

District 25D Newsletter Key LionNews February 2021



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Hello 25-D Lions,

2021 will be a GREAT year for Lions. The COVID-19 shots are being issued, spring is on March 20, 2021, the days are getting longer, Many of our clubs in 25D are now meeting. Our 25D convention is scheduled in Greentown LC on March 20, 2021. The MD25 convention is scheduled on April 30, May 1, 2, 2021 in the Wyndham Indianapolis West Hotel.

We have had several clubs increase their membership during this virus. Listed are the clubs who have gained new members this 2020/2021 year:

Albany +7 Carmel +4 Home Place Area +1 Matthews +9 Noblesville +2 Pendleton +1 Russiaville +1 Sheridan +1

That's eight Lion clubs who have gained a total of 26 new members. GREAT JOB LIONS I ask some of the clubs how did they get new members. Three of them said "They Asked a Friend to join". People want to join Lions but don't know how. They are waiting to be ASKED to join the world's largest service organization.

Tipton LC hosted the 3rd Cabinet meeting on February 9, 2021. There were 42 Lions from 9 different clubs present. The BIG smoked pork chop on a stick was SUPER. I got to induct 6 new members into the Tipton LC. PID Doug Lozier and IPDG Dan Wilcox presented PDG Cindy Wright with a Presidential Leadership Medal for her outstanding service to Lions in her club, district, and state. IPDG Dan Wilcox won the 50/50 and gave it back to the Eye Glass Recycling program. Thanks IPDG Dan.

I went to Gaston LC on February 10, 2021, and presented Lion Jim Mauck with a 60 year Chervon and plaque for his service to Lions. Lion Jim told of things the Gaston LC has done over the 60 years he has been a member. Congratulation Lion Jim.

There are many upcoming events:

Upland LC – Fish Fry 3/13/21

Greentown - Fish Fry 3/19/21

Russiaville – Fish Fry 4/10/21

Make plans to attend our 25D convention on Saturday, March 20, 2021 at the Greentown LC. Our speaker will be ID Shea Nickell from Louisville, KY. He serves as a Judge on the Kentucky Court of Appeals. ID Shea is an Eagle Boy Scout and Life Member of Ducks Unlimited. His wife Dr. Carolyn will also be with him. We will be having a Q/A session with a panel of Lions to answer any questions you might have and always wanted to ask.

"There are two primary choices in life: to accept conditions as they exist, or accept the responsibility for changing them" – Dr. Denis Waitley

DG Mike Imbler



Upcoming Events

BE THERE OR YOU'LL
WISH YOU HAD BEEN

2021

February

- 3 DG Official Visit Elwood LC
- 4 DG Official Visit Hamilton Township Lions Club
- 9 3rd Cabinet Meeting Tipton Lions Club

March

- 9 DG Official Visit Marion Lions Club
- 13 Upland LC Fish Fry
- 19 Greentown LC- Fish Fry
- 20 25-D District Convention, Greentown LC, Greentown, In.
- 24 DG Officilal Visit Wayne Fall Lions Club

<u>April</u>

- 10 Russiaville Fish Fry
- 13 DG Official Visit Albany LC

May

April 29-1 MD-25 State Convention Indianapolis, In.

17 4th Cabinet Meeting - Fowlerton LC

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2021-2022

"Alone we can do so little. Together we can do so much." – Helen Keller

As we approach our District Convention in March, and begin to look toward the 2021-2022 Lion Year, I have come to realize that the successes of our past, and our current successes are due to how well we work together as Lions. I firmly believe that in order to continue to serve our communities, we must work together for the common good.

Since the first of January, I have only been able to visit one club in the district, other than my own club in Marion. I had hoped to visit many more, but COVID has continued to make that difficult. However, I will continue to try and make visits to those clubs that are meeting.

As of now, we don't have anyone running for FVDG or SVDG. If anyone has an interest in serving beyond your club, then please let DG Mike or myself know. We will gladly answer any questions or concerns you have. I can tell you that it a great honor, and a very rewarding job.

There are only two Committee Chairs left to appoint for next year. They are Diabetes and Leo Clubs. Anyone interested should contact me as soon as possible. My email is mutt4866@gmail.com, or my phone number is 765.480.6312.

As many of you may already know, I am very open to new ideas. I believe that if we make changes for the sake of Lionism and not just change for the sake of change, we will strengthen our clubs and District well into the 21st Century. Technology is going to play a key role in that effort, and I am strongly supportive of the efforts to utilize that technology.

As we adjust to the changing times, keeping our traditions and past history in mind, we will continue to "Make a Difference"

First Vice District Governor Scott J. Smith District 25-D

Fellow Lions,

Just because how we are meeting has changed due to Covid, it does not mean we have to put recruiting on hold. Much as a gardener or farmer uses winter to plan for spring planting, we need to continue to spread our message, even when it is cold, snowy and bleak. Continue to reach out to friends, neighbors and acquaintances. It is time to do the leg work so we are in full stride once things get back to normal.

My Club has added or has commitments from seven new members since the start of the Lions year. This despite limited meetings this fall and going to virtual meetings this winter. While Covid has changed how we meet, we are still getting our message out and members are still actively recruiting. When things warm up this spring and we return to outdoor meetings, I expect our recruiting to go into overdrive with our Happy Hour prior to meetings, an updated social room in our Clubhouse and our new patio with fire pit.

As always, I am happy to discuss recruiting with any Lions.

Lion Tom Lorson
District 25D Membership Chair
Carmel Lions Club

Necrology Listing for District 25-D

Lions, as you know each year at the District and State Convention we honor those Lions who have passed since the last convention was held. In preparing for our upcoming district convention we compiled the below list from the club monthly MMI reports submitted since April 2020 to the present. Please review this list, and if it is not correct, or there are additions to be made, please forward that information to PDG Mark Anderson at mlaotn@yahoo.com. He is preparing the necrology service for our upcoming district convention.

ALBANY (009586) - LIONS CLUB

WILMA FRAZEE (970802) BOB SLONIKER (577806) JOSEPHINE A WAGN1ER (2518234)

ELWOOD (009597) - LIONS CLUB RALPH YARLING (1175572)

FAIRMOUNT (009598) - LIONS CLUB JERRY L BONE (1175576)

FRANKTON (009602) - LIONS CLUB JANE BUTTRY (1234633) MULFORD DAVIS (1239998)

FOWLERTON (009601) - LIONS CLUB JACK SHEETS (2510262)

GASTON (009603) - LIONS CLUB DONAL JOHNSON (1272198)

GREENTOWN (009604) - LIONS CLUB B J MATCHETT (1336674) HEBRON SMITH (1358178) ENCIL TRUEBLOOD (1911463)

LAPEL (009608) - **LIONS CLUB** JEAN LAYTON (1412016)

MATTHEWS (009614) - LIONS CLUB GERALD K RICHARDS (2493054)

NOBLESVILLE (009618) - LIONS CLUB JIMMY R. CARTER II (4247507) PORTLAND (009623) - LIONS CLUB KENNETH WALTERS (260708)

SHARPSVILLE (009630) - LIONS CLUB OLIVER W MYERS JR. (346626)

SHERIDAN (046235) - LIONS CLUB JOE L BILBY (195696) RICHARD COX (195703)

UNION TOWNSHIP L C (009638) - LIONS CLUB JACKIE L NAYLOR (438025)

WAYNE FALL L C (009641) - LIONS CLUB IRVIN K SISSON (491789)

WESTFIELD (009642) - LIONS CLUB DAVID K VAUGHN (2434352) J DONALD DAY (497165) NORMAN HEADRICK (502539)

YORKTOWN (009645) - LIONS CLUB RON KING (567051)

Virtual LCICon 2021



Due to the continuing concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the 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 as limiting international travel and large gatherings is 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 check the LCICON tab at www.LionsClubs.org

And we are still selling our new Indiana Shirts, so that we will all look good in the Virtual International Parade.

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3	Zone B	Lion	Jeffry	Manning	mail@msiwix.com	Saratoga



District 25-D Club Newsletter Contest

District Governor Mike Imbler would like to announce the District 25-D "*Club Newsletter Contest*". Individual clubs within the District should submit electronic copies of their newsletters to Cabinet Secretary Jeff Larrison. Since some clubs may produce newsletters at different frequencies (monthly, quarterly, etc.), the contest will involve evaluating the top two (2) newsletters submitted throughout the Lions year by each club.

Newsletters will be evaluated based on the following:

- Overall appearance
- Updates or announcements of upcoming club events
- Announcements of club news (new members, anniversaries, awards, etc.)
- Inclusion of photos
- Calendars (or lists) of upcoming events in the District or State
- Club officer contact information

The contest will be broken down into three (3) divisions so that clubs will be competing against similarly sized clubs. The different divisions will be:

- Clubs with 25 or fewer members
- Clubs with 26 to 50 members
- Clubs with more than 50 members

Along with future newsletters clubs may produce, clubs may submit newsletters they have *already* produced for this Lions year (beginning July 1, 2020). The contest will run through May of 2021. A committee will evaluate the newsletter submissions and winning clubs will be announced at the first cabinet meeting of the 2021-2022 Lions year. Awards will be presented to the winners and runners-up.

Newsletters should be emailed to: Cabinet Secretary Jeff Larrison Jefflarrison46033@gmail.com

Please feel free to email or call Lion Larrison with any questions. His phone number is (317) 416-8330.



25D District Convention

Sponsored by Greentown Lions Club



Saturday, March 20, 2021

Greentown Lions Club 610 E. Payton, Greentown, IN 46936

Keynote Speaker International Director – Judge Shea Nickell

Doors open at 8:00 am, meeting begins at 9:00 am

Morning Refreshments: Donuts, pastries, fruit, coffee, tea, juice

Lunch at 12 noon

Menu: Rib Tips, Salad, Mashed Red Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Rolls & Butter

Deserts

Pre-register by March 15th, 2021 Cost: \$20.00 Make checks payable to Greentown Lions Club

Reservation and payment to:
Lion Jean Ann Wise, 8431 E. 200 S. Greentown, IN 46936 - 765-210-6873.

(Masks, social distance, and sanitizer is recommended)

Name:		
Home Club:		
Office Held:		
Guest:		
Lions Registered:	X \$20.00 by March 13, 2021	Total:











Our highly popular Dinner in the Dark is an unparalleled experience full of intrigue, excitement and inspiration. And for the first time ever, Dinner in the Dark is going VIRTUAL in 2021! Supporters from all over the country can purchase a virtual Dinner in the Dark kit and join us at home for a fantastic new experience. Your ticket includes access to our powerful event program that will take place on Friday, March 12, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

Virtual Dinner in the Dark Kit (designed for two people) – \$150 Your Virtual Dinner in the Dark kit includes everything you need for you very own at-home Dinner in the Dark!

- Two blindfolds
- Two bibs
- Two Leader Dog face masks
- · Two stemless wine glasses
- One chef's hat
- Menu & meal preparation card
- Event program
- · Access to pre-event website
- Access to our virtual Dinner in the Dark program on Friday, March 12, 2021!

You can find out more (including FAQs) about virtual Dinner in the Dark on our website. https://www.leaderdog.org/dinner-in-the-dark/