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Newsletter

Pat Henninger

Banner Night Thank You

Greetings Fellow Lions of 25F,

I want to thank all of the Lions who attended Banner Night. It was a pleasure to visit with so many Fellow Lions. A special thanks to PDG Jack Salsbery and Reynolds Farm Equipment for the display of a John Deere pedal tractor with special thanks to AJ Johnson's "Leopold the Lion" sitting on it. Many thanks to Lion Sheila Eversole and Lion Patricia Bigham for the decorations, door prizes, and so much other items. DG Jim Reeve, thanks for bringing us laughter. Many thanks to Lions Denny and Trish Henninger for their hard work and Lion Debbie Squire for her work as Tail Twister as well. The Tail Twister puzzle raised \$168.00 for Leader Dog. Thanks to Lion Phil from All American Picnic who did the catering. I received many positive compliments about the food.



I have started Official Visits already and quite a few are scheduled at this time. Please contact me or Lion Patricia to get your Club on the schedule. Lion Patricia and I have recently visited Liberty Lions and Fairland-Triton. Thank you so much for your hospitality and the opportunity to get to know the Lions of 25F.

Thank you Lions from all over the State for attending, assisting, and participating in the Trike Race in which the Cloverdale Lions team took the Trike Prize (First Place Lions). The Disc golf was a huge success. I do not have info at this time as to who won that competition but had around 10 teams participate. That's wonderful for the first year.

I am very pleased with the growth of members so far this Lions years. Thank you Lions for recruiting new members. Keep up the good work. Let's continue to "Sow those Seeds".

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

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Thank you Clubs for sending your activities information to PDG Jack Salsbery and getting them into the newsletter. Communications is our best way to keep in touch with each other. There is so much going on around the District, it is amazing what Clubs are doing in their communities.

Below are reminders for our members and Clubs.

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".

Please check out the Governor's Facebook page for upcoming information of happenings in the District.

Here are upcoming dates that I would hope that my Fellow Lions would place on their calendar and attend to meet and greet with Lions from around the District.

- Fall Cabinet Meeting: Saturday, October 6th sponsored by the Middletown Lions Club held at Shenandoah High School on St. Rd. 36 Middletown, In. 47356. I do hope to see many Lions there. The registration form is with this newsletter.
- Winter Cabinet Meeting: Saturday, February 9th sponsored by the Edinburgh Lions Club. Venue TBD.

- District 25F Convention: Saturday, March 30th Club sponsor and Venue to be determined.

Be sure to visit the Newsletter Auxiliary page to download the registration forms needed for these events.

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

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

Bite'em!!!!!!

DG Ron Bigham Cell number 317-695-0683

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What We May Have Learned

1st VDG Don Mullen

By now we have presumably considered the questions of being catalysts for making our clubs younger and doing the research necessary for us to understand what it may take for us to move forward in acknowledging this goal. Presuming we did our research, what should we have learned? Hopefully, this information, regardless of the recruitment method we use, allows us to begin to form a recruitment strategy that will help any given club to move forward.

Some of what we may have learned could have been that volunteer engagement evolves generation to generation. We may have learned the younger generation, millennials, if you will, really do volunteer and contribute. We may have learned that millennials' activities and life goals are aligned so as to satisfy their need to be connected to the purpose of the activity. We may have learned that while there are differences between the two generations, they can still work in concert to serve the community. We may have learned that understanding and acknowledging these differences, the older group's sense of value is not threatened, while the younger group's new voice will not be dismissed.

We may have learned that by working together only makes us stronger. We may have learned that we each volunteer to and join based on our own desires and not by the wishes of others. If we have learned all this and more, would it not follow we can begin to understand the volunteer motives and likes of the prospective new younger member? Wouldn't it then logically follow that we can begin to investigate and understand what the millennial sees as a worthwhile organization or cause with which to become associated? Would it not follow that as Lions who understand that part of our responsibility as Lions is to secure its future, that we then act to preserve our clubs by involving younger generations?

Don Mullen, 1st Vice District Governor
District 25 F

Do I Matter?

2nd VDG Ken Faulkner

I was speaking with a co-worker and he asked me if management thought he would be missed if he just left. I would miss him if he left but I couldn't answer him about management.

I started thinking about how do Lions know that they matter? When I was a brand new Lion, I was thanked over & over by our Club President, Fundraising Chairperson, & Service Activity Chair along with many others. Then I volunteered to do District activities and was thanked by a multitude of District Officers as well as many others. With September gone & our Club's biggest service project/fundraiser over, I know that there were many who were thanked.. But the biggest thank you of all was when our Club was thanked by many Clermont residents & those who attended. No matter whom internally we thanked or thanked us as Lions, the biggest and best Thank You of all was from the COMMUNITY!

So Lions do you matter? ABSOLUTELY ! Do you need thanked? ABSOLUTELY!!! It means you matter.

And from the District Governor as well as his team,
THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!

Lion Ken Faulkner, 2VDG, District 25F

Guiding Lions

What they do, who can become one, & how to get certified.

The Guiding Lion Program is designed to assist clubs that are newly chartered, established or determined as priority designation. Especially if an existing club has exhausted all of their efforts to grow the club they may request the help of a guiding Lion - this extra set of eyes maybe able to offer suggestions not tried or thought of by the club. Guiding Lions are assigned for a two-year term by the district governor in consultation with the sponsoring or established club president but that time can be reduced by either party. Guiding Lions are limited to serving no more than two new clubs at any point in time.

Guiding Lions assist a club to:

- * Be successful in its first two years of operation
- * Orient and train club officers and members
- * Motivate and support club growth and development
- * Locate resources available to assist the club

To be a guiding Lion one must have completed a term as club President and then complete the guiding Lion certification course. Guiding Lions are encouraged to complete the Certified Guiding Lion Course to improve their skills in club support.

To become certified the course can be completed individually or facilitated by an instructor. All Certified Guiding Lions are required to take the Certified Guiding Lion (CGL) every three years.

If a member is interested in becoming a guiding Lion contact me (PCC Reed Fish, District Global Leadership team) with any questions.

Is the inner teacher in you wanting to get out? The LCI Faculty Development Institute is now accepting applications for this year's training session. Applications can be found on the LCI website - search for Faculty Development. Information about the class is as follows;

Purpose of the Faculty Development Institute (FDI):

To develop and expand the number of skilled Lions faculty for use in training at club, district, and multiple district levels. Completion of this institute will enable Lions to apply to the Lions Certified Instructor Program (LCIP).

Participant Qualifications:

1. Candidates for this institute must be from Constitutional Area I & II - United States of America, Its Affiliates, Bermuda & The Bahamas & Canada. This institute will be conducted in English. Candidates must be capable of understanding and participating in the selected language of instruction at this institute.

2. Candidates should have experience serving as instructors for Lions training events. This experience should include using PowerPoint to support training delivery. (Note: Participants will not be expected to create any materials while at the FDI, but it will be necessary to use PowerPoint and other provided materials for some activities.)

3. Candidates must be willing to commit to a three-day institute, including classroom sessions and meals, and understand that personal time is extremely limited. Attendance at all classroom sessions and scheduled meals is mandatory.

4. Lions participating in this three-day course will be required to conduct a local training event within six months of the institute, in order to complete the FDI.

Cost of the Institute:

Lions Clubs International will provide meals and lodging according to the schedule of the institute. In compliance with board policy, a non-refundable participation fee of US\$150.00 will be required to offset a portion of these costs. This fee will be due no less than six weeks prior to the institute start date. Please do not send fees until you receive a letter of acceptance to the institute. Participants

Club Activities

October 6th, 1pm

Richmond Lions Golf Outing at the Elks Country Club. 4 person scramble, \$50/player; See flyer for more info. Major fun and fellowship!! And...Major prizes. Sign-up at golf course or contact Jack Buckland (jbuckland@aol.com or 765-969-8420) or Andy Smittkamp (765-969-3974)

October 6th, 4pm-8pm

Lions Club of Southport, Inc. is holding our annual spaghetti dinner at the Southport Community Center.

October 13

Ben Davis Lions Club Shine and Show Car Show and Pancake Breakfast; Pancakes breakfast from 8am-11am, Car Registration from 8am-9am, Awards at noon. Pancake tickets \$6 in advance, \$7 at the door. Car Registration fee of \$15 (includes 1 pancake breakfast ticket). Ben Davis University, 1155 S High School Road, Indianapolis 46241. To register contact Tim McDonough at 317-442-1131 or t.mcdonough@sbcglobal.net.

October 20, 7am - 10am

Williamsburg Lions Club All-You-Care-to-Eat Breakfast; Williamsburg Community Center (former high school). Pancakes, sausage patty, scrambled eggs, biscuits & sausage gravy, coffee and orange juice. \$6 for adults, \$3 ages 6-12 & free for children under 6. Questions? Contact Jeff Locke at 765-265-3805.

October 20, 9am - 12pm (3rd Saturday monthly)

Chapel Hill Lions Club Furniture Sale
240 North High School Road, Indianapolis

October 27, 8am - 12pm

Milan Lions Club, Pancake Breakfast at the VFW, 1007 S. Warpath Dr., Milan, IN. Cost is \$8/adult at the door.

October 27

Clermont Lions Children's Fall Party - Costume contest, multiple age ranges; goodies and an apple for the kids.

November 10, 7am - 11am

Aurora Lions "We Care" Pancake Breakfast will be held at our building on the corner of 2nd and Main Street, Aurora. "We Care" is a not for profit group that sends care packages to our service men and women overseas.

Banner Night

Lion Patricia Bigham, Cabinet Treasurer

Well, Banner Night 2018 is in the history books! I believe it was a fun, relaxing, down on the farm type of night. PDG Bill Uhrig and Lion Yvette Glenn won the best farmer outfits, receiving John Deere key chains for the prize. There was not a top winner for the crossword puzzle of "How Well Do You Know DG Ron", except for Leader Dog, as all proceeds collected will be contributed to that project. Lion Pauline and LD Satch were the guest speakers.

With the help of family and friends, I want to thank everyone who contributed, and especially all the Lions who gave up their Saturday night to spend it with us.

Now we move on to Cabinet Meeting on October 6, 2018 at Middletown, IN. Hope to see everyone there.

Patricia Bigham, CT



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



Lion Jim and Sandra Resh at the cashier table for this year's event. It was well attended inside the air conditioned fellowship hall in downtown Centerville.



Lions Tim McConaha and Crystal Kaulen of Centerville Lions cutting pies for the fish fry.



NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

Contact: Fred McCarter (812) 539-4115

DCF 20th ANNIVERSARY GRANT HELPS BRIGHT LIONS CLUB BUY SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR STUDENTS IN NEED

LAWRENCEBURG, Ind., August 17, 2018 – The Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF), Inc. recently awarded a \$1,000 Lauren Hill Make A Difference Grant to Bright Lions Club to help fund its backpack program to buy school supplies for students in need.

As a part of its 20th Anniversary Celebration, DCF is awarding 20 proactive grants of \$1,000 each to charitable organizations in Dearborn County throughout 2018. Each of the Foundation's 15 volunteer Board members gets to recommend a grant. Five lucky attendees at DCF's 20th Anniversary Dinner in late July also were randomly drawn to recommend a \$1,000 grant.

The \$1,000 grant to the Bright Lions Club was recommended by DCF Board member Karen Blasdel. She chose to recommend the grant to the Lions Club backpack program because the organization has a strong presence in the Bright community and "I knew they would use the funds to help less fortunate kids."



Dearborn Community Foundation Board member Karen Blasdel, left, delivers a \$1,000 grant check to Bright Lions Club Vice President Diane Bender. The DCF grant monies helped the Lions Club with its backpack program, a partnership with North Dearborn Pantry, to provide school supplies to students in need.

"The Lions Club has always recognized the community's needs and then worked to fill those needs," said Blasdel. "I liked the idea of the backpack program because it would directly impact those that could use a little help the most."

The Lions Club partnered with North Dearborn Pantry, whose volunteers implemented the program. "It's very fulfilling to know DCF has helped the Lions Club and North Dearborn Pantry provide aid students, who otherwise would not have had supplies to start the school year," said Blasdel.

For 20 years, DCF, a 501 (c) (3) tax-exempt public charity, has helped donors' dreams come true by safeguarding endowments for the community through contributions large and small. Grants awarded by the Dearborn Community Foundation support the needs and interests in Dearborn County in the fields of Art, Culture and Humanities, Community and Public Benefit, Education, Environment and Animal Protection, Human Services, Public Safety and Youth Programs.

In January 2009, DCF received the nation's highest philanthropic standards for operational quality, integrity and accountability: the seal of approval from the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations Program operated by the Council on Foundations (COF), a national professional association based in Washington, D.C. DCF was reconfirmed for the National Standards by the COF in 2014.

To learn more about DCF, call 812-539-4115, stop by the office at 322 Walnut Street in Lawrenceburg, or visit the Foundation website at www.dearborncf.org. If you are interested in making a contribution to DCF, visit our website's "Give Now" page to donate on line and to learn other giving options.

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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 Redesigned, 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 25F Fall Cabinet Meeting

Saturday, October 6, 2018

Hosted by:

The Middletown Lions Club

**at Shenandoah High School
St. Rd. 36 Middletown, IN 47356**



Doors open @ 8:00 a.m.

Meeting starts @ 9:30 a.m.

Lunch @ 12:00 p.m.

Lunch - \$15

Advance reservations by *September 25, 2018*

Menu includes:

**Grilled Chicken Breast OR Roast Pork Loin, Roasted Herb Potatoes,
Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Yeast Rolls & Butter,
choice of Fruit Cobbler, Tea, and Lemonade**

**Please send reservations and payments
with checks payable to Middletown Lions Club to:**

Lion Bill Hoyt

868 Earl Ave.

Middletown, IN 47356

765-354-4121 - wdja@sbcglobal.net

Name: _____

Club Name _____

Please select - Grilled Chicken Breast ☐ OR Roast Pork Loin ☐

Number attending: x \$15.00 Total \$

By *September 25, 2018*

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
\$

DISTRICT 25-F PROGRAM

SPECIAL OLYMPICS	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: _____

25F Donation 2018



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

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



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