

# District 25F Newsletter



June 2024



## Where did the time go?

I have heard many Past District Governors say that their year as Governor went past very quickly. With less than one month left as the District Governor of 25F, I agree with their statement. It seems like my first visitation of my year as Governor was just yesterday. Milan is always the first visitation of the Governor's new year and they set the standard for all visitations. I have really enjoyed these visitations. It has been nice to visit with Lions friends from the past and make new Lions friends at each visit. All clubs have been very welcoming and there hasn't been a bad meal yet! I have been asked how much weight I have gained and if I can still button my purple jacket. Yes, I gained 3 pounds but have already lost that weight working at keeping up my three acres of grass and planting my garden. I want to thank all of the Lions of District 25F for their friendliness and accepting me as their Governor for the past year. Many Lions helped me with cabinet meetings, our District 25F Convention and supported me by attending the Lions State Convention. Being Governor has been a great experience and I am very happy to have served the Lions of District 25F in this position. I look forward to continuing to serve the district and working with the Lions of Indiana.

District Governor Elect Nancy Baxter has visited most clubs in the District with me this year. She has gone through the required training to become a District Governor and will do a great job for you next Lions year. Please welcome her as she serves as your Governor and visits your club. She is a hard worker, very organized and will be a great District Governor. Also support the upcoming District Governor are Angela Locke and Brenda Wilson.

Again, thank you for your support for me as your Governor and all that you do for your community, District and State project and supporting Lions Club International. You are what makes Lions Clubs great.

Yours in Lionism,  
DG Ed

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Currently Vacant

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## Are you having fun?

DGE Nancy Baxter

Time flies when you are having fun. I guess I am having the time of my life because every time I turn around another month has passed. I went to the state convention in Noblesville this past April. It was good to see all the Lions I know, as well as meet new Lions from other districts. The best part of the convention was watching the pie toss, which was a paper plate with whipped cream on it. I heard that someone paid \$1000 to throw a pie in the Past International President Frank Moore III's face. If you took a chance and bought tickets and your ticket was drawn, you got to not only throw a pie, but you got to choose who you threw it at. Just a few of the contestants were PID Doug Lozier, PID Linda Tincher, PDG Reed Fish, PDG Charlie Short, PCC Sue Topf. They were all such great participants! They raised around \$4000 with this fun event, and it all went to LCIF.

Finishing out my Lions year as 1VDG and now DGE, I am looking forward to my trip to Melbourne Australia for the International Convention that is fast approaching! After I return, it will be the beginning of a new Lions' year and as District Governor I will be holding my first Cabinet meeting at Camp Woodsmoke on **Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>**. It is a beautiful place to hold a meeting and I invite all of you to join me! Next up, the Indiana State Fair will begin. It will be running from August 2 through August the 18th. If you have never worked at the fair, you are missing out on a good time. I encourage everyone to sign up this year and give it a try! I hope to see you there!

## Make sure info in LCI is up to date

Its almost here already, but as this Lion's year comes to an end, remember to go on-line to the Lions Portal and update or delete any members, update your club officers listing, and email addresses. These updates need to be completed prior to June 25, 2024. LCI and myself will be using this information to bill each club for International, State and District dues. If these updates are not completed prior to the end of June, your July statements might not reflect these changes, and you will need to pay for any deleted members. There is NOT a grace period this year. Also July 1, 2024, LCI dues will be going up \$1.00 so be sure to check your statements. Remember LCI payments need to be submitted directly to LCI, while State and District dues will be submitted to me.

Officers training will be available at Organizational Day in July at 9 am. Hopefully we will see you there. Thank you for a great Lions year. CT Patricia Bigham

Thank you to the following clubs who have entered next year's club officer info: Beech Grove, Ben Davis, Clermont, Decatur Central, Economy, Fairland-Triton, Franklin, Greenfield, Indianapolis-Center Twp., Indianapolis Chapel Hill, Indianapolis Franklin Twp., Lawrence, Lawrenceburg, Manilla, Milan, New Palestine, Osgood, Richmond Noon, Rising Sun, Speedway, Sulphur Springs, Versailles, Vevay-Switzerland Co. & Williamsburg.

If you do not see your club's name listed, please have this info in LCI before June 1 so that the District Directory information is current before it is printed. DGE Nancy Baxter and CS Angie Crouch are compiling this information now. If you are having issues entering this into the new Lion Portal, please email the officer information to the current CS—Angela Locke at [angbelc@iu.edu](mailto:angbelc@iu.edu)

## Governor's Calendar—June 20—Indy Downtown Club Visit

# Camp Woodsmoke -The Best!

Thank you for the entries to the Camp Woodsmoke Pin contest for our 60<sup>th</sup> year celebration. Lion Cory Lanhan of Versailles Lions Club designed the winning 60-year celebration of Camp Woodsmoke supporting persons with special needs. We are planning to have them available for sale on Organizational Day.

Camp Woodsmoke will have Pork Chop Sunday tickets available for all Clubs to sell to their Club members. Pork Chop Sunday is Sunday, September 29 serving from 11:00 to 2:00. Pork Chop meals are still \$15.00. Also, a person can purchase two pork chops in place of a meal for \$15.00 with the purchase of a special ticket in advance. We ask Clubs to send money for each ticket sold and return any tickets not sold by September 15 to:

Lion Patricia Bigham 1840 Randall Court Indianapolis, IN 46240.

The Trustees want to extend to our Clubs who sponsor a cabin the opportunity to help improve our Christmas fun at Camp Woodsmoke and raise funds for your cabins' escrow accounts. Decorate your cabin and we will have those who visit donate money to their favorite cabin Christmas decoration. The cabin that collects the most funds will receive a special recognition yet to be determined. Come join in the Christmas joy.

Recently, the Camp has had issues with sponsored groups not cleaning and returning the used space to the condition prior to the group's arrival. Effective July 1, 2024, the Camp application will have a clause for the sponsoring Lions Club: "The sponsoring Club accepts responsibility for any damage done by the sponsored group. The Club accepts responsibility for the charges associated with the facility not being cleaned and returned to the condition it was in prior to the group's arrival. This fee will be \$100 for EACH building left in disarray after Check-Out." Invoices will be mailed to the sponsoring Club. We regret this happening. The Camp is a benefit for all to use. We only ask that it is returned to the same condition they received it for the incoming group for their same enjoyment.

I want to invite Lions members to come and visit the Camp whenever you get the opportunity. It truly needs more awareness in the community and in District F. We want more Lions and non-Lions to be aware that we are here.

As always, many thanks to the Clubs and individual Lions who continue to support Camp Woodsmoke "The Best" both financially as well as participation in the Camp events. Come down for a day and help with our continual improvement of our Camp. Just contact Belinda at the Camp to let her know you are coming to work at the Camp. Without you, we could not do all the things that we do at the Camp.

We live in the Land of the Free because of the Brave.

Yours In Lionism,

PCC Ron Bigham, CWS Chair

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# What's Happening in 25F?



The David Williams family presents "Filter of Hope" before members of the Centerville Lions Club including from left: Jill, Whitney, Brooklyn, and David.



Vevay-switzerland Co. Lions welcomed DG Ed for a wonderful meal and a great evening of fellowship. The club meets in a beautiful church that is over 100 years old.



Charlestown President Chris Spencer presents donation check for state and district projects to DG Ed.



Liberty Lions club presents the visiting DG a very heavy concrete lion each year. DG Ed gets to enjoy this gift everyday, as it is located at his backdoor.



# Centerville Lions Club

## ANNUAL FISH FRY

with



Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup>

11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Centerville Christian Church  
Family Center

Fish or Tenderloin  
Cole Slaw, Chips, Applesauce, Pie,  
and Drink  
Meal Price \$14.00



## Clermont Lions Club

### Car Show &

### Fish/Tenderloin Fry

## June 15, 2024



*CARS, BOATS, & MOTORCYCLES  
ALL MAKES, MODELS & YEARS WELCOME*

Located at the Clermont Lions Club Park  
3201 Tansel Rd, Clermont, IN 46234

**\$15 REGISTRATION 8:00 am – 11:00 am**

**FISH/TENDERLOIN FRY 11:00 am – 2:00 pm**

OVER 20 PRIZES AWARDED 2:00 pm

**\$100 PRIZE AWARDED TO CAR CLUB WITH MOST PARTICIPANTS**

**DASH PLAQUE TO FIRST 50 CARS**

50/50 Raffle ~ All proceeds benefit Lions Club Charities

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT**

Mark Crouch @ [mwam2893@gmail.com](mailto:mwam2893@gmail.com) or 317-529-9454

**Event hosted by**



**Music by DJ Dan of**



**Event Sponsors**



**Boathouse GRILL**

# ANNUAL CONNERSVILLE LIONS CLUB

# GOLF TOURNAMENT



# HELICOPTER GOLFBALL DROP



## ARBOR CROSSING GOLF CLUB

# SATURDAY, JUNE 22ND

**2:00 SHOTGUN START  
4 PERSON SCRAMBLE  
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**



**DINNER AFTER THE TOURNAMENT  
WILL BE LOCATED AT THE CLUB HOUSE**

**ALL NUMBERED BALLS  
WILL BE DROPPED AT  
APPROX. 6:30PM**

**\$25 EACH / 5 FOR \$100**





**\*\*\*LIONS BOAT RAFFLE\*\*\***  
**FIRST PRIZE - 2024 CAROLINA SKIFF**  
**19L5 with 115 hp Suzuki Engine & Wesco Trailer**



**SECOND PRIZE**  
 One year's membership in the  
**FREEDOM BOAT CLUB**  
 of the Grand Strand  
 Good at any Freedom Boat Location



**We Serve**

**Drawing**  
**July 4<sup>th</sup> 2024**  
 7:30 p.m. at Southport Waterfront  
 Need not be present to win



Scan QR Code or visit  
[www.southportlions.org](http://www.southportlions.org)

**\*\*\*TICKETS\*\*\***

**1 ticket - \$20**  
**3 tickets - \$50**  
**7 tickets - \$100**  
**Only 10,000**  
**Tickets Available**

## **Indiana Lions Foundation at the Indiana State Fair**

The dates for the Indiana State Fair this year are August 2, 2024 through August 18, 2024.

There are a couple changes for this year.

- Last year the Fair was closed on Monday and Tuesday each week; this year it will be closed only on Monday.
- Automobile entrance to infield parking will be handled differently this year. In prior years, cashiers collected money for auto parking fees and entrance fees on the access roads. This year, only auto parking fees will be charged at the access roads. Four new gates are being created on the infield and Lions will sell and scan tickets at these new gates. On the website sign-in sheets they are designated at NW, SW, NE and SE gates.

This year, we will have approximately 1,000 shifts and we need your help to fill these positions. Please sign up on the website at :

**[IndianaLionsFoundationMD25.org](https://www.IndianaLionsFoundationMD25.org)**

If you have any questions, please contact one of the Indiana Lions Foundations State Fair Committee Members:

Lion Rose Russell	574-250-0125
PDG Don Cooper	260-615-5350
Lion Pam Arnold	260-705-6610
PDG Kathy Lozier	317-431-7655
PCC Bob Booher	317-435-0139



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or scan the QR code on the left.

[LeaderDog.org/  
lions-club/resources](http://LeaderDog.org/lions-club/resources)

**BOOK NOW!**  
*Registration  
limited to 30!*



Experience #31 on the Lions International magazine checklist... "How Lionistic Are You?"  
by visiting to the Leader Dog campus via a FREE personalized trip!

**2024 DATES - Mar 16 | Jul 20 | Oct 19**  
**TIME - 1-4PM**

**For questions call  
248.218.6421**

## FREE TOUR INCLUDES

### CANINE DEVELOPMENT CENTER TOUR



### BLINDFOLD WALKS with a white cane



### with a Leader Dog



### PRESENTATION BY A LDB CLIENT



Leader Dogs for the Blind | 1039 S Rochester Rd | Rochester Hills, MI 48307



**Save the Date**  
**October 12th 2024**

**Richmond Lions Club**  
**100th Anniversary**

**Elks Country Club**  
**2100 US Hwy 27**

For More Info Contact Lion Jack Buckland  
(765)969-8420 • [jbuckland1944@gmail.com](mailto:jbuckland1944@gmail.com)

**KEY NOTE SPEAKER PID NICK XINOPOULOS**



# Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference



## Save the Date!



**It's not too early to start  
planning for 2025.  
Mark your calendar now for  
the 2025 Mid-Winter  
Conference.**

**Opportunities for Learning**

**Opportunities for Service**

**Opportunities for Fellowship**

**Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport  
January 17-18, 2025**

**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**

CAMP WOODSMOKE GENERAL FUND	CAMP WOODSMOKE CARTER EVERAGE FELLOWSHIP	CAMP WOODSMOKE CABIN ESCROW CABIN #
\$	\$	\$

**DISTRICT 25-F COMMITTEE**

EYEGASS RECYCLING	SPECIAL OLYMPICS	DIST 25-F PRGRM 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
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

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**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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Indianapolis, IN 46240-3133

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