# District 25 hronicles

#### **Basketball, Flowers and Snow**

March, an interesting time of year: Basketball tournaments, flowers and snow! Lord knows we have had enough of that. I had to spend a couple of nights in a hotel to ensure I could make it to work, so I have certainly had my fill! Unfortunately, it also made me have to reschedule a couple of visits, which is par for the course of this year.

As Lions and as people, this last year has taught us many things, and reminded us of others. Wash our hands, something we learn as kids but perhaps as adults see less need. Now we get back to basics and wash our hands (or sanitize) at almost every opportunity. We have been reminded that we are not too busy to be kind to our neighbors, to those who have lost jobs due to COVID restrictions. We are reminded to help out those who have contracted the virus. I had a mild case myself and would not wish it on anyone.

Throughout the District we have had many people complete their terms of service to their fellow man. We have learned to value each and every day as precious. Tomorrow is promised to no one.



Even so, we have so much to look forward to. It is a time of renewal in our neck of the woods. Spring is almost here and snow is melting at the writing of this article, and the State Convention is just around the corner. Let us all open up the doors and get busy helping those around us. Take advantage of no new member fees through June 30. Each one, Reach one! Just One! Conquer new Horizons! Let's GROW! We can't do it alone, but together we can do so much! (continued)



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### **Upcoming Events**

2021 MD25 State Convention

April 23-25, 2021 • Indianapolis, Indiana



I will leave you with this quote, "Being positive isn't pretending that everything is good-it's seeing the good in everything." Keep your eyes open for the good in the world around you. You might be surprised at the amount of good you find!

Together We Serve,

**Because Kindness Matters!** 

DG Jim P.M. Query



Lion James Roth
District 25C 1<sup>st</sup> VDG

#### **Fishing for New Members**

Some fish with worms and a bobber. My Dad enjoyed fishing for catfish with a stinky dough bait on a hook that sat on the bottom. The plan was to leave some bait out there and wait for a fish to find it and eat it. Both styles of fishing caught fish.

Lions have many ways of trying to get new members. Lions put information out there and wait for someone to "bite". These might be brochures, notices hung on a wall in various places, general television and social media content. This can get new members.

Bass fishing uses artificial lures and "hunt" for fish. Fishermen go where the fish hang out and present something that fish might be interested in. Those in a boat often try to get their lures as close to the shore as they can; those fishing from shore try to get their lures as far out as they can. They all catch fish.

Lions also go "hunting" for new members. Lions look for opportunities that people might be interested in helping out or becoming a Lion. This does get new members. Do not forget those close to you. When did you last ask them?

In fly fishing, the thick fly line propels the very thin line and the fly at the end. Fly fishing involves immersion in your surroundings. Not only do they fish, they respect and care for the environment. For the trout fisherman "matching the hatch" means observing what insects the trout are eating. Then one must select the right fly in the shape, size, color, and to give it movement to "match the hatch". Most panfish and bass around here are not that fussy. So, a fly that looks "buggy" or swims like a small fish catches fish in Indiana.

For Lions, being involved and immersed in the community helps a Lion to match the hatch, that is, what are the people in our community interested in. How can we match our offerings to meet their interests?

So, however you "fish" for new members, remember you have to put the line in the water in order to catch them. If you do it often enough, you will catch a new member, if not now, then later. After all, they call it fishing, not catching.

**1VDG Jim Roth** 





Lion Bob Hrdy
District 25C 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG

#### **Welcome to March!**

Hello, fellow Lions. Welcome to March! I know it's hard to believe, but it's almost spring, and, boy, am I ready for it!

I know this has been a *one of a kind* in our lifetime, but I believe there's a light at the end of the tunnel and it's not a train...

March can mean many things to many people; baseball, Spring Break, St. Patrick's Day, beginning of spring. These are just a few, but as Lions, I always think of it as the beginning of convention season. With any luck you will be able to meet in person, but if not, maybe it'll be a hybrid or Zoom.

No matter what the format I urge you to participate, get involved! This is a season of rebirth and I hope as Lions we can work toward bringing our clubs back to life.

Hopefully, to paraphrase an old saying, March will come in like a lamb and go out like A Lion's ROAR!!

Yours in Lionism
2nd VDG Bob Hrdy



#### **Indiana Lions State Convention 2021**



#### **Hosted by Speedway Lions Club**

**April 30 – May 2** 

Wyndham Hotel 2544 Executive Drive, Indianapolis 46241 (317) 248-2481 (855) 214-4563



Call hotel directly for reservations. \$130 for single (1 breakfast) \$140 for double (2 breakfasts)

Rooms are held under Indiana Lions block. Rooms will be released after March 1st

Cannot guarantee meals on reservations received after April 15<sup>th</sup>

User registration form for no more than two people

Person 1 Name:				
(first name)	(last nai	me)		(title)
Person 2 Name:	(last nai	те)		(title)
Address:			Club _	
Phone: ()			3:	
Meals:	Qty	Price		Total
100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner Friday night		\$15		\$
Saturday lunch		\$15		\$
Saturday Banquet		\$25		\$
Choose steak or chicken		Person 1	2	
Sunday Brunch		\$20		\$
Convention pin at		\$5		\$
Strides walk		\$10		\$
			Total	\$
Special meal requirements: Vegetarian or non-g	luten	Person 1	2	

Register on-line at www.IndianaLionsConvention.org or by

Mail checks payable to Lions of Indiana Inc ● PDG Peg Dawson, 1738 Gerrard Ave., Speedway, IN 46224

### **State Convention Details**

**Friday Evening:** Wyrk Space in the USAC building on the corner of 16th and Main Street, Speedway. Menu: Hamburger/Brats/sides

**Saturday Lunch:** Club style Turkey Croissant – sliced turkey breast topped with Monterey jack cheese, bacon, lettuce, tomato and pesto mayonnaise on a fresh croissant served with mustard potato salad, fresh fruit garnish. Includes dessert, iced tea and coffee. Cost is \$15.

**Saturday Banquet:** Choice of grilled 12 oz. New York Strip steak, with mushrooms and onion marmalade or Mediterranean style breast of chicken with fresh diced and sun-dried tomatoes, olives with yellow peppers. Both meals include prepared potato and chef's choice of vegetable, side salad and rolls. Cost is \$25

Sunday Brunch will have a mixture of typical breakfast selections and lunch items. Cost is \$20.

The Strides Walk: In memory of PIP Rob Corlew's son Robbi. Cost is \$10.

<u>Mobility Assistance</u>: Contact Auto Farm at (765) 354-2261 to reserve a scooter for the weekend. Cost is \$48.15 plus share of delivery fee.

#### Golf

Friday morning April 30th at 9:00 AM scheduled for South Grove Golf Course located 1800 West 18th St. Indianapolis, 46202. Make your own foursome or else pairing up with others will be given. We will have tee times beginning at 9 AM for 18 holes of play.

Directions to Golf Course: From the hotel turn back to I-465 and go north to the Speedway or Crawfordsville Rd. Exit. Turn right on to Crawfordsville Rd. going toward Speedway or east until you come to 16th St. where you will pass the 500 Race Track. Continue east on 16th St. over White River and look for the next stoplight. This is Riverside Drive--turn left or north and the golf course is one block on the left. Parking lot is located nearby. Try to be at the course by 8:30 AM to check in and pay green fee of \$25.00 per person for 18 holes.

Contact Lion Rick Haug if you plan on attending: Golfball01@att.net

**Convention Pins** may be purchased for \$5.

Online Registration The online registration for the 2021 Indiana Lions State Convention is NOW located on the Convention's website (www.indianalionsconvention.org). The online and pdf format along with the Exhibit registration forms are located under the "Registration Forms" tab which is next to the "Home" tab in the menu area. The online registration form is the first sub-menu page and will have an option of paying with PayPal or a regular credit card via a secure payment method. The downloadable PDF registration file will allow you to download the file, fill it out and print it off for you to mail a check (made payable to Lions of Indiana, Inc.) and the form to PDG Peg Dawson. Details are on the downloadable file. You'll need to make sure you have the Adobe Acrobat Reader installed on your computer (most computers do). If not, it's a free software and you can Google it to install. - PCC Jeff Schafer, 2021 Convention Webmaster



## We Collect All Hearing Aids

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#### **Domain Names - Get One and Keep It!**

The Information and Technology Committee for the Indiana Lions is composed of a representative from each district. Regularly, the committee will provide information regarding all things technical that will help you remain safe, secure, and knowledgeable about the devices and platforms you use.

This is a part of a three parts series on Domain Names – Get One and Keep It!

#### Part #1 - What is a Domain Name and why does my Club/District Need One?

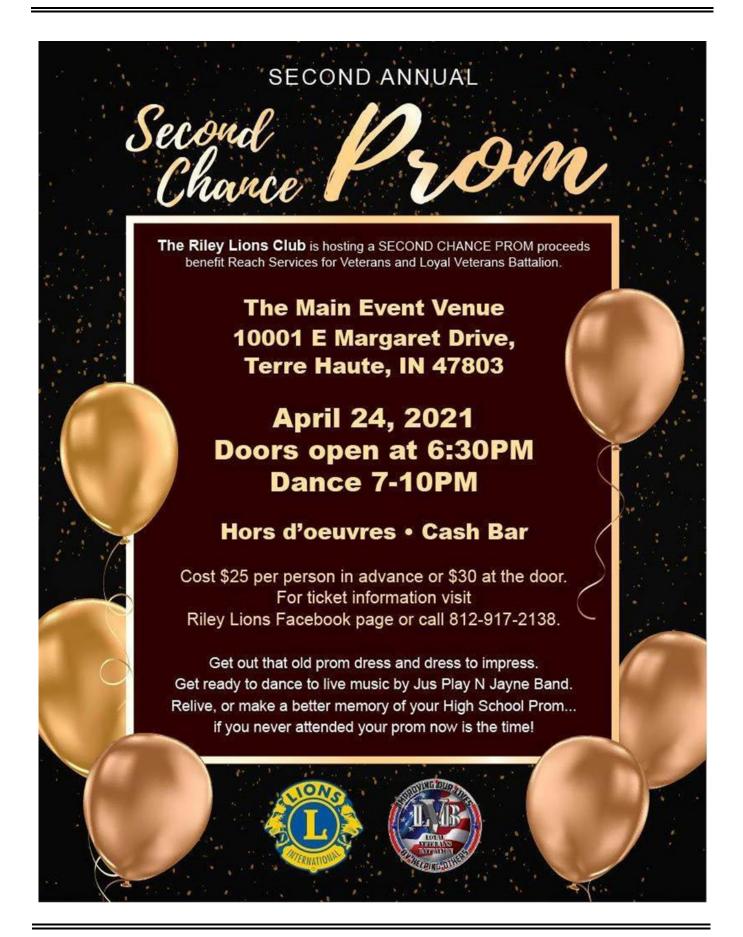
A domain name is an important component of any modern-day club/district, especially in this new digital age. A domain name is something used by a club/district to identify your website. Even if you have a FREE club/district website through Lions Clubs International, your custom domain name helps to identify your club/district AND (when chosen correctly) will be easy to use in your club/district marketing materials.

In order to obtain a domain name for your club/district, you must purchase your domain name from an authorized Domain Name Registrar. There are many companies out there but we strongly suggest using one of the popular and long-standing registrars: Domain.com (domain.com); GoDaddy (godaddy.com); Network Solutions (networksolutions.com).

Purchasing a domain name is an annual purchase (although many registrars offer a multi-year purchase option). The price of a domain name will vary slightly from registrar to registrar but on average the cost will be between \$7-15 per year. The best type of domain to purchase is always one with a .com extension but in the case of a Lions club/district, an .org extension is also a good selection.

Once your club/district has decided on which registrar to use and has selected a domain name that best fits your local club/district, it's time to set everything up properly. We'll cover these issues in Topic #2 of the series in a future newsletter.

Submitted by Lion Al Konieczka and the Indiana State Lions IT Committee



#### **Time to Start Your Club's Environmental Projects**

As winter continues to bring an end to most of our outdoor activities, we'd like to outline some upcoming options for your club's Environmental Committee.

#### **Tree Planting**

You can help the Indiana DNR Forestry Division plant trees. Tree planting requires good soil conditions so this will be done in late April or early May. Trees are planted with a machine that requires 3-4 people to support. This project will require driving to the location, but it's a project that can get your club together outside and accomplish some great work for the environment.



#### **Photo Contest**

Grab your camera and start capturing images for an Environmental Photo Contest. This contest can be run at any time of the year, and can include the Leos as well as regular members.

#### **Invasive Species Round-Up**

Many Parks Departments organize group outings to pull invasive species in parks. This activity is good for all clubs, on their Lions' properties and other town park properties.

#### **Earth Mama Compost**

Earth Mama Compost is a start-up company that offers pickup and delivery for your composting needs. Please visit: <a href="https://www.earthmamacompost.com">www.earthmamacompost.com</a> to see if it services your community.

#### **SB339**

Lastly, I want to bring your attention to some legislation that will change the regulations on Indiana wetlands. SB339 is on its way from Committee to the Indiana House of Representatives for a first reading. Please contact your representatives with your opinion on this legislation.

Please contact me at: <u>zionsvillein@ameritech.net</u> if you need any additional information on any of the programs outlined for the coming year.

Lion Todd Settle Environmental Committee



103rd Annual Convention

## Virtual LCICon 2021



Due to the continuing concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Lions Clubs International Board of Directors voted to transition the 2021 Montreal Lions Clubs International Convention to a virtual event that will be delivered totally online. This decision was made with the health and safety of our Lions, staff and vendors in mind by limiting international travel and large gatherings. These measures are key to global containment strategies.

- The registration fee will be US\$50 until March 31, then US\$75 beginning April 1.
- The registration fee for Leos will be US\$30 regardless of date.
- The Convention is currently scheduled for June 25-29.
- Additional event and registration details will be provided soon.

The Indiana Lions International Convention Committee will publish more information as it is released, or you can click on the LCICON tab at <a href="https://www.LionsClubs.org">www.LionsClubs.org</a>.

The International Convention Committee is selling our new Indiana Shirts (see insert below), so that we will all look good in the Virtual International Parade.



Members of the Plainfield Lions Club joined together with Clarks Creek, Brentwood & Van Buren Elementary Schools in Plainfield to deliver over 400 hand-made valentines to the residents and essential workers at Sugar Grove Senior Living, Cumberland Trace Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and Plainfield Health Care Center. The valentines were hand-made by the students at the elementary schools and were delivered to the senior living facilities by members of the Lions Club. This has been an annual event in which the Plainfield Lions Club and the elementary schools in Plainfield have worked together to provide valentines to those residents in senior living facilities who may not receive a valentine otherwise. This year, due to the large number of hand-made valentines, there were enough to share with the essential workers at those facilities. (Photo provided by Lion Tom Iles)

## New MD 25 International Convention Shirt Order Form



The shirt is a football jersey type which is loose fitting

Unisex Sizes:

S, M, L, XL, XXL and XXXL



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Sizes Small to XXL are \$35, XXXL is \$38.

Advance orders may be placed. Please check size below.

Size: \_\_\_\_S \_\_\_M \_\_\_L \_\_\_XL \_\_\_XXL \_\_\_XXXL

Name\_\_\_\_\_Club \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number\_\_\_\_\_

Email address

Your name can be added to the back for additional \$5.00.

Please print your name clearly as you want it to read.

Make checks payable to: Indiana Lions Send Completed Order form to:

Indiana Lions MD25 State Office

8780 Purdue Road

Indianapolis, IN 46268



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Five members of the Lafayette Lions Club worked a 2-hour shift at the local Food Finders packing 200 backpacks for children. Thanks to Lions Jerry Metzinger (1st timer), PDGs Charlie/Pat Short, 2VDG Bob Hrdy and Lion Steve Haby. Steve worked his buns off keeping our packing line supplied with the various items so we never had to stop. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)





Crawfordsville Lions Club President Paula Pardue assisted the third-grade classes at Meredith Nicholson Elementary School write letters and make paper Christmas ornaments for the residents of Lane House Nursing Care Center in Crawfordsville. The students wrote and made over 200 letters and ornaments. The students were excited to extend holiday greeting with the residents of the nearby facility. (Photo by Lion Robert Caudell)

A schedule is now in place for several upcoming screenings in Lafayette. Two Lafayette Lions did screening Feb. 2 at Battle Ground Elementary and Intermediate Schools with 170 screened and 22 referrals. This took them 3 hrs. Lions working together with school nurses/aides as a team. Photo: L-to-R School nurse aid Alicia, PDG Charlie, aids Deb, Stephanie and BG school nurse, Melissa. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)





Frankfort Lions Club donated \$500, to be matched by the Farmers Bank, to the One80 Recovery Resources project currently being developed in Frankfort. The One80 Recovery project is a faith based 9-12 month drug and alcohol addiction recovery program. (Pic provided by Lion Mike Nichols)

PDG Charlie Short is shown rescuing a delivery droid on PU campus thus enabling pizza delivery to starving students. He and PDG Pat saw about 14 droids running around and some, like this one, were caught up in snow piles. "These aren't the droids we're looking for!" (Star Wars quote) Just another novel way Lions can do service!! (Photo by PDG Pat Short)





Congratulations to Lafayette Lion Hugh B. Pence, who received a Diamond Centennial Membership Award.

**Limited Edition** Award for recruiting and retaining new Lions who remained active for three years and one day. PDG Charlie Short (left) is shown with Lion Hugh. (Photo by PDG Pat Short)



Lafayette Lions Club Vice President, Lion Bayleigh Wade is currently an ELL (English Language Learners) tutor at a local school. One week was "Random Acts of Kindness Week" and in keeping with our DG's theme, she worked with the children to make cards thanking their parents, teachers, 1st responders, etc. (Picture by PDG Pat Short)

International Friendship and Understanding: PDGs Pat/Charlie took international students they are hosting to a diner in Battle Ground (T.C.'s) for the world's largest/best pork tenderloin! That was a great hit. Afterwards we went to local Asian grocery in West Lafayette. It was an amazing experience. They shopped for a month - glad we had the truck! (Photo by PDG Pat Short)



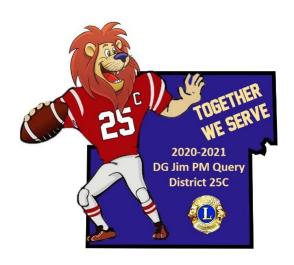


Lions work around the clock to keep Zionsville Lions Park open for the community. Thank you to Lions Jerry Cheung and Dennis Tackitt for cleaning the steps to our park. (Picture by Lion Gale Robbins)

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by the **20th** of the month.



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