

District 25E Southwest Indiana Lions

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Governor's Corner

Fellow Lions:

As we start another Lion's year we will have a little different approach to our activities. There is a lot of "NEWS" to absorb.

My Lion is available to everyone with a "smart phone". We should all become familiar with it this year because after this Lion's year we will be required to use it to report our service activities. This year we may still use "My LCI" to report our service activities.

Our Cabinet Meetings will continue to evolve in that reporting will continue to be mostly written and programs will replace most historically verbal reports.

Emphasis will be placed on clubs submitting Membership Reports, Service Activity Reports, and Officer Reports (PU101's). These reports are very important to LCI as they try to partner with other "entities" to gain research information to share with our clubs. The reports are also used when arranging purchases of specialized equipment for various projects. If we do not report our membership activity and service activity monthly, LCI doesn't know specifically what we have done or whether our membership has changed. They cannot assume anything has changed or that a project is a monthly event.

LCIF is starting a new Campaign 100 in celebration of 50 years of service. A goal of \$300,000,000 in 3 years has been established. Several ways have been proposed to achieve this goal. It is encouraged that every club donate in every district. A "Model Club" category has been established for club(s) wishing to donate large amounts. However, every club should consider making a donation to our own foundation to provide funding for service activities across the globe as well as in our own communities. Keep in mind District 25 E has been the recipient of several disaster relief grants not available from anywhere else. Also our clubs have taken advantage of LCIF grants to purchase equipment not possible on their own.

Communication is a vitally important activity for any organization so the plan is to have District Officers contact clubs more frequently with more help and additional information.

Our goals for this year, briefly is: Start one new club. Have a net gain in membership growth Attain a 40% women membership ratio Train 40 Club and District Officers Succeed in clubs submitting MMR's and SAR's consistently

Together we can accomplish much. Alone we can accomplish much less. We will approach the coming year with enthusiasm looking forward to a time of enjoying soaring to new heights reaching our goals and enjoying the journey together. I look forward to scheduling visits to your clubs and sharing growth in our District.

Lion Ron Edwards Governor District 25 E Jzwn7h@sbcglobal.net 812-275-3139 812-278-6088

Upcoming Events:

- 28 July: 25-E Banner Night – Bedford, IN
- 2 Aug: Oakland City Corn Festival
- 11 Aug: 1st Cabinet Mtg – Brownstown, IN

See more details at our Website under *Calendar*

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Official Visits:

- 23 July: Bedford Eve
- 11 Aug: 1st Cabinet Mtg – Brownstown, IN

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1st Vice DG Corner

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LCICon 2018 Wrap-Up



PCC Jeff and I along with other Lions from 25-E and our Multiple District (Indiana) attended the 101st International Lions Convention 2018 (LCICon 2018). LCICon 2018 was held in Las Vegas at the MGM Grand Hotel and Convention Center. There were lots of Lions from all over the world attending.

Saturday started out with everyone marching in the International Parade of Nations that went through parts of the Old Vegas area. There were Lions from all over the world marching in the Parade and in very colorful outfits. It was very hot (upwards of 103 degrees), but the walk was only 6 blocks long once we got to the starting line (we were the 72nd group out of 144 in the parade). It was at the end of the parade when things go really messed up. There was some sort of crowd control at the end of the line for getting back on the buses for the trip back to the hotels. However, the closer you got to the front of the line to load the buses everything got out of control and Lions started transforming into "zombies." Really it was that scary, but FLD Chelsey, Jeff and I (along with CC Keith and Lion Erica) survived.

The business sessions and seminars were interesting too. We got to hear from the candidates for various positions that was on the ballots. More information was put out about Diabetes and the new "My Lion App" which is coming soon for both the mobile devices and for laptops. There were also many seminars such as Social Media, How to Recruit New Members, and other new and wonderful things for individual Lions and their Clubs.

On Saturday we were dazzled with a special performance by Cirque Dreams' "Jungle Fantasy." On Sunday we were entertained by Angelica Hale, a 10-year-old singer from Atlanta, GA who competed in America's Got Talent last season. Then during the evening, the Indiana Lions attended a "Tournament of Kings" dinner along with the Lions of Michigan. On Monday the 43rd President of the U.S. (President George W. Bush) was our keynote speaker. On Tuesday our third plenary session had "Mr. Las Vegas" himself (Wayne Newton) as our entertainment. Finally, around 12:30pm our own DGE Ron Edwards was sworn into office! Congratulations to DG Ron and we wish him the best for Lion Year 2018-2019.

As many of us returned from LCICon 2018, the Lions from Japan were welcomed home by historic rains in the southwestern part of their country. The massive

amount of rain – 14 inches in only two hours – caused immense flooding. Many people lost their lives, others lost their homes, and millions of people had to be evacuated. We know Lions everywhere join in sending their thoughts and prayers to residents in the flooded area.

Sheryl Schafer 1st VDG, 25-E 812-325-7762 <u>Shery.schafer1@comcast.net</u> Send Newsletter Articles and Pictures (with captions) by the end of each month to:

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Preferred format for articles is .pdf and for pics is .jpg.

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2nd Vice DG Corner

Thank you District 25E for letting me be your 2nd Vice District Governor for this year. I will do my best to learn and perform my duties in an ethical and professional manner. I look forward to meeting you.



I think everywhere I have been with Lions, the need for new members is discussed. Lions, and all other service organizations are dwindling down in size in the US. We are becoming an "older" organization. If we don't make some changes to attract and keep our youngest members, I am afraid we won't be able to provide the service to our communities and our neediest in the manner we want. We will die out as our members get older. I didn't go to the recent international Convention in Las Vegas, but when I saw the headliner entertainer, I thought to myself "That's not going to attract any newer members. Wayne Newton has been a main stay for our generation, but most people under 30 have never heard of him. Change is often subtle and needs to start from the top by example.

There are some things you can do to attract new younger members. Focus some of your projects on the things that light their fuse, like the environment. Keep them active. Use (or ask them to help us use) Social Media to attract younger recruits and teach us old dogs some new tricks. But the biggest way to get them in our clubs is to ASK them to join. Not all of the Millennials are eager to join, but many of them want to save the world and Lions is a great place to start. Let's think outside the box a little and make our events more inviting to the younger generations, while keeping our current members happy. But remember, they choose our nursing homes. I look forward to meeting you all.

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Prayer List:

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

Please email PDG Phil at <u>plange@twc.com</u> or call or text at 812-677-0500 with names, club and condition of those needing prayers.

Lion Doris Bliss Lio RC Larry Bottom Liv PDG Phil Lange Liv PDG Myrna Thompson Liv Lion Mary Chisham Liv Betty Taylor Br Lion Shelly Harden's Family

Lion Cindy DeHart Lion Jaline Spurgeon Lion Henry Spindler Lion Ami Yeager Lion Alma Graf Brenda & Gib Hayes

PDG Frank Ruane Lion Bob Evans Lion Harry Martin Lion Jody Call & Daughter Lion Bill Stoops Lion Helen Carson Lion Dave Milby Lion Joan Bode Lion Don Derrington Lion Donnie Derrington Lion Jeff Byrne PDG Alvetta Wallace

Newsletter, Public Relations & Hoosier Lion

Some of you have asked the question of whom to send information (photos including captions, event flyers & articles) to when it comes to the newsletter, public relations and the Hoosier Lion. Below are the points of contact and deadline (if there is one) for each:

25E Newsletter: PCC Jeff Schafer, jeff.schafer1@comcast.net. Deadline by the 25th of each month. Public Relations: CC Keith Thomas, <u>kthomas@threeidesign.com</u>. No deadline. Hoosier Lion: Lion Jaline Spurgeon, jaspurg@hotmail.com. 5th of each month.

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Club Anniversaries

| Club | Charter | Age (Yrs) |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| New Middletown | 7/14/2004 | 14 |



New Members Reported in June – Welcome!

| Club | Member | Sponsor |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bedford | Jeremy Hodge | Judy Heichelbech |
| Bedford Noon | Samuel Arp II | Jack Voigtschild |
| Carilsle | Timothy Nees | Barbara Rotramel |
| Fayetteville Community | Wade Craig | Lynn Burch |
| Fayetteville Community | Taylor Dixon | Julia Terry |
| Fayetteville Community | Bruce & Lola Megnin | Kevin Stailey |
| Fayetteville Community | Kim & Sam Perry | Lynn Burch |
| Fayetteville Community | Penny & Sam Perry | Duane Terry |
| Fayetteville Community | Sara & Tim Perry | Duane Terry |
| French Lick/West Baden | Ross Wells | PDG Bill Willis |
| Georgetown | Clara Hopper | Sam Hopper |
| Lanesville | Robert & Teresa Schickel | Vickie Sizemore |
| Mount Vernon | Gary Stallings | Michele Hardin |
| Oakland City | Dawn & Rob Dathy | Randy Howes |
| Oakland City | Christopher & Ladonna Siggers | John Bajzath/Carol Bajzath |
| Oakland City | Pamelia Higdon | Carol Bajzath |
| Oakland City | William McDowell | Glen Georges |
| Oakland City | Joe Yannayon | John Bajzath |
| Petersburg | Sue Ann Burns | Lowell Thomas |
| Shoals | David Smith | Dale Brown |
| Wheatland | Mike Young | William Nicholson |



Fallen Lions Reported in June 2018

| Club | Member |
|--------------|-----------------|
| Brown County | Gary Havely |
| Francisco | Robert McDonald |
| Odon | PDG Rex Malone |

"Secretary's Challenge"

In June, we had 68% Monthly Membership Reports (MMRs) and a 47% on the Service Activity Reports (SARs) submitted. The MMRs average increased by 2% and the SARs increased by 11%. Overall, for the year our MMRs average was 65% and our SARs average was 38%. Overall, year to date we completed 29,172 volunteer hours, served over 185,800 people, collected over 14,540 eyeglasses and 59 hearing aids, raised over \$156,172 and donated over \$47,300 and completed over 2,018 activities. Keep up the GREAT work in your communities!

Need Help: Call or email PCC Jeff Schafer, 812.325.3130, jeff.schafer1@comcast.net anytime!

Let's keep up the GREAT effort and work!

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President's Message

We are embarking on an incredible voyage together. It will be guided by our motto and my theme, "We Serve," and by your commitment to service, hope and human dignity. No one has a greater role to play in achieving success than you. I ask you to be confident and decisive as you lead your district into a new year in which our ambition will be matched only by our innovation.

In Las Vegas, we discussed our priorities for the year, and identified chartering new clubs as a key to success. **I want you to focus on chartering new clubs in the first quarter** so we can get off to a fast start to the year. To reward you for your hard work, I will be sharing awards opportunities throughout the year to recognize you and the efforts of your leaders who are helping you achieve your goals.

We have so much to accomplish this year—strengthening our membership, serving our Global Causes, supporting Campaign 100 and more. I look forward to working with you to achieve our goals so we can advance the service mission of our incredible association and serve as a beacon to the world.

Together, we can reach new frontiers of service that lie beyond the horizon.

In friendship,

Gudrun Yngvadottir Your International President



Save The Date – District 25-E Banner Night

DG Ron Edwards' Banner Night will be **July 28, 2018** at the **First Christian Church**, 1101 15th Street in Bedford, Indiana.

Further information and registration form is located on page 9.

Set aside this date and don't forget to bring your Banner. Dress attire will be business casual.

| Large Clubs (>30 | Members) | Small Clubs (<= 3 | 0 Members) |
|------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| Bedford Eve | 42,100 pts | Petersburg | 45,420 pts |
| Georgetown | 37,135 pts | Bloomfield | 44,725 pts |
| Fayetteville | 30,675 pts | Bedford Noon | 25,700 pts |



Greeting Lions,

Lions, my time as the chairman of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has been an experience I'll never forget. In my travels, I've witnessed such strong character in Lions, something that does not surprise me, but is still incredible to see in action. Selflessness, perseverance, dedication, and compassion are the words that come to mind when thinking about the character of a Lion.

I want to extend my gratitude to all Lions. The life-changing service projects we perform would not be possible without you. I am consistently in awe of your outstanding dedication to service. The world is a better place because of your efforts, and it does not go unnoticed.

Speaking of making the world a better place, LCIF now has even more ways to empower the service of Lions. We're launching two new grant opportunities, Leo Grants and District and Club Community Impact Grants, which you can read more about on LCIF.org. We're also expanding our global causes to include diabetes, childhood cancer, the environment and hunger in addition to sight, youth, disaster relief and humanitarian service. All of this will be made possible by our most ambitious capital fundraising campaign yet. I encourage you to watch for more information soon on how you can be a part of this effort and empower the service of Lions.

As Helen Keller said many years ago, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

Sincerely,

Chancellor Bob Corlew Chairman, Lions Clubs International Foundation





Our Newest Club! - The Old Vincennes Lions Club - Welcome

| Club | New Member | New Member |
|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Old Vincennes | Anjelica Allen | Gabrielle Ault |
| Old Vincennes | Stacey Bauer - Secretary | Sally Bodensteiner |
| Old Vincennes | Pam Burton - Treasurer | Tom Burton |
| Old Vincennes | Lori Cardinal | Cristine Cooper |
| Old Vincennes | Tammy Forbey | Chelsea Francis |
| Old Vincennes | Donald Fredrick | Monica Gilmore |
| Old Vincennes | Jeremy Holtsclaw | Christy Keller – Mbrship Chair |
| Old Vincennes | Dusty Luking - President | Steve Maitlen |
| Old Vincennes | Timothy Perkins | Amanda Rath |
| Old Vincennes | Peggy Robinson | Brian Stephens |



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Next Steps for MyLion for the Web

Almost a year ago, Lions Clubs International began the gradual roll-out of the MyLion mobile phone app to members around the world. Since then, we've worked with leaders like you to gain valuable feedback, enhance the MyLion app, and build its web browser companion.

Starting this month, we will initiate the next step in our MyLion plan- identifying regions around the globe to gradually test the version of MyLion that works in web browsers. This is the version of MyLion that will eventually replace MyLCI for service activity reporting – but not until it's fully ready and Lions have had a chance to receive training. As we announced in our prior communication, we are going to ensure that Lion leaders, the Global Action Team, and officers are fully trained prior to a final global release.

Over the next few quarters, we will test-release MyLion in certain localities prior to a full global release. We will use this approach to:

- Conduct testing to help identify technical considerations for release planning and give Lions the opportunity to participate in feedback groups.
- Collect and methodically apply our Global Action Team leadership's feedback and the feedback from test users.
- Ensure that every member has adequate time to learn the MyLion system before transitioning service activity reporting from MyLCI to MyLion.

You will receive advanced notification when MyLion on the web is ready to release in your region, along with training, guides, and other resources to support your test of the system. **Until then, please continue to use MyLCI or your local system for service activity reporting**.

Countries that use eMMR reporting systems will receive personalized communications and instructions in the coming weeks.





I thought you might like to read this story about a Client who recently received her new Leader Dog via Home Delivery. Nowadays, you can get almost anything your heart desires delivered directly to your door. From Alaskan king crab legs and designer shoes to best-selling books and vintage cookie jars, we all love when the delivery truck stops in front of our houses. For qualified Leader Dog clients, however, it's the white Leader Dog van in their driveway that makes the best delivery of all: independence in the form of a highly trained Leader Dog. We have made Home Deliveries in 35 states and Canada. We even made a Home Delivery to Alaska! Home Deliveries are but one more example of how your donations to Leader Dog are invested and how Lions like you, help change lives every single day.

"Home deliveries are a great option for some people who have other commitments such as families, jobs, medical conditions or special home circumstances," said Leader Dog Guide Dog Mobility Instructor (GDMI) Kevin Ihrke. "We try to do two or three home deliveries from each class."

Sandy Falardeau was looking forward to her trip to the Leader Dog campus to meet her new dog, Aero. A true "people person" at heart, she was also looking forward to meeting the other people in her training class. Unfortunately, she was forced to cancel her trip when she was sidelined by an injury. *"I was so disappointed at first, but when GDMI Kevin Ihrke called me and said 'How about if I come to you?' I said yes right away."*



Kevin spent nine days working with Sandy and Aero in Bay City, Michigan. The retired teacher experienced firsthand the advantages of training in her home environment. "It really was nicer working from home, except for the food. The food at Leader Dog is great!" she laughed. "We did everything we would have done on campus and spent a lot of time on country travel. The only thing we couldn't do here was train on escalators, because we don't have any in town. But that's OK, I like elevators better anyway."

Sandy felt she bonded fast with Aero. "She adapted to me and my lifestyle very quickly. She's perfectly patterned to my life now. When Kevin left I was confident that I had learned everything I needed to get back to my busy life."

GDMI Kevin agreed. "Sandy accomplished everything she needed to be successful in a shorter amount of time. It was an absolute pleasure to work with Sandy and Aero, and I wish them nothing but happiness from here on out."

Mike Dengate Lions Engagement Specialist 1039 S. Rochester Road Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115 248-650-7102 888-777-5332 ext. 1102



PCC Jeff Schafer returning FLD Chelsy (yellow lab) back to Leader Dogs for the Blind on July 15 for further training. Additionally, we picked up a new puppy an 8-month old black female lab named Ellie.

Photo VDG Sheryl Schafer, Bloomfield Lions Club





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Lions Clubs International

The Importance of Extension

As a Lion, you understand the difference your club makes in your community, and that's why it's important to help start new Lions clubs. But there may be more reasons than you can think of. Starting new clubs is important for the following reasons:

1. To Rejuvenate and Grow Membership

Starting new clubs grows active volunteers. Through extension, you:

- Cultivate new resources.
- Boost enthusiasm.

care about.

- Generate new and innovative ideas for service and fundraising projects.
- Build leadership skills and new leaders.
- Increase district funds for activities and projects.

2. Because Community is What We Make It

At the end of the day, it's what Lions do that matters. Starting new clubs:

- Gives communities currently without a Lions club the opportunity to respond to local needs.
- Provides an avenue for community and service-minded individuals to be involved in projects they
- · Readies more hands for service.

3. To Engage New Member Types

No two Lions clubs are alike, because no two people are alike. A new club:

- Allows members to establish a unique club culture.
- Persuades younger members to get involved, particularly when the club has a focus on community service projects and utilizes modern communication methods.
- Encourages family and women membership.
- Removes the uncomfortable issue of seniority and leadership felt by long-time members.
- Enables members with shared interests to form a Special Interest Lions club.

Because the Future of Lions Depends on It

We matter, because people know they can count on Lions to pitch in. With new Lions clubs we continue to:

- Enable more Lions to continue making a difference.
- Support the humanitarian work of Lions clubs through LCIF.
- Ensure our members remain as our most sustainable resource.

It's impossible to imagine that some communities are still without a Lions club. We became the world's largest service organization one club at a time, so begin your extension efforts today.

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Lions Clubs International Indiana MD 25E Bedford Lions Club

You are cordially invited to Lions District 25-E's Banner Night.

Celebrating the Incoming District Governor Ron Edwards Emcee: Lee Cuba

Saturday July 28, 2018 Social Time - 5:00 - 6:00 P.M. Eastern Time Dinner - 6:00 P.M. Eastern Time

> First Christian Church 1101 15th St., Bedford, IN 47421

The meal is \$20 per person

Reservation are due by July 21, 2018 email <u>rikaiser1510@yahoo.com</u> or Mail to CT Richard Kaiser 1510 Red Leaf Drive Evansville, IN 47712

Please bring you Club Banner and a Silent Auction item.





SUPPORT THE INDIANA LIONS FOUNDATION BY SELLING TICKETS AT THE 2018 INDIANA STATE FAIR INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

DATES: AUGUST 3 – 19 MORNING AND AFTERNOON SHIFTS AVAILABLE

EARN W. P. WOODS FELLOWSHIP CREDITS FOR YOU OR YOUR CLUB

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SIGN UP VISIT:

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OR CONTACT A DISTRICT 25E ILF TRUSTEE

Lion Sandy Ruane 812-498-3565 Lion Erica Thomas 812-766-0159 Lion Herb Stevens 812-723-2150



Attention: Vehicle Rental Reimbursement

The Indiana State Fair Committee is announcing a new incentive for working the gates. Effective this year (2018 Indiana State Fair) anyone who rents a van/vehicle and transports at least 8 people to work the gates for the Indiana Lions Foundation will be reimbursed up to \$125.00. The feeling is that there are many Lions out there who would work but do not want to drive by themselves. This would be a great outing for a club or zone, and a quick way to earn credits for a W.P. Woods Fellowship! The reimbursement would come after the Foundation receives the payment from the fair. All that would be needed would be the names of those who worked, the invoice, and the date that the work was performed. For any information, please contact your district foundation trustees.

W.P. Woods Chair Reports Inactive Accounts holding Credits and Donations

You may be unaware that you have W.P. Woods credits or donations in an inactive account. An inactive account is one having no activity for five or more years. These credits and donations are waiting to be used for W.P. Woods Fellowships.

The Indiana Lions Foundation Board of Trustees discussed options for these forgotten credits and donations, and agreed to notify account owners or owners' clubs, and voted on the following options for owners:

- 1) Reactivate the account with a donation of \$5 or more;
- 2) Notify the W.P. Woods Chair to transfer the credits or donations to another club member;
- 3) Notify the W.P. Woods Chair to give the credits and donations to your District.

The Trustees will notify account owners, or their clubs, by mail. Credits and donations in accounts not acknowledged by owners or their clubs within sixty days after receiving the Trustees' letters will be transferred to the Districts in which they originated. Accounts of clubs that no longer exist will be transferred to the District in which the club once existed.

The W.P. Woods Chair may be reached at: Lion Sandy Ruane, 203 South Park Drive, Seymour, IN 47274 fsruane@frontier.com. Call: 812-498-3565

Club Excellence Award Application

Will your club maintain its membership or have a net growth at the close of the 2017-2018 Lion year? Will it have participated in at least three service projects? Are you promoting your club's events or activities to your community? If you answered yes to these questions, you may be eligible for the Club Excellence Award!

View the <u>Club Excellence Award Application</u> at <u>www.lionsclubs.org</u> for complete details, and apply before August 31, 2018.

You know your club is excellent so get recognized for all your achievements!

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LCIF, Turnstone & The USABA

Thanks to a partnership between Turnstone, The United States Association of Blind Athletes (USABA) and LCIF (and the Lions of Indiana) the "Goalball Center of Excellence" has been established in Fort Wayne.

Goalball is the only sport developed (following WWII) and unique for the sight impaired. It is competed on worldwide basis and is one of the key team sports for the Paralympics.

With OUR support, Goalball now has a year around training facility solely for the purpose of training the USA men's and women's teams. Two matching grants from LCIF has provided housing for the athletes.

That partnership, between Turnstone, the USABA and the Lions, creating this training site, has led to Fort Wayne being designated as an official U.S. Olympic Training site; that partnership has led to the last three National Goalball Championships being held in Fort Wayne; and last week it was announced that Fort Wayne would be the only U.S. location for a qualifying event for the 2020 Tokyo Paralympics. That event will bring athletes from around the world (in 2 sports) to Fort Wayne next July. Events will be held at The Grand Wayne Center, Turnstone and Indiana Tech. Truly a "Blue Ribbon Event" for our community! It could not have happened without LCIF and our support!!

Now it is time for all of our clubs (as well as individual Lions) to step up, again, to complete our portion of the project. LCIF awarded a 2nd matching grant of \$60,000 in May for the completion of the two Goalball houses; we have 6 months from the approval to raise the matching funds. \$45,000 of the matching part has already been raised; leaving us with the remaining \$15,000. We need all of our clubs to step to the plate, between now and November, to donate what they can (\$15 per member will put us over the top). Several clubs have already committed/donated.

Not all of the money that we donate to our various projects will have a lasting impact on our communities; not all will have as big an impact as this already has; not all will have our name on it. This project does all of this and more.

All contributions should be sent to: PDG Richard Hill; 17611 DeVall Rd.; Spencerville IN 46788

For more information, or for a program, contact Dave Fiandt at hdfiandt@comcast.net



Evansville Eastside & the Rockport Lions Shriner Festival

The Evansville Eastside Lions handed out free water bottles and wet towels to everyone at the Shriner Festival. The heat was intense at 93 degrees and 104 degrees heat index! Lions in the photo includes Lions Bill & Ceal Schulz, PDGs John & Kathy Wilcox, Theresa Arvin and Don & Sue Russ.

Photo by Lion Ceal Schulz, Crandall Lions Club

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The Bloomfield Lions Club presented two scholarships to graduating Seniors at the

Campaign 100 — Empowering Service — What is this new Campaign? By IN, KY, IL, & MI Vice Area Chair PID Linda Tincher

This year Lions Clubs International Foundations celebrates its 50th Anniversary and to celebrate this 50th Anniversary, LCIF has announced the most aggressive initiative they have ever undertaken: Campaign 100. This new initiative expands our focus over the next 100 years of Lionism by empowering Lions to continue service in the focus areas of vision, humanitarian efforts, relieving hunger and environmental issues as well as expanding upon two new areas of Diabetes and Childhood Cancer.

In the 1990's Lions worldwide raised \$400 million for Campaign Sight First 1 & 2 to eradicate preventable blindness. Lions thrive on reaching, breaking and setting new goals. Campaign 100 — is about Empowering service from Clubs, Individual Lions, non-Lions, and corporate sponsors and even through estate planning.

What Is Campaign 100?

Campaign 100 will empower Lions to raise \$300,000,000 over the next three years to support club projects in our focus areas of vision, hunger, environment, diabetes, childhood Cancer and humanitarian issues. To assist clubs, LCIF will soon approve mini-grants of \$1000-\$3,000.

Campaign 100 — hopes to inspire Lions to consider making individual contributions. Campaign 100 encourages individual Lions to consider donating a designated amount yearly, monthly, or weekly, via payroll deduction or by going to the LCIF online website and clicking Donate. A member can even consider clicking the, re-occurring box, on the LCIF web page and arrange for reoccurring amount be placed on a credit card. Pledge cards will be available to assist members with individual donations.

Campaign 100 believes Clubs should carefully and thoughtfully construct a goal - striving to donate as much as possible. A statewide goal of 100% participation would be an excellent start. Your club should select a goal that is challenging and obtainable.

For example: IF a club chose a goal of at least \$250 per person payable over 3 years, that's \$83 per year per member, or \$6.94 a month, ora little less than two dollars per week. Perhaps putting your pocket change in a jar for a month could fund this process. If we put some thought into the goal setting, the goal becomes more achievable. The club's goal should be challenging. Some members may say, "My club donates, why should I? That is true, but most Lions realize that 20% of the members do 80% of the work. Thus, when a club donates to LCIF, it's not quite fair to say, all the members have helped to make that donation.

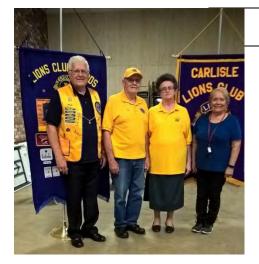
There are different ways to give to this initiative. In the 1990's Indiana had thirteen "Model clubs" for the Campaign Sight First project. LCIF is requesting any club that would like to be a Model Club for this time initiative to advise the Area Chair by July 1, 2018. How many are willing to give this a try! If your club thinks it can, IT CAN. A Model Club requires each member to donate \$750 over three years. (July 1, 2018 -June 30, 2021).

It does take a thoughtful approach toward planning the club's goal to become a MODEL CLUB for LCIF 100. One suggestion: if every member in your club pledged to donate \$5 a week for 156 weeks (3 years) they would have donated \$780! Clubs must also remember that any Corporate gifts or contributions from a fund raiser, or donations from non-Lions can be utilized to help clubs achieve this goal. In addition, all donations would be eligible for Melvin Jones Fellow credits.

\$300 Million Dollars in Three Years — yes, it's a challenge, but it by planning and working together for LCIF.

Lions International has 1.4 million members worldwide and if everyone works together we can do this. Let's get behind Campaign 100 and Empower our Service by working towards the \$300 million goal in three years by striving for a Model Club and for ALL the clubs in Indiana being 100% for LCIF the next three years.

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Carlisle Lions Club

Picture on the left shows the new club officers from Carlisle along with Lion Glynn Wills (Dugger Lions) officiating. Left to right are Lions Glynn Wills, 3rd VP Bill Large, President Azalia Barfield, and Secretary Barbara Rotramel.

Picture on the right is President Azalia Barfield and Law Camp participant Carson Donnar. The Carlisle Lions sponsored Carson to attend the Law Camp at Vincennes University

Photos provided by Lion Barbara Rotramel, Carlisle Lions Club







Bedford Lions Club Limestone Heritage Festival Parade



The Bedford Lions Club has been managing the lineup formation area for the Limestone Heritage Festival Parade since 1989 and have entered their Insect Fogging truck in each parade since. In 2010 the Lions started building floats for each parade with large banners on each side highlighting several of the Lions projects

The main message on each float banner is "Lions Serve Everyone Young And Old". In 2013 the Lions built their "Lions Mane Train" and have entered it in each parade since. Lion Lee Cuba decided to build his own unique car in his Nanlee Engineering shop in 2015 and has been entertaining the crowds in each parade since. Shown in the attached photos from the 2018 LHF Parade are; The "Lions Mane Train" driven by Lion Carey Carlisle circling the Insect Fogging truck driven by Lion Phil Mitchell, The "Lions Serve Everyone Young And Old" float winner of the Most Patriotic Float Award and Best Overall Theme Award (Lawrence County Bicentennial) in this year's parade driven by Lion Owen Hobbs, and The Cuba Mobile driven by Lion Lee Cuba.



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