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## Digging Spurs Into Service



The Official Newsletter  
of Lions District 25-F  
December, 2020

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## Happy Holidays

*District Governor Ken Faulkner*

What a roller coaster this year has been. COVID cases up one minute, down the next, then up again. While no one is certain what will happen next, we can take care of ourselves and each other. Please mask up for everyone's safety, wash your hands (or use sanitizer) frequently, and maintain social distance. I am sure we are all tired of hearing this, but if we do these small things, we can get through this. Please remain diligent to the warnings.

Every act of service that you, as Lions, provide makes a difference in someone's life. Many clubs are providing service in variety of ways, making many people smile. Did you know that as individual Lions you can do this as well? Call one of your members and ask if they need anything; ask the checkout person at the store if their day is going well; or encourage your server or drive-thru person to keep smiling as they are doing a great job! Keep up the great work and please report it.

The Holidays tend to bring out a variety of emotions, 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 efforts as Lions have had a positive impact on someone's life, quite possibly allowing them to also have a wonderful Holiday. Thank you for all you do to serve your community.

So far, I have visited 15 Clubs and have 11 scheduled out of 60 clubs. I look forward to visiting the all the clubs in our district so if you have not scheduled your visit, please send CS Ed Harper a note and let's get this scheduled. Virtual visits can happen as well!

Lion Cheri & I would to take this opportunity to wish all Lions and their families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.!

United in Kindness and Diversity as We Serve,

DG Ken Faulkner

*NOTE: Please send Newsletter content and requests to lions25f@gmail.com .*

## Ho Ho Ho! Merry Christmas to All!

2nd VDG Linda Scott

As we enter the holiday season, I know things look quite different I would like to share a few ideas about what your club can do to serve safely during this season.

Animal shelters are happy to accept food or toy donations for the animals. Also save newspapers for them to line the floors.

How about collecting art supplies or books for family shelters? Shelters can use combs, toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, & razors.

Perhaps club members could adopt a "Grandperson" at a nursing home. They could send cards and care packages for the holidays or throughout the year. Collect items for Christmas that could be donated to a nursing home for the residents who may need them. Things like house shoes, warm socks, robes, or even lap blankets. Clubs could donate books, puzzles, or games to the home for residents to enjoy. Even large print books would be helpful.

Do not forget our military serving away from home. Care packages can be put together and sent to them to show our support.

Just drop things off at the door or mailbox. No contact is necessary. I hope this list is helpful. I know there are many other ideas out there you are doing to help others. Keep up the great work! We Serve! I would like to wish all of you a Safe and Happy Holiday!

## Club Activities

**November 21, 2020; 4-8PM**

Please note that the Camp Woodsmoke "clean-up day" has been rescheduled for November 21st. We will start to assemble at the Dinning Hall at 8am. We will have coffee and donuts available. - Bill McDonald, CWS Chair

**January 22 - 23, 2021: Mid-Winter Conference Cancelled**

Mid-Winter Conference at the Indianapolis Crowne Plaza (Airport). See Ad later in this newsletter.

## Camp Woodsmoke Reminder

Camp WoodSmoke cleanup day is scheduled for November 21st starting at 8am.

Coffee and donuts will be provided.

Lunch will be provided. It will either be Fried Chicken and Cole Slaw or Pizza.

Anticipate we should be completed by noon.

We will concentrate on the following tasks, depending on the weather.

Splitting wood.  
Stacking wood in shelters.  
Cleaning interior of cabins.  
Cleaning interior of dining hall.  
Hang remaining Christmas lights.  
Blow leaves if needed.

Please let me know if you are able to attend so we can try and anticipate food requirements and work details.

Thanks!

Bill McDonald  
CWS - Chair

## MWC Schedule

**9:30 am- Opening session with message from LCI special guest**  
**10 am- Seminar #1**  
**11 am- Seminar #2**  
**Noon- Lunch (of course, on your own!)**  
**1 pm- Seminar #3**  
**2 pm- Seminar #4**  
**3 pm- Closing remarks**  
**3:15 pm- Adjournment, in plenty of time for everyone to return home!**



Register at- <https://bit.ly/in-lions-mwc-2021-reg>



Is your Club event on the District Calendar? Check here:

[www.indianalions25f.org/calendar.html](http://www.indianalions25f.org/calendar.html)



# ISBVI Greenhouse News

Dear friends of the Greenhouse,

Many of you have been wondering about the holiday festivities usually scheduled here at ISBVI. Sadly, due to the Covid-19 virus precautions, we are unable to host the Holiday Plant Sale and Tree Sale this year.

No Santa, no Jingle John and his reindeer, no cookies and hot cocoa by the fire. No ISBVI choir caroling, no IBCF Pancake Breakfast, no Indianapolis Ukulele Club performance. No welcoming our old friends and customers in the Greenhouse this year.

WE WILL MISS YOU!

However, it is our plan to be open for a socially distanced February Houseplant Sale. Be checking your inbox for our sale flyer! If you are not on our list, email me and I will add you.

Until then, be safe and Happy Holidays!  
The Greenhouse at ISBVI students, staff and volunteers.

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**INDIANA LIONS FOUNDATION**

*We Serve the Lions of Indiana*

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www.Indianalionsfoundationmd25.org

*As you may have heard the Indiana State Fair has been cancelled this year due to COVID-19 concerns. While you may not be able to support your Indiana Lions Foundation with your time & talents, please consider a contribution to our **NEW ONLINE campaign** via GoFundMe.*

**Safe, secure one-time donations or set up recurring donations!**

<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/indiana-lions-foundation-online-campaign>

or <http://tiny.cc/o2v7rz>

or scan the QR code with your smart device!



**Indiana Lions Foundation News:**  
All Indiana Lions recently received a brochure expressing benefits provided by the Indiana Lions Foundation. One such benefit is the \$750.00 Matching Grant Program. The Program matches, up to \$750.00, of a Clubs contribution to an approved service project. Due to the cancellation of the Indiana State Fair, Lions from across Indiana were unable to volunteer their time to raise funds for the Indiana Lions Foundation and the Matching Grant Program. Please consider supporting the Indiana Lions Foundation so we can continue our programs for the Lions of Indiana. You can make a one-time donation via our GoFundMe online campaign. Donation options include: Using the QR Code above, going directly to our GoFundMe page, or making a direct contribution to the Indiana Lions Foundation. If you have any questions, please contact an Indiana Lions Foundation Trustee or visit our website: [IndianalionsfoundationMD25.org](http://IndianalionsfoundationMD25.org)

## ELECTIONS!!!

**Attention All Lions running for District Office & Positions**

**District Convention is scheduled for March 13, 2021**

**Deadline is March 5, 2021**

### 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 stating the Lion is in good standing with the club

Letters may be emailed to  
[owen.47037@gmail.com](mailto:owen.47037@gmail.com)

**OR** mailed to:  
Owen Menchhofer  
1970 N. county road 300 West  
Holton, IN 47023

# AROUND THE DISTRICT

## Centerville Report

Shane Osting, new athletic director of Centerville High School, spoke to members and guests of the Centerville Lions Club Monday, Nov. 23rd.

The dinner meeting was held at the Senior Center. Mr. Osting spoke concerning the challenges of holding athletic events during a pandemic. He also discussed the strong athletic programs at Centerville and introduced the new website which is <https://centervillebulldogsathletics.com>.



Shane Osting, left, is welcomed to the Lions Club meeting by Club Treasurer Dennis Stephen. Mr. Osting is the new Athletic Director of Centerville High School.



Indianapolis-Warren Township Lions Club President Marie Chorpennig receiving a W.P. Woods Fellowship from DG Ken Faulkner during his Official Visit to Fortville, Lawrence, & Indianapolis-Warren Township.



The Clermont Lions held their first ever Trunk or Treat! Due to Covid 19 restrictions they could not hold their annual Halloween Party, but they still wanted to give the kids in their community a Halloween event. It was a great turn out! They had 403 parents and kids come through and everyone left happy! When the kids were done visiting all the cars, they received a free hot dog and juice box for the ride home! 25F District Governor, Ken Faulkner, sponsored a photo contest and gave the winner a \$30 Visa gift card! This event turned out better than expected and may become their new annual Halloween tradition!



Lions Judy Crouch and Sue Topf delivered "Goody Boxes" filled with sweet and salty snacks to those Heroes who Serve at IU West Hospital.





The Indiana Lions Special Olympic Committee Lion Ring raffle was held on Oct. 17 in conjunction with the Indiana Lions State Council meeting in Spence, Indiana.

Council Chair Mitch Semans did the honors and drew the winning ticket who was 25F 1st. Vice Governor – Jeffery Locke, from the Richmond Club.

Bill McDonald, Chairman of the Indiana Lions Special Olympics Committee presented 1st. Vice Governor, Jeffery Locke with his one-of-a-kind Lions Ring.

Bill wishes to “Thank” all who purchased a ticket and supported the raffle to benefit the Indiana Special Olympics.

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## Virtual Mid-Winter Conference

Lions,

Usually at this time of the year the Indiana Lions would be sending in their registrations for the in-person Mid-Winter Conference hosted by the state global leadership committee. With everything being affected by Covid 19 and the uncertainty of ensuring the health and safety of a physical meeting, the 2021 Conference will be held on-line on January 23rd.

There are many pros and cons of virtual meetings.

### Pros

- No long travel concerns.
- You don't have to worry about your wardrobe.
- No cost. It is free to attend.
- You can snack during the seminars without being seen.
- Four seminars that will take place one after the other and you don't need to walk to different rooms.
- You are in control of finding a comfortable chair!
- Attend one or all of the seminars - you just sign in.
- Help the members stay connected with the latest in Indiana Lions.

### Cons

- No in-person contact unless you hold a “viewing party” (subject to health department recommendations).
- Not being tech savvy (see assistance on this in this article).
- Prior bad experience with people talking over each other or not being able to hear in a virtual meeting ( attendees will be muted by administrators when others are speaking - you control the volume on your end ).

Club Leaders - invite all members of your club to “attend”. Information shared in the Conference will help clubs with fund-raising, membership and conducting virtual meetings.

Consider following up with your members who attended to see if it sparked any ideals for the club!

If a member has not attended a Zoom meeting or do not remember how to connect, please reference the instructions in our District's June newsletter. It can be found on [IndianaLions25F.org](http://IndianaLions25F.org) under the newsletter tab. Or google connecting to Zoom and there are several YouTube videos available.

I hope to see you at the Conference!

PCC Reed Fish

District Leadership Chair



## Virtual Mid-Winter Conference Planned

This year's Mid-Winter Conference will be a trailblazer on many fronts in Indiana Lions leadership history. Most significant will be the online format, being the first such leadership opportunity offered to Lions throughout the state. Attendance at a central physical location will not be required so there also will not be any registration fees associated with the conference.

Of course, there will be several items missing from the conference due the uncertainties of what restrictions the coronavirus might have by the January 23, 2021 date. Gone are the numerous displays by state projects, the silent auction, other Lion-sponsored programs, and projects, as well as the opportunities for personal, one-on-one interactions among Lions and visitors to the MWC.

This year the conference will have four seminars, allowing all attendees to attend. Earlier this year, past MWC attendees were surveyed to help the organizing committee plan and schedule seminar topics that were identified as the most interesting and useful. The list was narrowed to four in attempt to respond to the requests of over 100 previous MWC attendees. The 2021 MWC will begin at 9:30 a.m. with an introduction by a special LCI guest. Seminars will be at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2 p.m., with a one-hour break for lunch. The conference will conclude at 3:15 p.m., allowing all attendees to return home by, well of course, 3:15 p.m. There will be NO SNOW cancellations.

The four topics follow.

- 1) Conducting online meetings and seminars- Lion Jennifer Drapalik, a seasoned organizer and moderator of several online meetings, including Zoom, the one that will be used to host this year's MWC, will de-myth the mysteries of setting up, hosting and handling other details in holding a successful online meeting.
- 2) Everything you want to know about recruiting new Lions- PDG Charles Short will moderate this panel discussion, featuring winning programs and tactics from successful club marketers, area specialists, and recruiters from around Indiana and the Great Lakes Region. Special guest Dave Wineman, LCI's North American Membership Initiative Regional Chair will be on the panel.
- 3) The 'magic' of membership retention- PCC Ross Drapalik will talk about the two most significant reasons Lions leave our organization: They are either 'pulled' away or we 'push' them away from our organization. His powerful presentation has received recognition from those groups where his seminar was given.
- 4) Putting 'FUN' in FUNdraising- Even with restrictions imposed on clubs by the Covid-19 pandemic, PDG Mary Jane Bodnar will moderate this discussion that will feature several innovative fundraising projects that have proven to be profitable as well as FUN. MWC participants are encouraged to share their experiences.

Mentioned earlier was the 'no registration fee' feature of this year's MWC. Holding our conferences previously was extremely costly. Several years ago, we were forced to move our conferences from the school buildings in Plainfield, which severely restricted our ability to expand the conference and required travel from hotel facilities to the conference location. Few hotels matched our needs in terms of meeting rooms, banquet areas and affordable overnight accommodations. In addition, hotels required our use of their food service. The MWC had to highly subsidize previous conferences to bring the cost to their previous registration fees. This year's MWC virtual conference eliminates all these associated costs and will allow the first NO FEE conference of its type in Indiana Lions history.

Even with no fees required, ALL MWC ATTENDEES must pre-register for the conference. Details to host the online conference requires the committee to have enough capacity in the Zoom meeting that will accommodate those who want to attend. An online registration form will soon be available on the Indiana Lions website at <http://e-district.org/sites/md25/> as well as on district websites. Facebook posts on the MWC page, <https://www.facebook.com/>

IndianaLionsMidWinterConference, will also have registration forms. All Lions who register will receive additional information about how to login to the MWC, including the password required. For those who need additional information about how to participate in a Zoom meeting format, a FAQ sheet will be available. The MWC Zoom meeting is available to Lions via either a computer, a tablet or smartphone with an internet connection, or through a regular telephone.

Black tie or pajamas, the choice is yours! But the decision to attend the virtual MWC requires registration. Make your decision and complete your online registration NOW.



# Christmas at Camp Woodsmoke

9219 E County Road 640 N, Greensburg, IN

## Drive Thru Christmas Light Display

December

4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>

6pm to 9pm

Santa, Ms. Claus, and Santa's Elves will  
greet you at your car to hand out 3D  
glasses, grab bags & cookie kits.

Visit Santa's mailbox to drop off your  
letters!

Donations welcome & greatly appreciated



# 2020-2021 Directory Corrections

## **Governor's Honorary Advisory Committee** (pg. 36)

List should include PCC Reed Fish (13-14), Speedway, C: 317-501-0535, rfish@amfam.com and PDG John Brown (15-16), Pike Township, C: 317-442-3223, jebrown1234@comcast.net

## **Greensburg Lions Club** (pg. 16)

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## **Lawrenceburg Lions Club** (pg. 19)

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Present Bryan Johnson – E-mail Address: hbryanjohnson@77@gmail.com

## **Zone Chair** (pg. 38), **Special Olympics Committee Chair** (pg. 42), **Camp Woodsmoke Chair** (pg. 48), **Camp Woodsmoke Trustee** (pg. 50)

William (Bill) McDonald - Home: 812-689-6699, E-mail: lionmcdonald53@gmail.com

## **Law Camp Committee Chair** (pg. 40)

Toni McDonald – E-mail: tonimcdonald2855@gmail.com

## **Leader Dog Trustee** (pg. 47)

Remove listing for Jill Moore

## **Camp Woodsmoke Caretaker** (pg. 48)

Updated to include phone number, 812-527-2656

## **Camp Woodsmoke Officers** (pg. 48)

Past District Governors & Current Governor should be reflected as *Trustees* not Officers

## **Camp Woodsmoke Trustees** (pg. 49-50)

R4 Zone B – position should reflect empty

Region 5 Chair – PDG Earl Whipple (21), Connersville, PO Box 644, Connersville, IN 47331,  
H: 765-825-5886

R5 Zone B – Donna Kumli, Brookville, 10060 SR 252, Brookville, IN 47012, H: 765-647-2868,  
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## **Milan Lions Club** (pg. 21)

Secretary Judy Jordan, Phone: 317-709-1011, E-Mail: j.k.jordan@comcast.net

## **I-Center Township – Tindley Preparatory Academy** (pg. 28)

Contact person should reflect Yvette Glenn, Phone: 317-491-3357, E-mail: yglenn87@gmail.com *AND* Chatel Bacon, Phone: 317-996-3619, E-mail: cbadonovr50@yahoo.com

## **Hope Lions Club** (pg. 17)

President/Secretary Mike Crull, Address: PO Box 40, Hartsville, IN 47244

## **Ben Davis Lions Club** (pg. 9)

Club Meetings take place the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at the Clermont Lions Club Building, 3201 Tansel Road @ 6pm

## **Lawrence Lions Club** (pg. 19)

Address: PO Box 26143, Meeting Locations: TBA, contact President/Secretary, Meetings on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month



# DISTRICT 25-F CLUB DONATION NOTIFICATION



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

The club of District 25-F: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## DISTRICT 25-F PROJECT

CAMP WOODSMOKE
\$

## DISTRICT 25-F COMMITTEE

EYEGASS RECYCLING
\$

SPECIAL  
OLYMPICS

\$

## DISTRICT 25-F PROGRAM

VISION  
SCREENING

\$

## 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
\$		\$

**TOTAL DONATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECK NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL TO:**

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