

District 25F Newsletter



Congratulations and Thank You for your Service!

Congratulations to the Connersville Lions Club for achieving 100 years as a club. Only one other Lions Club in District 25F was chartered before the Connersville and that is Indianapolis Downtown that was chartered on February 2, 1921. Connersville was chartered on March 30, 1923. You can still sign up to help celebrate this occasion on October 7th at the Connersville Park Building.

I was writing a report for the upcoming District Meeting on September 30th at Middletown, as you may or may not know, I inherited the position of keeper of the van for the Eyeglass Recycling district project. I have worked closely with PDG Tom Slatterly in collecting eyeglasses for the past seven years. Lion Tom is not able to drive anymore because of health problems and I am now in charge of the Eyeglass Recycling pick up process. Lion Tom is to be commended for the outstanding work that he has done as a Lion both in District A and District F. Tom started picking up glasses in the 1990's after moving to Indianapolis from Chester-ton in the northern part of the state. As a career Army man, Tom served all over the world at Bomb Sites, from Iceland to Korea to the U.S. If you have ever spent much time with Tom, you know many of his army stories! When Tom started picking up eyeglasses, he used his own truck and he reported to me that he put over 100,000 miles on that pickup truck. When we got a van to pick up eyeglasses, Tom didn't have to spend his own money on gas and maintenance for the pickup truck. All of you have seen the GMC van at district meeting because Tom always drove it to meeting to pick up glasses, The van "died" in May with a rod thru the side of the engine. It had 352,000 miles on it when it died. Tom drove 99.9% of those miles. He let me drive occasionally! Tom is a Lion that worked hard to live up to our moto, "We Serve." Tom is in an assisted living facility now but would love to get a card or call from his Lion friends. His address is 4519 East 86th Street, Indianapolis, In. 46236.

Yours in Lionism,

DG Ed

District Governor

Ed Harper

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Nancy Baxter

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2nd Vice District Governor

Currently Vacant

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Busy, Busy, Busy!

1st VDG Nancy Baxter

This has been a busy month for me. It started with the Indiana State Fair. If you have never worked at the State Fair, it is a great experience and I want to thank all who worked every day. You deserve a medal.

I had the opportunity to visit Leader Day in Detroit. It was awesome! It was my first time and I learned so much about the process and the challenges that someone goes through to get a dog and the training to match people up with the right dog. I would highly recommend this trip to anyone. You will leave with a better understanding of what for your donations are paying.

I have been going with DG Ed Harper on his visits to other clubs. It is so nice to meet Lions from other clubs and learn what projects they are working on. I'm just warming up for next year!

Raise \$100,000 for Children's Cancer Research

Cancer Control is asking for your help with an exciting opportunity. The Walther Cancer Foundation is teaming up with Riley's Children Cancer Research and has pledged to donate 10 million in matching donations raised by groups. We have set a goal of \$100,000 in five years. To help us with this please donate to the Cancer Control Fund by marking the donations to be part of the Walther matching funds.—Thank You!

Cabinet Secretary's Corner

Cabinet Secretary Angela Locke

I have but one message this month.

Schedule your official club visit with DG Ed Harper. He really wants to visit with all of the great Lions in District 25F.

The following dates in are still available:

October
3,4,11,12,16,17,19,23,24,25 & 26

November
1,6,7,8,9,13,14,15,16,21 & 27

December
4,5,12,13 & 14

January
8,9,10,11,15,16,17,18,22,23,24 & 25

Email me at angbelc@iue.edu with your 1st and 2nd choice of dates today!

District Governor's Calendar

October

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|---------|-------------------------------------------|
| Oct. 2 | Pike Township Club Visit |
| Oct. 5 | Beech Grove & Indy
Franklin Club Visit |
| Oct. 9 | Indy Wash. Club Visit |
| Oct. 18 | Indy Chapel Hill Club Visit |
| Oct. 21 | Call to Convention |
| Oct. 23 | Centerville Club Visit |

Camp Woodsmoke -The Best!

Lions of District 25F, Camp Woodsmoke has been greatly blessed by donations toward replacing cabin mattresses, range, and ice maker. The new mattresses were installed in the cabins on the third Saturday of June with donations from Lions Clubs and Milan American Legion. The new ice maker, donated by LEL Home Services, has been installed. The new range has been purchased through many generous donations from Lions Clubs along with the Milan Legion Axillary and Milan Sons of the Legion and has been installed. Also, a stainless-steel table was donated by Lion Carla Blair to fit next to the new range.

Chapel Hill Lions Club purchased 10 metal open shelved racks for the campers to be able to store their backpacks and necessities. If a Club or individual would be willing to purchase racks for the remaining cabins, please contact a CWS Trustee for more information.

Be sure to check out these great improvements to the Camp on your next visit.

Milan Lions member, Lion Carla Blair has joined our team of Trustees. Thank you, Lion Carla, for being a part of Camp Woodsmoke.

Pork Chop Sunday was a great success. It was very well attended with great weather that was enjoyed by all. Many thanks to Fountain City Lions for cooking the chops and Liberty Lions providing the DJ music that all enjoyed. Thank you to all Lions who volunteered to help with set up, serving food and drink, and clean up afterwards.

The Camp is asking Lions or other individuals to donate any Christmas lights, extension cords, use of generators of any size to help us in improving our Christmas at Camp Woodsmoke for this year. We have had many positive comments this past year and we want to keep improving this each year.

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. Without you, we could not do all 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

Cell: 317-695-0683 Email: ronbigham25f@gmail.com

Have Christmas Yard ornaments you are no longer using?

Consider donating them to Camp Woodsmoke for the Christmas light display this year.

This is not a picture of what we have, but an example of what we are looking for.



Contact a Camp Woodsmoke Trustee near you to make arrangements or you can deliver directly to Camp Woodsmoke if you want. Email cwscaretaker@gmail.com to contact the caretakers of Camp Woodsmoke. Thank You!

How Well Do You Know LCIF?

Did you know it takes a \$1000 to honor a well deserving Lion or non -Lion with a Melvin Jones Fellowship? Did you know that you may already have money in your account? Many times, throughout the year, I will get asked, “How much money do I have in my account for a Melvin Jones Fellowship? I or any of your District Coordinators can run that report for you.

Did you know that you can honor non -Lions with an MJF? Yes, you can! There may be many times we would want to honor someone in our communities. For example, if there was a first responder that did a heroic deed or someone who responded to a need in the community without being asked to do so.

Presidents and Secretaries, do you know how much is in your Club’s account? Did you even know that you had an account with LCIF? Again, any District Coordinator can run that report for you, too.

Did you know that there is an online link to “apply” for a Melvin Jones Fellowship? If there is money in your account, it’s easy to fill out and send it in. Need help? Contact your District Coordinator and they can help you fill it out. But what happens if you or your club wants to make the donation and apply for a Melvin Jones Fellowship at the same time? You can print the application, fill it out, and send it in with your check. Please make the check payable to LCIF and put MJF in comment section of the check. One word of advice, take a picture so you have photographic evidence of what you sent in. It may help, in case LCIF misplaces the application, as it has happened. Remember, LCIF is staffed and managed by people just like you and me. We all make mistakes. Once your check is cashed, it will take about 8 weeks for you to receive the plaque. When it arrives via UPS, please open it up and inspect it for damage, spelling of the recipient, and that the pin is enclosed. If anything is wrong, contact your District Coordinator or your Multiple District Coordinator. We can assist with missing or damaged items.

If there are any questions, contact your District LCIF Coordinator and we can assist.

This is your Foundation, so let’s make it work for you. More to come next month.

Respectfully Submitted,
PDG Ken Faulkner, MD LCIF Coordinator.

CHILI SUPPER AND YARD SALE

Hosted by the Southport Lions Club



MEALS INCLUDE:

**CHILI
DESSERT
TEA, LEMONADE,
WATER**

\$8.00 per person

**PLUS!
A SILENT AUCTION
and
FUN DOOR PRIZES**

**October 7
Yard Sale 10am-2pm
Supper 4pm-7pm**

**Southport Community Center
6901 Derbyshire Rd
Southport Indiana 46227**

WILLIAMSBURG LIONS CLUB

ALL YOU CARE TO EAT BREAKFAST

WILLIAMSBURG COMMUNITY CENTER

SATURDAY, OCT. 21

7 AM-9:30 AM

SAUSAGE PATTY, SCRAMBLED EGGS, BISCUITS & SAUSAGE GRAVY, PANCAKES, COFFEE AND ORANGE JUICE WILL BE SERVED. DINE-IN OR CARRY-OUT

\$7 FOR ADULTS

\$3 FOR CHILDREN 6-12

CHILDREN UNDER 6 - FREE



Call to Convention

As required by our Constitution and By-laws

October 21, 2023

At The State Office Building in Indianapolis
- 8780 Purdue Rd # 10, Indianapolis, IN
46268

To Elect an International Director Candidate
from 25F

PCC Reed Fish or PCC Sue Topf

Voting 12-1pm

Results 1:30pm

Club must be in good standing for delegate to vote. All dues to State and International must be paid 15 days before the day of this meeting.

Number of votes per club is determined by size of club. For every 10 members a club has one delegate to vote. Note that PDGs and DGs do not count against the club total. If a club has 20 members and 3 PDGs that club would get 5 delegates.

Past Council Chair Lion Reed Fish



Candidate for International Director

Lions Club International

- Club Extension Awards (2)
- Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowships (14)
- Attended 8 International Conventions
- Attended 4 USA/Canada Forums
- International President Leadership Medal
- International President Certificates of Appreciation (3)
- Graduate of Faculty Development Institute LCI



Lionism is in our **Blood!**

MD 25 Lions of Indiana

- Council Chairperson 2014 -2015
- MidWinter Chairperson
- State Convention Chairperson
- International Convention Chairperson
- Eyeglass Missions to Mexico (5)
- Progressive WP Woods Fellowships
- Richard Miyamoto Fellowship
- Trustee for Leaderdogs for the Blind
- Trustee for Vision First Indiana Lions Eye Bank
- Nominated for Distinguished Lion of the Year (2)

District 25 F

- District Governor
- Vice-District Governor
- Zone Chair
- Cabinet Treasurer 7 years
- Global Leadership Chair 9 years
- Carter Everage Fellowship
- Jewel Pin DG recognition
- Camp Woodsmoke Trustee

Speedway Lions Club

- Club President
- Chair of Multiple Committees
- Member since 1989



Lions Janet and Reed Fish

**Endorse
PCC Sue Topf**



**For
International
Director**



**"Changing Lives
through Service"**

18 Year Member Clermont Lions Club

District 25F Governor 2012

Council Chair 2013-2014

Region Chair 2011-2012

Melvin Jones Fellow

Membership Key Awards

(1) International President Medal

(2) International Leadership Medals

**(5) International President Certificates of
Appreciation**

IN Lions Foundation 2021-Present

**IN Lions for Leader Dog 2008-2018
Associate 2018-Present**

International Convention Committee (9)

MD 25 State Convention Chair 2015

(8) Lions International Conventions

(8) USA/Canada Forums

(8) Eyeglass Missions to Mexico

(16) Indiana Lions State Conventions

(11) Mid-Winter Conf Committee

(15) State Fair Volunteer for ILF

MD 25 State Administrative Secretary

Clermont Town Board 2021-Present

(13) St. Christopher Church—CCD Teacher

**(5) Wayne Twp. Schools Human Relations
Advisory Committee**

**Wayne Twp. Elementary, Jr. High, and High
School PTO Officer & Volunteer 20+**





**ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
INDIANA LIONS SPEECH AND HEARING, INC.**



The disciplines of Audiology, Speech-Language Pathology, and American Sign Language/English Interpreting include trained specialists providing services in a variety of educational and healthcare settings. Each year brings new knowledge and advancements that will help individuals overcome difficulties associated with speech, hearing, and language deficits. Advances in medicine and an increasingly aging population necessitate numerous additional professionals in these fields.

Colleges and universities throughout the United States offer degrees in these fields. A degree in one of these areas requires a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree. Encouragement by Lions throughout Indiana may be a decisive factor in a career choice for an Indiana youth to select one of these professions. **Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, Inc. (ILSH)** may provide scholarships of \$750.00 per student for up to four students per academic year. Students who are entering their *junior* year or above are eligible to apply for this scholarship. If more than four applicants per year, the scholarships will be awarded based on academic achievement. Please refer to the eligibility requirements listed on the application for further information.

Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for a maximum of two years. *Renewals are not to be considered automatic. The student must repeat the application process to be considered for a scholarship for the second year.*

Once approved for the scholarship, the student will be notified by one of the Trustees of Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing, Inc. A check will be issued and sent to the appropriate department at the university in which the student is enrolled.

FOR A STUDENT TO BE ELIGIBLE, S/HE MUST:

- 🌟 Be majoring in a program in the field of Audiology, Speech-Language Pathology, or American Sign Language/English Interpreting;
- 🌟 Be entering their 3rd or 4th year in said program, or into graduate school at an accredited college or university offering a minimum four year degree in one of the above mention fields;
- 🌟 Make application to a ILS&H Trustee or Indiana Lions Club and be sponsored by a Lions Club in Indiana;
- 🌟 Demonstrate an accumulative GPA of a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or higher;
- 🌟 Verification of meeting eligibility requirements by University advisor or department faculty member;
- 🌟 Submit an essay of at least 200 words explaining how the scholarship will be used.

FOR A LIONS CLUB TO PARTICIPATE, THEY MUST:

- 🌟 Promote career paths consistent with ILSH scholarship program and seek out deserving students who may require financial support;
- 🌟 Consider providing financial support in addition to the \$750 from Indiana Speech & Hearing, Inc.;
- 🌟 Furnish eligibility date and the recommended support to a District Trustee of Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing, Inc. 120 days prior to the enrollment date;
- 🌟 Recommend the student for scholarship renewal for the second year with satisfactory progress and the club's continued support; and
- 🌟 Complete the application form.

www.indylionsaspeechhearing.org

**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – APPLICATION PROCEDURES INDIANA LIONS
SPEECH AND HEARING, INC.**

The application and all supporting documentation should be forwarded to an Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing Trustee. Supporting documentation should include a recommendation for the applicant.

STUDENT APPLICATION

Full name of applicant: _____

Permanent address: _____

Current mailing address: _____

Telephone number: _____ Email: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

P/G address: _____

P/G phone: _____ Email: _____

Name of College or University that student is attending: _____

Title of Degree Program: _____ most recent year completed: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ / _____ Is applicant on the Dean's List? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Other academic accomplishments (use additional pages as needed):

Signature of Applicant's Advisor: _____ Phone: _____

Applicant signature: _____ Date: _____

Lions Club Name: _____ President: _____

Mailing address: _____

Club phone: _____ Email: _____

Amount of Club Support: \$ _____

President Signature: _____ Date: _____

www.indylionsspeechhearing.org



APRIL 26 - APRIL 28, 2024

103rd Indiana Lions State Convention

EMBASSY SUITES CONFERENCE CENTER
NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA



Mark Your Calendar – All Lions Welcome

September 24 **Pork Chop Sunday – Camp Woodsmoke –
Great Fundraiser (see pictures on next
page)**

September 30 **Fall District Meeting –Middletown, IN**

October 21 **Call to Convention – Special Election –
Indiana Lions State Office Building**

2024

January 19-20, **Mid-Winter Conference – Indianapolis, IN**

February 3 **Winter District Meeting – Connersville, IN**

March 23 **District Convention – Clermont Lions
Club**

April 26-28 **State Convention – Noblesville, IN**

June 21-25 **International Convention – Melbourne,
Australia**



Camp Woodsmoke
Trustees ready to serve
meals at Pork Chop
Sunday on Sept. 24th.

PCC Reed Fish, PDG Jeff
Locke, PCC Ron Bigham and
many others enjoy time to-
gether at Camp Woodsmoke
on Pork Chop Sunday.



What's happening in 25F?



Merle Goldman, Kellan Kerschner, Patricia Bigham, Anna Cooper, Ron Bigham and Michael Cooper at Young America Lions Club/ Volunteer Fire Department Fish Fry September 9.

Lion Cheri Faulkner with the Middletown Lion at the Fall District Meeting.



Liberty Lions club Official Visit

Out going Centerville Lion President Jeff Jenkins receives the President's award from new Lions Club President Ty Farmer.



Centerville Lion Jeff Jenkins welcomes speaker Cindy Rhoades of Archway Days Committee.





PDG John Brown chauffeurs
DG Ed Harper in the Cler-
mont parade on Sept. 16th



Cake created by Liberty lion for
DG Ed Harper's official club visit
on Sept. 7th.



Gift from Liberty Lions club to DG Ed
Harper.



Above: DG Ed presents lions Jeananne and
Darryl Cruder from Greensburg Lions with
their 10 year Chevron.



Left: DG Ed receiving \$2,500 check from Lion
President David Weigel of Greensburg to be
used for State Projects.



DGs Julia Kozicki (D); Ron Guth (G) Ed Harper (F); Stephen Helmken (A); & Patti Foxx (C) Gather for Banner night in District D.



Vision Screening In Ripley County—Our group consists of Lions members from Milan, Osgood, Versailles and Bright and we also have several volunteers from the Ripley County Retired Teachers Assoc. A very active group who also screens students in Dearborn, Ohio, Jefferson, & sometimes Decatur County.



Aurora Farmers Fair Advance Ride Tickets are on sale now 25 for \$18. Good October 4-6 Wednesday, Thursday and Friday ONLY. Buy yours at Main Street Aurora, 231 Main St., Aurora 10-5 Monday- Friday



PDG Weekend

**ANNOUNCING
MULTIPLE DISTRICT 25
PDG GET-TOGETHER**

"Doing The Best We Can"



PDG Weekend

November 4, 2023

**Hampton Inn Indianapolis NW Zionsville
6005 S Main St, Whitestown, IN 46075
317-768-2330**

block of 40 rooms held until October 13

<https://group.hamptoninn.com/0soy8o>

\$129 per night

Saturday at 10:30am

PDG Roundtable

**"How Do We Help Indiana
Lions More"**

Moderator: PDG Reed Fish

Luncheon at 12 noon

**Chicken, Coleslaw,
Potato Salad**

Cost \$10.00

PDG MEETING

Saturday at 1:30 pm

Items for agenda – email IPDG Eric Schuman at ejslansing@aol.com

Send to PDG Kathy Lozier, Treasurer, 5 Hensel Ct, Carmel, IN 46033
or email kathylozier@icloud.com

Name _____

District _____

Pay for food at door ☐

Check Enclosed ☐



Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference

Catch the Magic of Lionism



Opportunities for Learning

**It's not too early to
start planning for
2024.**

**Mark your calendar
now for the 2024
Mid-Winter
Conference.**



Opportunities for Service



Opportunities for Fellowship

Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport
January 19-20, 2024

MD-25 Lions

International Pin Design 2025



July 4-8, 2025: Mexico City, Mexico: Mexico is currently the sixth most visited country in the world, welcoming more than 39 million international visitors each year. Mexico City is a busy modern city with a rich heritage dating back 30 centuries! The historic city center has a pyramid, an ancient castle and fort and many museums to celebrate and display the culture. Mexico is also an excellent touristic destination, with more than 6,000 miles of coastline, 35 UNESCO World Heritage Sites, the world's most dazzling assortment of resorts, 28 World Cultural Heritage Sites and 187 archaeological sites, a vibrant, indigenous culture and a 300-year Spanish/European Colonial legacy. Mexico is unparalleled in diversity, hospitality and the quality of its visitor experience.

Pins MUST include:

- a-MD 25 Indiana (as text)
- b-the Intl Convention year - 2025
- c-Lion Club Intl Logo
- d-Intl Convention Host City representation
- e-MD 25 graphic representation of MD-25 usually includes a race car and/or the outline of Indiana.

Each club can submit one design. If there are multiple designs submitted by one district, one design will be selected by that District Governor. All District designs need to be submitted to me by January 15, 2024. You can scan and attach it to an email to me at angbelc@iue.edu. 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 and have fun!

CS Angela Locke, State Pin Chairperson

**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

EYEGLOSS 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
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

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:

Lion Patricia Bigham
1840 Randall Court
Indianapolis, IN 46240-3133

25F Donation 2021