



## District 25E Southwest Indiana Lions

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### Ask1 Governor's Corner

**PICK UP THE PACE**

#### Upcoming Events:

- 8-9 Mar: 25E Spring Convention – Jasper
- 25 Mar: Lawrence County Vision Screening
- 6 Apr: Indiana Lions Leadership Institute – Plainfield
- 26-28 Apr: Indiana Lions State Convention – Fort Wayne

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#### Official Visits:

- 4 Mar: Palmyra
- 5 Mar: Worthington
- 6 Mar: Jasper
- 11 Mar: Tennyson
- 12 Mar: Bloomington
- 14 Mar: Boonville
- 18 Mar: Central
- 19 Mar: Old Vincennes
- 21 Mar: Winslow
- 25 Mar: Ramsey
- 26 Mar: Stinesville
- 1 Apr: Medora
- 4 Apr: Pershing Twp
- 9 Apr: Carlisle
- 11 Apr: Campbellsburg

See more details at our Website under **Calendar**

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Grow and Change. If you missed this event, you missed excellent presentations by very qualified presenters. You also missed an opportunity to gain valuable information as well as form new contacts and garner new ideas. One of the topics was retention. To start with, know your community. Everything changes so a community assessment is necessary periodically to keep up with changing needs. Ask all members for their ideas. Everyone is important. Assign someone in the club to be responsible to contact those who do not attend meetings. Make meetings fun. Don't be critical to those missing meetings or make them feel guilty. Make everyone feel they are valuable to the club and part of the community. Publicize what your club does and recognize them for their efforts. These are but a few tidbits that came out of the meeting. Another topic was recruiting. It is good to have a flyer to hand out describing what your club does, what Lions do, who the members are or other pertinent information your club determines is necessary. Also have a packet which includes the flyer, new member application, and letter of introduction to your club. **THEN JUST ASK!** As you interface with community minded persons and have your Lions pin on, you can discuss about your club with them and leave the packet for their consideration or sign them up with the handy application. It isn't difficult to recruit new members if you are prepared and have experienced it. New members want to be part of and do specific events so be specific about your club's projects, explaining the difference between service and fundraising projects. Other topics were discussed and were very useful. When an opportunity presents itself in the future, please don't be left out of taking advantage of this valuable information. You might think this has already been passed around before, but what has not been passed around is how these ideas have been utilized differently by different clubs.

Membership is still our greatest issue. Without members we cannot serve our communities the way they need us to do. We are not unique with this problem. We just are not as successful as we need to be replacing fallen Lions and those too mature to function fully. Every member in our clubs is important for our success serving our communities so be sure to include them all. Also, it is important to grow membership because we cannot predict when or how many of our members might fall. Each community is different, but there is a commonality in how to grow our members to insure we have the hands and feet to serve. Previously some of those methods were mentioned. Here is an opportunity to include members on a membership event.

Report submittals are important too. People in LCI read these reports with the goal of using our activities and membership volume to convince third party entities to partner with us for the purpose of approaching our communities in different ways about issues they have. Also, other clubs may see what your club does and could do the same in their clubs. Cabinet members also read your reports to determine how they might be of help to different clubs. A tool has been added to help those presidents and secretaries overloaded or too busy to submit reports by providing a club administrative assistant. By being placed in this position a person will be allowed by LCI to go to My LCI to establish a username and password and be allowed to submit your reports. Please take advantage of this tool and be consistent submitting your reports.

At this writing our District Convention is history. Hopefully everyone found something you can use as you return to your clubs. Our main goal is to support club needs. I hope you enjoyed being a part of the Convention and sharing in the information International Director Gwen White and Lion Rhett brought. If you sense a need not being met, please bring it up to a cabinet member to address the situation. If you have a question, please ask for an answer from a cabinet member. We will respond as soon as possible. As this year comes into the final months share your thoughts of improvements you think would make a difference at your club level.

Continue in the service to your communities and keep in mind your club organization is critical to your communities so grow your own organization for leadership as well as helping hands. Participate in activities outside of your own club to gain insight on different ways of doing your projects and gain new friends. It is a wonderful organization we are part of so participate and be involved as much as you can!

Thank you for all you do for your communities.

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## 1st Vice DG Corner

From February 11<sup>th</sup> through the 15<sup>th</sup> I was in St. Charles, Illinois for District Governor Elect (DGE) training. There were DGEs from all over the world and our group also included DGEs from Ohio and Michigan. There were lots of lectures, hands-on training and opportunities to talk to other DGEs from all over the world. Most all DGEs say they're having the same problem: Membership, which is declining and it's getting harder to recruit younger people to join any service organization. A group of Lions from Norway, Denmark, and Sweden came into our class group twice and they said the same things. It was great to talk to Lions from these countries. Lions are the same all around the world, we serve and want to help people our communities.

In some of our classes we were taught how to go about helping clubs with their problems. Listen, ask questions and understanding the problem were the most important elements of helping. If you don't understand both sides of a problem, a good outcome will not come. A lot of roll playing was done in class and like most Lions, we had a fun time learning. I met a lot of new friends in fellow Lions from all over the world.

Bringing younger people in to our clubs was a big topic of the week. The two DGEs from Sweden ask what the USA is doing to bring in younger people? We said, "We need to change the way we have Always done it," shorter meetings, let parents bring their kids, communicate more on social media and listen to their ideas and try them. Most don't want to attend a dinner or lunch meetings. They want to get out and do things for the community. These are some things I think our clubs in District 25-E should also look at. Our clubs are unable to accomplish everything they would like to do for our communities if we don't have the people to help. If you have any questions about how you can increase membership in your club, please ask someone on the District Team.

Remember, Lions Can Do It!

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## District 25-E Vacant/Open Positions 2019-2020

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor (DG Year is 2021-2022)
- Global Membership Team Chair (1-Yr Position)
- Leader Dog Trustee (3-Yr Position)
- Indiana School for the Blind & Visually Impaired (ISBVI) (3-Yr Position)
- Constitution & By-Laws Committee Chair (1-Yr Position)
- Nominations & Elections Committee Chair (1-Yr Position)
- Special Projects (3-Yr Position)
- Newsletter Editor (1-Yr Position)

If you're interested, please contact Nominations & Elections Chairperson PDG Kathy Wilcox (812.649.4039) or email [jw.kw1970@yahoo.com](mailto:jw.kw1970@yahoo.com) or CS CC Keith Thomas (812.354.4637) or email [kthomas@threeidesign.com](mailto:kthomas@threeidesign.com).

## "Secretary's Challenge"

In February, **we had 66% Monthly Membership Reports (MMRs)** and a **48% on the Service Activity Reports (SARs)** submitted. This is EXCELLENT and the MMRs reporting decreased slightly and the SARs remained the same over January! Overall, there was 615 Lions helping to donate over 1,800 hours during February 2019. Please keep up the GOOD work in this area.

**Need Help:** Call or email CC Keith Thomas, 812-354-4637, [kthomas@threeidesign.com](mailto:kthomas@threeidesign.com) anytime!

**Let's keep up the GREAT effort and work!**

## 2nd Vice DG Corner



Everyone talks about growth and our declining numbers in Lions throughout the world. We have created special positions to address the problem and have put many resources on the Lions websites to help the clubs with ideas and ways to help our clubs and subsequently the communities that we support. It really comes down to a few things. We need to build new clubs, like Old Vincennes. We need to rebuild our existing clubs that are having problems staying afloat. And last, but not least, we need to ask the question, "Would you like to join us in Lions?".

We need to think outside the box to form new clubs in underserved communities and in our colleges. Cyber clubs can be a way to entice younger members to serve with us. In larger Amish communities, where they won't join your club, ask them to form their own specialty club. They want to help their community out as much as you want to help yours.

To rebuild our existing clubs that are struggling with low membership, we need to form some mobile teams to get with that club and go to the community and ask others to join. We need to give them a shot in the arm every so often. This is a way for the District to help pump up our clubs. When Ellettsville needed a hand, PDGs Gary Lawson, Vern Tincher, and DG Richard Halladay showed up in my office to help us rebuild.

The last thing is the most critical. We must own our club's membership. Each club needs to develop a list of potential members and have someone armed with the clubs brochure go see those people face to face. Invite them to a meal and meeting, then ask for the order. I think sometimes we are embarrassed to ask because we may feel we are imposing. Get over it or send someone else that doesn't feel that way. We are a great organization that does so much for our communities. Let's do a lot more by asking the question every time you meet someone you think will be a good fit.

You are the best service organization in the world. Thank you for all you and your clubs do.

### We Serve

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## Care & Concerns:

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

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|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Lion Doris Bliss    | Lion Cindy DeHart        | Lion Dave Milby            | Lion John Davis        |
| Lion Nora Nixon     | Lion Jaline Spurgeon     | Lion Bob Evans             | Lion Joan Bode         |
| Lion Henry Spindler | Lion Harry Martin        | Lion Kermit Flinn          | Lion Jeff Byrne        |
| Lion Mary Chisham   | Lion Alma Graf           | Lion Bill Stoops           | Lion Betty Schoonmaker |
| Lion Betty Taylor   | Lions Brenda & Gib Hayes | Lion Richard Dean          | PDG Paul Schoonmaker   |
| Lion Sandy Ruane    | PCC Richard Halladay     | PDG Eric Ahlbrand's Family |                        |

## 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](mailto:jeff.schafer1@comcast.net). Deadline by the 25th of each month.
- Public Relations: CC Keith Thomas, [kthomas@threeidesign.com](mailto:kthomas@threeidesign.com). No deadline.
- Hoosier Lion: Lion Jaline Spurgeon, [jaspurg@hotmail.com](mailto:jaspurg@hotmail.com). 5<sup>th</sup> of each month.



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### Club Anniversaries

Club	Charter	Age (Yrs)
Bloomfield	03/09/1950	69
Boonville	03/09/1951	68
Ireland	03/17/1959	60
Petersburg	03/03/1970	49
Elbersfeld	03/21/1977	42
Tell City	03/14/1988	31
Ramsey	03/29/1989	30
Central	03/20/2006	13
Medora Community	03/27/2008	11



### New Members Reported in February – Welcome!

Club	Member	Sponsor
Bedford Evening	Garry Wolfe	Robert Warren
Canton	Susan Boling	Pauline Trueblood
Francisco	Andrea & Joseph Strickland	Andrew Lloyd
French Lick-West Baden	Steven Owen	Willard Owen
Mount Vernon	Queen Concepcion	Mark Stevens
Odon	Brian Caswell	Mike Scalf
Odon	Murrell Farqer Jr.	Charles Neiswanger
Palmyra	Vicki & Wayne Jacobi	Timothy Stephens



### Fallen Lions Reported in February 2018

Club	Member
Bedford Noon	Eleanr Himebaugh
Fayetteville Community	Odus Callahan

### Club Excellence Award

Will your club maintain its membership or have a net growth at the close of the 2018-2019 Lions 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 [Club Excellence Award Application](#) for complete details, and apply before August 31, 2019.

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

### District 25-E Points Contest (as of January 31, 2019)

#### Large Clubs (>30 Members)

Bedford Eve	53,200 pts
Fayetteville Community	9,075 pts
Georgetown	8,950 pts
Evansville Eastside	6,425 pts

#### Small Clubs (<= 30 Members)

Petersburg	20,600 pts
Bloomfield	16,425 pts
Ellettsville	9,400 pts
Bedford Noon	9,100 pts



## Pursuing New Horizons with International President, Gudrun Yngvadottir

Your service has inspired so many women to become the change they want to see in the world. Every day they are innovating the way we lead, grow and serve our communities. That's why recognizing their achievements through the New Voices Initiative has been so important.

It's also important that we recognize the value and impact that all members bring to our clubs, so be sure to invite both men and women to serve with you. New ideas, new skills and new voices can help ensure that your club is the best it can be.

In friendship,  
Gudrun Yngvadottir  
**Your International President**

### Dear Club President and Club Secretary

Many multiple district and district conventions are held in March, April and May, so now is the time to get ready for them! Using [MyLCI](#), you will be able to access information about them such as the number of delegates allowed for your club and any outstanding dues or fees that need to be remitted.

The information will be available in MyLCI in the first week of the month in the month preceding the convention, or the day after the convention is reported in MyLCI, whichever is later.

To access this information in MyLCI, select "Convention" from the "My Lions Club" menu, and scroll to the district convention.

Finally, your club's balance must be paid at least 15 days prior to participation in your district and multiple district's convention. Nonpayment may make your club ineligible to vote.

Thank you for your service!



## District 25-E Newsletter Editor Needed starting July 2019

District 25-E is seeking an editor for our newsletter(s) (including the announcement newsletter). Our newsletter has rapidly become a must-read and one of the top newsletters in the State for Lions. As the editor, you'll be responsible for incorporating articles from the District Governor (DG), Vice District Governors (VDGs), and various DG Team members (Region, Zone Chairs, Global Service Team, Membership Team and Leadership Team) along with potential articles from Project (State and District) Chairs. In addition, you'll update a list of events throughout the District (official visits, fund raisers, etc.), along with incorporating flyers for various events from the state and district (Spring Convention, State Convention, Mid-Winter Conference, etc.). You'll also incorporate pictures and captions from pictures around the District.

Candidates should be familiar with a word processor, currently MS Office Word is being used but other newsletter processors are okay. In addition, the processor should be able to convert the file to a PDF file for emailing and posting on our website. If interested contact DG Ron Edwards or PCC Jeff Schafer.



We have just concluded our first Worldwide Report Day of Campaign 100. On 22 January 2019, we had the distinct pleasure to speak with 46 of our 59 LCIF area leaders worldwide. We offer our deepest expression of thanks to these Lion leaders for their careful preparation for our calls and their continued commitment to advancing Campaign 100. Throughout the day, we were given reports from every constitutional area. Our area leaders shared fundraising progress and Model Club activity. Information on engagement and training of multiple district and district coordinators, and club LCIF coordinators was also included. Each area leader provided important and valuable information that will help to guide campaign activity and strategy.

During Worldwide Report Day, we heard:

- Campaign 100 is gaining momentum. More and more clubs are joining together with Lions Clubs International Foundation to empower Lion service, fight diabetes, and support our expanded global causes.
- Exciting progress is being made towards assertive goals in some areas, while others have not yet clearly defined their fundraising or participation goals.
- Many clubs across the world are leading by example and have committed to become Model Clubs. However, the Foundation office has yet to receive hundreds of these forms. This could represent as much as US\$3,600,000 in additional fundraising potential. All are encouraged to turn in their Model Club forms to [campaign100@lionsclubs.org](mailto:campaign100@lionsclubs.org)
- Some LCIF multiple district coordinators are clearly in close contact with their districts and some are not. This must be an area of focus moving forward.

Our first Worldwide Report Day clearly identified the following needs:

- Support of district governors is critical. We must increase our efforts to involve these important Lion leaders and ask for their adoption and promotion of Campaign 100. Thorough training of district governors-elect will be extremely important in the coming year.
- Continued training and engagement of Campaign 100 leaders, especially club LCIF coordinators, will help to ensure the campaign's success.

In response to these needs, we will encourage our district governors to promote Campaign 100 as a priority in their districts and share the importance of supporting Campaign 100 with district governors-elect during the upcoming DGE School in February. We will also complete a Lions Clubs International Foundation and Campaign 100 seminar in Milan, and make more club LCIF coordinator training materials, including on-demand webinars, available through the Resource Center at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org).

You are among the most critical aspects of success for our campaign. You are an important advocate for our Foundation in your community. We need your leadership more than ever! In turn, we ask you to assist us in advancing Campaign 100 in four important ways:

- First, take action. Learn more about Campaign 100 at [www.lcif.org/be100](http://www.lcif.org/be100). Include a campaign presentation at your next club meeting and choose to support the campaign through personal contributions, fundraisers, or a donation from the club treasury.
- Second, encourage your club to consider becoming a Model Club. Model Clubs are leading the way for Campaign 100 by committing to raise an average of US\$750 for each club member. Learn more about [Model Clubs](#).
- Third, invite your LCIF district coordinator to speak to your club about LCIF and Campaign 100. Share the good work and Lion service that is empowered through your support of the Foundation.
- Finally, encourage every Lion to consider a gift of US\$100 each year. We understand that in some parts of the world, this is challenging; however, we ask you to encourage it where possible and acceptable. Where it is not, strive to raise the equivalent of this amount through fundraising events and activities.

In closing, we offer our thanks, once again, to our Lion leaders. Your continued support of Lions Clubs International Foundation and Campaign 100 is vital to our efforts and will help us to positively impact the lives of hundreds of millions across the world each year. Together, we will reach the US\$300,000,000 goal! Together, we will empower Lion service, fight diabetes, and support our expanded global causes. Together, we can.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada  
Past International President  
Campaign 100 Chairperson

J. Frank Moore, III  
Past International President  
Campaign 100 Vice-Chairperson

## District 25-E Vision Sight Conservation Committee

Our Committee would like to thank the Fayetteville Comm., Seymour Evening, Petersburg, and New Middleton Lions Clubs for their contributions to our committee this year.

We have been upgrading our equipment as well as having our Optic 5000 machines repaired. We have also had to replace several power supplies and bulbs for the machines. We have also just purchased another 50,000 vision screening forms. We presently have approximately 70,000 vision forms on hand. We presently perform over 20,000 school screenings annually.

It has been a few years since we last asked for all clubs to contribute what they could. We would appreciate it if you could once again replenish our Committee's restricted fund account. These funds support our vision screening efforts in District 25 E. This is our only source of income.

Thank You in advance for your support. It doesn't matter what amount you send. Any amount will help. Please send your donations (write checks to "District 25-E") to the District Treasurer, Lion Richard Kaiser, 1510 Red Leaf Dr., Evansville, IN 47712.

Thank you.  
PDG Frank Ruane  
Committee Chair

## 2019 Indiana State Convention: 26-28 April 2019

The Grand Wayne Convention Center and Fort Wayne Hilton along with the 2019 Convention Committee are eagerly awaiting the Indiana Lions arrival in Fort Wayne April 26 – 28. If you are a golfer, join PDG Don Cooper and PCC Bob Morton for a round of golf Friday morning. Come early to relax and enjoy what beautiful downtown Fort Wayne has to offer. Registration, exhibits and certification will open at 12:00.

The Convention officially opens Friday with the 1<sup>st</sup> Business Session beginning at 5:00 pm in the Grand Wayne Center. Dinner will follow at 6:30 pm across the street at Parkview Field. After dinner, enjoy the music of the West Central Quartet or return to the Hilton for a lively Euchre tournament. A complete Convention schedule will be published in the February Hoosier Lion along with special events, seminar descriptions and registration details.

Register now to be among the first 400 and receive your 2019 Convention Pin free. All registrations received by March 1<sup>st</sup> have the opportunity to win their Friday night Hilton stay. I'm registered, ARE YOU?

Kaylene Souers  
2019 Convention Chair  
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<https://www.facebook.com/IndianaLionsConvention/>



## 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention Grand Wayne Convention Center and Hilton Fort Wayne



**Saved the Date – April 26 – 28, 2018**



**Hotel Reservation made by calling 260-420-1100**



**Sent in Registration to Lion Kevin McDermit**



# New Horizons for Lions

9-4 p.m. - Saturday, April 13, 2019  
Zionsville Lions Club, 115 S Elm St, Zionsville, IN

9:00 AM Registration, Social time/Healthy breakfast snacks

Participate in a Service Project by bringing a gently used purse filled with toiletries to give to homeless shelters



9:30 AM Welcome Lion Diane Corlew, wife of Lions Past International President Bob Corlew, TN - - accompanied by Aime & Layla Greene, FL.



the little girl, with Type 1 Diabetes that inspired so many at the Lions International Convention in Las Vegas, NV.

**DOOR PRIZES + FUN SPEAKERS and FELLOWSHIP!**  
**Bring a Non-Lion and win an extra chance for a great door prize!**  
**Lunch** - Chicken salad/Croissant, Salads, Fresh Fruit, Dessert

Club \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Title \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: \$10.00 per person  
Make Checks payable to: District 25C Lions

Mail to: C/T Karen McKellar, 8805 E 200 S, Zionsville, IN 46077

\$10.00 per person # \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_



Ellie has been out running and playing with new friends in the Canine Development Center four times every day. The paid and volunteer teams have also been spending additional time with her petting, grooming, giving canine massage and T-Touch, and ultimately providing loving personal time and attention to help with the adjustment to life here at Leader Dog. The veterinary team has done the entry exam and X-rays and Ellie has passed.

The team also wanted to pass along the following comments:

- Ellie likes playing with toys, but she prefers playing with her friends more.
- She is currently playing with Labrador Retrievers and Golden Retrievers.
- She is good with her playmates; they like to run and wrestle together.
- Ellie is very fun loving and loves to be out and about with her friends!

She is a sweetheart! Ellie likes to give kisses and have her chest scratched by our volunteers and team members.

## FLD Ellie Update

*From LDFB*

We greatly appreciate all your time and dedication in raising Ellie for Leader Dogs for the Blind.

*Photo provided by Kaitlyn Bilodeau, Leader Dogs for the Blind*

## Palmyra Lions Club Jacobi's Tractor Sales Chili Fundraiser



Palmyra Lions Club once again prepared the chili for the Jacobi's Tractor Sales in Palmyra the last weekend in Feb. It takes many hands of members & guests to make 135 gallons of chili. Yum, Yum! The Lion's Club has been making it for about 20 years, & therefore are very proficient at preparing it. It is an excellent money maker for the club.

Photos provided by Lion Jean Geswein



## District Governor Elect Training – St. Charles, IL



MD-25 VDGs at the District Governor Elect Training held in St. Charles, IL in February 2019. Photo on the left include (from left to right): VDG PDG Dan Wilcox (25-D), VDG Thomas Robbins (25-C), VDG Mitch Seman (25-A), VDG Donald Mullen (25-F), VDG Sheryl Schafer (25-E), and VDG Mary Reed-Klempay (25-F). Missing was VDG Terry Marker (25-B). Photo on the right includes PID Ryuichi Goto from Chiba, Japan who was their instructor for the class.

*Photos by VDG Sheryl Schafer*

# 2019 INDIANA LIONS STATE CONVENTION

Hosted by District 25B

April 26 – 28, 2019

120 W. Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne, Indiana

Special Guests

International President Gudrun & PID Jon

Host Hotel – Hilton (attached to the Convention Center)

1020 S. Calhoun St., Fort Wayne, Indiana

Room Rate: \$115.00 plus tax

Call 260-428-1100 or 1-800-445-8667 for reservations

mention Lions of Indiana - Group Code LOI

Registration Form (one per person)

Registration Deadline: April 10, 2019

Please print name as desired on Badge



Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Evening Dinner	\$20.00 = \$ _____
Saturday Lunch	\$20.00 = \$ _____
Saturday All State Banquet	\$35.00 = \$ _____
Filet    Salmon    Chicken	
Sunday Brunch	\$20.00 = \$ _____
2019 Convention Pin	(free to 1-400)
Additional pin	\$ 4.00 = \$ _____
2019 Convention Shirt (solo)	
S    M    L    XL    2X	\$35.00 = \$ _____
<b>Total Enclosed</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

SPECIAL MENU: Diabetic ( )    Gluten Free ( )

**SEMINARS:**

	Session 1	Session 2
1. Fort Wayne Botanical Garden	( )	( )
2. Allen County Library Genealogy Department	( )	( )
3A. GAT Leadership – PID Gene Spine (offered 1 <sup>st</sup> session only)	( )	( )
3B. VisionFirst	( )	( )
4. Diabetes Education, Screenings and Lions	( )	( )

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## 2019 INDIANA LIONS STATE CONVENTION INFORMATION

### MENUS

#### FRIDAY DINNER – Parkview Field

Grilled Hamburgers, BBQ Pulled Pork, Macaroni & Cheese  
Maple Baked Beans with Smoked Bacon, Garden Salad with trio of dressing  
Fresh Fruit, Apple Crisp Dessert, Iced Tea & Water

#### SATURDAY LUNCH

Caesar Salad Includes Romaine Lettuce, Parmesan Cheese & Croutons,  
Served with Caesar Dressing & Golden Italian Dressing  
½ Turkey Sandwich on Pretzel Roll with Swiss Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato  
½ Ham Sandwich on Pretzel Roll with Cheddar Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato  
Kettle Chips, Chocolate Brownies & Assorted Cookies  
Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaf Starbucks® Coffee, Iced Tea & Iced Water

#### ALL STATE BANQUET

\*Choice 1 - Filet Mignon with Port Wine Sauce  
Fresh Asparagus with Red Peppers, Garlic Smashed Potatoes  
\*Choice 2 - Salmon Fillet with Mango Salsa  
Fresh Asparagus with Red Peppers, Wild Rice  
\*Choice 3 - Breast of Chicken with Roma Tomatoes, Basil, Garlic & Balsamic  
Vinaigrette, Topped with Provokins Cheese  
Fresh Asparagus with Red Peppers, Garlic Smashed Potatoes  
*All entrees served with Hilton Signature Salad, Rolls and Butter*  
*Alternating Desserts – Vanilla Cheesecake & Ultimate Chocolate Cake*  
Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaf Starbucks® Coffee, Iced Tea & Iced Water

#### SUNDAY BRUNCH

Deluxe Scrambled Eggs - Scrambled Eggs, Onion, Bell Pepper, Mushroom, Pico de  
Gallo and Cheddar Cheese, Cheesy Hash Brown Potatoes, Honey Glazed Ham  
Carving Station with Chef Attendant, Assorted Sweet Breads, Assorted Muffins  
Seasonal Sliced Fruit Display  
Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaf Starbucks® Coffee, Assorted Hot Tazo Teas & Orange Juice

**FRIDAY GOLF OUTING:** The golf outing will be at Colonial Oaks Golf Course on **Friday, April 26** at 10:00 a.m.  
8218 Huguenard Road, Fort Wayne. The phone number [260-489-5121](tel:260-489-5121). The golf fee will be paid at the course.  
Food and beverages available at the course. Register with PDG Don Cooper at [dkcooper81@man.com](mailto:dkcooper81@man.com)

**FRIDAY NIGHT EUCHERE TOURNAMENT** - Please email PDG Peg VanNevel at [pitchinpeg@yahoo.com](mailto:pitchinpeg@yahoo.com) and  
provide your name, email and phone number. You don't have to play euchre to be part of the fun and great  
food...potluck fare, please bring a snack or dessert to share. Volunteers also needed for scorekeeping and  
organizing the food.

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON TOURS** - Local tours will be available during the same time as the seminars.  
The tours that are on the list to date are: History Center, The Embassy, Fire Fighters Museum, Lincoln Museum

## SEMINARS 1, 2 AND 4 WILL BE OFFERED TWICE

### SEMINAR 3 HAS GAT IN SESSION 1 AND EYE BANK IN SESSION 2

**SEMINAR #1: Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory** – Surround yourself with nature at the Conservatory – an oasis in the heart of downtown Fort Wayne. Visit the Showcase Garden with its lush seasonal displays, wander through the Tropical Garden where orchids and palms thrive in the shadows of a cascading waterfall, or retreat to the quiet beauty of the Desert Garden. (NOTE: This is a self-guided tour). The Conservatory is right across the street from the Convention Center.

**SEMINAR #2:** The Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center is a unique and valuable resource for the Northeastern Indiana community and the entire genealogy community at large. The Center has one of the largest research collections available, incorporating records from around the world. The staff specializes in genealogy and member(s) of the staff will guide attendees through the research process. Attendees will take the very short walk to the Library from the Convention Center.

**SEMINAR #3 A. PID Eugene Spiess:** This workshop is for all Lions that hold a GAT position at any level. Also, any Lions interested in the future of Lions are encouraged to attend. We will look at both the past history and the future of Lions in Indiana. Tools will be presented to the attendees to help "REVERSE THE CURSE". Finally, a call will be proclaimed to those attending to "DIAL IT UP."

**SEMINAR #3 B. VisionFirst – Indiana Lions Eye Bank:** Lion Mark Owens, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Eye Bank, will discuss the recommended changes to the Indiana Lions Constitution regarding the Eye Bank. This session will answer all the questions you will have regarding these proposed changes.

**SEMINAR #4:** Presenter: PDG Norma Callahan, Florida Lions Diabetes Chair – PDG Norma will discuss the progression of diabetes and the strategy of involving Lions in the screening/education process for Diabetes prevention. Screenings will also be offered during the Convention. Getting involved in these screenings would be a great project for your club.

## MOBILE ELECTRIC CARTS:

James Medical will deliver motorized scooters to the Ft. Wayne Hilton on Friday and will pick up the scooters after the convention. The Carts are \$100 for the weekend. Contact PDG Kaylene Souza at [amcbuck@aol.com](mailto:amcbuck@aol.com) by March 15 to make your reservation.





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