use a desktop computer in order to be seen in the meeting, you will need to have a camera connected and to be heard, you will need a microphone. If no microphone is available, you can dial in using the phone numbers and directions listed below.

To just call in by phone, see the invitation for directions

TRAINING - If you or your club would like training on the basics, feel free to contact Lion Jennifer Drapalik at jennifer.drapalik@sbcglobal.net.





WHY TEST?

The question is: “Are you pre-diabetic?” Don’t stop reading. This message is short but sincere. Being pre-diabetic is defined as - **your blood sugar levels are higher than normal – but not high enough to be diagnosed as diabetes¹.**

So! What’s the big deal?

Being pre-diabetic can lead to type 2 diabetes, heart disease or stroke. Once you are truly diabetic, if you do not manage it you can potentially, along with the problems listed above lose toes, fingers, limbs, sight, etc.

Diabetes doesn’t hurt, you really can’t feel anything (there are some symptoms such as unbelievable thirst) so you don’t know you have it. So here are some facts:

- Over 88 million American adults have prediabetes (you may be one of them)
- Of those 88 million 8 in 10 don’t even know they have it
- Without taking action, many people could develop type 2 diabetes

With type 2 diabetes, your body cannot properly use insulin which is the key to helping glucose get into the cells of the

body. When the glucose can’t get into the cells to supply energy it remains in the blood stream. This is where the start of the damage comes from. I would list the risk factors for prediabetes, but those of you that are over 45, overweight, fairly physically inactive and may have had a parent or sibling with type 2 diabetes already know you are pre-diabetic or you sense it.

Why all the blurb? Three clubs in District C that I am aware of, Spencer, Plainfield and Zionsville are currently using kits to test fellow lions at functions and to test the public. Today this effort is very limited but really needed. **This message is to encourage other clubs to step up to do testing.** We all have diabetes committees, some at the club level, some at the district level and of course the international initiative. For more information on how to simply and easily do testing as a service, contact R. L. McKellar at macagcon@tds.net or 317 769 5256.

1 excerpted from CDC publication almost word for word



Zionsville Alpha Leo to Zionsville Lion, Gigi Giralte. Congratulations! Yes, Leos do become Lions! (Photo from Lion Gail Robbins)

Environmental - Roadside clean-up. Team of six Lions: Steve Haby (Chair), Charlie Short, Jerry Metzinger, Larry Fisher, Mark Bowman, Carl Landskron picked up six large bags of trash along US 231 South in Lafayette after meeting up at 8:22 am (usual strange time!) for coffee. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)



Hundreds of people came out to wish Lion LeRoy Good happy 100th birthday. LeRoy is a Michigantown Lion and his club hosted the event at the historical Michigantown Gymnasium. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



Zionsville Lions Club welcomed 2 new members, Brittany and Jason Plunkett. Brittany works with a marketing firm and Jason is a financial advisor and is also on his 2nd term with the Town Council. They have an adorable little 3 yr. old daughter, Lauren. L-to-R: Sponsor Lion Keith Shepherd, new members Brittany & Keith Plunkett, daughter Lauren, inducted by Lions District Governor Tom Robbins. (Pic by Lion Gail Robbins)

PDGs Pat/Charlie Short and Lion Anna Wilson joined PCC Jodi Burmesters' Social Hour at her Wisconsin lake home via Zoom. Approximately 45 Lions from across the USA and overseas joined the party, including 2VP Brian Sheehan, IPID Nick/Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos, PID Linda Tincher and PID Jerome Thompson. Fun gathering with two breakout room sessions. PDG Charlie Short and 5 other Lions from across the USA were very surprised when they were presented with Lions Clubs Intl Presidential Leadership Medals by 2VP Brian Sheehan. These were to recognize the team's efforts in promoting technology use for meetings, training and various social get-togethers by Lions everywhere to help them remain engaged during the current pandemic. (Photo provided by PDG Pat Short)

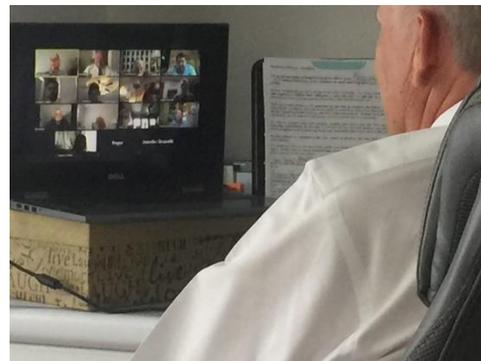


Lion Gail Robbins received a Melvin Jones Progressive pin for her dedication to humanitarian objectives. Lions District Governor Tom Robbins and Past International Director Linda Tincher presented her with the honor. (Picture provided by Lion Gail Robbins)



Zionsville Alpha Leo's Club talked with DG Tom Robbins after working in Lions Park. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)

DG Tom Robbins inducted Martinsville Noon Lions Club new officers via Zoom. (Photo by Lion Gail Robbins)



Joint meeting of Lafayette LC and Indiana Cyber LC with DG Tom installing officers of both clubs and inducting one member of the Lafayette Lions Club.

(Pics submitted by PDG Pat Short)



PID Nick Xinopoulos presented PDG Charlie Short with the International Presidents Leadership Medal that had been awarded to him on June 13 during PCC Jodi Burmester's Saturday Social Hour. He co-founded the *Lions Global Forum*. Starting with discussions on service practices and cyber specialty clubs, the *Forum* has become the leading independent Lions discussion group with over 5,000 participating Lions worldwide. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)



Acting on a discussion idea from a club conference call, Lion Diane Haby created a new service project, *“Lions Feeding the Frontlines”*. For this pioneering service effort, rapid pivot to the needs of the Lafayette community, and innovative fundraising, International President Jung-Yul Choi honored Lion Diane Haby with the International President’s Certificate of Appreciation. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)



Lion Laura’s innovative use of Zoom to host a weekly Monday *“Lunch Counter”* discussion group on Lions topics has provided a consistent and effective club service activity. It regularly attracts Lions from here at home in Indiana, and as far away as Jamaica, Oregon, Minnesota, and Scotland. By providing this forum for encouragement, problem solving, and good humor, the *Lunch Counter* has proven to be a hit with a regular audience. For her excellence in club management and communication, International President Jung-Yul Choi honors Lion Laura Moss with the International President’s Certificate of Appreciation. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)



PDGs Charlie & Pat Short visited with the Plainfield Lions Club Board for dinner and a discussion on membership issues and plans going forward to increase membership. Noted that the Club has brought in 5 new members this year for a net gain of 3! L-to-R -- Lions Bob Condit, Tom Iles, Gene Young, Club President Worth Donaldson and PDG Charlie Short. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)



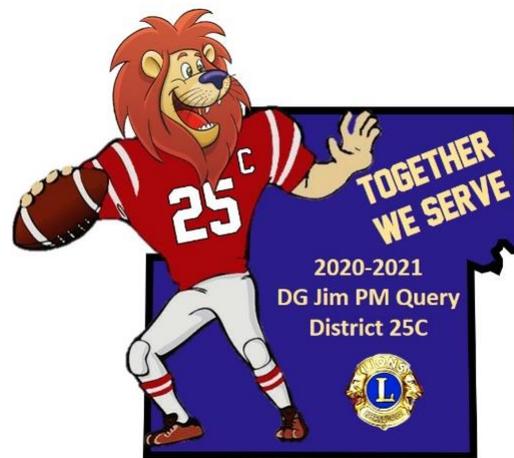
At the June 16th Spencer Lions Club Tail Twister Party DGE Jim P.M. Query had the pleasure of installing new officers and presenting chevrons. He had the double honor here of installing PDG Dad (James E. Query) as the incoming secretary and presenting him his 45 years of service chevron. (Photo by Lion Charlotte Query)

PID Linda Tincher spent a day helping the Spencer Lions cook and serve 100 meals to children during the Summer Food Service Program they provide Monday through Friday during the summer school break. Here Linda is shown working with Lion Linda Davis in the kitchen. (Photo by PDG Jim Query)



While helping pack lunches PID Linda Tincher noticed the fruit for the day just happened to be individual boxed raisins with a special name. The brand name on these raisins was "Lion". Showing them off for the camera are Spencer Lions Linda Davis, Charlotte Query, and PDG Jim Query. (Photo by PID Linda Tincher)

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“Make sure that your servant’s towel is huge and used.”

- Goalcast