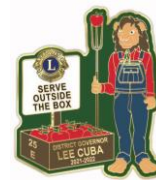




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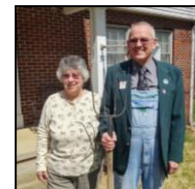


We Serve

NOW ON STAGE

District Governor

Lee Cuba



The reports are in, and this year has started with great excitement. To review, in Act 1 Scene 1, we saw the club presidents scheduling official visits of the DG. We also saw many Lions with their family and friends signing up to support/work the State Fair that has now started.

Act 1 Scene 2 starts out with the DG reviewing his calendar and seeing that many more clubs have scheduled not only official visits but also special events like club anniversaries. His calendar is getting full. We notice that the State Fair is being supported by several Lions. But there are still many opportunities to serve at the fair.

Act 1 Scene 3 was the District Meeting at the Francisco Lions Club House. There were many reports given and many ideas discussed. The DG even mentioned the start of a new contest. It is a challenge to all the members to ask their sons, daughters, and family members to join Lions. See District Secretary Keith's report on the topic of this member resource. There was even some thinking outside the box when the DG mentioned a possible new project. He wondered if dentures could be recycled? As you can guess, it was followed by sounds of disbelief. It did get the emotions stirring.

As the curtain closed on Scene 3, all that attended seemed to enjoy the different approach of using theater analogy.

Intermission has started. It is time to put September 25th, 25E Banner Night on your calendar. It's going to be a Country Hee Haw, you just wait and see.

Lion Lee Cuba
DG 25E, 2021-2022
"Serve outside the box"

~ DISTRICT DISH ~

Upcoming Events *(all times are local time at that location)*

Date	Event	Time / Location	Contact
6 Aug 2021	Ellettsville Lions Club Golf Scramble	Noon / Rolling Meadows Golf Club, Gosport	IPDG Kenny Williams, 812-320-4258
12 Aug 2021	Oakland City Lions Club, DG Official Visit	6 p.m.	DG Lee Cuba, 812-583-2875
23 Aug 2021	Ramsey Lions Club, DG Official Visit	6:30 p.m.	DG Lee Cuba, 812-583-2875
9-11 Sep 2021	USA/Canada Forum	Des Moines, IA	
20 Sep 2021	Paoli Lions Club, DG Official Visit	6:30 p.m.	DG Lee Cuba, 812-583-2875
21 Sep 2021	French Lick / West Baden Lions Club, DG Official Visit	6:30 p.m. / French Lick American Legion	DG Lee Cuba, 812-583-2875
25 Sep 2021	Zionsville Lions Club Heart for Diabetes 5K/10K Walk/Run	9 a.m. / Zionsville Lions Club	http://getmeregistered.com <i>(add event name to search for the event)</i>
25 Sep 2021	District 25E Banner Night	6 p.m. / Fayetteville Community Lions Club Park, 6825 SR 158, Bedford	DG Lee Cuba, 812-583-2875
4 Oct 2021	Medora Lions Club, DG Official Visit	6 p.m.	DG Lee Cuba, 812-583-2875
14 Oct 2021	Petersburg Lions Club, DG Official Visit		DG Lee Cuba, 812-583-2875
26 Oct 2021	Brownstown Lions Club, DG Official Visit	594 S. Dogwood Dr., Brownstown, IN	DG Lee Cuba, 812-583-2875
23 Oct 2021	2 nd Council Meeting	TBD	
30 Oct 2021	2 nd 25E Cabinet Meeting	9 a.m. / Sullivan Civic Center, Sullivan, IN	DG Lee Cuba, 812-583-2875
6 Nov 2021	Shoals Lions Club 75th Anniversary Luncheon	TBA	TBA
21 Dec 2021	Salem Lions Club, DG Official Visit	6 p.m.	DG Lee Cuba, 812-583-2875
14-15 Jan 2022	(Possibly) Mid-Winter Conference	Crowne Plaza, Ind. Airport	
22 Jan 2022	District Information Meeting	Via Zoom	
23 Jan 2022	3 rd Council Meeting	Crowne Plaza, Ind. Airport	

New Members – Welcome!

Club	Member	Sponsor
Bedford	Wanda Helton	Janette Allen
Mount Vernon	Phillip Edling	Craig Edling
Mount Vernon	William Matthews	Ken Rudibaugh
Oakland City	Carla Ashabranner	Priscilla Leffler
Oakland City	Kameron Ashabranner	Priscilla Leffler
Oakland City	April Carlisle	John Bajzath
Oakland City	Donald Carlisle	Marvin Leffler
Sandborn	Nyla Johnson	
Sandborn	Eddie McKim	Roger Blackwell

'Til Fiddler's Green – Fallen Members Recently Reported

Club	Name
Mount Vernon	Jared Davis
Oakland City	Floyd Dillon

Club Anniversaries!

Club	Charter	Age (yrs.)
Brownstown	24 Aug 1927	94
Corydon	18 Aug 1988	33
Elizabeth	25 Aug 2003	18
Evansville Eastside	2 Aug 1956	65
French Lick-West Baden	23 Aug 1950	71
Orleans	26 Aug 1970	51

Care and Concerns

Our thoughts and prayers are with those Lions and their family members or friends around the world that are sick, in the hospital, or at home, and all others whose losses are unknown to us at this time.

Lion Vivian Fishel	Lion George Gabel	Lion Clara Hopper	Family Member Donnie Hopper
Lion Terry Sanders	Lion Shirley Wiseheart		

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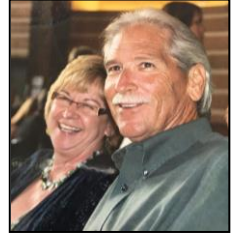
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NOTE: "Care and Concerns" names will be listed for three consecutive months, unless updated otherwise.

IN THE WINGS...

1st Vice District Governor

Don Russ



Act one of As the Council Turns started on Saturday July 24th in La Port. To say the least, it looks to be a turn-around year for Lions. I know I'm looking forward to it.

It's time for our clubs to look at a Lions Membership Rebuild and you can get all the help you need from your District 25E Team. We are ready, willing, and able to help your club any way we can. Sit down as a club, make some plans on how to add membership, and then execute your plan (not the planners). We are as close as a phone call, e-mail, or text to give you the support you may need.

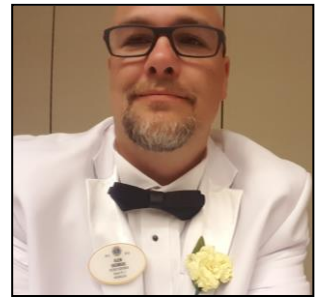
We are ALL in this together.

VDG Don Russ

FROM THE GREEN ROOM...

2nd Vice District Governor

Glen Georges



Hey we have already made it through the first month already. Wow that was fast. Our clubs are hard at work serving our communities. If you have not signed up to work the State Fair, please do. Our foundation needs your help. It is fun and easy work. Meet Lions from all over the state.

Keep asking those you know whom are not Lions to join our clubs. New members help keep our clubs fresh with ideas and leadership. Let's help keep Lions Club roaring for the next 100 years.

Yours in service,

2VDG Glen Georges

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- ~ Hoosier Lion: Lion Holly Nethery, hnethery25@yahoo.com; by last day of each month.

NOTE: For Hoosier Lion items, please include, "For Hoosier Lion – District 25E" in the subject line, and please ensure the caption is relatively short. Those e-mails will be forwarded as-is to the Hoosier Lion editor.

FROM THE SCRIBE...

District 25E Cabinet Secretary / Past Council Chair

Keith Thomas



Hello Lions,

This month I would like to discuss incorporating families into your Lions Club. After reviewing the rosters of clubs in the district, I was surprised to not see a lot of family groups. Yes, there are several that have husband and wife, but not many with mom, dad, and children members. There are some clubs, like the Ireland club that has several father and son members. Erica and I were asked to join Lions by Lion Dad. We are the first second generation members of the Petersburg Lions.

Almost every club has expressed an interest in adding younger members, but most have not tapped in this potential source of members. Why not? Your children have heard you talk about Lions projects and fundraisers for years. They should be able to see what being a Lions member means to you. They may have helped you with a project or two. Ask them to join and embrace their ideas. Once you have them in Lions and they are comfortable with the club, encourage them to start asking their friends and their extended family members.

The club needs to be willing to make changes as you invite and get younger members. They may have young (school age or younger) children. If these children are old enough, include them in the club functions. If not, bring toys and games that they can play with during the meetings and functions. The children will learn about Lions from a young age and can also attract more potential members.

Lions Clubs International has a flyer that has additional information on this to help the club prepare for family members. Go to www.lionsclubs.org and search MPFG1 for the pdf file.

Hopefully this will help your club grow. Remember, DG Lee's theme is to "Serve Outside the Box." If you have not thought about asking family members to join Lions, this could be another idea outside the box.

Until next time, Racing to Serve

PCC Keith Thomas

District 25E Cabinet Secretary

Hey Lions! Just a little check here to see who is actually reading the District 25-E newsletter. 😊

The first person to e-mail me the correct answers to these questions (all can be found within this issue) will receive a \$25 Target gift card!

- 1) What is happening in Bedford on September 25th, AND what is the theme?
- 2) What is Sharon Kamman the chair of, AND what kind of contest does she want to have?
- 3) How many clubs in our district are qualified for gaming permits?
- 4) Who worked at the Gibson County Fair Lemon Shake-up Stand?

Good luck!!

Lion Holly Nethery

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ENVIRONMENTAL EXPRESSIONS...

District E Environmental Chair

Sharon Kamman

I read an interesting article in the Indianapolis Star several weeks ago. It talked about “climate refugees.” I’m quoting from the article.

“U.S. history is filled with stories of people moving from one place to another to find a better life.

- The Great Migration of 6 million black Americans fleeing the Jim Crow South.
- The Dust Bowl journey of 2.5 million people headed West from Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, and Missouri.
- And most recently in the Rust Belt, the exodus of millions from aging factory towns in search of better jobs and fairer weather.”

The article went on to talk about the current situation in increasing hurricanes and rising tides in the South and on the East Coast, devastating heat and drought and wildfires in the West. It seems these statistics require action on the part of elected officials in Indiana cities and towns to begin preparing for these kinds of population movements into the Midwest. Indiana has the towns and infrastructure without enough people to keep them thriving. Here in central Indiana we have manufacturing, construction, retail, landscaping, and agricultural jobs available and not enough workers to fill them. If these “climate refugees” decide to move into Indiana, it could be good business for Indiana. We should let it be known that Indiana is open for business, with affordable towns and cities, friendly people, and good affordable colleges.

I just thought this was an interesting article. What do you think? Do you think people are going to start moving from areas that have been devastated by the forces of nature? Do you think Indiana should begin to prepare for the future that is ever-changing? Would Indiana be willing to accept these families from other areas? Would there be adequate housing for them? These questions are good conversation starters. Let’s talk about them with our friends and neighbors.

On another subject – It saddens me to read about the mysterious illness that is sickening and killing many birds in our area and all over the Midwest. I’m hoping that scientists will soon discover what is causing this sudden illness and death of our beautiful birds. We have followed the suggestions about taking down our bird feeders and bird baths. If you notice dead birds on your property, please be careful about handling them and disposing of them.

I’ll mention again that I would love to have a “nature” photo contest here in the district. If you love to take pictures, now is your chance to shine. Take pictures of trees, flowers, animals, water, old buildings like barns, etc. Later in the year we will find a time for you to display your photos. The top two or three will win a prize. Sounds like fun!

Take good care of yourselves – get outside and enjoy our beautiful Indiana.

Lion Sharon Kamman

Environmental Chair, District 25-E

Indiana Lions Foundation Needs Your Help at the Indiana State Fair



The Indiana State Fair project is the single largest fundraiser for the Indiana Lions Foundation. Once again, we are asking for your help to staff 3 gates at the Fair. We have more than 800 positions to fill, but only 300 are filled so far. Committee members are working diligently to recruit volunteers, but the time for recruitment is considerably shorter this year.

There are many changes at the Indiana State Fair this year.

- The schedule has been expanded from 3 weekends to 4, but the Fair will be closed Monday and Tuesday of each week. The Fair will open early on the first 2 Fridays, so a few positions will start at 5:30 a.m. on those days. There are also staggered start times for the morning and afternoon shifts every day. Please check the Foundation website for details. Gates will close at 8:00 p.m. daily, instead of 9:00 p.m. or 9:30 p.m., as in previous years.
- No more riding the shuttle from the 46th Street parking lot! We will enter through Gate 10 on 42nd Street at the northeast corner of the fairgrounds. Identify yourself as a Lions Foundation volunteer and you should not be asked to pay entry or parking fees. It will help to wear a Lions shirt or hat. As you enter the gate, you will see a large gray building on your right. Park as close to that building as possible.
- Our check-in area will be set up in a small free-standing building on the west side of the large gray building. The bank will be in a similar building nearby. Volunteers will be transported to their gates after they complete the check-in process.
- In addition to ticket sellers and tickets scanners, we will also provide kiosk monitors to monitor new self-service ticket kiosks. All ticket sellers and kiosk monitors will be in air-conditioned buildings. Ticket scanners will still be outside under tents. This year, the scanning devices will be mounted on tables, fairgoers will scan their own tickets, and our ticket scanners will simply approve entry after tickets are successfully scanned.

If you work a morning shift, you will receive 1 W.P. Woods credit for each shift worked, if you work an afternoon shift, you will receive 2 W.P. Woods credits for each shift worked, or you may choose to have \$10 donated to any of the 5 state projects or your club. W.P. Woods credits are worth \$50 each when you use credits to purchase a W.P. Woods Fellowship for yourself or someone else.

Contact any member of the Foundation's State Fair Committee for additional information.

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PCC Bob Booher (317-435-0139)
PDG Don Cooper (260-615-5350)
Lion Pam Arnold (260-705-6610)
Lion Rose Russell (574-250-0125)

Please volunteer by visiting our website at <https://IndianaLionsFoundationMD25.org> and encourage your club members, family members, and friends to volunteer, as well.

submitted by Lion Rose Russell, Indiana Lions Foundation Trustee

DOES YOUR CLUB DO GAMING?

Does your Club do raffles, bingos, euchre or other card tournaments, 50/50 tickets, or any other gaming as a fundraiser that involves non-Lions? If so, do you have a Gaming Permit from the Indiana Gaming Commission? If not, and someone notifies the IGC of a violation, they are required to investigate and without a permit your Club and possibly some of its members could be fined as much as \$1,000 or more. If your Club was formerly qualified but has not applied for any permits for some time, you must get re-qualified.

In our District E there are only 11 individual clubs (Bloomington, Dugger, Francisco, Fredericksburg, Georgetown, Hardinsburg, Ireland, New Albany, Palmyra, Ramsey, and Worthington) plus our District that are currently "qualified" for getting gaming permits. You have to be "qualified" in order to get a permit. It doesn't cost anything to get qualified. You can do it by going to in.gov/igc/charity-gaming/, click on "Charity Gaming Forms" then CG-OA. Fill out and send in with other required documentation. Or, click on form CG-EN, fill out and send in. (Also, no charge and no follow-up forms to fill out after the event). Both forms will get you qualified, but CG-EN will also get you an exempt permit for having an event where the "retail value" of the prize/s doesn't exceed \$2,500.

If the prize/s for an event you want to have exceeds \$2,500 you will need to send in the CG-OA and one of the other "Annual Events" or "Single Events" forms (there is a charge plus follow-up forms after the event to fill out and send back).

Once your club is qualified, you will need to set up a separate checking account just for received gaming monies.

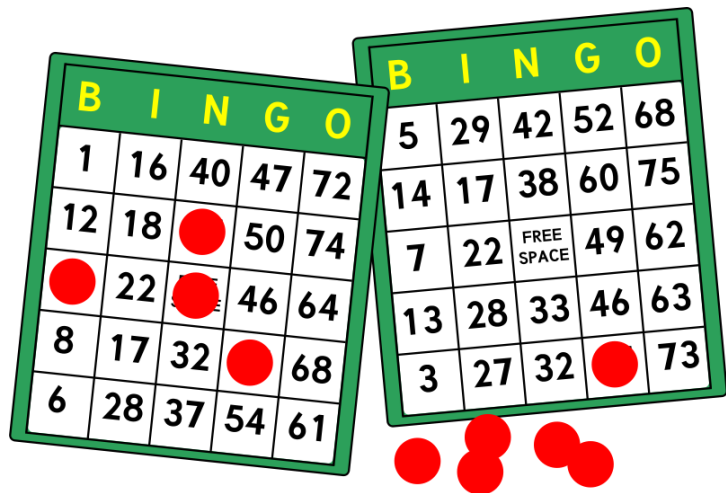
Don't wait until you have been fined because a disgruntled member or participant turns your club in for doing a gaming event without a license. It's not worth it. Go to the website above, get qualified and get a gaming permit or exempt permit.

If you need help or more info, give me a call or email me.

Lion Sam Hopper

Georgetown Lions Club

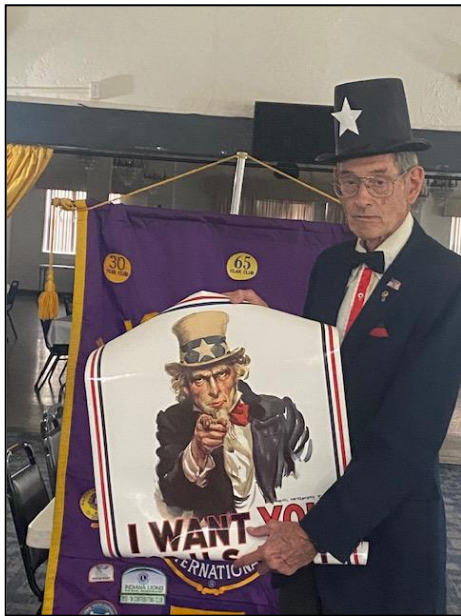
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25E Club Happenings

Bill Schultz, President of the Evansville Eastside Club, and 1VDG Don Russ visited Amyl Gene Nix, a member since 1969 of the Boonville Club, at Newburgh Health Care, where he currently resides.



“I want you for the Lions Club.”

PDG Bill Willis explains the origin of the world-famous Uncle Sam “I Want You” poster at a July 6th meeting of the French Lick-West Baden Lions Club. The meeting date was the anniversary of the appearance of the image of Uncle Sam on July 6, 1916, during WWI on the cover of Leslie’s Weekly magazine. It was the picture of artist James Montgomery Flagg who painted his own image to save the cost of hiring a model. His painting was so popular that it was used again in WWII recruiting and recognized all over the world. (Photo by Lion Jim Springer).



PDG Dale Leffler, Lion John Bajzath, and Lion Lilly Schultz worked the Lemon Shake-up Stand at the Gibson County Fair.

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