

# Sowing Seeds of Service.



The Official Newsletter  
of Lions District 25-F  
December, 2018



## Many Fall Events

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### Newsletter

Pat Henninger

Greetings Fellow Lions of 25F,

I have thoroughly enjoyed visiting all of the Clubs since mid-October through November. It is so good to talk to fellow Lions about all of the activities that they have planned for the holidays in their outreach in their communities and Lions projects as well. Keep up the great work.

Just a reminder, I need to hear from Clubs who have not scheduled their Official Visit yet. I will be calling to schedule a visit if I have not heard from Clubs. My plan is to have my visits completed by mid-April. So help me out and give me a call. My contact information is at the bottom of the article.

Just a reminder, be sure to read the latest LCI Magazine. I just want to say you WILL find some really neat information in it that refers to Indiana MD25F. Good hunting.

I do want to express much appreciation to ZC Lion Bill and Lion Toni McDonald for their involvement and promotion of Special Olympics Winter Games. They have spear-headed this for MD25F. Be sure to thank them for their hard work that they do for SO and Lions.

Thank you Lion Clubs of MD25F who have donated to SO Winter Games so far. The Indiana Lions are committed to sponsoring the Winter Games at Perfect North. \$10,000 is our commitment, \$1,500 per District. If each Club would donate \$30.00, we would raise enough to pay our District's portion with a nice start to next year's commitment. If a Club wants to donate more, I want to thank you for doing so. Please consider donating whatever a Club can afford no matter the amount, each dollar is always appreciated. I attended last year's opening night and the amount of exposure at the ceremony with TV and radio stations attending, we Lions could never afford that on our own. Please send your donations to our Cabinet Treasurer Patricia Bigham with the memo showing Winter Games.

I am including a short email that Lion Bill McDonald sent to me the other day.

"On November 16th and 17th, the Kentucky National Guard held a National Emergency Training Operation at the MUTC (Muscatatuck Urban Training Center) in Butlerville, IN, Lion/Knight Bill McDonald was contacted by E9 Enterprise, a veteran ran company, for 40 volunteers to act as victims for this

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The following Lions answered that call; Lion IPDG Melissa Baker, Lion Shirley Boccock, Lion Sue Socha, and Lion Judy Jordan from the Milan Lions Club. Lion Toni McDonald, Lion Keri McDonald/Johnson, and Lion Bill McDonald from the Osgood Lions Club and DG Ron Bigham from Indy-Washington Twp. Lions Club. E9 made a donation to each Club for each member in attendance.

Other Ripley County organizations that assisted were JCD(Jac-Cen-Del)FFA, JCD-Honor Society and JCD/SR-Ripley Wranglers.

I was personally amazed about the grounds that are set up for virtually any scenario that our military might encounter. A mock embassy, bombed out buildings and vehicles, an area that was set up for flood and water rescue. It was also truly a privilege to experience these young people willing to work together with the Lions and our military people. Here is a prime example of what Lions can do to help in more ways than we can imagine. The ladies who did the make-up for various injuries really did a fantastic job of "creating wounds". This was truly an experience I was really glad to have participated in.

Thank you Clubs for sending your activities information to PDG Jack Salsbery and getting them into the newsletter for the main body of the newsletter. Communications is our best way to keep in touch with each other. A reminder that ALL ARTICLES AND PICTURES are sent to PDG Jack Salsbery ONLY and they have to be to him by 11:59 pm on the 20th of each month. After that time it will be placed in next newsletter.

Send a list of your Club's events by the 20th of each month and it should include events for the next six weeks. This should include Club name, the date, the event, where it will be held, if food is sold, and if it is one price, list that, if there are various food prices just say "prices vary". One of my subtle mottos is "Get the Word Out".

Also if a Club wants to submit a full page ad about upcoming events please do so but it will have to be created and designed by the Club. Full page ads will be placed on a supplemental or auxiliary portion of the newsletter. This means there will be two separate parts to the newsletter. The main newsletter will have articles and pictures and then the supplemental portion that is strictly ads and registration forms for events. We are trying to keep things simple to make it easier for Lions to find what they are searching for in the newsletter. Look for two different sections.

Please check out the Governor's Facebook page for upcoming information of happenings in the District. Contact IPDG Melissa Baker to get those activities on the Governor's Facebook page as well as the District calendar. That is two more communication avenues for Clubs to "Get the Word Out" so that Lions in our District can get connected with each other.

Here are upcoming dates that I would hope that my Fellow Li-

ons would place on their calendar and attend to meet and greet with Lions from around the District and State.

Mid-Winter Leadership Conference will be held at the Crown Plaza Conference Center on January 11th and 12th. This venue is located near the OLD International Airport. It can be seen from I-465. Please plan to attend. Much more information is in the last issue of the Hoosier Lion.

Special Olympics Winter Games will start Sunday evening, January 13 around 7:00 pm and Awards Ceremonies will be Tuesday, January 15 starting around 9:00 am. Much more information can be found online at SO Indiana website. Great website to check out.

Winter Cabinet Meeting: Saturday, February 9th sponsored by the Edinburgh Lions Club. The meeting will be held at the Edinburgh High School. Registration form forthcoming in next Newsletter.

District 25F Convention: Saturday, March 30th Club sponsors are Osgood, Batesville, Milan, and Versailles Lions Clubs and will be held at St. Maurice Catholic Church Activity Center in Napoleon. It is 2 blocks east of St. Rd. 421 at flasher light in downtown Napoleon. ID Tom Gordon, who resides in Canada, will be our Keynote Speaker. More information to come in the next newsletter.

Indiana Lions State Convention: April 26th thru 28th in Fort Wayne. Our International President Gudrun Yngvadottir will be speaking at the Saturday evening banquet. This is one convention to attend. She is a dynamic speaker and well worth the time and effort to be in attendance.

If you have reporting issues please contact Lion Denise Salsbery. Her information is 317-435-9601 or email: dosalsbery@att.net and she will be able to assist in any way she can.

I gave a challenge to my fellow Lions in the last newsletter. The question is: Before it was known as Veterans Day, what was the day called and what was so significant about it?

Well, I want to thank the 3 correct answers that I received. I received 0 wrong answers. So I have decided to give each participant a small Ertel John Deere Tractor. You will be receiving them soon.

The winners were Lion Owen Menchhofer of Osgood, Lion Chris Reinhold of Indpls-Washington Twp., and Lion Wayne Orkin of Greater Greenwood. Thank you all for participating. The answer is: (the bold numbers and words were the answers I was looking for).

On the 11th day, of the 11th month, at the 11th hour the Armistice was signed to end World War 1 with Germany in 1918.

Also in the October Newsletter I had asked the question: "Remember what to do when you are bobbing for apples"? Well I had one person who guessed twice but did not get the answer that I was looking for. In fact, the answer was near the

bottom of the article. The answer: "Bite'em". Lion Denny Henninger of Indpls-Washington Twp. will be getting an Ertel tractor for his efforts. Last month, I was generous giving thanks to those Lions who did read my article and sent answers.

Many thanks to those participating in these challenges.

So here is the "dare" or challenge for December.

There was an event that happened only once on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day within the last 110 years between men from 4 different countries according to the history information that I can find. What was the event and what year did this happen? So there are two parts to the challenge and you must have both parts for the correct answer. All responses have to be received by December 15th and all correct answers will be put together with a single winner selected at random.

Lion Patricia, my daughter, Veronica, my son-in-law, Michael and I want to wish everyone a Merry and Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. Be safe in your travels, be patient with others, and be a Lion in all that you do in the holiday season.

My motto this year is: "Sowing Seeds of Service." Let's go sow seeds so that we can reap a harvest of service in every part of our lives.

Bite'em!!!!!!

DG Ron Bigham Cell number 317-695-0683  
Email: ronbigham25f@gmail.com

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## Vision Screening Program

*CS Ed Harper*

Vision Screening in District 25F has had a very successful year. Most schools try to get their screening of students in grades 1, 3, 5 and 8 completed before Christmas. Because of that, many clubs have finished their screenings for this school year. PDG Jack Salsbery started the Vision Screening program for the district and has worked hard for many years. He has chosen to make this his last year working in the screening process.

Many thanks to PDG Jack for the years he spent on this project and the many hours and miles driven around the district making this project a success.

For any screener that is in the last year of the three-year training cycle that needs to be updated in the training process, plan on attending a training session at Pike High School, 5401 West 71st Street in Indianapolis. Training will begin at 10:00 on December 8th in the cafeteria and will be completed no later than 12:00.

CS Ed Harper  
Vision Screening Board

## Holiday Wishes

*1st VDG Don Mullen*

As we enter the Holiday Season, we will pause the discussion of the recruitment series. Instead, we simply want to wish everyone the best for the Christmas Holidays and the New Year. The Holidays tend to elicit a variety of emotions, some good and some not so much, for all of us. As we reflect on this, our hope for everyone is that regardless of circumstance, you enjoy the spirit of the season. Find joy in your family, friends and fellow Lions. While we never know for sure, have confidence that your Lion efforts have had a positive impact on someone's life, quite possibly allowing them to also have a wonderful Holiday. Thank you for that and all you do to serve your community.

Don Mullen, 1st Vice District Governor

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## 2019 State Convention

Why should you attend the State Convention in Ft Wayne? Along with business sessions, Friday night Party, W.P. Wood Luncheon, All State Banquet, seminars, Memorial service and voting, there will be golf at Colonial Oaks Friday at 10 am and Walking Tours Saturday afternoon. More details will follow. Check our Facebook page and website for updates.

Ready to have some fun!? Then come play EUCHRE with some of the best players in the state...at least that's what we've been told!

The 8 round tournament will begin after the Friday night dinner. There is no registration fee, but we ask that you donate a small gift card that can be used for prizes. It promises to be a fun night of cards and great food...potluck fare, please bring a snack or a dessert to share.

Pre-registration is requested. Email PDG Peg VanNevel at [pinchpeg@yahoo.com](mailto:pinchpeg@yahoo.com) and provide your name, email and phone number. If you don't play euchre and would like to be a part of the fun, volunteers are needed for scorekeeping and organizing the food.



Is your Club event on the District Calendar? Check here:  
<http://www.indianalions25f.org/calendar.html>  
Email to: [dosalsbery@att.net](mailto:dosalsbery@att.net) com

# Humbled

2nd VDG Ken Faulkner

As you read this, The Thanksgiving holiday is over and we will be into the Holiday season.

Before we talk about the holidays, I would like to share a humbling experience that happened to me. I was delivering an item to a friend's church and they were getting ready to open their food pantry. There was food everywhere, veggies fruits, milk, dry goods and many other items. This 10'x 12' room was so full there was hardly room for workers. I was amazed!!!

He then took me out to the hallway and showed me the mass of people waiting to get in. Young and Old alike were waiting, if I were to guess 500 people were waiting. At that point I realized that what LCIF put out as part of Campaign 100, which states "800 million people go to bed hungry."

I would like to make a presentation to your club regarding this worthy Campaign so maybe we can get all clubs in the District to 100 % participation.

Cheri & I would like to wish you the Happiest of Holiday Seasons and a prosperous New Year. Do yourself a favor and pay it forward even if it is a small gesture. During your stressful times, it will help those go away quicker and make you feel better.

Together We Serve, Better

# Camp Woodsmoke "The Best"

This month we will have a short article for Camp Woodsmoke. I am sending you on a quest to read your LCI News Magazine that Lions members should have received about the middle of November.

"Your mission, should you decide to accept it, is to scan the pages, find information on two different pages about Camp Woodsmoke and read the article therein. This message WILL NOT self-destruct in 5 seconds".

Clubs, I invite you to ask a Trustee to come and make a presentation about Camp Woodsmoke at one of your meetings. We are more than willing to do this as Trustees. Your Club's financial support and personal support, allows the Trustees to do the "continuous improvement" and daily maintenance to keep it as Camp Woodsmoke "The Best".

For those who wish to donate on a personal level, Camp Woodsmoke has a program called "Friends of Camp Woodsmoke" which is an ongoing fund raiser, which for each Lion year, if a person donates \$20.00 per year they will receive a window sticker for your vehicle. Just contact a Trustee or Camp Woodsmoke to donate.

Remember, this is the ONLY DISTRICT supported Lions Camp in the States.

DG and Trustee Ron Bigham

## A World in Need



253 million blind or visually impaired

245 people lost every day to measles

15% annual increase in natural disasters

2/3 of children impacted by bullying

400 million people with diabetes

800 million people go to bed hungry

A child diagnosed with cancer every 2 minutes

1/2 of the population water stressed by 2025



# Emergency Training Assist

*Lion Bill McDonald, Osgood Lions; Zone 7 Chair*

On November 16th and 17th the Kentucky National Guard held a National Emergency Training Operation at the Muscatatuck Urban Training Center (MUTC) in Butlerville, Indiana.

Lion/Knight Bill McDonald was contacted by E9 Enterprise, a veteran ran company, for 40 volunteers to act as victims for this exercise.



Bill sent out a "call" to both Knights and Lions to support this mission.

The following Lions answered the call ; I-Washington Twp. DG Ron Bigham, Milan PDG Melissia Baker, Lion Shirley Bockock, Lion Sue Socha, Lion Judy Jordan, Osgood Lion Toni McDonald, Lion Keri McDonald/Johnson, Lion Bill McDonald.



In appreciation for their support E9 Enterprise has made a donation to of \$100.00 for each participant to their local Club.

- Indianapolis Washington Twp., \$100.00
- Milan, \$400.00
- Osgood, \$300.00

Also the following organizations from Ripley County assisted:

- JCD – FFA
- JCD – Honor Society
- JCD/SR – Ripley Wranglers

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## Chapel Hill DG Visit

Chapel Hill Lions Club hosted District 25F Governor Ron Bigham and Patricia Bigham for Governors' Night on October 17, 2018. During the meeting Gov Ron Bigham presented 40 yr, 35yr, 30yr and 25 yr. service pins to the following:

- Jack Orebaugh - 40 years
- Don Griffith - 35 years
- Tracy Clayton - 30 years
- Jim Halstead - 25 years

What a GREAT meeting!!



*Gov Ron Bigham presents 40 year service pin to Chapel Hill Lion Jack Orebaugh at Governor's Night Meeting October 17, 2018.*



*Gov Ron Bigham presents 25 year service pin to Chapel Hill Lion Jim Halstead at Governor's Night Meeting October 17, 2018.*



President Linda Scott, Decatur Central Lions Club presents Richard Wyatt with a Dr. Richard T. Miyamoto Fellowship for their Lions Club contribution to the Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing, Inc. project.



Lions Anthony R. Vescovi and Vincent P. Noblet receive Dr. Richard T. Miyamoto Fellowships from past President Bruce Levy of the Speedway Lions Club for their Lions Club contribution to the Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing, Inc. project.

## 25F Directory Changes

Fairland-Triton Lions Club, P. 47

President: Jerome Youngbar  
 7280 N. London Road  
 Fairland, IN 46126  
 C: 317- 490-0312  
 jerome.youngbar@gmail.com

Meeting (starting April 2019)  
 Triton Central H.S. Library  
 1st Monday - 7:00 PM

Club is "going dark" starting December through March.



Cabinet Secretary Ed Harper (P1), Lion Larry Koval (P1) and Lion Sarah Getts (P2) of the Pike Township Lions Club all receive Progressive W.P. Woods Fellowships for their continued service to District 25F efforts to serve our communities.



President Lion Gary McCoy of Osgood Lions on left sponsored new member Andy Shelton.



The Indiana Group representation at the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI) in Chicago Nov 3-5, 2018: Megan Bauer (District C), Patricia Bigham (District F), Lissa Newton (District G), Laura Moss (District C)



Our Lions KidSight program that District 25-F started in November, 2013, is doing well. That first year we screened around 700 Preschoolers, ages 18 months to 6 years old. As of today, we have screened almost 5,000 **this year!**

That's correct, we now screen almost as many in a month than we screened the whole first year of our program.

Our success is twofold. One, our screeners are very dedicated and professional. Two, word of mouth...the directors of the preschools have told their colleagues about this program. Spreading the good word has benefited us greatly. This program is for **PRE-SCHOOLERS ONLY**, ages 18 months to 6 years. **Not for school age children.**

Although we screen and "catch" other vision issues, the main problem we are screening for is Amblyopia, or "lazy eye". If not caught before the child is 7-9 years old, the child can go blind in one eye. The brain tries to focus the "lazy eye" and can't, so it finally shuts it down. When that happens, little if anything can be done to help the child focus that eye, leaving them legally blind in that eye. It is imperative that children get screened as soon as possible. The child doesn't know he or she isn't seeing correctly, so they can't tell anyone.

We have a screening team in Richmond, Milan, and three teams in Indianapolis. We could use more screeners. If you think you might like to be a screener, **PLEASE** contact me.

You can also help by giving us names of preschools near you. Send me the name of the preschool and I will contact them. Most preschool directors are very receptive to having their children screened.

Sarah Getts, District 25-F Coordinator  
317.331.9015  
LKSgetts@comcast.net

## Club Activities

### November 18—December 21

Christmas Tree sales by Indianapolis Washington Township Lions Club every Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday inclusive; 2720 E 86th St, Indianapolis, IN 46240

### December 15, 9am - 12pm (3rd Saturday monthly)

Chapel Hill Lions Club Furniture Sale  
240 North High School Road, Indianapolis  
Bill Srader 317-529-3157

### December 15, 7 - 10am

Williamsburg Lions Club will have their All you care to eat breakfast at the Williamsburg Community Center (former Williamsburg high school); Pancakes, sausage patty, scrambled eggs, biscuits & sausage gravy, coffee and orange juice will be served. \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 6-12 yrs. old & free for children under 6. Have questions regarding Williamsburg Lions Club, please contact Club President Jeff Locke at 765-265-3805.

### January 11 and 12, 2019

Mid-Winter Conference, Crown Plaza Hotel Indianapolis  
Please check the website for more information.

## Elections! Attention!! All Lions running for District Office or Region Chair for Camp Woodsmoke

Deadline: March 1, 2019

Must submit:

- A letter of intent from the person running for the position.
- A letter from the Club signed and dated by club secretary or president that the Lion is in good standing with the club.

Letters may be emailed to [owen.menchhofer@infb.com](mailto:owen.menchhofer@infb.com)  
Or mailed to:

Owen Menchhofer  
1970 N. Co. Rd. 300 W.  
Holton, IN 47023

## 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention Grand Wayne Convention Center



- Saved the Date - April 26 - 28, 2018**
- Hotel Resevation Made**
- Send in Registration - coming soon**



# 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention

Fort Wayne, Indiana (26-28 April 2019)



## Convention Book Advertising Application

- Promote an upcoming event for your Club, District or Business
- Honor your club's Melvin Jones or W.P. Woods Fellows or your Past District Governors
- Thank your District Governor for a great 2018-19 Lions Year

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**Please send your print ready ad and this application by March 15th to:**

Lion Nancy Daugherty  
141 Cobblers Cove  
Fort Wayne, IN 46825

Email: nsdaugh44@frontier.com

Make check payable to 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention

**Detach and Return with Payment**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Check one: Club \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Project \_\_\_\_\_ Business \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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# 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention Update

The focus of Indiana Lions over the last several years has been vision screening. In the last 10 years, over 1,000,000 children have been served through Operation KidSight and Project School Sight. It could be argued that at least 100,000 people see better than they would have if they had not been referred for additional follow up. Hundreds, if not thousands, of Lion volunteers from all over the state have been invaluable in providing this service through the sacrifice of their time.

As part of the 2019 State Convention, the Lions of Indiana will honor these countless volunteers by hosting a party on Friday evening, April 26. We will celebrate all past and present screeners. If you are or have been a volunteer, make sure to make your reservation for the Convention and participate in the celebration Friday night. All Lions and guests are invited to the party.



## 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention *Fort Wayne, Indiana (26-28 April 2019)*



### Vendor Application

**Lions Exhibitor - \$50    Non-Lions Exhibitor - \$75    Additional Booth - \$50**

Each Booth includes  
10x10 space  
1 skirted table  
2 chairs

Please return this form and payment by **April 10** to:

PDG Don Cooper  
1922 Kelley's Landing  
Fort Wayne, IN 46825  
dkcooper81@msn.com

Make checks payable to: **2019 Indiana Lions State Convention**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Club \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Lions Exhibitor \$50    \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Lions Exhibitor \$75    \_\_\_\_\_ Additional \$50

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

# Help Needed: VOPA !

Lions, Your help is needed! There is a bill in Congress called the Volunteer Organization Protection Act that needs to be acted on by our legislatures before it "dies" due to lack of support.

What is VOPA?

The Volunteer Organization Protection Act of 2017 impacts every Lion in the United States.

Under current law, service clubs have been forced to dissolve when they have been unable to afford the costs of litigation resulting from a volunteer's negligence or just being included with other parties in a lawsuit. VOPA can help protect your club from being drawn into lawsuits should an accident occur during a Lions Club service activity or event.

## How You Can Help:

Clubs can make the most impact by completing a petition with as many members signing it as possible. Since this impacts all volunteer organizations asking other groups (Rotary, Kiwanis, churches etc) in the community to sign the petition would help increase the numbers.

Templates for the petition and more details can be found on the Lions International website, ([Lionsclubs.org](http://lionsclubs.org)) and search for volunteer organization protection. There is a template for a letter to accompany the petition as well as an option for members to find their local representative and send an "email petition" to them.

Please contact DG Ron Bigham or PCC Reed Fish with any questions.

## Mid-Winter Conference Redesign, Rescheduled, and Simplified for Lions' Convenience

Going back to its roots, this year's Mid-Winter Conference will return to the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in January (Jan. 11-12, 2019). MWC organizers realized that the November timetable had too many conflicts with Lions events throughout the state, and the relatively free January calendar dates offered a better opportunity for attendance. This year's committee also took a long hard look at the entire event and have made numerous adjustments.

What had been a confusing mixture of one and two-hour seminars and workshops that made some attendees to miss some topics of interest, this year's schedule has been simplified. The number of seminars has been reduced to 16 one-hour programs, and all will be held Saturday morning. Each Lion attending the MWC can choose four of the 16 sessions to attend. The Conference ends with a luncheon, featuring a keynote speaker that should be informative, as well as entertaining for all Lions.

Final details on the exact seminar titles have not been finalized, but look for topics such as: How to organize your district's (club's) eyeglass recycling; Marketing Communications Specialist - What should that person do?; Membership recruiting- New efforts for clubs to consider; Anyone can make baked beans- An answer to 'We've always done it that way!'; Leverage community partnerships to maximize your fundraising and service activities; Looking at the new MyLion. New presenters, including several from outside Indiana, have been scheduled to bring new, refreshing information.

The committee also moved the venue to the Crowne Plaza Hotel & Conference Center, located at the Indianapolis International Airport. All activities will be inside this facility, making it easy for attendees to park and remain there for both Friday and Saturday activities. Changes in fees at the public schools in Plainfield would have increased our fees substantially to use those facilities, plus the meeting rooms and conference areas at the Crowne Plaza are much more accommodating and comfortable for attendees.



rotten (his words) prizes.

The Friday night entertainment will feature comedian Craig Tornquist, from Mishawaka, Indiana. Tornquist has given more than 3000 presentations to corporations, organizations, churches and other groups throughout the county. His act is completely family friendly and promises to get the audience involved, including some really

At Saturday's luncheon, Jessica Michna (a.k.a. Helen Keller) will present an exciting and informative program. Jessica does an impersonation of part of the famous speech that Keller made to the Lions at the International Convention in Sandusky, Ohio in 1925. She goes on to relate much of Keller's life, going over the hurdles and triumphs she encountered.



Also featured at the MWC is a new service project, 'Sock-it-to-me'. Lions are encouraged to bring socks, scarves and mittens to the conference. Following the event, they will be given to the District Governors to take back and give away to the needy in their districts.

Information has already been appearing on the Lions Facebook page, Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference. Be sure to visit the page, **Like** and **Share** it. Many more details will appear as they become available.

**DISTRICT 25-F**  
**CLUB DONATION NOTIFICATION**  
**2018 - 2019**  
**DG Ron Bigham**



Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The club of District 25-F: \_\_\_\_\_ (name of club)

would like to make the following donations to the projects so indicated:

**DISTRICT 25-F PROJECT**

CAMP WOODSMOKE
\$ _____

**DISTRICT 25-F COMMITTEE**

EYEGLASS RECYCLING
\$ _____

SPECIAL OLYMPICS
\$ _____

VISION SCREENING
\$ _____

**DISTRICT 25-F PROGRAM**

**MD 25 LIONS OF INDIANA STATE PROJECTS**

CANCER CONTROL
\$ _____

LEADER DOG
\$ _____

VISION FIRST & OPERATION KIDS SIGHT
\$ _____

INDIANA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED
\$ _____

SPEECH AND HEARING
\$ _____

**ADDITIONAL**

DIABETES
\$ _____

LAW CAMP
\$ _____

YOUTH EXCHANGE
\$ _____

\$ _____

\$ _____

**LIONS FOUNDATIONS**

INDIANA LIONS FOUNDATION
\$ _____

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION
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## MD-25 Lions Intl Pin Design 2020



Milan Italy 2019

Singapore is our next site for International Convention

So encourage your clubs to put on their thinking cap on and start designing.

Pins MUST include:

- a- MD 25 Indiana (as text)
- b- the Intl Convention year - 2020
- c- Lion Club Intl Logo
- d- Intl Convention Host City representation
- e- MD 25 graphic representation

MD-25 usually includes a race car and/or the outline of Indiana

Each club can submit one design to its District Governor.

One design will be selected by each District Governor.

All District designs need to be submitted to me by December 15, 2018.

Each District's selected design will be presented to State Council in January.

Remember: pin designers do not have to be (a) Lions

Be creative! CT Patricia Bigham, State Pin Chairperson

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