

Upcoming Events:

Mar 9-10: 25E Spring

Mar 13: Chandler

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Diabetic Awareness

Diabetes Program

Plainfield

Apr 3: FL-WB Program-

Apr 7-8: Indiana Lions Leadership Institute -

Apr 26-29: MD25 State

Convention - Muncie

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Convention - Nashville

District 25E Southwest Indiana Lions

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Hello Lions

During my time as District Governor I have tried to stress that the district is here to support the clubs and not the clubs for the district. With that thought

in mind, I want to approach an unpopular subject – dropping members. I want to discuss various types of members several of our clubs have and my suggestion of whether to keep said member or to discontinue their membership. With this thought in mind, please take a good look at the club's current membership in an upcoming meeting.

Do you have members you rarely or never see at a meeting or function and they are not paying their dues? If so, please make a point of looking them up and meeting them to find out why they have stopped coming to meetings and functions.

Did they lose interest in Lions? If they have lost interest In the club, and do not want to continue as a Lion, it is time to drop them as a member. It is not helping the club by carrying an inactive member who is not contributing to the club.

Did something happen at a club meeting or function to alienate or offend the member? If so, it is important to find out what happened and work to resolve the issue. If resolution is addressed, the club can take steps to prevent future issues, and the club may be able to get the Lion to become more active again. The Lion may want to be involved but not with this club. Maybe there is another nearby club to transfer to. This will allow the member to continue serving and reduce an inactive member from membership rolls.

Did the person not fit in with some members or with the club itself? Sometimes this just happens and helping them find a different club is better than losing a volunteer willing to serve.

Do you have members that happily pay their dues but never attend meetings or functions? Try to meet with these individuals and find out why they are unable to participate in meeting and functions. Sometimes, it is as simple as they forgot about it. I know I have forgotten about a meeting or a function in the past. It happens. The club can start sending out reminder emails, phone calls, and/or text messages. Hopefully this helps non-participation.

Sometimes the member just has too much on their plates. My recommendation for these members is to keep them in the information loop. If they have a free moment, they may attend. I would not drop these members. Non-attendance is no longer a good reason to drop a member.

Do you have members that gladly pay their dues and work most or all functions, but do not attend meetings? Sometimes members have to work at meeting times. If they are working, I would mark them as working on the attendance sheet and count that as attending the meeting. Lions is a volunteer organization and most of us need to earn money for us to be able to serve our communities. Keeping them informed of what is going on by, sending agenda items ahead of time, encouraging them to send in comments, concerns, and suggestions or moving an occasional meeting date/time are ways to offer more participation opportunities.

Do you have members that just don't like to attend meetings? Again someone should meet with them to find out if there is something specific about the meetings that they don't like. Are they too long? Boring? Disorganized? Whatever the issue, bring this back to the club and try to make changes. Let the member know about the improvements and invite them to try participating. Continue to keep them informed of what is going on. (continues on page 7)

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- Mar 6: Lynnville
- Apr 12: Campbellsburg
- Apr 23: New Albany

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1st Vice DG Corner

LOOKING FORWARD



Having just returned from the last training before the International Convention, I feel energized to serve our clubs. The emphasis

was on Goals and dovetailing with LCI objectives for the coming year. Service is at the forefront along with Membership, Leadership and LCIF. Service is what we are about, membership is required to serve our communities, leadership is required to organize our efforts and point us to the future and LCIF is required for financial assistance for disaster and large projects our clubs cannot handle on their own.

LCI has been changing to take advantage of the digital technology so the tools available today are more numerous and improved. However, for the tools to be effective we must use them. Navigating the LCI website can be daunting so use the eBooks for officers to find the topics you want to find. It takes some getting used to, but far better than the search box or menu items. I have trouble finding the correct term the website has chosen for each topic.

Some changes have already been made in our Cabinet Meetings and training content. Next year will be a continuation of this trend in an effort to make Cabinet Meetings more informative, efficient, enjoyable and attractive to all members of our district. I for one don't change easily. However, I like productive change. All positions in our clubs are important and have a useful function if our clubs are large enough to take advantage of it. Growth is important for more than one reason. Certainly, we must be aware and respond to attrition, but we must also keep in mind that communities change with time just as their needs of our communities change. We must keep up with these changes by bringing service minded members into our clubs to get new ideas and a fresh feel for our changing social environment.

Leadership is critical well. Our district organization is made up of members like YOU. They come from your clubs and have specific functions to make the district function reasonably well. If you are disappointed in the way the district is run, engage and change the weaknesses. How do you engage? Get involved with your club leadership and assist in decisions at your club level. Nothing, this side of God's heaven is perfect, so NEVER GIVE UP. Be involved with district functions. Then get involved in a district office. YOU CAN make a difference! Your vote counts. We are unlike any other organization. We are only as good as we make it. Recognizing our meetings are long and boring is leading us to change how we do functions. My view is less formality, more attention to club needs, meaningful gatherings and being a better voice for clubs. However, YOU are an integral part of the district organization. Our leadership comes from you.

Don't sell yourself short. If you have an idea for improvement, voice your opinion at your club level, your Zone, Region or district.

Many of our clubs have experienced growth. To those clubs, thank you and congratulations. Again, this will be our future. Without growth we have no future.

Keep doing all you can do for your communities.

Lion 1st VDG Ron Edwards

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2nd Vice DG Corner

Hello Fellow Lions.

This month I wanted to talk about Monthly Membership Reports (MMRs) and Service Activity Reports (SARs). The MMRs are how the District, State and International keep up on membership. It is also how the District knows when clubs are having problems with membership. Some of the clubs are turning them in, but we need all the clubs to fill out the MMRs. Won't it be great when everyone of our 62 clubs are completing MMRs every month?

The SARs show District, State and International all the great things your club is doing and how many people your club is serving in your communities. We have less clubs filling out the SARs than the MMRs. SARs are also a tool for the district because it shows the District Team what each club is doing concerning activities within your club. Some of our clubs have great ideas that other clubs may not have thought about. As the District Governor visits each club he/she can give some ideas that were on the various SARs. It would be amazing if 100% of all the activities our clubs participate in around the district would be shared among our clubs.

The District Team is here to help each club. Just like in a job, things are easier when we have all the tools. We need all the information we can get. Let us know if you need help filling out the MMRs or SARs or going on line. The Cabinet Secretary PCC Jeff Schafer can help you fill out the reports or access your MyLCI account.

Remember, "We can do it."

2nd VDG Sheryl Schafer sheryl.schafer1@comcast.net 812-325-7762





Fallen Lions Reported in February 2018

Club	Member
Chandler	Steve Williams
Fayetteville Community	David Evans
Mitchell	llene Hardman



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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 plange@twc.com or call or text at 812-677-0500 with names, club and condition of those needing prayers.

Lion Doris Bliss Anita Bottom PDG Phil Lange Lion Cindy DeHart Lion Jaline Spurgeon Lion Henry Spindler

Lion Alex Lange Lion Bob Evans Lion Harry Martin Alice Lange

Lion Helen Carson Lion Joan Bode PDG Alvetta Wallace

Newsletter, Public Relations & Hoosier Lion

Some of you have ask the question of who 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: CS PCC Jeff Schafer, jeff.schafer1@comcast.net. Deadline by the 25th of each month. Public Relations: DG Keith Thomas, kthomas@threeidesign.com. No deadline. Hoosier Lion: Lion Jaline Spurgeon, jaspurg@hotmail.com. 5th of each month.



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Lions Tackle Diabetes

Raising Diabetes Awareness, Preserving Sight

The World Health Organization estimates that over 422 million people worldwide have diabetes, a growing world epidemic that is expected to affect over 642 million by 2040.

Diabetes and Vision Loss

People with diabetes are at risk of losing sight due to diabetes eye disease. It is the leading cause of new-onset blindness in many countries. All people with diabetes – both Type 1 and Type 2 – are at risk. That's why everyone with diabetes should get a comprehensive dilated eye exam at least once a year.

Diabetes can lead to other possible complications, including heart attack, stroke, kidney failure, leg amputation, and nerve damage. In pregnancy, poorly controlled diabetes increases the risk of fetal death and other complications.

Lions and Diabetes Awareness

With these statistics and concerns in mind, Lions have taken action through the Diabetes program. Our work supports diabetes awareness, education, prevention, detection, control, and research.

"Secretary's Challenge"

In February, **we had 55% MMRs** submitted and a **37% on the Activity Reports** submitted. The MMRs average went down by 20% and the Activity Reports increased slightly by 5%. Overall, we completed 19,404 volunteer hours, collected over 12,530 eyeglasses and 49 hearing aids, raised over \$111,700 and donated over \$33,300 and completed 120 activities. Keep up the GREAT work in your communities!

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

Let's keep up the GREAT effort and work!

District 25-E Points Contest (as of February 28, 2018)

Large Clubs (>30 Members)

Georgetown18,375 ptsBedford Eve17,350 ptsFayetteville Community13,625 pts

Small Clubs (<= 30 Members)

Petersburg30,670 ptsBloomfield23,200 ptsBedford Noon14,450 pts

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Club Anniversaries

Club	Charter	Age (Yrs)
Bloomfield	3/9/1950	68
Boonville	3/9/1951	67
Ireland	3/17/1959	59
Petersburg	3/3/1970	48
Elbersfeld	3/21/1977	41
Tell City	3/14/1988	30
Ramsey	3/29/1989	6
Central	3/20/2006	12
Medora Community	3/27/2008	10



New Members Reported in February - Welcome!

The second second	Club	Member	Sponsor
St. 9	Francisco	Melinda Dunn	Raymond Dunn
20 AL	Orleans	Thomas Bostic	Melanie Smith

District Challenge Done



Congratulations to Lion Patricia Wolf from the Georgetown Lions Club for bringing in two members during the January – February 2018 time-period.

The Lion that brings in the most "new members" between now and February 28th (reported in the monthly MMR) will get their Friday Night Meet the ID Dinner and the Saturday Luncheon meal paid for at the District's Spring Convention on March 9th and 10th.



Traveling Trophy

Is there a club out there in the District that can take the Traveling Trophy away from the Petersburg Lions? What does it take to do this? The points are computed by taking the number of Lions from each club times the distance traveled for each day at the District Convention. So, if you have 4 Lions attending the "Meet the ID Dinner" on Friday and then stay over or come back to the Convention on Saturday, and the distance traveled is 100 miles round trip (RT), then that club gets 800 points (= (4 Lions * 100 miles RT) * 2 (number of days)).

So let's get everyone from your Lion's Club to attend the District Convention in Nashville on March 10 & 11. Don't forget to check your mileage when you sign in.



Indiana Lions www.Facebook.com/IndianaLions

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President's Message

As leaders, we're charged with keeping our districts strong and vital today. But we also have an opportunity to make sure that they are positioned for success tomorrow. One of the key ways to achieve both is by engaging young people in Lions. Young men and women are eager to serve their communities, and they offer substantial benefits to Lions.

- Increasing our service We can help even more people by inviting young people to serve as volunteers and service leaders for club projects.
- **Building our future** We have the opportunity to guide the next great generation of volunteers and develop the next great generation of Lions.
- Raising our visibility We can raise the visibility of Lions by partnering with local schools or community youth groups, and it gives us a great story to tell our communities.

When we invite young people to serve with us, everyone benefits. Young people receive the support they need to help put their passion for service in action, and Lions take a step toward increasing their impact both today and tomorrow.

You see, I believe that leadership isn't defined by age. It's defined by action. Engaging youth in service is more than an opportunity. It's a responsibility that we have as Lions. Encourage your clubs to get young people involved so we can amplify the Power of We.

Dr. Naresh Aggarwal Your International President

The Centennial Celebration Continues in Las Vegas

Let's close our Centennial in style as Lions take the stage at the <u>101st Annual International</u> <u>Convention</u>, June 29-July 3, 2018, in Las Vegas. Join Lion and Leo leaders from more than 100 countries as they gather in the entertainment capital of the world to celebrate service and friendship. Be a part of history as we celebrate our Centennial highlights and look forward to our future.

Registration information is now available!



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Congratulations on Doubling Our Service Goal!

When we began our Centennial Celebration, Lions accepted the challenge to serve 100 million people. You not only met the challenge, you went above and beyond—and *doubled* our Centennial Service Challenge goal! Lions have now served 200 million people around the world, and we're not done yet. <u>Watch the video</u> congratulations and be encouraged to keep serving and changing lives. Let's set a new goal to see how many more people we can serve by June!

Governor's Corner

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Do you have members that happily attend meetings and work functions but never seem to be able to pay their dues? I know our Lions dues are low compared to several other organizations, but some Lions are on a limited income. In these up and down economic conditions, jobs come and go. I would really hate to lose a great member because they are unable to pay their dues. In a case like this, the club can ask the other members for donations or pay their dues from the administrative account. Cherish them!

The last member I want to discuss is the long-time member who has developed health issues. Each club should decide what to do in each individual case. My club, the Petersburg Lions, has collected extra dues donated by the other members to pay the sick member's dues for them. We feel they have served the club and community for years and we want to show the member how much we care for them and have enjoyed serving with them.

Please remember these thoughts are just my opinion. My hope is that even though this may mean less members in our clubs, a more accurate accounting of available volunteers will help your club move in a positive direction. Maybe this will lead the clubs to develop a list of qualities they are looking for in future members and then begin finding people in their community that fit those qualities.

Racing to Serve, DG Keith

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District 25-E Special Project's Raffle Tickets

Don't forget the Special Projects raffle ends Friday, March 9 at the close of the Friday evening "Meet the ID" dinner. The drawing will be held during the Spring Convention on Saturday, March 10. This is a change from prior years. You may give or send your ticket stubs, money, and unsold tickets to any of the Special Projects Trustees (CT Richard Kaiser, PCC Jeff Schafer, or Lion Sue Leffler) or any of the district officers. Ticket stubs and money must be received on or by March 9.

Ticket stubs received after March 9 will be held for next year's raffle. The club will be eligible for a Special Projects grant next year (2018-19).





District 25-E Notable Location Challenge

subject line of gems in the district.

Back in the October newsletter, I asked about the 'gems' around the district. Erica and I enjoyed visiting historical sites, natural wonders, or other notable locations. Anyone who knows me, I am a fan of

hopefully fun local attractions at kthomas@threeidesign.com with the

Weird AI and one of my favorite songs is the "The Biggest Ball of Twine in Minnesota". So please email me your local gems like the Jug Rock, Elvis-O-Rama, the Tupperware Museum, the Boll Weevil Monument, Mecca of Albino Squirrels, covered bridges, and other strange and



DG Keith Thomas





Hoosier Lion Survey

A special committee was formed to evaluate/review the "The Hoosier Lion" and solicit Lions throughout the State of Indiana on their thoughts/opinions about the newspaper. Below is the link for an on-line survey. The survey is completely anonymous, and the State Committee would like all responses back by March 31, 2018.

https://surveyhero.com/c/51650fc

Thanks, DG Keith Thomas

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FOUNDATION

APPROACHIING the STRETCH in LCIF

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is focusing on Child Cancer this coming year. There are a large number of incidents of cancer in children worldwide. In my own church family we lost a young boy to cancer. He had a protracted illness and was treated in several parts of the country because of the severity. Eventually the cancer won, but the



need for research, treatments, care, and financial aid lives on. Our donations will make it possible for many of these affected children to receive the care they need. It was recently discovered elephants don't get cancer. You might ask what does that have to do with children. DNA is the answer. Elephants have an excess of certain cells that destroy cancer forming cells; thousands more than in humans. Our DNA chain may be altered to produce these.

Let's help LCIF to assist in the advancement of this new technology combatting cancer in our children.

Donations in our district continue to grow painfully slowly. Through the end of January donations from 24 clubs have donated a total of \$9,515.22. Four months remain to reach our goal of \$12,000.00. A goal to help fund projects needed to help those with serious needs. Should we be successful in reaching our goal, let us not be complacent. Our goal is the smallest in the state and has been for three years.

Thank you for your LCIF support and all you do for your communities.

Lion Ron Edwards 1st VDG District 25 E LCIF Co - Coordinator District 25 E



Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

LCIF: Celebrating 50 Years of Extraordinary Service

Lions serve, and for 50 years, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has been supporting that service. We launched LCIF50.org to celebrate LCIF's 50th Anniversary. Here you'll find videos, photos, stories and a series of online contests that focus on the Foundation's important work. Get in on the fun and enter the Together We Can Contest at LCIF50.org. And don't forget that your LCIF donations count towards the Centennial Service Challenge. If your club wants to earn a higher-level patch, plan to add a donation to your activities!

Hello Lions,

The District Picnic will be on June 16, 2018 and it will be at the *Fayetteville Community Lions* Clubhouse. More details in future newsletter. Please mark your calendar and "SAVE THE DATE."

Thanks, DG Keith





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Seymour Noon Lions Club

Past District Governor Frank Ruane (right) receives a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship Award from PDG Bill Willis, of the French Lick-West Baden Lions Club, at the February 8th meeting of the Seymour Noon Lions Club. Lion Frank serves as the Southern Indiana District 25-E Chairperson of Operation KidSight and as the District Parliamentarian. The award represents a \$1,000 contribution made by the French Lick-West Baden Lions Club in Frank's name following an auction to raise money for the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). LCIF helps improve lives around the world having made grants of more than \$1 billion to combat vision problems, responding to major catastrophes and providing valuable life skills to youth. On April 7th the Seymour Noon Lions Club celebrates its 38th year of service to the Seymour Community.

Photos submitted by PDG Bill Willis



LD Thor Update – PCC CS Jeff Schafer



Above Photo: Saying good-bye to LD Thor during our visit to LDFB (2VDG Sheryl).

<u>Right Photo:</u> Leader Dogs and clients while attending their 26 days training class at the warm weather training facilities in Florida. All Leader Dogs were being trained for Blind-Deaf clients. There must be something more interesting than the photographer since he is looking to the right... That's our Thor!



LD Thor will be living & working in Tacoma, Washington with Johnny Roy Jeans

Photo by PCC Jeff Schafer & Johnny Roy Jeans



Brown County Lions Club

For their Valentine's dinner at Brown County Lions Club the Barbershop Quartet Jordan River Crossing sang love songs to them!

Photo by Lion Mariea Hoefling



PDG Dale Leffler (Oakland City Lions) pictured above at the Indiana State Office in Indianapolis on February 19 honoring him for 50 years of service as Volunteer Firefighter. Above left photo is in the House of Representatives. Bottom left is on the stairs at the Indiana State Office. Right photo is PDG Dale Leffler and Lion Sue Leffler. A reception is being planned for March 18 at the Oakland City Community Center starting at 2pm CST. *-Photos by Lion Sue Leffler*

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Ist Annual Camp Koch Day Retreat Sponsored by District 25E Lions and Southwestern Indiana Girl Scouts HEL Growing Ourselves Growing Our Organizations Growing Our Youth

Saturday, May 19th, 2018 10 AM to 4 PM Camp Koch in Cannelton, Indiana

Join us for a day experiencing the beauty of this special Girl Scout camp. We will have several speakers, a luncheon E several fun activities.

Purchase Your Tickets by April 15, 2018 for \$20.00 or after that date for \$25.00. 100% of the Proceeds will go to Camp Koch to support the Girl Scouts camping experience.



Contact Sue Miles Ahlbrand @ SueMilesAhlbrand@gmail.com or 512-364-2472 to purchase tickets.



District 25-E Slate of Officers – Project Trustees For 2018-2019

Below are the candidates that have brought their names forward for each position indicated and will be on our District 25-E voting ballot at our upcoming convention in March.

Position	Name
District Governor	1 st VDG Ronald Edwards
1 st Vice District Governor	2 nd VDG Sheryl Schafer
2 nd Vice District Governor	Vacant
Cancer Control Trustee	PDG Mark Clark
Indiana Lions Eye & Tissue Bank Trustee	PDG Robert Kamman
Speech & Hearing Trustee	Lion Donna Robinson
Leader Dog Trustee	Lion Dustin Williams
Indiana School for the Blind & Visually Impaired Trustee	Lion Jeff Cooper
Indiana Lions Foundation & Holding Corp. Trustee	Lion Sandy Ruane
District Special Projects Trustee	DG Keith Thomas





District 25-E Convention Agenda

The Season's Lodge

March 9-10-11, 2018

560 Hwy 46 S., Nashville, IN

<u>Date/Time</u> Friday, March 9	ltem	Location
6:00pm	"Meet the ID" Dinner	Parkview Church of the Nazarene
<u>Date/Time</u> Saturday, March 10	<u>Item</u>	Location/Speaker
8:00-2:00 8:00-3:00 8:30	Delegate Registration/Sign in Project Displays & Silent Auction Opening Session Call to order Invocation	DG Keith Thomas Lion Cal Biddle
5	Pledge God Bless America Roll Call Secretary Report Treasurer's Report	1VDG Ron Edwards 2VDG Sheryl Schafer CS PCC Jeff Schafer CS PCC Jeff Schafer CT Richard Kaiser
9:00	Committee Reports Global Leadership Global Membership Special Project Indiana Lions Foundation VisionFirst Speech and Hearing Leader Dog ISBVI	(Please limit reports to 3 minutes) PDG Jean Bodensteiner PDG Glen Georges CT Richard Kaiser Lion Sandy Ruane PDG Robert Kamman Lion Donna Robinson Lion John Spurgeon PDG Frank Ruane
9:30	Short Break and Tail Twisting Women's Membership Law Camp Vision Screening Project Diabetes Awareness LCIF International Convention	Lion Sue Ahlbrand Lion Bill Schulz PDG Frank Ruane Lion Gary Reed PDG Gary Ochs PDG Gary Ochs
10:15 10:30 11:00 11:25	2018 State Convention Emergency Preparedness Getting the Conversation Started The Value of Social Media Special Presentations	PDG Kathy Lozier PDG Dale Leffler PDG Glen Georges Lion Erin Beck

Date/Time	ltem	Location/Speaker
11:45-1:00	Lunch	Locust Rooms #3 & 4
	Tail Twisting	
1:00-1:30	Key Note Speech with ID Bruce Beck	
1:45	Awards	
2:00	Improved Retention by Leadership	ID Bruce Beck
2:15	Memorial Service	Lion Cal Biddle
3:00	Nominations and Elections	PDG Kathy Wilcox
3:20	Live Auction of Lake House	2VDG Sheryl Schafer
	Silent Auction Winners	25 5
3:40	Traveling Trophy Presentation	
3:45	Election Results	PDG Kathy Wilcox
4:00	Closing Session & Adjournment	
J.		

4:00 - 5:00

Honorary Committee Meeting

- 1. Local time is Eastern Standard Time (EST).
- 2. Morning and afternoon breaks will be taken at appropriate times depending on reports.
- 3. Dress attire will be normal Lions apparel except for those District Officers (DG, VDGs) for all events.
- 4. Deadline for registration is March 1 to ensure we have a correct meal count for all meals.
- 5. The fourth Cabinet meeting will be at the State Convention at the Horizon Convention Center in Muncie on April 28, 2018. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Subject: Official Call for Annual District 25-E Convention

- The Lions of District 25-E are hereby notified that the 2018 District 25-E Convention will be held at The Season's Lodge, 560 SR Hwy 46 West in Nashville, Indiana on Saturday, March 10, 2018 starting at 8:30am. There will be a "Meet the ID Dinner" on Friday, March 9 at 6pm to meet the Keynote Speaker, International Director Bruce Beck (Minnesota).
- 2. As part of the Convention, the delegates will be electing the 2018-2019 District Governor, 1st Vice-District Governor, 2nd Vice-District Governor and Directors/Trustees to serve on the Indiana Lions Cancer Control, the Indiana Lions Eye Bank, the Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, the Indiana Lions for Leader Dog, the Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, the Indiana Lions Foundation, and the District Special Projects for the term running from 2018-2021.
- Anyone desiring to have their name placed into nomination for any of these positions must have a letter of intent from the candidate and a letter of endorsement from the candidate's home Lions Club received by PDG Kathy Wilcox (601 Walnut St., Rockport, IN 47635 or email: <u>jw.kw1970@yahoo.com</u>) no less than thirty (30) days prior to the Convention (February 8, 2018).







BILL GRAHAM AND LEADER DOG GIBSON



When Lion Bill Graham began losing his sight, he already knew of organizations to turn to for support. First, he got assistance from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), then he came to Leader Dog for orientation & mobility (white cane) training.

Soon after, Bill and his wife moved from rural Georgia to Raleigh, North Carolina. "Unfortunately, between us and Raleigh is a five-lane road and thousands of cars speeding along each day." says Bill.

Bill decided that the time had come to get a guide dog. He was soon training with Leader Dog Gibson, a friendly golden retriever. "Gibson is doing absolutely everything I need him to do," boasts Bill. "I can cross the busy road safely. Gibson has helped me cross a barrier I just couldn't navigate alone."

"Lions and Leader Dog are two great organizations. I'm honored to be a part of both." says Lion Bill, Leader Dog chair for district 31-S.



Bill Graham and Leader Dog Gibson train in Florida under the supervision of Guide Dog Mobility Instructor Sarah Duyck.



CLUB HIGHLIGHT

Burley Lions Club-Spudman Triathlon

"Spudman is an important event in our community, and many people volunteer to make it happen every year" posted Stephanie Wright Curtis on the Burley (ID, district 39-W) Lions Club's Facebook page. Every year on the last Saturday in July, triathletes complete a grueling 1.5K swim down the Snake River, then bike a 40K and run a 10k across the picturesque backdrop of Idaho. By donating a portion of the proceeds from this event to Leader Dog every year, the Burley Lions Club has consistently ranked as a Top Dog Club (an annual gift of \$5,000 or more).

Great job Burley Lions!

LIONS IMPACT ON LEADER DOG

"Thirty seconds of a Lion's time can change a person's life. Anyone can do that by telling someone about Leader Dog."

-PDG Tom Simmons, a Leader Dog client (AZ, district 21-C)

WAYS TO GIVE

Your club can now show your support in a new way, through a Puppy Sponsorship. For \$500, you receive:

- Puppy Photos
- Puppy Profile
- Banner Patch
 Certificate of Sponsorship

Sponsor online at LeaderDog.org/ sponsor-a-puppy or contact Kathy Gilchrist, Lions relations specialist, at 248.659.5012.



EaderDog.org/Lions

Leader Dog's Summer Experience Camp – Making Teens Unstoppable!

Application Deadline March 31!

Summer Experience Camp is a week of outdoor fun, friendship and skill building. The program combines activities like rock wall climbing and tandem biking with leadership building exercises and things exclusively Leader Dog—GPS training and spending time with Leader Dogs in training. The combination helps increase independent travel skills, interpersonal skills and leadership skills.

The free program is for boys and girls ages 16 and 17 who are legally blind. Leader Dog covers all costs including airfare to Michigan—and everyone receives a free HumanWare Trekker Breeze+ GPS device. The 2018 camp dates are June 23— June 30. Applications are due by March 31, 2018.

For more information and to download an application, go to <u>www.leaderdog.org/clients/programs/summer-experience-camp</u> or call the Leader Dogs for the Blind client services department at 888-777-5332.

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To learn more about our programs and services visit LeaderDog.org

Our mission is to empower people who are blind or visually impaired with lifelong skills for safe and independent daily travel.









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This institute is designed in their club or district. T	Indiana Lions Leadership Institute for those persons interested in becoming leaders the only costs to participants are transportation to d dinner on Saturday night. The institute is s per district.
Date:	April 7-8, 2018
Beginning Time:	10:00 am, April 7th
Location	Baymont Inn, Plainfield (317-837-9000) (Participants must make their own reservations with the hotel. Be sure to tell them you are with the Indiana Lions.)
4	APPLICATION FORM
Name and Title:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
District::	Club:
Email:	
District Governor Signature:	
Send completed registration form Or Email: d.eisen01@yahoo.com Or call: 574-250-1469	n to: PCC David Eisen, 1112 E. 3rd Street, Mishawaka, IN 46544 m.
Deadline for	Registration is March 23, 2018

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For Immediate Release:

Brian's Trike Race 20th Running!

Lion Pat Henninger, Trike Race Coordinator

Updated September 17, 2017

The Indiana Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired State Project's fundraiser "Brian's Trike Race" will be held

April 22, 2018. This change will better align with the ISBVT's calendar and allow students and faculty to participate more fully.

This will be the 20th running of the Race and we are working to make the event more fun for all ages while

expanding the event to provide even greater visibility and benefit to the ISBVI and Lions!

In addition to the traditional Trike Race, we will also feature:

- A Disc Golf competition
- Trophies created in the ISBVI's own 3D Print Lab
- other activities to-be-announced!

Additional details and specific activity dates will be forthcoming! Keep an eye on your e-mail and newsletters for more information.

For questions, please contact Lion Pat Henninger at iwtlions@gmail.com

- Thank You!



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BRIAN'S TRIKE RACE and DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT April 22, 2018

Please help the children at the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired by participating in Brian's Trike Race. This year sees the addition of a new event: Disc

Golf! Did you know that the ISBVI is home to its own 9-hole Disc Golf Course? It's true! And now you can play on this typically closed course! Four-person team categories for each event are "Adults" and "Student." Students will receive 4 hours service credit. Each Trike team member will receive a race t-shirt; each Disc Golf team member



will receive a commemorative disc. Additional shirts and discs available to purchase.

Registration & Races start at 1P Indiana School for the 7725 North College A	8; Entry Open a Practi M (rai e Blind	y Deadline t 11AM ce = 12:00 n or shine) and Visua	March : noon * at the lly Impa	30 ired	students must se 14 years old by race day.
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Hosted by the Indiana Lions for the ISBVI and	the Indi	ana School for	the Blind a	and Visually I	Impaired.

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Lions of Indiana 2018 State Convention

Horizon Convention Center, 401 S. High Street, Muncie, Indiana 47305 April 27-29, 2018



Registration Form

Please Print or Type All Information

Name:						
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HOTELS

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY MARCH 26, 2018

Rooms and rates cannot be guaranteed after March 27, 2018				
Courtyard Muncie at Convention Center	601 S. High Street	\$ 129/night plus tax	Call: 765-287-8550	
Holiday Inn Express on Bethel (off McGalliard)	4201 W. Bethel Ave.	\$ 129/night plus tax	Call: 765-289-4678	
Hampton Inn on Bethel (off McGalliard)	4220 W. Bethel Ave.	\$ 129/night plus tax	Call: 765-288-8500	

MEALS / CONVENTION MERCHANDISE

Meal Prices Increase by \$5.00 per meal after April 1, 2018. – No Meal Reservations Accepted after April 21, 2018 Make All Checks Payable to : Indiana Lions 2018 State Convention Send Check and Reservation Forms to:

Lion David DeVilbiss, Convention Registrar

10301 Central Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46280

Registration and Meals may be reserved and paid online at: http://indianalionsconvention.org/convention-registration

Event	Entree	Number	Price	Amount
Friday Lunch	Soup and Salad Bar		\$ 20.00	S
Friday Dinner	Smoked Pork Chop, or		\$ 25.00	\$
	Mediterranean Chicken Breast		\$ 25.00	\$
Saturday Lunch	Herb Roasted Chicken Breast		\$ 20.00	\$
Saturday Dinner	Grilled 8 oz. Beef Ribeye, or		\$ 35.00	\$
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Sunday Brunch	Breakfast Buffet plus Fried Chicken, Ham Steak		\$ 25.00	\$
Saturday Afternoon	Strides Walk for Diabetes – T-Shirt and Donation		\$ 25.00	\$
	Convention Souvenir Limited Edition Pin		\$ 5.00	\$
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Convention Center and Meal Information

Meal Menus:

- Friday Lunch: Soup and Salad Bar Two salad mixes with toppings of two meats, assorted cheeses, seasonal vegetables, seeds, nuts, croutons. Roasted vegetable soup with assorted rolls and honey butter, fresh brewed coffee and iced tea.
- Friday Dinner: Hickory and Applewood Smoked Pork Chop with maple bourbon glaze, sweet potato puree, sautéed green beans with bacon. Iceberg wedge salad with cherry tomato, bacon, red onion, and bleu cheese. Concannon's Classic Carrot Cake with assorted rolls and honey butter, fresh brewed coffee and iced tea. (Alternate entrée: Mediterranean Chicken Breast)
- Saturday Lunch: All-Natural Herb Roasted Chicken Breast, slow roasted and served in sage brown butter and white wine sauce. Rosemary roasted red potatoes and glazed carrots. Winter berry salad of spring mix, dried cranberries, blueberries, strawberries, cherry tomato, walnuts, bleu cheese. Assorted rolls and honey butter, fresh brewed coffee and iced tea.
- Saturday Banquet Dinner: Beef Ribeye Grilled 8-oz. ribeye fillet topped with roasted herb garlic butter. Yukon Gold potatoes and asparagus. Caesar salad. Peach crème brulee with fresh peaches, whipped topping, and mint. Assorted rolls and honey butter, fresh brewed coffee and iced tea. (Alternate entrée: Lemon Caper Trout)
- Sunday Brunch: Breakfast Buffet of fresh seasonal fruit, scrambled eggs, pork sausage links, Applewood smoked bacon strips, breakfast potatoes, and assortment of Danish and muffins with flavored butters. Fried chicken, sliced ham steaks, and mixed vegetables. Chilled orange and cranberry juices, fresh brewed coffee and iced tea.

Children's Meals: Contact Registrar for details

Directions to Convention Center and Courtyard Hotel:

From I-69 Indianapolis: Exit 234 (Daleville) at Indiana State Road 67, East 9 miles to Cowan Road. Turn left on Cowan for 2.1 miles and turn right onto Hoyt Road Exit. North on Hoyt to end, bear to left onto Liberty. North three blocks (1 block north of railroad tracks) and turn right into convention center parking lot or hotel parking garage.

From I-69 Fort Wayne: Exit 245 (State Road 28/35) East onto State Road 28 6.5 miles to Wheeling Pike. South on Wheeling for 6 miles when road becomes High Street after crossing White River. Continue south on High Street to Adams Street (one way west). Turn right on Adams for two blocks then left on Liberty for two blocks, then turn left into convention center parking lot or hotel parking garage.

Alternate from I-69: Exit 241 (County Road 800 North/Jackson Street /McGalliard Road). East on McGalliard to Chadam. Turn right for one block and pick-up Bethel again. Continue southeast on Bethel to Wheeling. Turn right on Wheeling going south to High Street. High Street (one way south) into downtown Muncie. Turn right onto Adams Street (one way west). Turn right on Adams for two blocks then left on Liberty for two blocks, then turn left into convention center parking lot or hotel parking garage.

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Exhibitor Registration Form Please Print or Type All Information

Name of Project	/Committee/Activity/Organization:			
Contact Name:				
	First Name	Last Name		
Address:				
	Mailing Address	City	State	Zip Code
Telephone:	E-Mail:			

Exhibit booths are \$75.00 each and include:

10' x 10' pipe and drape booth

One 8-foot table, covered and skirted

Two chairs

Each exhibit booth includes one business card-sized advertisement in the Convention Program Book

Double booths, 10' x 20', available for \$140.00.

Complimentary booth space will be available as part of a sponsorship package.

Additional Equipment available from Decorator/Convention Center at exhibitor expense: Electricity \$15 per booth per day Extra tables, chairs, wired internet available, audio-visual: Contact convention center for quote.

Exhibitor Move-In Set-Up: 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Thursday April 26, 2018

Exhibit Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on Friday, April 27, 2018 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on Saturday, April 28, 2018

Additional Needs/Requests:	

Send Exhibitor Registration Form and check to:

Lion Amy Bullick 1606 Kurtis Lake Tipton, Indiana 46072 <u>albullick@hotmail.com</u> 765-675-4386

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Seymour Noon Lions 5th Annual Lions Pride Charity Ride

SATURDAY, April 28th

Kickstands up at 11 a.m.

Registration 10- 10:45 a.m.

Registration at Cornerstone Community Church Shelter House 1088 Sarasota Drive, Seymour, IN 47274 \$20 per Bike- Includes t-shirt and dinner after the ride \$10 per rider- Includes t-shirt and dinner after the ride For preregistration or more information call or text 812-569-1868

Ride benefits the Seymour Noon Lions

We contribute to many local organizations including Boys and Girls club, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Anchor House, Community Provisions, Kidsfest, Jackson County School vision screens, County High School scholarships, Special Olympics, and several other local charities.

Scenic ride through Southeast Indiana, stops in Versailles and Hanover before returning to Seymour for a late lunch at the Cornerstone shelter house.



Your ISBVI Lion Trustees are sponsoring a **work day** at the school in Indianapolis on **Saturday**, <u>May 19, 2018</u>. This is a great opportunity for you/family/friends to walk the walk and put our "We **Serve**" motto into action. Our schedule for the day will be:

- 8:30 am Registration and donuts (of course!)
- 9 am 1 pm Morning work Session
- 1 pm Lunch (provided by the school)
- After Lunch Tour of the School for those interested
- After lunch Afternoon work session until done

Come and help us beautify and improve this campus! Interested? Contact...

Lion Charlie Crawford

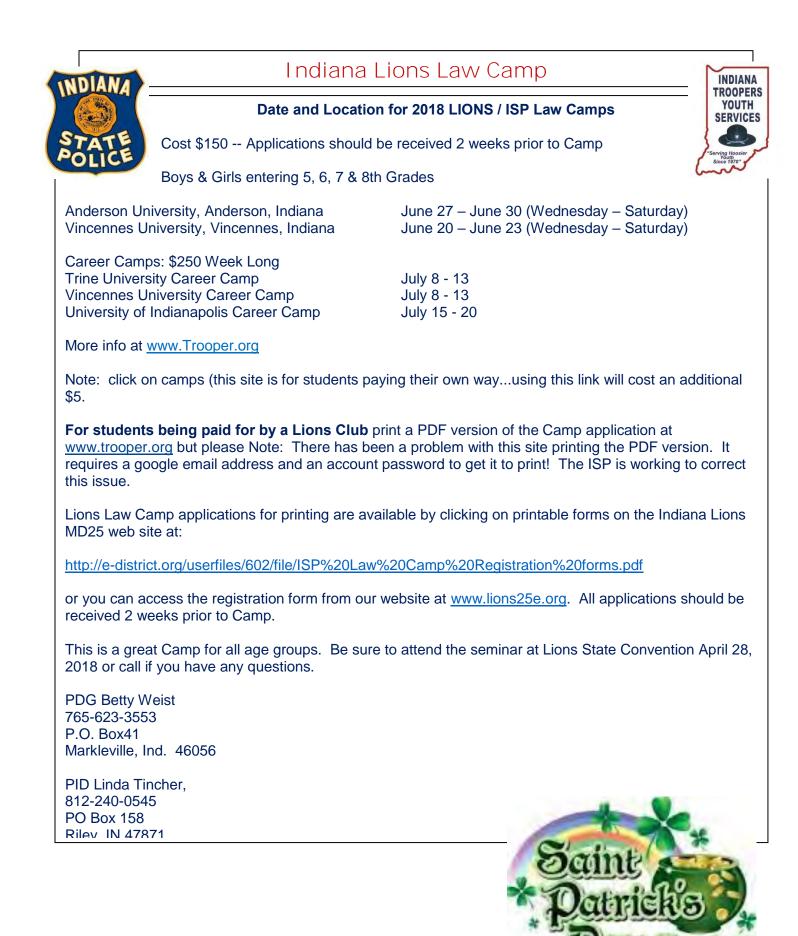
260-359-9086

charliec32@cinergymetro.net

It's a great day of fun, hard work and camaraderie and a chance to meet other Lions from around the state as well as visit this beautiful campus. This is one of **your** Lions State Projects.....take a few hours to help beautify and improve it. You'll get great satisfaction from doing so....and of course, a **free lunch**! Hope to see you there.

PDG Pat Short - Chair





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Bulletin No. 6 by PDG Gary Ochs, Chairperson

Looking ahead to the 2018 Lions International Convention during June 29 – July 3rd in Las Vegas, Nevada. Here's what we know now (2/28/2018):

- George W. Bush is one of the keynote speakers.
- Grand Prize Drawing to win a trip to Milan, Italy, to attend the 2019 International Convention! Winner must be present, and the name will be announced at one of the plenary sessions.
- International Show, Starring Cirque Dreams Saturday June 30th. A thrilling and dazzling evening awaits with a special performance by Cirque Dreams featuring acrobatics, music and more!
- The parade is on Saturday. June 30th, step off at 8:30 a.m. from 4th Street between Bonneville Ave. and Stewart Ave. Indiana's number is 73 and the parade route is just under a mile long. Convention shuttle buses will drop off near 3rd and Charleston. More information to follow.

Please attend the Lions of Indiana 2018 State Convention in Muncie, Indiana and learn more about your Las Vegas International Convention during the Seminar on Saturday, April 28th at 3:30 p.m. for brochures, shirts, hats and much more.

Remember, Regular registration now is January 13 through March 31, 2018; and late registration is April 1, 2018. If you've not registered yet, Don't Wait!

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Indiana International Convention Committee Bulletin No. 7



The Dinner - The Show

The Tournament of Kings is Las Vegas' ultimate dinner and a show experience. Adapted from the tale of King Arthur, this live-action production takes place in a 900 -seat theater-in-the-round arena and immerses the audience in a tale of valor and treachery. Vallant knights ride mighty steeds and prove their chivairy. While knights fight, guests feast on a hearty threecourse meal using the original utensil – their hands. Tournament of Kings is an epic portrayal of centuries past, and it's all in the name of honor, country, and of course, food.

> Excalibur Hotel & Casino 3850 S Las Vegas Blvd Las Vegas, Nevada

Sunday, July 1, 2018 - 5:30 pm

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Name:

Please reserve

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Email Address

SEATING IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 100 INDIANA LIONS AND QUESTS.

ticket(s) @ \$45.00 per person

THE REGULAR PRICE OF THE TOURNAMENT OF KINGS IS \$85.00 PER PERSON. THE MEAL INCLUDES: TOMATO SOUP, CORNISH GAME HEN, TWO ROASTED POTATOES, BROCCOLI, AND A DINNER ROLL. DESSERT, TEA, COFFEE OR PEPSI PRODUCTS ARE SERVED. (A VEGETARIAN PLATE IS AVAILABLE) <u>GUESTS FAT WITH THEIR HANDS.</u>

Deadline for reservations is June 10, 2018. Send registration and payment to Indiana Lions MD 25 8780 Purdue Road, Suite 9, Indianapolis, IN 46268

Make checks payable to "LIONS OF INDIANA"

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Lions Club International Convention (LCICon) 2018



So, it's your first time in Vegas? Perfect! We can help you plan a trip.

Vegas is a place unlike any other city in the world. Where else can you go from Paris' Eiffel Tower, to the canals of Venice, to downtown New York City in just a few blocks? With endless possibilities, knowing what to bring to Vegas isn't always straightforward. But we're here to help you prepare and be your checklist's jump-start to think of the things you may not have thought of! Alright, let's do this!

Your trip starts on the plane. If you want to arrive feeling your best, prepare to hit the town. Here are a few travel ideas to get you started on the right foot.

- Lip balm, earplugs, hand sanitizer, eye drops. The climate there (as well as on airplanes) is very dry, so be sure to keep your lips, hands and eyes moisturized.

 Leave space in your carry-on and suitcase for souvenirs. Vegas is almost overwhelming with shopping opportunities, from small souvenir shops to high-end fashion retailers, so you'll want some extra space.

- Shoes for walking, shoes for show. We can't emphasize this enough. Be prepared with the proper and appropriate footwear. Visitors can do a lot of walking around there, from strolling the Strip to hiking the surrounding areas, so you'll need the right shoes. But then, there are nice restaurants and clubs where hiking gear won't quite cut it. Pack smart and be prepared for both.

- Bring a light sweater or blazer. You read that right. You might just need a warm cover while you're there. Oh, sure, it's plenty warm outside, but the casinos are not stingy with the A/C, so be prepared.

- Sun hat. It should be no surprise that the weather there tends to be warm and sunny. A good (and cute!) sun hat could be your most underrated trip-saver. Whether walking the Strip, sitting by the pool or out for a hike, keeping the sun off your head is key to keeping your energy level up so you can keep on going!

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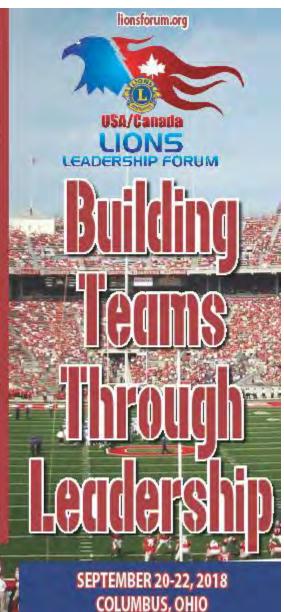
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Visitors Love Columbus experiencecolumbus.com

There's an energy & excitement in Columbus that's going to hit you as soon as you arrive. Big things are happening here & you're invited to join in. The city is booming & not just in population.

- Columbus Museum of Art added a spectacular new wing
- Scioto Mile puts 33 acres of new riverfront parkland in the heart of downtown
- Innovative food scene melds artisan food producers with Imaginative chefs to create meals that are far greater than the sum of their parts
- Nationally acclaimed distilleries work together with brewers, coffee roasters & high-end cocktail bars, black box stages, music halls & dive bars to deliver unforgettable nightlife
- Neighborhoods on all sides of downtown are bursting with new places to eat & shop
- Artists are shaping new areas of the city into dynamic spaces to explore
- It's time to get to know the Columbus that grew up when you weren't looking.

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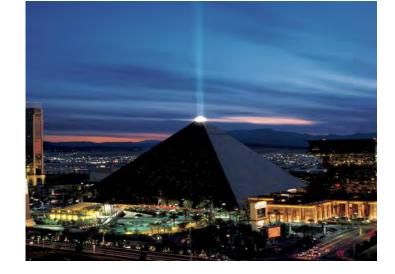




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The Luxor Hotel & Casino – The Location at LCICon 2018 for the Indiana Lions



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