

February 2025

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# District 25C Newsletter

From the Desk of DG John Waymire



Hello Fellow District C Lions,

February is a short month but there is plenty of good news:

- \* Welcome to Thomas Schultz from the Spencer Lions Club as our new 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor.
- \* Welcome to the South Putnam Leo Club sponsored by the Cloverdale Lions Club.
- \* Welcome to the Twin Lakes Branch Club sponsored by the Brookston Lions Club.
- \* I would like to welcome ID Hans Neidhardt and DG Shari Neidhardt to Key-note our district convention on February 22<sup>nd</sup>..
- \* District C will be hosting the 2026 Lions State Convention in Plainfield on April 30 – May 2, 2026.

Welcome to February – A short month, but plenty of things to do.

- \* February 14 is Valentine’s Day. Do not forget to buy a card and a gift for your significant other.
- \* Register for the District C Convention on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Zionsville Town Building. RSVP to CT Karen McKellar for only \$20.00.
- \* Please send the names of deceased Lions from your club (since June 1, 2024 – now) to Lion Jennifer Drapalik at [jenniferdrapalik@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jenniferdrapalik@sbcglobal.net) so that they may be remembered for their years of dedicated service at the Memorial Service during our district convention.
- \* The silent auction at the district convention will support childhood cancer this year. Notify Lion Gail Robbins at [gail45robbins@gmail.com](mailto:gail45robbins@gmail.com) to list your auction items. And bring your money because there will be many great items to bid on.
- \* Make a hotel reservation in Whitestown or nearby if you are staying over for the convention. (Do this soon because there are several other events in the Whitestown/Zionsville area that same weekend. Holiday Inn Express, Hampton Inn & Suites, Fairmont by Marriott, and Home 2.)

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- \* If you need help posting your service project activities in the Lions Portal, please contact Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos at [boonvillewoman@gmail.com](mailto:boonvillewoman@gmail.com). There are Lion Portal training videos on youtube also.
- \* Be sure your club has paid all outstanding dues (By February 8th.) or your delegates will not be able to vote at the convention.
- \* Have you appointed your Nominations Committee? A good time frame is to appoint now, report nominations in March, have 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> readings, and elect officers before May 1<sup>st</sup>. This gives FVDG Paul time to put his directory together and LCI time to begin their fiscal preparations for next year.
- \* Register for the Indiana Lions State Convention in Shipshewana on April 25-26, 2025.
- \* Is your club working on the 24/25 Club Excellence Award criteria?
- \* Are you making progress on your club's new year's resolutions: (1) Start a new project; (2) Recruit a new member; and (3) Have fun being a lion.
- \* If you have not scheduled a District Governor visit yet, call me at 765-481-7917 or email me at [jwaymire425@gmail.com](mailto:jwaymire425@gmail.com).

February notes of future interest:

Officer training is being scheduled for the May 10th District meeting in Brownsburg.

LCI is publishing a new Officer Training e-Book that will combine all officer training modules into one package due to so much overlapping information.

Thanks for allowing me to serve as your District Governor.

### **MAKE YOUR MARK**

### **BE THE SERVICE DIFFERENCE**



Meet your leaders in  
District C,  
2VDG Tom Schultz,  
1st VDG Paul Scheetz &  
DG John Waymire.

## District Goals 2024-2025

**To increase reporting of District 25C clubs Service Activity Report (SAR).** As of today, only 54% of District C clubs have reported a service activity. Please report to LCI and the local media what Lions are doing. We are the best kept secret. Let your communities hear your LION roar. District GST chair Cindy Russell ([lioncindyr@yahoo.com](mailto:lioncindyr@yahoo.com)) can assist you in promoting and reporting service activities.

**To increase our membership by the end of June 30, 2025.** District C has 1,253 Lions we are DOWN -78 members for the year. One simple technique to recruit new members is simply to ASK them to join. Remember this simple formula: **More Members = More Hands = More Service.** Contact GMT Tom Robbins ([tr62044@aol.com](mailto:tr62044@aol.com)) for help in recruiting new members. It can be as easy as just asking a friend to help out at a service project.

**To increase attendance at 25 C District Meetings and District Convention and State Convention.** All meetings and all conventions are open to all District C Lions. District meetings are where district business is conducted, and decisions made. Come be a part of the decision-making process and see how your dues money is being spent. The District C Convention is February 22nd. There is still time to reserve your place for only \$20.00. Contact CT Karen McKellar. ([kadica@tds.net](mailto:kadica@tds.net))

**Provide Officer and Zone Chair Training.** More officer training has been scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup> in Brownsburg. A PowerPoint presentation on president's leadership responsibilities is available from GLT John Wilkins ([jw6222@earthlink.net](mailto:jw6222@earthlink.net)).

**Keep the District 25 C Calendar up to date.** District C website is: [www.e-district.org/sites/25c/](http://www.e-district.org/sites/25c/). Check it out.

**Establish longer and Actionable PDG meetings.** The PDGs will meet at 9:30 on January 1<sup>st</sup> at the District Meeting to discuss initial preparations for the 2026 Lions State Convention which District C will host in Plainfield April 30 – May 2.

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

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

Thank you for all you do for the Lions and your communities.

John Waymire,

District Governor 25C

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**District C Meeting Schedule 2024-2025**

<b>February 1, 2025</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting</b>	<b>Clinton Lions Club</b> 200 South Lincoln Street Clinton, IN 47842
<b>February 22, 2025</b>	<b>District C Convention</b>	<b>Zionsville Town Building</b> 1100 West Oak St. Zionsville, IN 46077
April 25-26, 2025	State Convention	Farmstead Inn & Conf. Ct. 370 S Van Buren St. (SR5) Shipshewana, IN 46565
<b>April 26, 2025</b>	<b>District C Caucus</b>	<b>Shipshewana</b>
April 27, 2025	4 <sup>th</sup> Council Meeting	Shipshewana
<b>May 10, 2025</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> District Meeting</b>	<b>Brownsburg</b> Bundy's Lodge 7024 Lucas Drive Brownsburg, IN 46112

**District Governor Visitation Schedule**

February 3	Pierson Township Lions Club Prairie Creek Lions Club
February 11	Twelve Mile Lions Club
February 17	Jamestown Lions Club
February 22	District C District Convention – Zionsville Town Building
March 6	Crawfordsville Lions Club
March 11	Zionsville Lions Club
March 18	Young America Lions Club
March 24	Mooresville Lions Club
April 2	Newport Lions Club
April 17	Morgantown Lions Club
April 28	Lucerne Lions Club
May 4	Colfax Lions Club
May 21	Bainbridge Lions Club

**Websites for 25C and MD25**[District 25-C - Lions e-District Houses](#)[Multiple District 25 - Lions e-District Houses](#)



## **A Message from FVDG—Paul Sheetz**

Greetings Lions,

February is the month when we have our District Convention. We will be voting on amendments, Trustees and next years District officers. February is also when clubs will assemble their nomination and election committees. In March the committees will announce the nominees for the offices for which members will be entering. If a club has two meetings a month the nominees names will be read again. At the first or only meeting in April elections should be held. May 1st, election results of the new officers should be sent to the District Secretary and to LCI.

FVDG Paul Scheetz

## **A Message from SVDG—Tom Schultz**

Greetings Fellow Lions!

Let me introduce myself and tell a little bit about myself. I am Thomas (Tom) Schultz I am still working and plan to retire in the very near future. I am an engineer at Macy's and have over 51-1/2 years of service. My wife and I raised three daughters, two retired from 22 years in the United States Air Force and the other is an oncology nurse at Bloomington Hospital. The youngest still works on the Air Force base where she retired. We lived in Bloomington for 30 years and my wife Marjorie (Marj) and I moved to Poland in 2013. One of our next-door neighbors was a charter member of the Poland Community Lions Club and she invited us to a club meeting in April of 2014. We had no idea what Lions were all about, but both of us were hooked. We have been members since July 2014 and have recently passed the 10 year milestone. During those years I have been the vice president for a year and then served almost 6 years as the president. We switched to the Spencer Lions Club, and the first year there I was a board member and now serve as vice president. Marj served as treasurer and membership chair at the Poland Club. She is the current club president in Spencer and is also a zone chair. I am also serving as a zone chair and was elected on January 11 as second vice district governor to fill a vacancy for that position. I look forward to continued service as a Lion and look forward to working with and meeting with many of you in the future.



SVDG Tom Schultz

## **A Message from State Vision Services Chair**

Re: New Guidelines in Indiana for Vision Screening

It is very important that the following information is forwarded to all Lions Clubs of Indiana. There are new guidelines in Vision Screening. For information – go to the website (#1) then follow with numbers 2 thru 5...

1. In.gov/doi
2. School Operations
3. School Health/School Nurse Resources
4. Hearing and Vision Screening
5. Hearing and Vision Screening

If you have any questions, please contact Lion Henry Rodriguez at 765-210-6787 [henryrodriguez970@yahoo.com](mailto:henryrodriguez970@yahoo.com)

Thank you!

Lion Henry Rodriguez  
District 25 D and State Vision Services Chair

## **A Message from Mid-Winter Conference Special Project Team 2025**

Thank you ! Thank you ! Thank you !

Care-ing Cases and Sock It To Me Special Project at Mid-Winter Conference.

Job well done Lions. You came down to the Special Project Room and not only got your steps in, but you filled all the Care-ing Cases and the Hygiene Bags, put them in the Backpacks, and you even donated a thousand items to the Sock It To Me tables. Think of how wonderful those warm new items are going to feel!

The Special Project Team would like to thank each one of you that came down and helped make someone else's life a little better. There is nothing like a Lion that shows they care .

Special Project 2025 Team

PDG Tom Robbins

Lion Jennifer Drapalik

Leo Danielle Drapalik

PDG Kathy Lozier

Lion Gail Robbins





## District C Convention

Meet our Guest Speaker  
**ID Hans Neidhardt** for  
District C Convention



Hans Neidhardt from Potwin, Kansas, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as an international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 105th International Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, USA, July 7 through July 11, 2023.

Director Neidhardt is a retired Colonel with 39 years of service in the United States Air Force. After retiring from his career in the military he served another eight years as a special education paraprofessional/substitute teacher. Since 2020, he has been fully retired.

Inspired by their community service and camaraderie, Director Neidhardt became a Lion in 1981 after joining the Potwin Lions Club. Since 2015, he has served with the Towanda Lions Club. He has held a number of offices within the association including more than 15 years of service as multiple district council treasurer. He has also served as the Great Plain Lions Leadership Institute (GPLLI) curriculum coordinator and registrar as well as a GPLLI facilitator.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including multiple International President's Awards, International President's Certificates of Appreciation and an International President's Leadership Award. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Neidhardt is active in numerous professional and community organizations including more than 40 years of membership with the American Legion. He is the recipient of several military distinctions and honors including KSANG Company Grade Officer of the Year, the USAF Legion of Merit, and the Kansas Medal of Excellence.

Director Neidhardt and his wife, Shari, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two children, five grandchildren and one great grandchild.

## District C Convention

“The ballot for District 25C elections at the district convention on February 22, 2025 will contain voting for four amendments, three having to do with dues changes and one having to do with Leo dues discount. The changes have been requested by PDG Richard McKellar and Cabinet Treasurer Karen McKellar of the Zionsville club. The amendments were taken before the Zionsville membership in a duly called meeting, presented and discussed, then positively endorsed. The amendments were passed to the district Constitution and By-laws committee, where they were slightly changed from the originals and then were accepted. Nominations and Elections chair PCC Jim Query has copies of the amendments in hand and assures me that they will appear on the ballot”.

The four amendments with changes have significant verbiage and would constitute several pages in the newsletter, so this should be considered a heads-up. I have arranged with District Governor John Waymire to explain the changes in full before the election which should allow time for questions.

Respectfully,

PDG Richard McKellar

### **# 1 amendment**

#### Article III

Section 4. CABINET SECRETARY. He/She shall act under the supervision of the district governor. The cabinet secretary's specific responsibilities shall be to:

- a) Further the purposes of this association;
- b) Perform such duties as are implied by the title of said office, including but not by way of limitation, the following:
  - (i) Keep an accurate record of the proceedings of all meetings of the cabinet, and within five (5) days after each meeting forward copies of the same to all members of the cabinet, and the office of Lions Clubs International;
  - (ii) Take and keep minutes of the district convention and furnish copies of the same to Lions Clubs International, the district governor and the secretary of each club in the district;
  - (iii) Make reports to the cabinet as the district governor or cabinet may require;
  - ~~(iv) Mail billing notices, collect and record all dues and assessments levied on members and clubs in the district and forward to the Cabinet Treasurer all dues and assessments received from members and clubs in the district;~~
  - ~~(v) Shall collect, record and forward to cabinet treasurer all funds payable to the district including donations to state projects and other organizations and committees as appropriate; and~~
  - ~~(vi) Keep accurate books and records of account, and minutes of all cabinet and district meetings, and permit inspection of the same by the district governor, any cabinet member and any club (or any authorized agent of any of them) at any reasonable time for any proper purpose, Upon direction of the district governor or the cabinet, he/she shall furnish any such books and records as requested to any auditor appointed by the district governor.~~



## District C Convention

Article III

### # 2 amendment

Section 5. CABINET TREASURER He/she shall act under the supervision of the district governor. The cabinet treasurer's specific responsibilities shall be to:

- a) Further the Purposes of this association;
- b) Perform such duties as are implied by the title of said office, including but not by way of limitation, the following:
  - (i) Make report to the cabinet as the district governor or cabinet may require;
  - (ii) Receive all dues and assessments ~~and collected by the Cabinet Secretary~~ and deposit all monies in the bank
  - (iii) Remit and pay expenses by order of the district governor;
  - (iv) Remit and pay over to the multiple district comptroller the multiple district dues and assessments if any, collected in the district, and secure a proper receipt;
  - ~~(v)~~ Within 15 days of the conclusion of the fiscal year, deliver the financial accounts and records of all receipts and disbursements to the **auditor.** ~~immediate past district governor.~~
  - (vi) A Treasurer concluding his/her term of office shall deliver a check to the incoming District Treasurer in the amount of \$1,000 by June 15<sup>th</sup> of the current fiscal year to allow for the establishment of a new bank account. All remaining funds to be transferred to the newly appointed treasurer within fifteen (15 days after the start of the new fiscal year.
- c) Perform such other functions and acts as may be required of each by directives of the International Board of Directors.

Article X. FINANCE AND DUES

### # 3 amendment

Section 1. STATE DUES. The Cabinet Secretary **Treasurer** shall charge against and collect from each Lions Club in the district the State annual per-capita dues in two (2) semi-annual payments.

Section 3. DISTRICT DUES The Cabinet Secretary **Treasurer** shall charge against and collect from each Lions Club in the district the district per-capita dues of two dollars (\$2.00) annually. Billing shall be made semi-annually and collect one dollar (\$1.00) from each club for each member according to the records of the June and December monthly membership reports. Payment shall be made upon receipt of billing.

**District C Convention**

**# 4 amendment**

ARTICLE X. ~~Section 4. EXEMPTION FROM DISTRICT DUES. Any member of a Lions Club within District 25C who meets the following conditions and qualifications shall be exempt from district dues.~~

- ~~a) A member of a Lions Club within the district who is enrolled as a student carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester at a college, university, or technical/vocational school, as certified by the club secretary in which the Lion is a member, AND:~~
- ~~b) Is less than thirty (30) years of age, as certified by the club secretary in which the Lion is a member, shall be except from being charged the district per capita dues as set out in Section 3 of this Article and summarized in Section 4 of this Article.~~
- ~~c) The club secretary is responsible for notifying the district secretary 30 days prior to the next scheduled billing date that a member of their club is eligible for this exemption.~~
- ~~d) The club secretary is responsible for notifying the District Cabinet Secretary when the exemption has expired either by age or by ending their student relationship.~~

**Note to be included on District Convention gift baskets, as pertinent**

DISTRICT C CONVENTION AUCTION

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2025

Zionsville Town Hall, Zionsville IN

Donations of ALCOHOL " MUST" Include the Following Form.

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If a gift basket includes Alcohol, this note must accompany the basket.

This .....was donated in the Indiana Lions District 25C Convention Silent Auction and cannot be consumed in the premises.

The winner must be at least 21 and will be required to show proof of age.

Donor.....

Winner.....

DOB.....



## District C Convention



**Help a Child's Life**

Our children need us. By working together, we can make a difference in the lives of thousands of children diagnosed with cancer.

**Donate Now**

Make checks Payable to:  
 District 25-C Lions Clubs Auction  
 Memo Line: Childhood Cancer Riley Research  
 Donations matched by Walther Cancer Foundation.  
**We accept CASH, CHECK & CREDIT CARDS**

### Lions

Our very own District C Convention is right around the corner . This year our District Governor John Waymire has chosen to have you donate items to raise money to help children with Childhood Cancer . The money raised on the District C Auction will go to the Childhood Cancer Riley Research. Every single dollar donated will be matched by the

WALTHER CANCER FOUNDATION, so that will double our donation money .

We will accept cash, check & credit cards.

Check out below what has been donated so far....Incase you need to get away sometime this year . Remember

Everything you bid on and win helps a child.

Lion Gail Robbins

Silent Auction Chair

**4 nights on the Lake in Southern Indiana \* Sleeps 12 \* 3-bedroom/3-bath**

**Priceless!**

Located on East Lake in Prince's Lakes, IN (Johnson County). Enjoy this entire lakehouse and its magnificent sunrise and peaceful sunsets. Fully-equipped w/ smart TVs, wifi, laundry, full kitchen, 6-person hot tub, walkout basement & screened porch. Sleeping areas include a King bedroom and a Queen sleeper sofa on the main floor, a queen bedroom in the loft, a double bunk in the lower level, plus a futon. Multiple decks on deep water make using the kayaks, paddle boat, swim platform and fishing so much fun! No fishing license is required on it's a private lake. Soak up the view from the swings in the screened porch or on the dock. Watch the boaters float past, grill on the deck, soak in the hot tub, take your bikes for a scenic, hilly ride. Next, sleep, eat, read and drink wine.

**Just escape!** Prince's Lake offers a Dollar General, Eddy's Pizza, Subway, Grillers Restaurant, El Pato Mexican restaurant & two gas stations. Nearby Edinburgh has a fantastic mall. Franklin has the shopping & entertainment options you need. Columbus is 20 minutes south w/ culture & architecture; Nashville is w/in 30 minutes & features the artists' colony restaurants, shops & the State park.

This is "Our Happy Place"! It's the ultimate relaxation station & our favorite escape.

This is a rental during the off season, but there is much flexibility to schedule in the summer & fall. Please include the following holiday weeks/weekends: Memorial Day, July 4th & Labor Day. Everything else is fair game w/ advanced booking. Contact owner Jennifer Blandford with questions and to schedule. [jblandford@callcarpenter.com](mailto:jblandford@callcarpenter.com) or 317-847-2695. Apologies: The portmoo boat is OFF LIMITS & not included due to boating rules on the lake. There will be a \$150 fee paid to the cleaning service @ the end of your stay.

**\$400 Minimum Bid**

**Your Donation Helps a Child**



**6 nights \* Sleeps 12 \* 3BR/3BA PRIVATE HOUSE in Sea Palms Resort on St Simons Island, GA**

Located in Sea Palms Golf Resort, which is mid island and a 20-minute bike ride to the beach or 5 by car, you will enjoy this private house with 3 bedroom suites, 2 large porches, well-stocked kitchen, golf access and w/in a short walk to restaurants.

Newly renovated golf resort is fantastic! <https://www.seapalms.com>

Nestled in the shade of century-old Live Oaks and Spanish Moss, you have to see to believe! Use this as your home base to explore St Simons Island, the beaches, historic light house, Coast Guard Museum or nearby Jekyll Island. Hunt for the famous tree faces of SSI, bait crab traps, fish at the pier, shop the Village, take a drive to Savannah or St Augustine, watch the turtles and alligators in the ponds of the resort; kayak, sleep, eat, read and drink wine.

**Just escape!**

Fully-equipped w/ smart TVs, wifi, laundry and all main-floor living. Featuring a king bedroom & 2 queens + an oversized daybed that sleeps 2 comfortably, a sweet twin & 2 inflatables (queen & full), fenced back yard and even a 2-person hottub!

Many spring, summer & fall dates available in 2025 & 2026, but book fast, as this is a vacation rental & availability can change quickly. Contact owner Jennifer Blandford with questions & to schedule: [jblandford@callcarpenter.com](mailto:jblandford@callcarpenter.com) or 317-847-2695. There will be a \$250 fee paid to the cleaning service @ the end of your stay.

**\$1800 Value (\$500 minimum)**

**Your Donation Helps a Child**





# ***DISTRICT 25C PRE-CONVENTION***

**Meet ID Hans & DG Shari Neidhardt**

**Friday, February 21, 2025**

**Zionsville Lions Club House**

**115 South Street, Zionsville, IN 46077**

**Dinner Time 6:00 PM**

**Menu:**

**Western Ribs, Chicken Tenders**

**Cheese Potatoes, Green Beans, 7-Layer Salad**

**Cobbler, Tea/Lemonade/Water**

**RSVP by: February 14, 2025**

**Send RSVP & Money to CT Karen McKellar**

**8805 E 200 S, Zionsville, IN 46077**

**[kadica@tds.net](mailto:kadica@tds.net) 317-769-5256**

**Make Checks payable to: District C Convention**

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Friday Night: \$20.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_**

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# **DISTRICT 25C CONVENTION**

**Saturday, February 22, 2025**

**Zionsville Town Building**

**1100 West Oak Street, Zionsville, IN 46077**

**Registration: 8:00 AM**

**Opening Session: 9:00 AM**

**Lunch menu:**

**Ham or Turkey Deli Sandwich**

**Broccoli Bacon Salad/Fresh Fruit Salad**

**Brownies, Tea/Lemonade/Water**

**Keynote Speaker: ID Hans Neidhardt**

**Presentation by: DG Shari Neidhardt**

**RSVP by: February 14, 2025**

**Send RSVP & Money to CT Karen McKellar**

**8805 E 200 S, Zionsville, IN 46077**

**[kadica@tds.net](mailto:kadica@tds.net) 317-769-5256**

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**Convention Lunch: \$20.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_**

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## Club Excellence Award

### CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD CRITERIA

2024 – 2025

1. **MEMBERSHIP:** Net growth of two (2) members or 10% more members, whichever is greater OR: Charter a new club.
2. **SERVICE:** Started a new service project, consider one of our global causes; list 3 service activities your club participated in and reported to lions International.
3. **LCIF:** Contributed to LCIF an amount greater than or equal to the club's membership total multiplied by \$10.00.
4. **LEADERSHIP AND ORGINAZATIONAL EXCELLENCE:** Club is in good standing, all dues paid; Club officers reported to Lions International; Key officers participate in club officer training.
5. **MARKETING:** The club has publicized its service activities through local media or social media.

**Application deadline is August 31, 2025**

### How can your club meet the Club Excellence Award Criteria?

1. Grow your club by asking a relative or friend to join you on a service project or accompanying you to a club meeting. Conduct a new member open house.
2. Start a new service project by planting a tree or giving away books to a school classroom, library, or a nursing home.
3. Donate \$10.00 X the number of members in your club.
4. Attend officer training scheduled for the last District Meeting May 11, 2025, at the Brownsburg Lions Club House.
5. Publish your service in the newspaper or on social media.
6. Send in your application by August 31, 2025, and celebrate your club's excellence.



Indiana State Convention



2025 Indiana Lions 104th State Convention

Hosted by District 25-G
April 25-27, 2025



Farmstead Inn and Conference Center, Shipshewana, Indiana
With Special Guest PIP Jimmy Ross

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR LODGING BY APRIL 1, 2025
Farmstead Inn and Conference Center, 370 S Van Buren St, Shipshewana, Indiana 46565
Call (260) 768-4595 and reference LIONS
Room Rate: \$159 + taxes per night (includes hot breakfast)

Please use one form per person

Deadline: All registration forms must be postmarked by April 7, 2025
Please clearly print name and Lion title as desired to appear on Name Badge:

Name and Lion Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your FIRST Indiana Lions State Convention? (please circle one) YES NO

Please list any Special dietary needs here: \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Evening Dinner \$15 \_\_\_\_\_

Authentic Amish Haystack Dinner, hosted by Dunlap Lions Club

Saturday Lunch \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

Buffet: baked pineapple ham, meatloaf, cheesy potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad, pie

Saturday Strides Walk T-Shirt: \$20 \_\_\_\_\_

Size: S M L XL 2XL 3XL (please circle one)

Saturday Dinner: \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

Plated: roast beef & poppy seed chicken, mashed potatoes, noodles, green beans, salad, pie

Total Registration Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this form with payment to:

Lion Jeanine Juel, 3204 Village Ct, Goshen, IN 46528

Jeanine@martyjuel.com or (574) 370-2475

Registration must be postmarked by Apr 7, 2025

Make checks payable to: Indiana Lions State Convention

# February 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <i>3rd District meeting</i>
2	3 <i>Pierson Township/Prairie Creek Clubs visit</i>	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 <i>Twelve Mile Club visit</i>	12	13	14	15
16	17 <i>Jamestown Club visit</i>	18	19	20	21	22 <i>District C Convention</i>
23	24	25	26	27	28	

**Official Visits Schedule:**

February 1	3 <sup>rd</sup> District Meeting - Clinton
February 3	Pierson Township Lions Club Prairie Creek Lions Club
February 11	Twelve Mile Lions Club
February 17	Jamestown Lions Club
February 21	Pre-Convention Dinner
February 22	District C District Convention – Zionsville Town Building



# March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6 <i>Crawfordsville Club visit</i>	7	8
9	10	11 <i>Zionsville Club visit</i>	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 <i>Young America Club visit</i>	19	20	21	22
23	24 <i>Mooreville Club visit</i>	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

**Official Visits Schedule:**

March 6	Crawfordsville Lions Club
March 11	Zionsville Lions Club
March 18	Young America Lions Club
March 24	Mooreville Lions Club





**Celebrating 432 Years of Service**

District 25C recognizes 6 Lion Clubs chartered during the month of February. These clubs have been serving their local community for 432 years. These clubs have impacted their local communities in their own unique way, and have supported district, state and international projects. These clubs are an example of DG John’s theme – *Be the Service Difference* and IP Oliveira’s theme – *Make Your Mark*. **Congratulations on your years of service and leaving your mark on your community and beyond!**

<b>CLUB NAME</b>	<b>CHARTER DATE</b>	<b>YEARS OF SERVICE</b>
<b>Clinton</b>	<b>February 24, 1943</b>	<b>82</b>
<b>Eminence</b>	<b>February 23, 1968</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>Flora</b>	<b>February 14, 1967</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>Gosport</b>	<b>February 14, 1030</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Pierson Township</b>	<b>February 23, 1954</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Young America</b>	<b>February 7, 1956</b>	<b>69</b>

**In Memorium**



Sue Geisler, wife of longtime active Lion in **Battle Ground Lions Club**, Ed Geisler died on January 14, 2025.



**Spencer Lions** are sad to announce that Lion Jim Hammond, a 15 year member, has died. His quick wit and bright smile shall be deeply missed at meetings, projects and around town. We extend our sympathy to his wife, Lion Doris, and grandson, Lion Tyler.

District Club News & Photos



Prairie Creek Lions celebrated their 20th Anniversary on November 9th. Club members who got their 20th Anniversary certificate. From left to right. Kim Waggoner, Melissa Strole, Bill Pearman, Neil Hunt, Chloe Weyrauch, Barbara Mericle and Marvin Mericle. Not pictured was Ray Waggoner and Linda Pearman.

Zionsville Fire Chief James VanGorder, EMS Divison Chief Tad Henderson and Lead CPR Instructor Bennii Shore were welcomed by the Zionsville Lions Club Lions. Sam Robbins said "she was glad she attended, that some things in CPR have changed that she didn't know about."

The team presented a great program on what the Fire Department does to help our community plus educating the Lions on how to do CPR.



An amazing few days down in Southern Indiana helping with the Winter Special Olympics competitions at Perfect North Slopes North ski resort. 180 athletes competed in skiing, slalom, snowboarding, and snowshoeing. It was a magical 3 days from the Opening Ceremonies on Sunday evening January 12 at Higher Grounds Conference Center where a teams of Lions lead each county delegation into main event hall carrying the Delegation Sign and "Olympic" Torch and lighting of the Olympic Flame --- to the Medal and Ribbon Award Presentations on Tuesday, January 14. Lafayette Lions Pat/Charlie Short assisting in equipping athletes ready for practice runs.

