

District 25-Digest - December 2022

District Governor Eric Schuman

TOGETHER...WE CAN SERVE MORE!



HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

Midway in the year, Christmas time, holidays, family, good food :), football :), friendship.... And oh yes, let's not forget "Together... We Can Serve More". As the holidays set upon us, let us be thankful for all the things we have and for the reasons we are all Lions!

But let us also remember all those less fortunate that do not have what we have. Remember my "Project Christmas" article from last month's newsletter. Remember Virginia O'Hanlon's letter to the New York Sun in 1897 asking "Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus"?

Lions clubs from all over the world – yours included – have answered that question many times. Through our service, our donations, our holiday parties for our communities, and a myriad of other events that we have hosted and given to put smiles or happy tears on faces during this time of year.

I was Chair for several years for my club's annual Christmas Food Basket program. Our local grocery store provided us a generous 25% discount on all the food we purchased. The clerk's at the store made up the "menu" of items to put in the food baskets. And our local churches provided us with the names of the truly needy families that could benefit most from our gift to them.

So we put all the food baskets on a fire truck and drove around the community sounding the siren, knocking on their door and seeing their faces as we gave them a good family meal, and told them Merry Christmas from their Lions Club.

I don't mind telling you I'm getting a little emotional typing this and remembering. Remembering the startled faces, the happy smiles, the thank you's, and the happy tears from some.

We do a lot of things in a lot of ways but, in my opinion, service projects like this are the best. This is what being a Lions club member is all about.

Happy holidays to you and your family from me and Lion Deanna!

DG Eric Schuman

From FVDG Lion Julia Kozicki:

Lions of 25D,

In this season of giving, I want to highlight some of the formal recognition that is given from our International President, Brian Sheehan. These awards are nominated by the district governor, so if you have a Lion you think is deserving, please let DG Eric know (and copy me so I have a list for next year).



- The International President's Certificate of Appreciation is awarded to Lions performing significant service to the association and is the fourth highest award in Lionism. It is typically presented during the district convention (which will be on April 1, 2023 in Greentown).
- The International Leadership Medal is awarded to Lions making a significant leadership contribution. It is the third highest award and is presented at the State Convention (which will be in Bloomington May 12-14).
- The Presidential Medal is the second highest award – it is given for outstanding leadership and service to the association and is also presented at the State Convention. These will be presented by IP Brian Sheehan personally, as he will be our featured speaker.
- Finally, the Ambassador of Goodwill is the highest award in Lionism. Only 40 are presented annually, either at our State Convention or personally by the International President. It recognizes outstanding service and leadership to the international association.

Each of these awards recognizes those who have given their time and talent in service to their communities and to Lionism. Lions as an association only works because our members not only give service to their communities but also to the larger organization. As we work in the next few months to nominate leaders at the club and district level, I encourage you to become more deeply involved in the work of the association so that we can continue to serve our communities, meet humanitarian needs and encourage peace throughout the world.

Yours in Lionism,

FVDG Julia Kozicki

Lions Leadership,

Welcome to the Holiday Season,

Lions always come through during the season of giving.

Christmas Baskets and helping at a food banks.

All these efforts are good for all Lions to get involved.

My first Lion event was filling Christmas Baskets.

I didn't know who received them but I knew I made a difference.

So Please, Make a difference this Holiday Season.



SVDG Rocky



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One of our Lions is...

...busy! And probably getting busier as we enter (or by now are well into) the Holiday Season. This is one of the things I love most about Lions. No matter how busy you are, you find time to help others. It may be by working on a Lions' Service Project or by talking with someone who is having a bad day, or by just smiling at people they interact with throughout their day. I have met so many Lions over the last year who are now retired but busier than ever as they now have the time to put into the causes they support. Likewise, I have met many Lions who are still working full time but make the time to do what they can because the needs everywhere are so great. Three thoughts come to mind related to this.

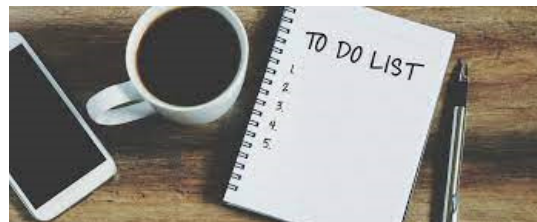


First, when you are talking with people about Lions and about becoming a member, if they say, "I think I'm too busy", answer with "Good, you're exactly the person we are looking for!". This may confuse them, but busy people get stuff done, especially when they see the value return for the time that they are putting into any activity. Since Lions can put effort into any service activity, they find it important and do it with other busy people that want to help, this can be their favorite activity as easily as something the club has done for decades.

Secondly, busy people do get tired. We all need time to recharge, so if you find yourself tired or stressed or overwhelmed, take a break. If needed, talk to others in your club or with your Zone Chair or the GMA (yours truly) or someone else in the District. This is not a job and it should be enjoyable. If it isn't, see what can be done to change that situation.

Finally, thank you! Thank you for being a Lion. Thank you for the time you take out of your busy week to help others. You may never see or know the outcome of the effort you put in, but it is valuable, it is meaningful, and it is appreciated.

Jeff Kozicki
GMT



25-D Zone Chairs

Region	Zone	Chair	Email	Home Club
1	A	Lion Frank Faulkner	frfaulkner2@comcast.com	Russiaville
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2	A	Lion Mike Careins	mcareins@gmail.com	Matthews
2	B	Lion Jeanie Stiers	jeasts@comcast.net	Anderson Noon
3	A	Lion Linda Janney	ljanney1952@gmail.com	Albany
3	B	Lion Jeffry Manning	mail@msiwix.com	Saratoga

The purpose of Zone meetings is to promote communications and teamwork among clubs.

Zone 1A—Clubs—Greentown, Kokomo & Area, Russiaville, Sharpsville and Tipton

Next meeting Feb 7, 2023—Tipton Lions Club at 5:30pm

Zone 1B—Clubs—Carmel, Home Place, Noblesville, Sheridan, Wayne Fall and Westfield

TBD

Zone 2A—Clubs—Fairmount, Fowlerton, Marion, Matthews, Sweetser, Upland & Van Buren

TBD

Zone 2B—Clubs—Anderson Noon, Cowan, Elwood, Frankton, Gaston, Lapel & Pendleton

TBD

Zone 3A—Clubs—Albany, Dunkirk, Eaton, Portland and Redkey

TBD

Zone 3B—Clubs—Lynn, Saratoga, Selma, Union City, Union Township and Winchester

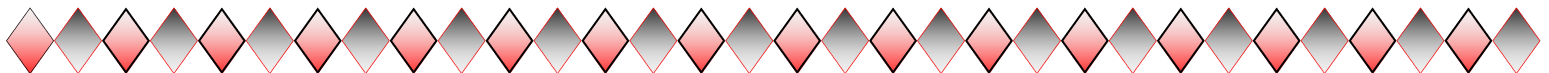
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The Role of the Zone Chairperson



DG Travels (so far)

- 12/3 Council Christmas Party
- 12/4 Speech & Hearing Luncheon
- 12/5 Selma LC Official Visit
- 12/6 Home Place LC Christmas Party
- 12/7 Fowlerton LC Christmas Party and Official Visit
- 12/12 Greentown LC Regular Meeting
- 12/15 Anderson Noon LC Official Visit
- 12/23 Greentown Donation Station
- 12/25 Merry Christmas
- 1/1 Happy New Year
- 1/4 Sheridan LC Official Visit
- 1/5 Cowan LC Official Visit
- 1/9 Greentown LC Official Visit
- 1/11 Redkey LC Official Visit
- 1/19 Van Buren LC Official Visit
- 1/20-21 Mid-Winter Conference
- 1/23 Greentown LC Business Meeting
- 1/24 Lapel LC Official Visit



Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference
With the Power of You, Together We Can

Service Project: Sock It To Me!

We need your help to make this winter more bearable for those in need in our communities. Please bring new socks, gloves, mittens, scarves, knit hats, and blankets to the Mid-Winter Conference. Our District Governors will distribute them to those in need in their districts.

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Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport
January 20-21, 2023

New 25-D Lions since November Newsletter

Carmel

Brad Bishop

Stephen Schiller

Fairmount

Joseph Wilhems

Shannon Williams

Frankton

James Lawyer

Russiaville

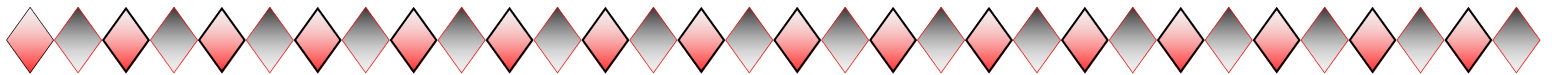
Dean Leicht

Selma

Jessica Clamme

Union City

David Hsia



25-D Lions whom we have been notified of death during November

Fairmount

Dexter Franklin



**THE INDIANA LIONS FOUNDATION STATE FAIR COMMITTEE
WANTS YOUR IDEAS FOR NEW INDIANA STATE FAIR INCENTIVES?**

The Indiana Lions Foundation State Fair project is the Indiana Lions Foundation's largest fundraiser. We provide volunteers to sell and scan tickets and provide other support at the two largest State Fair gates. We need approximately 45 - 55 volunteers per day. The Indiana Lions Foundation State Fair Committee has been discussing new incentives for volunteers who work at the State Fair. We have several ideas but thought a more effective approach would be to ask those who volunteer to provide us with input. So, please tell us what you like or don't like about the current incentives, and other ideas you might have for different incentives. We are open to considering all suggestions and look forward to discussing them with all of you.

Yours in Lionism,

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Lions of District 25-D
SUBJECT: Nominations for Lion Year '23-'24
FROM: Lion Dick Creger, Chair, District 25-D Nominations/Elections
DATE: October 22, 2022

In accordance with District 25-D Constitution & By-Laws, nomination for the following Lions year must be received by the Chair of the Nominations/Elections Committee no later than sixty (60) days prior the District's Convention.

District 25-D's District Convention is scheduled for April 1, 2023; thus, nominations for the District's project Trustees, 2nd VDG, 1st VDG and DG must be received by the District's Nominations Chair no later than **Tuesday, January 31, 2023**.

Lion Leaders requiring club nominations to be included on the April 1 ballot include:

DG - 1st VDG Julia Kozicki, Noblesville Lions Club

1st VDG - David (Rocky) Simpson, Greentown Lions Club

2nd VDG - **Vacant**

Trustees:

Leader Dog - Lion Connie Bowman, Home Place Lions Club

Speech & Hearing - Lion Dan Richison, Albany Lions Club

ISBVI - Lion Angela Mounsey, Van Buren Lions Club

Lions Foundation/Holding Corporation - PDG Betty Weist, Pendleton Lions Club

Cancer Control - CC Scott Smith, Marion Lions Club

Vision First - Lion JoAnn Karaffa|Owens, Pendleton Lions Club

As a courtesy, incumbents who choose not to run for re-election are asked to notify the District leadership so it may be announced that a vacancy will exist. District Lions are encouraged to seek nomination from their club and such nominations received by the Nominations/Elections Chair by the **January 31, 2023**, deadline.

Nominations may be sent to the Nominations/Elections Chair at: 10433 S. State Road 9, Pendleton, IN 46064 or emailed to: dpcreger@hrtc.net.

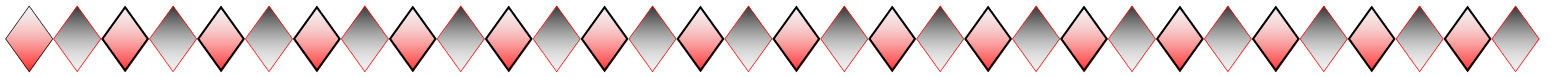
Respectfully submitted,

Lion Dick Creger, Chair
25-D Nomination/Election

What is happening around the district?

Anderson Noon Lions Club

Here's Holiday Greetings & Blessings from Lion President George Smith and Anderson Lions Club. We hope to see more of you attending the various 25-D cabinet functions. It only takes a "want-to" to set a standard of desire in our clubs! A position in the cabinet is Lion high esteem, and a time in the history of your club and makes every member glad that he/she joined the most prestigious humanitarian services in the world.



Carmel Lions Club

Carmel Lions Club had Carmel High School graduate Mark Herrmann speak at their November 22nd meeting. He spoke about the ups and downs of playing football in high school, at Purdue and with the different NFL teams he played for. He was a member of the Baltimore Colts when they packed up in Mayflower moving trucks and made the move to Indianapolis. When asked about the greatest game of his life, Mark stated it would be the high school basketball state championship game he won for Carmel High School. After all the cities he has lived/played in (Cincinnati, Carmel, Lafayette, Denver, Baltimore, San Diego and Los Angeles), Mark and his family returned to Indianapolis.

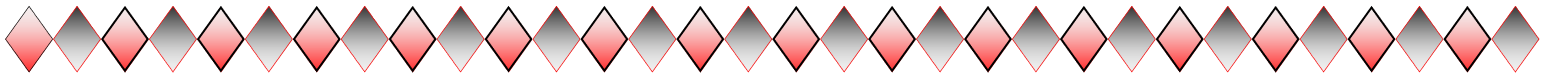


Carmel Lions Club

Members of the Salvation Army spoke at a Carmel Lions Club meeting to talk to the members about where funds raised in the red kettles is used throughout the year. Last year, Carmel Lions raised over \$18,000 in their red kettle. This year the goal is to raise \$20,000. We could use your help. If you are interested in ringing the bell, go to the link below and see if you can ring the bell at any of the open slots. The red kettle Carmel Lions ring for is inside the Fashion Mall between the Crate and Barrel and The Cheesecake Factory—so there is no need for hand warmers or stocking caps!



[Sign-Up Here](#)



Russiaville Lions Club

Our RLC Thanksgiving in Review: For many people and patrons during 2022:

We thank our loyal Russiaville fish fry customers who always attended, it's no surprise, they were glad to be back at our delicious fish fries. And Troop 519 Scouts are helping us too.



Carmel and Noblesville Lions Club

This past third Thursday of November, the Noblesville and Carmel Lions helped Gleaners distribute food at Six Points Church.

Photo: Lions Matt Best, Lane Sims, Jen Carr, Carol Miller, Duke Miller, Joe Connerley, Mark Bachar, Ron Williamson, Jeff Kozicki and Bob Yunker.



Noblesville Lions Club

Noblesville Lions host and honor veterans. On the evening of Nov 9th, the Noblesville Lions honored veterans with a dinner at Ginger's restaurant. There were approximately 15 vets invited by club members. Each guest and Lion member was invited to stand and introduce themselves with some personal stories.



Noblesville Lions Club

Noblesville Lions donate funds to HBM COOP. On October 26th, the Noblesville Lions presented a check to the HBM Coop. The Coop will use the funds to purchase equipment to aid the blind and visually impaired students.

Photo (left to right) Marcia Kang, HBM; Terri Miller, HBM; and FVDG Julia Kozicki



Noblesville Lions Club

Noblesville Lions host Janus Developmental Services. On October 26th, the Noblesville Lions hosted speaker Yolanda Kincaid of Janus Developmental Services. She detailed Janus's work in our community for the club.

Photo: Yolanda Kincaid (lfet) and Lion Walt Sheid, Noblesville VP

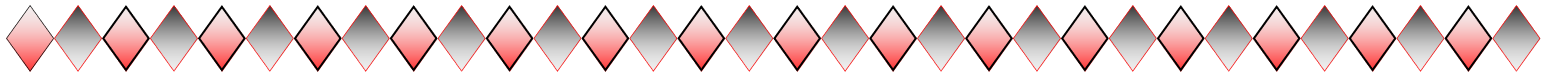


Noblesville Lions Club

Noblesville Lions support their Leos Club at NHS. Recently, the Noblesville Lions made donations to support their Leo Club at NHS. The Leo Club is getting together backpacks for the holiday giving to the homeless and needy in the area. One of the donors, Dr. Dan McGrath, donated tooth brushes and paste to Lion George Long. Dr. McGrath is of Crossroads Dentistry at 317-770-9730 or crossroadsdentistryonline@comcast.com.



Photo: Lion George Long and Dr. Dan McGrath



Noblesville Lions Club

NHS Leo Club create backpacks for the homeless. In early November, the Noblesville Lions Leo Club at NHS gathered items for the homeless again this year. The Leo Club filled 45 backpacks with toiletries, socks, gloves, hats, blankets and other items. The backpacks will be passed out to the homeless in Indy. Lion John Smith is the Leo Club Sponsor.



Union City Lions Club

The Union City Lions Club met on Nov 8th for the first regular meeting in November. The meal was again served by Diana Dubeansky and consisted of a delicious breakfast casserole and a biscuit. The program for the evening was presented by Mr. Neal Adams, the Randolph Eastern School's Director of Grant Management and STEM Integration. Neal said the grant management part of his job consists of finding needs, finding funding, writing grants, budget planning, and reporting to the school board. As the director of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) integration, he works with Project Based Learning integration and profession development. He spoke of the grant money that RESC has earned in the past two years. RESC has been awarded \$4,263,529 in competitive grants and an overall grant total of \$8,154,861. The grant money comes from a variety of sources and is used in a variety of ways. Money from 16 local, state, and national competitive grants helps RESC fund many things including the School Resource Officer, {Project Lead the Way, the Alternative School at UCJSHS, programs that help the staff teach employability skills at all grade levels, digital learning, the DECA and KISS programs and many other things. RESC was awarded \$425,000 with the Indiana Excellence in Leading and Learning Award. They were the only school corporation in the state of Indiana to win this award. And most recently RESC was awarded \$3.3 million in The Next Generation School Grant which is designed to allow a school to "rethink how we do school." Thanks for a good program, Neal. Keep up the good work.

Pictured are UC Lion Kevin Lehman and RESC Director of Grant Management and STEM Integration, Neal Adams.



Union City Lions Club

The Union City (Ohio and Indiana) Lions Club participated in the annual "Light Parade" on Friday evening Nov 25th. The parade began in Ohio and proceeded to the Harter Park Community Christmas on the Indiana side of town. Lions' President Jim Dubeansky and owner of Jim's Auto Detailing provided the truck and trailer for the display.



Union City Lions Club

The Union City Lions Club met on Tuesday, Nov 22nd, at the Community Room in Union City. The meeting began with a great meal of fried chicken, potatoes, corn and pie. The program was presented by Chris Shaneyfelt, Randolph County's 911 Director. Chris is also our Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director. Chris has worked in emergency services since 1984. Chris talked about the upgrade in the communication system in Randolph County. The upgrade started in 2016 and has included a remodel of the 911 call center in Winchester. The new equipment also consists of a new radio system and three, 300 foot towers. The towers are located just outside of Deerfield, at the new Randolph County Highway Garage, and along highway 36 in the southern part of the county and cover our county much better than the old system. The system went live in July 2022 and is making the job of first responder more efficient. Thank you Chris for a very informative presentation.

The Union City Lions welcomed its newest member, David Hsia. David runs Bear's Rootbear (formerly A&W) in Union City.



Westfield Lions Club

Westfield Lion's Poker-for-Sight® Huge Success!

Westfield – November 21, 2022 - More than 325 players took to the Westfield Lion's poker tables at the semi-annual Poker-for-Sight Texas Hold'em Tournament presented by the Westfield Lions Club this past weekend.

The twice a year tourney is part of the Westfield Lions Club efforts to raise funds to donate back to the community. Poker-for-Sight are two of the largest poker tournaments in the Mid-west. Both have a guaranteed \$25,000 purse with \$10,000 to the winner.

"This was one of the biggest in the club's history. We want to thank each of our players and all the Lions that helped present this incredible event," said Mike Birk, chairman of this year's tournament.

Jake Outcelt, of Darlington, IN, won the top prize of \$10,000, followed in second place with \$4,000 was Pendleton's Josh Alford. Coming in third was Noblesville's Victor Parra with \$2,000.

Jake Outcelt also received a Poker-for-Sight, leather bomber jacket and gold commemorative coin. Silver commemorative coins are awarded to the top ten finishers. Prize money is awarded to the top 25 finishers in each tournament.

The Four-H Building at the Hamilton County Fairgrounds is the site of each of the tournaments. Players from all over the Mid-west and the nation participate. While Texas Hold'em is a simple game to learn it is one of the most popular poker games in the world, requiring both skill and of course luck, to be successful.

The Westfield Lions are looking for new members. To learn more about the Lions Club go to westfield-lions.org.



1st Place Jake Outcelt with Lion Mike Birk



2nd Place Josh Alford



3rd Place Victor Parra



Westfield Lions Club

Westfield Lions Club Poker for Sight® Supports local charities

WESTFIELD, IN - November 23, 2022 - The Westfield Lions Club Poker for Sight® Texas Hold'em Tournaments, started a new tradition several years ago. At the start of each round of play the Lions give a donation check to a local charity.

At this Fall's tourney the club elected to support Westfield Youth Assistance, Indiana Military Veterans Hall of Fame, Third Phase Homeless Shelter, Open Doors of Westfield, and the Good Samaritan Network.

Poker chairman Mike Birk said, "We as Lions are thrilled in that we can give several local charities these small gifts to help the wonderful work each of them do. The Lions motto is We Serve, and it is what we, as Lions try to do."

A check for \$1000 were presented to Carrie Larrison, of Open Doors of Westfield, a food pantry serving Hamilton County.

Another \$1000 was presented to Westfield Youth Assistance Program. Megan Contreras and Kristina Logan accepted the donation for Westfield Youth Assistance.

A \$1000 donation to Indiana Military Veterans Hall of Fame. Kevin Ryan accepted for the Indiana Military Veterans Hall of Fame.

A further \$1000 was given to Third Phase Christian Center of Noblesville, a homeless shelter and food bank.

As a special gift, Lion Mike Birk presented \$500.00 to Indy Edge Beep Baseball. The local sight impaired baseball team won the blind-baseball World Series in 2022 and looks strong for a repeat next year.

Lion Keith Sanborn presented a surprise check for \$500 to the club's "neighbor" at the Hamilton County Fairgrounds. The Good Samaritan Network, a collaborative of nonprofits serving the needs of Hamilton County residents who are at-risk or underserved. Nancy Chance, Founder and Executive Director, received the check for the group.



Does your club have a special event coming up that we should be sure to put on our calendars?

Just send in the event and date and we will be sure to include in the District Newsletter.



Didn't see your Club mentioned?

If you'd like to share a past event or an upcoming event at your Club, please send that information and a photograph or two to Lion Christine Woodward at woodward1999@sbcglobal.net. The deadline to appear in the next district newsletter is the 25th of each month.



WANTED

Pictures and news
from your club!

We can't support your
club if we don't know
what you are doing.

MD-25 Lions

International Pin Design 2024



June 21–25, 2024: Melbourne, Australia: With Melbourne's combination of world-class dining, art galleries, homegrown fashion and a packed sports calendar, it's no surprise Victoria's capital is regarded the world's most livable city. The centre of Melbourne is threaded with cobbled laneways, which have become a mecca for coffee shops, cafés and unique shopping boutiques. Start at Flinders Street station, wander down Degraves Street and explore the city's beautiful arcades and street art around every corner.

Pins **MUST** include: |

- a-MD 25 Indiana (as text)
- b-the Intl Convention year - 2023
- c-Lion Club Intl Logo
- d-Intl Convention Host City representation
- e-MD 25 graphic representation of MD-25 usually includes a race car and/or the outline of Indiana.

Each club can submit one design to its District Governor. One design will be selected by each District Governor. All District designs need to be submitted to me by January 18, 2023. You can scan and attach it to an email to me at angbelc@iue.edu. Each District's selected design will be presented to State Council in January. Remember: pin designers do not have to be (a) Lions.

Be creative and have fun!

CS Angela Locke, State Pin Chairperson

You can forward your design to District Chair Deanna Schuman at ejslansing@aol.com

Coming Soon: Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference

The annual Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference will be held on Saturday, January 21, 2023 at the Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport Hotel.

Some Indiana Lions say the Mid-Winter Conference is "the best place for learning" about leadership, service, and all aspects of Lionism. We offer workshops and seminars on club administration, community service, fundraising, and membership recruitment and retention, as well as opportunities for service, fellowship with Lions from around the state, and plain old everyday Lions fun.

The conference registration fee is only \$55 and includes informative seminars and workshops, on-site service projects, coffee and pastries in the morning, lunch at noon with a motivational speaker, and fellowship with other Lions.

The keynote speaker at the Saturday luncheon will be Indiana State Police Superintendent Doug Carter. Superintendent Carter has served 40 years in law enforcement, as an Indiana State Trooper, Hamilton County Sheriff, and Indiana State Police Superintendent. He has received many awards including the Indiana State Police Silver Star Award for Meritorious Service and Outstanding Heroism. Service has always been important to Superintendent Carter. He has said, "It's not about titles and career and that stuff, it's about service before self."

The conference will be preceded by a dinner on Friday evening. There is a separate fee for this event. The after-dinner speaker will be Charlie Adams. Known as "Indiana's Speaker", Charlie has been delivering entertaining and informative talks for 35 years in the Hoosier State. A former TV news, sports, and features reporter, and news anchor, Charlie has interviewed thousands of folks in Indiana. He has also done extensive research on difference-makers past and present, and tells those stories in a compelling manner! He will present an entertaining and informative after-dinner talk on people and stories from throughout the Hoosier State.

Conference attendees will be offered the opportunity to participate in two on-site service projects. After dinner on Friday evening, attendees will have the opportunity to participate in the Care-ing Cases project, using clean recycled hard eyeglass cases to assemble first aid kits and toiletry kits. Conference attendees are also encouraged to donate new socks, gloves, mittens, scarves, knit hats, and blankets to the Sock It To Me project. Collection boxes for these items will be available on Friday and Saturday. Our District Governors will share all items created/collected by these projects with those in need in their districts.

For more information about the conference and a registration form, visit the Indiana Lions website at indianalions.org and click on the link labelled "Printable Forms". The list of available forms includes seminar and workshop information, a conference registration form with hotel reservation information, and information for sponsors.

We hope to see you at the 2023 Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference.





**THE LIONS OF INDIANA
34TH MID-WINTER CONFERENCE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2023**

**CROWNE PLAZA INDIANAPOLIS AIRPORT
INDIANAPOLIS, IN**

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Registration & Continental Breakfast	8:00 am – 9:00 am	Lunch - Buffet	11:30 am – 12:15 pm
Displays And Silent Auction	Open until 3:00 pm	Program and Keynote Speaker	12:15 pm – 1:15 pm
Opening Session	9:00 am – 9:30 am	Third Session Seminar	1:30 pm – 2:15 pm
First Session Seminar	9:45 am – 10:30 am	Fourth Session Seminar	2:30 pm – 3:15 pm
Second Session Seminar	10:45 am – 11:30 am	Afternoon Workshop	1:30 pm – 3:15 pm
Morning Workshop	9:45 am – 11:30 am	Closing Session	3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Official Conference Hotel – Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport Hotel

The location of the hotel is 2501 S. High School Road, Indianapolis, Indiana 46241.

TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 317-244-6861.

LIONS ROOM RATE IS \$118 PLUS APPLICABLE TAXES.

Specify your choice of a king room or room with two double beds.

Hotel Reservations must be made by 6:00 pm EST Tuesday, December 27, 2022.

Directions to Crowne Plaza: From the north via I-465 – Take I-465 to Exit 11 (Sam Jones Expressway). Turn right (to the west) on Sam Jones and be in left lane. Turn left at High School Road and the hotel is on your left.

From the south or Northbound I-465 – Take I-465 to Exit 11(Sam Jones Expressway). Turn left (to the west) on Sam Jones but keep to the left to High School Road. Turn left at High School Road and hotel is on your left.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Cancellations requested ten (10) days before the conference will receive full refunds, but cancellations requested after that date will not receive any refund. **Refunds will not be granted because of the weather.**

***NOTE:** THE MID-WINTER CONFERENCE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE THOSE ATTENDING FOR THE FIRST TIME TO INDICATE WHO IS SPONSORING THEM TO ATTEND OR WHO HAS INFLUENCED THEM TO ATTEND THEIR FIRST MID-WINTER CONFERENCE. THERE IS A LINE ON THE REGISTRATION FORM FOR THIS INFORMATION.



34TH MID-WINTER CONFERENCE
FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER
JANUARY 20, 2023



Make your plans now to join us at the Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport Hotel
for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship.

Menu: A plated dinner which will include: Cider Brined Grilled Pork Chop paired with a
Seared Chicken Breast, Scalloped Potatoes, Garlic Green Beans
Fresh Garden Salad,
Dessert, House Bread and Butter, Coffee and Tea
Price: \$ 30.00
Social Time: 6:00 P.M. **Dinner:** 6:30 P.M.

Friday Night Speaker Charlie Adams

Charlie Adams will present an entertaining and informative talk on people and stories from throughout the
Hoosier State!

SATURDAY CONFERENCE LUNCHEON
JANUARY 21, 2023

Menu: BACKYARD COOKOUT

Grilled Black Angus Burgers, All Beef Hot Dogs, Bratwurst with Sauerkraut, Bourbon Brisket, Baked Beans,
Corn Cobettes,,Leaf Lettuce, Sliced Tomatoes, Sliced Red Onions, Pickles, and Assorted Condiments, Breads,
Orange Cream Sheet Cake and Chocolate Texas Sheet Cake, Coffee and Tea

TWO SERVICE PROJECTS!!

“Sock It To Me” – Bring new socks, gloves, mittens, scarves, knit hats and blankets to be collected and divided
among the district governors to distribute to needy people in their districts.

“Care-ing Cases” – Friday night after the dinner program, we will assemble first aid kits and toiletry kits using
cleaned hard eyeglass cases that our district governors will share with the needy people in their districts.

SATURDAY KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Doug Carter, Superintendent, Indiana State Police

REGISTRATION FORM
34th Annual Lions of Indiana Mid-Winter Conference
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2023
(Each Attendee Is Asked to Complete a Separate Form)

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION: \$45.00

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED OR EMAILED BY NOVEMBER 30, 2022

Registrations made after DECEMBER 1ST and ON-SITE REGISTRATION: \$55.00

Conference Registration with no meals included: \$25

Registration includes: morning coffee and pastries, Buffet Luncheon, use of hotel meeting rooms, Keynote Speaker fee and accommodations, printing and supplies.

To guarantee meal availability, Registration must be received by January 15, 2023

CANCELLATION POLICY: CANCELLATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO JANUARY 10, 2023. TO RECEIVE A REFUND. CANCELLATIONS REQUESTED AFTER THAT DATE WILL NOT RECEIVE ANY REFUND. REFUNDS WILL NOT BE GRANTED BECAUSE OF THE WEATHER

Seminars and Workshops will be filled on a first come, first served basis.
 Send registrations early to assure getting the seminars of your choice.

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM AND CORRECT REMITTANCE TO:
 Lion Angie Crouch, 9051 Greystone Court, Indianapolis, IN 46234
mwam2893@gmail.com 317-518-4070

Make Checks Payable to: Lions of Indiana, Inc. OR

Card Type: [] VISA [] MC [] Discover Card# _____

Exp. Date: _____ Security Code _____ Signature: _____

Name: _____ Club Name: _____

Address: _____ Lion Title: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ District: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

This is my first Mid-Winter Conference. I was encouraged to attend by: _____

Registration: () \$45.00early-bird; () \$55.00- Dec. 1 - Onsite () \$30.00 Friday Dinner () \$25.00 Conference Only
 = Total Amount Due per Registration _____

Review the Seminars offered and note the session time each seminar will be offered. Please circle your selections for each session to help us plan sufficient seating and handouts for each seminar.

9:45 – 10:30	Seminar Session 1	1	2	3
10:45 - 11:30	Seminar Session 2	4	5	6
1:30 – 2:15	Seminar Session 3	7	8	9
2:30 – 3:15	Seminar Session 4	10	11	12
9:45-11:30	Morning Workshop	Session 1		
1:30 – 3:15	Afternoon Workshop	Session 2		

Seminar Selections

CHOOSE: Two (2) Seminars in the Morning and two (2) Seminars in the Afternoon. There are also one (1) morning workshop and one (1) afternoon workshop that are double seminar times.

Morning Workshop Session One: 9:45 am to 11:30 am

Workshop #1 LIONS LEGAL ISSUES AND INSURANCE

Presenter: PDG Mark Clark

Back by popular demand! Lions International's Legal Division is here to help you. Come find out how! Everything from insurance to general legal information.

Morning Seminar Session One: 9:45 am to 10:30 am

Seminar #1 TAIL TWISTING – WHY, HOW, AND POSSIBLE IDEAS

Presenter: PDG Peg Dawson and 2VDG Erica Thomas

Are your club meetings in need of more fun? Learn how to add more fun and enjoyment to your meetings.

Seminar #2 FLOATERS, BLOBS, AND WEBS: LIVING WITH DIABETIC RETINOPATHY

Presenter: Lion Jennifer Drapalik

Living my life with Diabetic Retinopathy for three and a half years. What is it? What is it like to live with it? What type of treatments are there? How to prevent it?

Seminar #3 FINDING AND APPLYING FOR GRANTS

Presenters: Lion Debbie Ellis and Past International Director Linda Tincher

This seminar will help you learn where to find grants, how to apply for grants, and learn how to avoid common pitfalls that may prevent you from getting the grant.

Morning Seminar Session Two: 10:45 am to 11:30 am

Seminar #4 DIABETES AWARENESS... LIVING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

Presenter: Tasha Lane

Join in to learn the importance of good nutrition and the importance of keeping your body moving.

Seminar #5 CREATING PARTNERSHIPS, TOGETHER WE CAN DO MORE!

Presenter: PCC Lee Flower

Together we can do more! Learn how to partner for better service and fundraising.

Seminar #6 MENTORING + SERVICE = RETENTION

Presenter: Lion Ruth Kelly

Learn how to increase your membership retention with the equation of Mentoring plus Service equals Retention.

Seminar Selections

Afternoon Workshop Session Two: 1:30 pm to 3:15 pm

Workshop #2 KNOW THE LAW BEFORE YOU PLAY.

Presenter: Mark Mason, Assistant Director, Indiana State Gaming Commission

Back by Popular Demand! Does your club host any games that fall under the Indiana Gaming laws? This session will help you stay on top of these laws and how they that affect your club.

Afternoon Seminar Session Three: 1:30 pm to 2:15 pm

Seminar #7 RECRUITING MEMBERSHIP

Presenter: PDG Charlie Short

"It's Worth Fighting For: 21st Century Lions." One of America's great gifts to humanity is Lions, and it continues to resonate around the world. Here at home, it's time for a review of our approach to new membership and club growth. How do we grow and prosper in today's highly competitive community service environment? How do we reach the Lions that will carry our Association's proud history forward? Debunk some popular myths, review current programs, and offer a new, proven model for successful growth.

Seminar #8 SECURING SPONSORSHIPS

Presenter: PDG Tom Robbins

What you need to know to secure ongoing sponsorships.

Seminar #9 LEGACY GIFTING

Presenter: 1VDG Julia Kozicki

Leaving a Lion Legacy—giving the gift of future service by planning today.

Afternoon Seminar Session Four: 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm

Seminar #10 LCICon BOSTON

Presenter: PDG Peg Dawson

The 2023 Lions Clubs International Convention will be in Boston! If you've never been to an International Convention, come and hear what you are missing. If you've been to an International Convention, come and share why you attend. This year the convention is in Boston, a city full of history.

Seminar #11 KIDSIGHT SCREENING

Presenter: Lion Sheila Christoff

Have you or your club wanted to get involved in KidSight Screening but did not know where to begin? Attend this seminar where Lion Sheila can show you how to get involved, show you how to use the Plus-Optix screener and the Blinq screener.

Seminar #12 RAISING A LEADER DOG PUPPY

Presenters: Lions Don and Jan Allen with District Governor Bob Hrdy

Learn how to get involved in and how to raise a Leader Dog Puppy, followed by a discussion how a Leader Dog has changed their life.



Sponsor and Advertisement Form
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Bronze - Lion Cub Level \$100
Half page (4 x 11) color ad in Program book

Silver - Leo the Lion Level \$200
Half page color ad in Program book
Signage in each educational room

Gold - Leader of the Pride Level \$500
Half page color ad in Program book
Signage in each educational room
Name recognition announced at Lunch and closing session.

Platinum - King of the Jungle Level \$1,000
Registration for two for Friday night dinner and conference
Half page color ad in Program book
Signage in each educational room
Name recognition announced at Friday dinner, Sat Lunch and closing session

PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENTS

Quarter page ad (in color) \$50
Full page ad (in color) \$150

EMAIL PRINT READY AD PROOFS IN JPEG, WORD or PUBLISHER FORMAT.

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED FORM, AD PROOF AND CORRECT REMITTANCE TO:

Lion Reed Fish, 7402 Rockville Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46214

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Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone _____ Email _____

OR Venmo - ReedFish@rj7402

2023 Indiana State Convention

PDG Mark Clark

I know that at this time of year most people's thoughts are on the holidays. Thanksgiving in the immediate past and Christmas coming upon us quickly. But I am looking past all that. I am looking forward to May 11 through 14, 2023. YES, I am looking forward to the 2023 STATE CONVENTION in BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA at the MONROE COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER. Why, you ask? Because we will have the PRESIDENT of the INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS in our district visiting us. What a great opportunity to meet and talk with International President Brian Sheehan and his wife, Lion Lori in person while they are visiting our own district. I can meet the International President and hear firsthand what he has been doing throughout the year on an international scale for us as our president. What else am I looking forward to? Hearing great presenters at the various seminars that will take place on Saturday afternoon. There will be a presentation for club presidents and vice presidents by IP Sheehan, a presentation by all of the state projects, by LCIF and Lion Lori, a presentation to increase club membership, and opportunities to meet with Lions from across our state to make new friendships and renew old friendships. I am looking forward to a Friday morning presentation regarding the history and current operations of the limestone industry in Monroe and Lawrence counties. This will be a free presentation available to everyone who arrives at the convention on Friday morning and will be at the Monroe County Convention Center. I am looking forward to the Friday night supper being sponsored by the Ellettsville Lions Club at the Monroe County Fairgrounds. The supper will be a bar-b-que buffet and will have live music to enjoy. I am looking forward to relaxing at the Courtyard by Marriott hotel or the Hyatt Place hotel in Bloomington. Both are located not far from the square in Bloomington and on the B-Line walking trail. I know that my wife is looking forward to going shopping in downtown Bloomington while I am at the convention. I don't need to be concerned about food now, because the Saturday night All-State Banquet and the Sunday brunch are going to be fantastic meals to enjoy with friends around the table. Yes, you can be stuck in all the stress and frantic activities of the holidays, but I am looking forward to a great 2022 Lions State Convention in Bloomington on May 11th through the 14th. Look for the registration form in the Hoosier Lion and on line as well as in the Governor's newsletter. I will plan on seeing you there and sharing a great weekend with you.



2023 Indiana Lions 102nd State Convention



Hosted by District 25E
May 12,13,14, 2023

Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center
with special guests: International President Brian Sheehan and Lion Lori
PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY APRIL 11, 2023

Courtyard by Marriott Convention Hotel (attached to Convention Center)

310 South College Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47401 (Free Parking available at Convention Center)

Room Rate: \$109.00 per night, plus tax, until April 11, 2023.

Call 1-812-335-8000 for Reservations and mention LIONS CLUB 2023 in making the reservation

Hyatt Place Hotel: 217 S. Kirkwood Avenue, \$119 per night w/ breakfast

Hyatt Hotel does charge for parking; 1 ½ block north of Convention Center & free parking

Call 812-339-5950 and use block code LION for the reservation.

Come and visit several Lions project tables and related booths including a USA/Canada Forum apparel vendor.
Friday Golf Outing to be at Stonecrest Golf Club – 18 holes at \$39. Meet in the hotel lobby.

Scooter rental is \$120 for Friday thru Sunday.

Friday, May 12th 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, MONROE COUNTY LIMESTONE PRESENTATION

Registration Form (one per person)

Register Online and pay with PayPal: www.indianalionsconvention.org

Deadline: All Registration Forms must be postmarked by April 30, 2023.

Please print name/Lions Title as desired on name badge:

Name and Lion Title: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

District: _____ Club: _____ Email: _____

Is this your FIRST Indiana Lions State Convention (circle one) Yes No

Attend the Friday morning Monroe County Limestone Presentation (circle one) Yes No

Friday Evening BBQ Dinner at Monroe County Fairground Sponsored by Ellettsville Lions Club
Choose pulled pork: _____ or pulled chicken: _____ \$ 18.00 = _____

Saturday Lunch: sandwich bar: chips, seasonal fresh fruit, pickle spear & drink
Choose warm beef & swiss sub w/ lettuce & tomato: _____
Or grilled ham & cheese on sourdough bread: _____ \$ 20.00 = _____

Saturday Night Banquet: Choose 1 Entrée below
Choose: citrus glazed pork chop _____ mushroom chopped steak _____ \$ 28.00 = _____

Sunday Brunch: fried chicken, scrambled eggs, fresh fruit, bacon, french toast \$ 20.00 = _____

Saturday Strides Walk T-shirt Size (S to 3XL, other) _____ \$ 18.00 = _____

2023 Indiana Convention Pin \$ 4.00 = _____

Scooter Rent (Friday thru Sunday) \$120.00 = _____

Total Registration Paid: \$ _____

Special dietary needs, list here: _____

Mail this Registration Form and Your Check, payable to
Indiana Lions State Convention 2023 to
CT Debbie Ellis, 8262 East Center Road, Sullivan, IN. 47882
Contact Info: 1-812-798-2096 or ellisdebbie259@gmail.com