

Sowing Seeds of Service.



The Official Newsletter
of Lions District 25-F

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Newsletter

Pat Henninger

Changes...

Greetings Fellow Lions of 25F! Well, time is traveling fast as it always does, especially when you are enjoying the journey. The last six months have passed quickly and my term as District Governor is half over. I had other PDG's tell me that it will go by fast and yet there is much to do in the next six months before I step down as your District Governor.

Our District has suffered the loss of several fine and loyal Lions along with the disbanding of the Jeffersonville Lions Club this last 6 months but many good things are happening as well. Clubs have been adding new members to their Club ranks and the LCI Magazine had an article about Camp Woodsmoke "The Best". As a Trustee of Camp Woodsmoke it thrilled me that we were recognized considering all of the choices that LCI has available from around the world and that our very own 264 acre camp made it to the glossy pages of the magazine on page 17. If by chance that you have not read the article, please take the time to do so. There are some small mistakes in the article but overall it gave other Lions throughout the world the opportunity to see what we have accomplished here in southeast Indiana.

So now I have to ask the question, Why? It is amazing what Lions do for others but will not do for themselves. Lions have reached out to add new members which was one of my goals this year yet many of the Club officers, who are responsible for reporting MMR's and Activities that the Clubs have done, have gone unreported. When I receive reports that 69% of our Clubs in this District are reporting their MMR's and 54 % of the Clubs are reporting Activities (SAR's), I have to ask "Why"? The numbers should be identical. If you are entering your MMR's, enter the activities as well or enter "No Activities". A meeting is an activity. Enter the number of members that attend the meeting. As an officer of your Club, you vowed to serve your Club by performing the duties of that office which falls to the President and Secretary to enter the MMR's and Activities. I have asked in every article in the last 6 months to let me or one of the Cabinet members or Lion Denise Salsbery if you are having problems. Remember that LCI WILL

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NOTE: Please send Newsletter content and requests to Jack Salsbery at dosalsbery@att.net.

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NOT ACCEPT SNAIL MAIL REPORTING. If a Club does not want to take the time to go to LCI on

line and make the report, send me a snail mail letter, an email, a cell phone message and I will make sure your information gets reported. Is it really that hard to use a keyboard, touch the numbers on your telephone, whether it is a cell or landline? Why you may ask? Our reporting of activities along with other Districts, our Constitutional area along with the other Constitutional areas carry an extreme amount of clout when LCI works to acquire extra grant money from various sources. It is each Club reporting that creates that clout. One of the primary questions asked "Show us what the Lions do in their community." Without reporting, we lose out on expanding our opportunity to reach out even further.

So now ask "Why" should our Club do our reporting? For those who report, I thank you very much, but to those who don't, your VDG's and myself will be asking for some basic information when the Club is contacted. All Clubs will receive reminders to do the MMR's and Activities as a courtesy. So please, help me and your District. Why? It is the Lion thing to do. 100% reporting on both the MMR's and Activities.

The New Year has several Lion events that are coming up.

- Mid-Winter Conference will be January 12. There will be many seminars with new presenters and a keynote speaker who portrays Helen Keller. This should be quite interesting. It will be held at the Crown Plaza just off of Sam Jones Parkway west of I-465 near the OLD Airport. Time is running short to register.
- The Special Olympics Winter Games Opening Ceremonies, January 13 at High Ground Conference Center 3820 Logan Creek Lane, West Harrison, IN 47060. We are in need of 20 volunteers and now we have 7. We will assemble between 6:30 to 6:45 pm. This is a great event to participate in. If you need a ride, contact me and I will do my best to get you a ride from Indy. Award Ceremonies will be held Tuesday, January 15 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at Perfect North Slopes 19074 Perfect Lane Lawrenceburg, IN 47025. We need 3 more volunteers to help with the awards ceremonies. If you need a ride from Indy let me know. Contact Lion Bill McDonald at lionmcdonald@hughes.net you are available to help.
- Winter Cabinet Meeting is being held at Edinburg High School on February 9. Please contact Lion Ron Hazelgrove at 812-526-2571. Cost per person is \$15.00.
- District Convention will be March 30 held at St. Maurice Catholic Church at Napoleon, IN. Please plan to attend and enjoy the visiting with ID Tom Gordon. Registration form is in this newsletter.
- The State Convention will be held April 26-28 at Fort Wayne. Registration form is in the newsletter and the Hoosier Lion. Come and enjoy visiting with other Lions and listening to our International President Gudrun Yngvadottier.

For the question that I asked in the last Newsletter was about an event that happened on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. I received 3 correct answers and 0 wrong answers. Lion Carton Curry of Lawrence Lions, Lion Trish Henninger and Lion Chris Reinhold of Washington Twp Lions were the only ones to answer correctly and I will give each a prize. Thanks to them for reading my article.

I did not find something special for January that was obscure enough to suit me. So I decided on a tough question about your very own District Governor. The question is: District Governor is an avid fan and collector of garden tractors. Which brand of garden tractor does he own most of and how many of them?

Lion Patricia will select one winner from all of the correct answers received by January 15 (although I have been generous in the months of November and December). The winner will be announced in the next newsletter.

Bite'em!!!!!!!

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The Finish Line

1st VDG Don Mullen

Prior to the holidays, we discussed thoughts about the present position our clubs occupy concerning membership and the recruitment of the younger member. Whether our clubs take the issue seriously or not, the fact remains we are an aging organization. It is also a fact that our ongoing legacy to Lions is to recruit our replacements if our dedication to service is to continue.

With that in mind, doing a club self-assessment, asking on point questions and giving honest introspective answers will be the first step in developing an appropriate recruitment plan. Most important in this process is to be authentic. Clubs might consider asking themselves what is important about their club and what might young people find attractive about the club. Young people want multiple opportunities for direct service and leadership that provides immediate impact and feedback; while wasting their time and being told they must attend meetings are absolute turn-offs.

Finally, we are obviously an organization that gives our clubs a great deal of autonomy. As club decision makers, the future of our clubs is in our hands. We can buy into the prospect that action must be taken, or we don't have to do anything at all. We can decide that what we have done in the past is good enough for the future. Our autonomy allows us to do that and that is fine. But let me leave you this final thought: In November, 2016, Lisa Brown, United Way Chief Marketing Officer stated, "I think any organization that doesn't keep an eye on what's happening with its customers, runs the risk of becoming obsolete. Clearly the world is changing."

Humbled

2nd VDG Ken Faulkner

Here we are in the New Year, 6 months in, 6 months to go. So many Lions have done great things so far and I am sure there are more great things to come.. But you will need to let your Cabinet know. How you may ask? Make sure your Club Secretary or Club President enters these activities..

Club Secretaries and Club Presidents did you know that your meetings are activities?? Get them entered ! We need "F" to be at 100% reporting so I am asking just report!! Don't have internet, out of town, just can't get to it ask our District Administrator to enter it. Just don't wait till 11:00 PM on the last day of the month to ask.

So do you know who the District Administrator is ? It is District F's Own Lion Denise Salsbery. She can help, just ask!! Her email address is dosalsbery@att.net.

I did not get a request to present information about Campaign100. I'm shocked and saddened all at the same time. Please invite me to do a presentation, I'll only take 20-30 minutes of your meeting...plus I'll bring pins for anyone that donates during my Presentation.

From Immediate Past International President and LCIF Chairman Dr. Naresh Aggarwal:
Through Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service, Lions are increasing our service impact worldwide. I saw this firsthand in Kerala, India, where LCIF grants are helping Lions respond to historic flooding. In fact, we've raised US\$74,917,176 for our capital campaign to support efforts like this. Need knows no end. Let Lions' service and donating be endless, too. Thank you for leading our campaign efforts. Together, we can do more.

Holidays and Fees

Cabinet Treasurer Pat Bigham

Its hard to believe we are mid-year already! I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday!

Just a reminder that District invoices will be or have already been emailed to all Club Presidents and Treasurers. Please be sure to get these paid before the end of January.

Also double check to see if this year you need to renew your Business Entity Filing. Please refer to my Year Checklist.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Patricia Bigham, Cabinet Treasurer

Mid-Winter Conference Registration

The Mid-Winter Conference will have 16 NEW seminars this year. A complete information and registration packet is available at:

<https://bit.ly/2F8VaOZ>

Be sure to Like this post and Share it on your timeline.

The registration information may also be found in the ad supplement to this newsletter.

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



Club Activities

January 11 and 12, 2019

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

January 25, 9am - 12pm (4th Saturday monthly)

Chapel Hill Lions Club Furniture Sale
Please note the change from the 3rd Saturday to the 4th Saturday of each month.
240 North High School Road, Indianapolis
Bill Srader 317-529-3157

January 14, 6:30pm

Washington Township Lions Club invites all local Lions and Leos Clubs to participate in a Million Meals Project. This is a great opportunity for Zones and Region collaboration.
At the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, 7725 North College Avenue, Indianapolis



Indianapolis Downtown Lions Club President Scott Stark is recognized as a Melvin Jones Fellow.



Franklin Lions Club adds 3 new members.
Left to right: DG Ron on OV, Lion Dick Martin (Sponsor) of Lion Michael Hendershot, and Lion Teresa Pursifull, Lion Linda Frechette (Sponsor) and Lion Kim Martin.



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

25F Directory Changes

Fairland-Triton Lions Club, P. 47

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Fairland, IN 46126
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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.



DG Ron Bigham presenting Lion Dr. Mel Lund with his 70 year Chevron. Both are members of the Washington Twp Lions Club.

Indiana Lions Club District 25 F Convention

Host: Ripley County Lions Clubs



Saturday March 30, 2019

St. Maurice Catholic Church Activity Center

Two blocks east of US-421 and St. Rt. 48

8874 N. Harrison St. (State Route 48) Napoleon, In

Doors open at 8:00 am, Meeting starts at 9:30 am

Coffee, juice, water and pastries

Early Bird Special - Lunch \$ 20.00 with advance reservations by 03-01-2019

Soup, salad, sandwich, dessert, drinks

Checks Payable to: Osgood Lions Club

Reservations and payment sent to:

Lion Keri Johnson

926 Tanglewood Road, Osgood, In 47037

812-689-3322 / Keriduke@frontier.com

Name of Members attending _____

Home Club Name _____

Amount Included: _____ x \$ 20.00 by March 1th.

_____ x \$ 25.00 by March 16th

_____ x \$ 30.00 at the door

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 _____

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 2nd 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
\$ _____

TOTAL DONATION: \$ _____

Check No: _____



Las Vegas 2018

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

August 25F Newsletter

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

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



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“Where There’s a Need, There’s a Lion.”



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