

# Indiana Lions District 25C

## District Newsletter

### March, 2018



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#### **DG Chloe's Notes:**

Thanks once again to club secretaries and presidents who helped keep District 25C at 100% in filing of MMRs and SARs. Your help in maintaining these numbers is essential, and very much appreciated.

As each new month comes, it is somewhat difficult to think of what to say in this column as it is a combination of information, education, notification, and trying to uplift everyone and encourage them. This month it has taken me several days to determine the content and tone.

In my District Governor talks, I go over LCI Forward and International President Naresh Aggarwal's Power of We, as well as the new Centennial Service Program's changes (adding Diabetes and Pediatric Cancer). In addition, I talk about my slogan "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another." The intent of my slogan is not only using our gifts to serve, but recognizing gifts in others that might not yet know what their gifts are.

So many of our younger adults and youth don't recognize that they have a gift that is useful to others, and they live in their very small world doing the same things over and over. If we as Lions can recognize those gifts and comment positively on them, it will help our image with the regular population.

That comes to the crux of my column—we as Lions need to act in a positive way to all people—fellow members and the public. We need to work together, not against each other. That doesn't mean we won't have disagreements. There will always be differences of opinion. The Lions way of handling things is covered in the Lions Code of Ethics, of which I would like to highlight three:

- **To Remember** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's...
- **Whenever** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.
- **To Be Careful** with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another.

Regards, DG Chloe



All 1<sup>st</sup> VDGs are closing in on the final training prior to DGE school in Las Vegas. At our last seminar we all were given time to present our DG club speech. I thought everyone performed well. Every incoming Governor is wanting too improve club officer training. When was the last time you participated in club officer training? There is a good reason for training and that's so we can keep up with our changing world and club knowledge. If we are to achieve club growth we must accept better ways of training our Lions. I encourage you to take some time and look at the great videos on you tube. Lions Learning Center offers a large variety off video's and while you're there, schedule a Webinar offyour interest. I hope all will take time and use this fairly new teaching tool for Lions.

Our district convention was held in Terre Haute on February 22-24. Our speaker came from Trinidad and Tobago - ID Nicolin Moore and Rudy Moore. We visited a low vision lab and then on to St. Mary of the Woods College. If you get down that way, you surely will want to see this beautiful place. After the election results, I had to leave for a training class in Indianapolis. I understand that lion Shelia and I missed a wonderful talk from ID Nicolin. Of the 40 voting delegates, all officers and trustees on the ballot were elected. I want to thank all who attended and delegates for voting. It is my honor and pleasure to serve as your District Governor in 2018-2019. I encourage all lions to work hard for club growth and better training in the coming months and year.

DGE Doug

# MD 25 State Convention Registration Form and info

## LCI Convention Registration Information



## Second Vice District Governor First Vice District Governor Elect Tom Robbins

Hello Lions,

Spring is right around the corner, and there are just a couple of things before our event season gets started. Yes, we have had our District Convention and will have our State Convention in April, but before we get ahead of ourselves, I'd challenge you to complete a couple of projects that probably won't be a high priority once spring has sprung.

1. Do you have a club safety director/coordinator ? If you don't, you should. We need to protect our Clubs, our members and guests at all of our events and to do so you need to have a "who does what when". If you don't have an outline let me know, we would be happy to share.
2. If your club owns physical assets do you have them properly protected from all types of loss? If you're wondering what I mean, just check in with our friends at Clinton Lions Club. They lost everything to fire last year, and they were under insured. It can happen to any of us so, please, take time now during the slower months to do a complete evaluation of your coverages. It costs you nothing, and it will give your club officers peace of mind.

That's it for this month.

See you Muncie!

Lion Tom

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**April 26-29, 2018**

**MD 25 State Convention, Muncie** (link [www.indianalionsconvention.org/](http://www.indianalionsconvention.org/) or see registration form in this newsletter) (you may pay by credit or debit card if registering on-line). You will also find keynote speaker information, schedule of events, and listing of seminars.

**June 29-July 3, 2018**

**Lions International Convention, Las Vegas** (link @ <http://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php>)

The District 25C newsletter is in need of club news and pictures of activities you are doing. We can only publish what we receive from the clubs.



Club Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers,

There have been a few questions on the payment of dues recently, so I thought I would address some of the most asked questions in the District Newsletter.

Invoices for Lions Clubs International Dues are sent to the club treasurer July 1 and January 1. These can be paid per the instructions on the invoice, either on line or by mail. Mail to the address given in Carol Stream, Illinois. The club treasurer will also receive an interim invoice for any supplies purchased by the club from the Lions Store at Oak Brook and a prorated dues invoice for any new members as they are added. **LCI BILLS DUES FROM THE DATE THE LION IS ENROLLED AT MYLCI.** No credits for dropped members are given except in January and July when credit is given for any member dropped from the roster before the 15<sup>th</sup> of that month. **This applies to Lions Club International dues only.** The State and District do not prorate dues.

State/District Dues are invoiced as soon as LCI posts the Membership Register Report in January and July (usually about the sixth of the month). Dues are based on the number of members each club has on December 31 and June 30. Both the State and District dues are invoiced by the District on an invoice that is e-mailed to the club treasurer and club secretary (if they both have e-mail addresses in the District Directory). The total of these dues is shown on the invoice and may be paid on one check made payable to Indiana Lions District 25C, Inc. and mailed to: Lion Charlotte Query, CS, 2408 Shepard Patrick Road, Spencer, IN 47460. Lion Charlotte records these payments and forwards your check to the Cabinet Treasurer who processes the check and sends your club treasurer an electronic receipt. State dues are billed semi-annually at \$7.00 per semi-annual period. District dues are \$2.00 for each semi-annual period.

**The bottom line is – each club treasurer should receive two invoices in January and two in July, one from LCI and one from the District. If they do not have these invoices by the 10<sup>th</sup> of those months they should contact the District Treasurer for assistance.**

Donations to the five state projects, Lions Clubs International Foundation and the Indiana Lions Foundation may also be sent to the Cabinet Secretary. You may send one check made payable to Indiana Lions District 25C, Inc. with a transmittal sheet indicating the amount of each of the donations. A check will be sent to each of those entities on a monthly basis. Any checks received that are payable to the individual project or LCIF will be forwarded directly to the project and will not be recorded at the District Level.

Personal contributions to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) are encouraged and may be made through the cabinet as outlined above, or sent directly to LCIF. Individual Lions may also make personal contributions on line to LCIF through the Melvin Jones Fellowship Program. Individuals Lions or Friends of Lions may donate and use the credits toward a Melvin Jones Fellowship for themselves or a friend or transfer those credits to their club to use toward a Melvin Jones Fellowship. To transfer credits, please request the form from Karen McKellar at [kadica@tds.net](mailto:kadica@tds.net) as these forms are not available on line. To make a personal donation on line you will need your membership number which can be secured from your club secretary.

The District does not have the ability to receive payments on line. Unfortunately, the district administrative dues are only \$2.00/year per member so paying a bank fee is not feasible nor is mailing each individual invoice.

## Keeping the Vision: The Power of We

Lions Club International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal of Delhi, India, has emphasized as his operating theme “the power of we,” which encourages Lions to work together to strengthen the impact Lions bring to their communities. The Carmel Lions Club and Zionsville Lions Club, two clubs that serve communities adjacent to each other but are in different districts, have taken President Aggarwal’s directive to heart. In October 2017, they began partnering together to provide vision screening (mandated by the Indiana State Legislature) to some 10,000 first, third, fifth and eighth graders in City of Carmel and Boone County (in which Zionsville is located) public and private schools.

Given the sheer size of the task of testing area students’ vision acuity, this partnership has proven to be invaluable, with trained volunteers from both clubs (and additional support from Lebanon, Young America, and Logansport Lions) committing to screening a minimum of two days a week. Using eight Optec 5000 screening devices and 10 volunteers per screening, they can screen 300 children in one morning, with each child out of his or her classroom for only about 15 minutes.

“This is so helpful to me,” said Kendra Scales, HCA, the school nurse at Eagle Elementary School in Zionsville, echoing the sentiments of many of the nurses at schools they screen. “In previous years I would have done this myself with one machine. [The Lions] get everything done in a couple of hours. Doing it myself would take all day.”

This community service goes far beyond offering convenience though. These volunteer vision screeners help catch vision issues in children that might otherwise go unnoticed. Problems with sight can cause blurry vision, eyestrain, and headaches, among other conditions, and may result in learning impairment if students can’t see the board or projected words and numbers.

Through one-on-one interaction with the children, volunteer screeners are building trust with the younger generation and are sometimes able to identify vision-impaired children who may be going without glasses because of financial hardship. Another Lions Club program works to provide glasses to individual children when this need arises.

“At a recent screening, an eighth grader was identified who indicated he had worn glasses, but they were broken and his parents were financially unable to replace them,” recounts Zionsville Lion volunteer Karen McKellar. “The screening indeed showed that he was probably unable to function in school without glasses. After researching the need within a week, an eye exam was scheduled and a brand new pair of glasses secured for this young man, who was very grateful.”

The vision screeners have a new sign that says “Vision screening provided by Carmel Lions Club” on one side and “. . . Zionsville Lions Club” on the other, so they can flip it to whichever community they are serving on any given day. But it seems clear as Carmel and Zionsville Lions work side by side that “the power of we” is breaking down dividing lines, building generational bridges and strengthening the collective community one vision screening at a time.

Seeing is believing.

Lion Marsha Ellett

Zionsville PR

<u><i>District Governor Visits</i></u>	
Gosport	03/01/18
Whitestown	03/05/18
Brookston	03/06/18
Earl Park	03/07/18
Lizton	03/12/18
Clay City	03/13/18
Logansport	03/14/18
Pierson Township w/PC	03/19/18
Prairie Creek w/Pierson	03/19/18
Royal Center	03/20/18
Bainbridge	03/21/18
Oxford	03/27/18
Lebanon	03/28/18
Mooreville	04/02/18
Paragon	04/03/18
Rossville	04/04/18
Eminence	04/09/18
Wolcott	04/10/18
Monon	04/11/18
Attica	04/16/18
Michigantown	04/17/18
Thorntown w/ Colfax	04/24/18
Colfax w/ Thorntown	04/24/18
<u><i>Not yet scheduled</i></u>	
Ladoga	
Twelve Mile	

Anyone is invited to attend a District Governor Visit. The interaction is good for all. Just contact the club and let them know you are coming.

## A NOTE FROM OUR INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR SPEAKER AT DISTRICT 25C'S CONVENTION.

2/27/18

HI DG Chloe

Just a short note to say thanks for inviting me to be your convention speaker last weekend. Rudy and I enjoyed ourselves.

We had a very rewarding and inspiring visit. It was also an opportunity to link up with friends.

Thanks and best wishes.

Warm regards

ID Nicolin





## **REMEMBRANCE OF DEPARTED LIONS**

Second Vice District Governor Tom Robbins, First Vice District Governor Doug Eversole, Cub Danielle Drapalik and Chaplain Lion Jennifer Drapalik during the Memorial Service at the District 25C Convention for those Lions who have passed.



### **Brownsburg Lions Club**

Lion Pete Avgerinos

Lion James R. Evans

Lion Richard S. Wallace

### **Camden Lions Club**

Lion F J Gish

### **Clinton Lions Club**

Lion Robert Burton

Lion Leo Zambenini

### **Crawfordsville Lions Club**

PDG Carl Goss

### **Delphi Lions Club**

Lion Gordon Stevens

### **Downtown Terre Haute Lions Club**

Lion Diana Haltom

### **Eminence Lions Club**

Lion Bruce Stierwalt

### **Flora Lions Club**

Lion John Spooner

### **Greencastle Lions Club**

Lion Ora G. Lady

### **Ladoga Lions Club**

Lion Chester Vice

### **Logansport Lions Club**

Lion Don Rutschmann

### **Martinsville Noon Lions Club**

Lion Betty Jo Blunk

Lion Robert D. Kinder

Lion John Petraits - (also Brownsburg Lions Club)

### **Monon Lions Club**

Lion David Stimmel

### **Mooreville Lions Club**

Lion Maurice E. Hensley

Lion Alan Kramer

### **Paragon Lions Club**

Lion Joel T. Moore

### **Plainfield Lions Club**

Lion Joann Greenlee

### **Rossville Area Lions Club**

Lion Jill E. Charles

### **Terre Haute Lions Club**

Lion Michael Miller

### **Zionsville Lions Club**

Lion Gerald E. Rutledge



ID Nicolin and DG Chloe, and also ID Nicolin, Rudy and DG Chloe, making plans for the weekend, after a long day of touring the Terre Haute area. The weekend started off on Thursday with their arrival at Indianapolis, then a relaxing supper in Terre Haute. Things started off early on Friday, with breakfast at the hotel, then a trip to the WILL Center, an independent living learning center, then to a KidSight screening at Indiana State University's preschool, then on to St. Mary of the Woods College, which was founded by St. Mother Theodore Guerin in 1840. A late lunch was enjoyed at the Clabber Girl Museum, which details the history of Hulman and Company's contributions to Terre Haute. Then a much needed rest before heading out to Boot City!



Round up the usual suspects! The Friday night before the District C Spring Convention found this friendly group rounding up the gang for a fun Cowboy dinner party at Pat's Cafe by Boot City

Left to right: International Director Nicolin Moore, Lion Sheila Eversole, District Governor Elect Doug Eversole, Zionsville Lions Club President Gail Robbins, Vice Governor Elect Tom Robbins, Rudy Moore, Past International Director Linda Tincher and International Director Nick Xinopoulos.

International Director Nicolin Moore of Trinidad and Tobago is shown addressing the group during the Meet and Greet on Friday night at Pat's Café at Boot City.



DG Chloe prepares to doff her cowboy hat as she welcomes the gang at Pat's Café at Boot City February 23.





DG Chloe getting ready for the International President's Certificates of Appreciation to be presented by ID Nicolin Moore.



ID Nick Xinopoulos presenting an International Presidents' Certificate of Appreciation from Immediate Past President Chancellor Bob Corlew to CC Ross Drapalik for his work as DG of District 25C in the 2016-2017 year.



(Left) Announcement: This certificate of appreciation has one name on it, but it represents a larger group. This person has gone above and beyond to make sure that everything is taken care of properly, it's crossed, it's dotted, and reports are filed. As President of my club two different time periods, I never had to worry about things being done, and help was there when I needed it. As District Governor, she and the rest of the club gave help when needed, along with moral support. I would like to give this President's Certificate of Appreciation to Lion **Kim Waggoner** of the Prairie Creek Lions Club.



(Right) Announcement: This certificate of appreciation again has one name on it, but it represents a larger group. This person has continued along doing the work of Lions, and stepping back in to help out when needed, along with providing friendship, camaraderie and mentoring, even if he may not realize it. PDGs sometimes keep a low profile, but this PDG has stayed in the forefront, even as he wishes to play more golf uninterrupted by vision screening. I would like to present this President's Certificate of Appreciation to **PDG Ray Collins** of the Riley Township Lions Club.

(Right) Announcement: This certificate of appreciation goes to someone who has excelled beyond expectation in his help to an area that is still gaining momentum. Although it was started many years ago and furthered by many, many Lions, we are only going to get more involved in the program as the years go on. He has worked with the state committee to develop a public relations program going forward that is sure to help spread the word about how Lions are serving in the state of Indiana. I would like to present this President's Certification of Appreciation to **PDG Charles Short** of the Lafayette Lions Club for his work on the "A Millions Reasons" campaign relating to SchoolSight Vision Screening.

