DISTRICT 25C NEWSLETTER





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Hello again, Lions and Lion families,

As we enter the hectic Christmas Season it is often difficult to find a couple of minutes for reflection. Following are some thoughts from Reverend Glenn McDonald that I feel are quite appropriate for Lions and the "Season of Giving".

How can you become a difference maker in the world? Our culture's best current wisdom- on display in popular movies and product endorsements is to be inward-focused.

Be yourself.

Be one of a kind.

Be Brave.

Be Beautiful.

Follow your own path.

Make your own rules.

Over the centuries, the best wisdom that humanity has received, overwhelmingly favors a different strategy: Be outward-focused.

Love.

Serve.

Share.

Be compassionate.

Confront evil and injustice.

Seek peace and reconciliation.

The latter seems to fit the profile of Lions at home and around the world.

Thank you for your Service and Thank You for being Lions. Merry Christmas,

DG Tom





Tis the Season to be jolly Fa la la la la, la la la la!

Whoa! Wait a minute... already?! One more thing, why is it just this season to be jolly? Can't we be jolly the rest of the year? What's that you say? **NO**?! Life gets in the way. O.K., I will give you that life has its trying moments: friends get sick, loved ones pass away and focusing on positives will not heal the sick nor bring back loved ones. But thinking about the wonderful times shared, the funny stories almost forgotten will bring smiles to our faces and joy to our hearts.

I was scrolling through Facebook when I came across a really uplifting idea. You start the year with an empty jar, then add a note with every good thing that happens in your life. At the end of the year on New Year's Eve, empty the jar and look at the amazing year, you had. Pretty neat, huh! This could also help you through a tough time during the year, getting your mind to focus on the good things in the midst of trials. This also can be used at the club level. Fill your jar with every positive project your club does. At the end of the year look and see the positive effect your club has on your community. Possible items might include something as simple as "enjoyed fellowship with other Lions at a meeting", or "hosted a zone meeting", "donated \$25.00 to library." I imagine most clubs will be able to get at least one note out of each meeting!!

With that being said, I **CHALLENGE** each and every club in District C to get a jar and start making notes! I KNOW every club gets the district newsletter so I am looking forward to seeing jars when I start making visits! I can't wait to see what you all come up with! Amazingly enough, it's time to start building toward my year as District Governor. If there is any position or role you would be interested in, please contact me at ipmq77@yahoo.com. (That is a lower case Q, not a lower case G!) Together we will continue to make a positive difference in our communities, our district, and in our state. By working together our Lions family grows, and we reach more people.

Together We Serve!

From my family to yours, have a very Merry Christmas

And

A Happy New Year!

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Together We Serve

TOGETHER WE SERVE. We joined a Lions Club to serve. How often do we say that? Actually we joined a Lions Club to serve with fellow Lions. When the need is still there, but the Lions Club members are few, Lions from other clubs help out. There is a very informal network bringing members of different Lions Clubs together. Smaller Lions Clubs help each other out so that needs are met and funds raised. Vision screening in a school often involves more than one club. Our club gets help from other clubs to screen, and we help other clubs screen. Lions Clubs volunteer extra help when another Lions Club could use the help. Lions Clubs also have developed a network of non-Lion volunteers to also help. This informal network of volunteers and Lions helps make Lions Clubs greater than each club standing alone.

TOGETHER WE SERVE. You may notice the picture of a Lion Family at the end of my article each month. Women make up a large part of our membership and our leadership. This is a reminder that in our Lions Clubs we have male Lions, female Lions, and Lion cubs (Leos), each serving and making a difference. I see the same Lion Spirit and willingness to serve in all the Lions that I have met. Many Lion families serve together and we belong to a family of Lions. I want to celebrate that.

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SAVE THE DATE

January 25, 2020

December 7, 2019 Breakfast with Santa, Lizton Lions, 8-10:30 am

December 7, 2019 Santa comes to the courthouse in Spencer, 11:00 a.m.

Dec. 9-13, 2019 Santa at Spencer Lions Club, 6-8 p.m.

December 14, 2019 Breakfast with Santa, Poland Lions, 9-noon

January 10-11, 2020 Mid-Winter Conference

Free Diabetes Testing Available **District Meeting**, Martinsville

April 25, 2020 District C Caucus, Bloomington Convention Center

Strides Walk

June 6, 2020 **District Picnic**, Zionsville Lions Park

Conventions

March 7, 2020 District Convention, Zionsville Town Hall

Could each club send 4 members to our convention?!! (How about

even 1 from each club!! You meet such great Lions here!)

April 24-26, 2020 IN Lions State Convention, Bloomington Convention Center

Strides Walk

June 26-30, 2020 Lions International, Singapore

Have your event listed here!

Send to Charlotte Query jequery@bluemarble.net



Have you considered making a donation to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)?

It is the time of sharing.

Please consider making a personal contribution to Campaign 100 at this special time of the year. Perhaps you would like to honor the Lion who first asked you to join your local Lions Club or someone in your club who has made you feel special. This is a wonderful way to express your thanks. Give a donation of \$11, \$20 or whatever you can give to this worldwide effort to expand our global causes which are: **Vision, Youth, Disaster Relief**, and **Humanitarian** Programs including Diabetes and Childhood Cancer.

Recently we celebrated 50 years of empowering Lion service – funded entirely by charitable donations from Lions like you, and our friends and partners—LCIF has awarded US\$1 billion through grants focused on our four core areas. Our district has approximately 1490 Lions. Just think, if each Lion donates \$10 this Christmas Season, we would contribute nearly \$15,000 to these causes. If you are 70 and ½ years young, you may have an IRA deferred tax account you are required to take a distribution. Consider making a donation by asking your financial institution to make a check payable to LCIF in your name. This donation can be deducted directly from your federal income tax (as a deduction to your reported income) whether or not you itemize your deductions. Ask your financial representative about this if you are interested.

<u>Donate today</u>: Visit lcif.org/BE100 and click on the green "donation" button". You will be guided through the process. Or make check payable to LCIF, and mail to:

Lions Clubs International Foundation
Department 4547
Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547

Be sure to include your membership number. Your membership # appears on the address label of your Lions Magazine or you may obtain it from your club secretary. Each club has an LCIF Chairperson. Please talk to this person about providing a program for your club to explain Campaign 100 and its goals. Your district coordinator, MD coordinator and area coordinator are willing to provide this option.

Today, 253M people are blind or visually impaired; **Every day** 245 people die from measles; **Today** 2/3 of children report bullying; **by 2040**, 650M people are expected to be living with diabetes; **Each Night** more than 800M people go to bed hungry; **Every two minutes** a child is diagnosed with cancer, **by 2020** half the world's population will be living in water stressed areas.

Just in case you didn't know – last year (July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019) our district contributed over \$32,000 to Lions Clubs International Foundation. That was a record for our clubs and individuals. Let's keep this going for the 2019-2020 Lions year. Contact: Karen McKellar at kadica@tds.net



"TIME TO NAIL IT!!!"

Do something for your health and at the same time support "Diabetes Awareness"

Join us at the Indiana State Convention in Bloomington, Saturday, April 25th for a "STRIDES WALK"

The route will be a ½ mile up and ½ mile back on the B-Line
You can register using the
Indiana State Convention
registration form

Questions or comments contact me at macageon@tds.net

R. L. McKellar, Strides Walk Chair



When you recycle those eyeglasses, don't forget those hearing aids!

Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing is collecting hearing aids to support our Hearing Aid Loaner Bank. Lions should give the hearing aids to Club Presidents, Zone Chairmen, and District Governor or take them directly to the State Office on Purdue Road in Indianapolis. Donate them, even if they don't work. Donate them if they are in a drawer. Donate them, if you don't need them any longer. But donate them!

I will provide a program on hearing loss to any club in the District. If there are questions about this collection, contact me at 317-852-8087 or furner@ameritech.net.

Thanks for your help.

Yours in Lionism, Ray Furner



What is the best gift you can give your Lions Club???

Money?? Your time?? Help with a project?? Yes, those are all great presents, but don't we make a promise to do those things when we become Lions in the first place? Now think about it. Is an idea coming into focus? Oh, come on, you *know* what it is!

It's a new member! Yes, you can bring in a new member! Divide that work load, invite a new friend into your circle and expand your club's range! That's like giving yourself a gift...you are lightening your load as well!









HEY! WHATDA' SAY? WANT TO BE SCREENED FOR DIABETES?

THEN!!! Join us at the 31st annual Mid-Winter Conference (January 11, 2020) and GET screened

The Zionsville club is hosting a three-part diabetes screening session, in private, from 8 a.m. until 12 noon, at no charge

Please attend seminar #12 at 9 a.m. by LCIF presenter

Dr. Mel Prince, Zionsville Lions Club

Diabetes undiagnosed can, after a period of time, be very detrimental to your health in many ways. Once damage is done there is no backing out!!!

- Stage 1 3-5 minute paper survey
- Stage 2 finger stick for blood glucose reading
- Stage 3 A1c test (measures your average blood sugar levels over the last 120 days)

Diabetes Healthcare Professionals available to answer questions

For additional information contact R. L. McKellar macagcon@tds.net or 317 769 2427



Please send pictures and news items for the newsletter to Charlotte Query, jequery@bluemarble.net

Flyers will be sent separately

Items for the Hoosier Lion should be forwarded to Gail Robbins, gail45robbins@gmail.com



Put the March 7 District Convention on your calendar!

(And bring some friends with you!)