

# Lions Tales

**DISTRICT 25-G**

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## Have you scheduled the District Governor's visit to your club?

District Governor Brian Thomas would like to attend one of your club meetings, share his vision for our district, and hear your concerns. Check his calendar in this newsletter, then give him a call at 574-596-7411, or send an email message to brian10k@aol.com.

## A Message from District Governor Brian Thomas

We recently held the District Convention in Argos (If this is news to you or you missed attending - a small shame on you!) where we elected leadership for the coming year beginning in July. Lion Ron Guth of Peru is your elected District Governor (DGE), Lion Warren Allender of Baugo will be 1st Vice District Governor, and Lion Jackie Kurley from Dunlap will serve as 2nd Vice District Governor. I am confident they will be an outstanding leadership team and if you are contacted to be part of their District 25-G team, I hope you can say "yes". I will handle the position of Designated Has-Been often known as Past District Governor. I am glad to be elevated to that position! You would think that when an organization elects new leadership it means that a new year is around the corner—Nope! In Lions, we still have three months to go. It's like trudging up a hill to the top-taking a moment to enjoy the view and then starting down. Still some work to do before you hit level ground. Part of that unfinished business is to visit as many clubs as possible, Lion Susan and I have made it to 30 of the 46 clubs with several more on the calendar. If you are interested in a District Governor visit, please feel free to contact me.



The third District Meeting was held in Leesburg on February 25 with the District Convention held the following weekend on March 4. The closeness of the meetings was due to some unforeseen scheduling issues, however, the two events should not be that close together. We will address this situation for next year with the logical solution of combining the business portion of District Convention as the third District Meeting. If you have any thoughts on this, please let me know.

The fourth and final District Meeting is set for Culver on May 20. The State Convention is May 12-14 in Bloomington with special guest International President Brian Sheehan, and the International Convention is in Boston in early July.

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## Thought for the Month

Don't part with your illusions. When they are gone you may still exist, but you have ceased to live.

## A Message from District Governor Brian Thomas

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Before I became involved in the district level of Lions, I didn't pay much attention to membership beyond my local club of Elkhart. In the past few years, I have become convinced that this is the overriding concern we have to face. My article next month will be devoted to the many thoughts I have formulated over the recent years.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Brian Thomas, District Governor, 2022-2023

"Making our lives better by making other lives better."

### Think Outside the Box

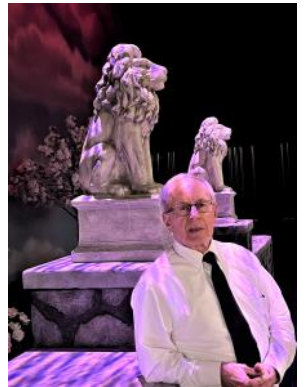
1. Participate in the cleanup of a local river, pond or lake.
2. Raise awareness and funds to begin a recycling program in a school.
3. Write a "thank you" note to your mail carrier and then invite them to become a Lion.
4. Deliver meals for Meals on Wheels or the local equivalent.
5. Volunteer as a poll worker on election days.
6. Drive senior citizens to medical appointments.
7. Rent a flag fund raiser—Put up/take down on various holidays for people in their front yards.
8. Sell yard signs: "Kindness Matters" or "In this together".
9. Host a lemonade stand for a special cause.
10. Plant native flowers or plants along your roadways.

## Where Is Your District Governor?

This is a year-long contest with a major(?) prize (TBD) awaiting the winner. In each issue of the district newsletter, there will be a picture of DG Brian posing with a lion. You need to guess where the picture was taken. Every guess—right or wrong, will be given one entry for the prize drawing, every right answer will be given three entries. Every snarky answer will be given a negative entry! You can amass as many entries as possible to increase your odds. Join in the fun!

We've had good responses to the previous pictures of my whereabouts. I am keeping score toward the year-end prize.

Send your guess to DG Brian by email at [brian10k@aol.com](mailto:brian10k@aol.com).



### District Governor Presents W.P. Woods Fellowships

During recent club visits, DG Brian Thomas presented W.P. Woods Fellowship plates to several Lions in recognition of their service to their clubs and their communities.

Left: Lion Terry Vantine, Elkhart Lions Club



Center: Lion Jack Goodman, Elkhart Lions Club



Right: Lion Duane Klein, Dunlap Lions Club



## A Message From 1st Vice District Governor Ron Guth



Welcome to the first "A" month of the year! April showers bring May flowers, so look for more color next month. At least green beats white or mud brown for now.

Ok, so what happened in March was a District Convention in Argos on the 4th, which followed a brief snowstorm on the 3rd while we were traveling to Plymouth for a welcome dinner for our visiting ID guest.

The trip home on Friday was fine, and we had sunny dry roads to the convention on Saturday to enjoy a great day of fellowship, listen to several presentations by ID Jeff Gans and a dour forecast of what the Lions might be fifty years from now by DG Brian. You should have come to the convention so

you wouldn't have missed it. We also took time to honor those Lions who completed their service during the last year.

Speaking of service, four Lions stepped up to serve as trustees for state projects and were elected in a landslide. We also heard "thank you" speeches from First VDGE Warren Allender and Second VDGE Jackie Kurley, who were elected to serve with me as your district leadership team for 2023-2024. Team, did you say you missed the chance to be part of the district team? Fear not, as we have more openings for you to step up and join. Zone Chairs, committee members, trustees, we would welcome all Lions to help. You don't have to wait for my call, feel welcome to contact me first. Really, this is important so that I can get the information to MD-25 for statewide directories. Yes, I need to get the information for our district directory, as well, so get those officer elections done before the end of April, report them on LCI, and send the same information to PDG Marty Juel or me, so we can get our directory done, as well.

Club Secretaries, please go to the MyLCI site and login to (a) Report next years officers, and (b) Check the club membership listing for correct phone numbers, email addresses, and correct or missing birth dates. Please note that some time back LCI had a glitch and many birthdates are reported as 1/1/xx (year). We know we don't have that many New Years babies in our midst, so please correct them.

Be positive, enjoy the sun, enjoy the rain, because it's better than snow.

Lion Ron Guth, 1st Vice District Governor / District Governor Elect

## A Message From Lions Clubs International

### Get Ready for the New Lions Portal

In a few months, we'll be combining MyLion, MyLCI and Insights, along with some additional tools and functionality, into a unified mobile-friendly experience called the Lion Portal.

Here are a few things you need to do:

- ◆ Check your Lion Account information. Make sure your information is correct and up to date in MyLCI or your regional reporting system. This includes your name, contact information, and communication preferences.
- ◆ Confirm you have a unique email address. A unique email address (not shared with anyone else) is required for the new Lion Portal.
- ◆ Stay up-to-date. Check for news and resources at [lionsclubs.org/portal-updates](https://lionsclubs.org/portal-updates) or use the QR code.



*Never pass up an opportunity to recognize someone for a job well-done.*

## A Message From 2nd Vice District Governor Warren Allender



Well, this has been an exciting several months for me. Just to backtrack for you in order that we may both, the reader and writer, arrive at the same place and time for an adventure in Lionism. Several years ago, our then Lion President, Leroy Schrock, conscripted several of us unsuspecting Lions and we went to "Banner Night". The President declared, "You know there's more to Lions than just Baugo Township Lions". He was right and it was fun. We continued to go and meet new Lions, hear their stories, and share their joys. Of course, meeting and greeting is a two-way street. Over time, requests for involvement were made at different levels and for different reasons. One such request was that I might be a good Zone Chairperson. I was reluctant at first, but later I was convinced to give it a try. Well, I'm not sure I've been the best Zone Chair, yet I hope I have helped clubs in need of assistance.

Now, as we all know, there are inspiring individuals who come into our lives. One such person in my life is Lion Brian Bussard. He has been with Baugo Township Lions Club for a little over three years and he has been involved in all aspects of our projects, from fish fries to OC Days sausage and corn sales. He understands our motto, "We Serve". The fact that he is blind has not deterred him in the least. He has twice given programs to our club, once about his training at the Colorado School for the Blind, and a second about a research project he is involved with. Again, he epitomizes our motto, "We Serve". His inspiration gave me the thought that perhaps I could do more to "serve" Lionism. So, when our Cabinet Secretary, PDG Marty Juel, approached me about filling this position, I thought the time was right and I should open the doors to a new adventure.

Fast forward to the Cabinet Meeting at the Leesburg Lions Club and then on to the District Convention in Argos. The keynote speaker at the convention was International Director Jeff Gans. During his final presentation, he made reference to the pin that he had given everyone, asking that we examine it closely. On it was a flock of geese flying in a "V" formation. He used the geese as a metaphor as he explained Lionism. He explained how flying in the "V" is more efficient and how the geese change leadership often to avoid burn-out, and that they are a noisy bunch, always giving encouragement. All points that we Lions should try to emulate in service to our clubs and our community. Be efficient, change leadership often, accept new ideas, and be a noisy bunch encouraging those around us. There was one point that he didn't mention, that perhaps should be made. Just a mere thirty years ago, geese almost became extinct. Their return from the brink of disaster can be attributed to the fact that people in positions of leadership recognized a problem, analyzed it, and put into practice good plans for a long-term recovery.

Lionism isn't doomed to extinction, yet we at a local, zone, district, state, national, and international level must keep our eyes on the horizon, the future, and how we can best serve at each and every level. Therefore, if you are asked to serve, please reflect on your ability to contribute, if not now, perhaps in the future. I have started on a new adventure in Lionism that has taken me from my local club, to a zone, and now onto a district level. There are a lot of clubs for me to get to know and there are a lot of members for me to meet. Together WE are on an adventure in Lionism as WE SERVE.

*The very essence of leadership is that you have to have a vision. It's got to be a vision you articulate clearly and forcefully on every occasion. You can't blow an uncertain trumpet. -- Reverend Theodore Hesburgh*



## A Message From Cabinet Secretary PDG Marty Juel

### Early action can save your club REAL \$\$\$\$

members time to submit their payments in time for you to make your dues payments to LCI and the District Cabinet Treasurer for the district and Indiana Lions dues. Here's the scenario: If your members don't get their checks to you PRIOR to July 1 and you haven't determined whether the member is going to renew or not (heaven forbid!), then on July 1 or shortly after, your club **will be billed** by LCI for all members, including those who were not dropped. After July 1, if you drop a member, you are still responsible for the first six month's dues at LCI. A few years ago we were all informed that LCI would no longer give credit back on the August statements for members who were dropped in July. This is why you need additional lead time for your members to respond to your first (and second, and sometimes THIRD) dues notices, so if they did plan not to renew, you will have time to drop them from LCI BEFORE July 1. If you have any questions, please give me a call at 574-322-1660 (mobile) or 574-534-8868 (home).



PDG Marty Juel- Cabinet Secretary  
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## Opportunity for Service

**THE ULTRASOUND PROJECT**

**Eyeglass Washing Sessions**

**TUESDAY April 11**  
**9 am – 11 am; & 11 am – 1 pm**

**THURSDAY April 13**  
**9 am – 11 am; & 11 am – 1 pm**

**At the Grange Eyeglass Processing Center**  
**22482 County Road 45 – Goshen, IN**

Reserve your spot- [info@elkhartlions.org](mailto:info@elkhartlions.org)

**UPDATE: The 9:00 a.m. session on Thursday, April 13th is already full. There are still openings for the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 sessions on Tuesday, April 11th, and the 11:00 am session on Thursday, April 13th.**

The next ultrasound sessions to clean eyeglasses for the District 25-G Eyeglass Recycling Program will be held Tuesday, April 11th and Thursday, April 13th. The four 2-hour sessions will be at the District 25-G Lions Eyeglass Processing Center, located at the Fairview Grange, 22482 County Road 45, Goshen. This is the first session scheduled after the facility was recently remodeled, featuring new ceiling, fresh paint, new decorations, and new seating. Sign up now, or better yet, bring 5 members from club and participate together in this project.

Reserve your spot by emailing [info@elkhartlions.org](mailto:info@elkhartlions.org).

## Prepare now for your club's year-end awards



If you are submitting \$1000 for a Melvin Jones Fellowship or \$500 for a W.P. Woods Fellowship or Dr. Richard T. Miyamoto Fellowship, BE SURE YOU INCLUDE THE PROPER FORM. The W.P. Woods Fellowship Form can be downloaded at [https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/WP-Woods-Application\\_10-27-2020.pdf](https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/WP-Woods-Application_10-27-2020.pdf). A Melvin Jones Fellowship form can be downloaded at [https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md\\_QHkWdKNUqy23.jpg.pdf](https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md_QHkWdKNUqy23.jpg.pdf). For a Miyamoto Fellowship application contact Speech and Hearing Trustee PDG Mary Klempay, Lion Jerry Wright, or Lion Gary Chastain. That \$500 donation can be paid over a two-year period of time.

Mail your applications and checks direct to the addresses on the forms to insure receiving your awards quickly. REMEMBER, it sometimes takes a month or longer, so be sure to apply in plenty of time so your award can be received by your planned presentation date.

LCIF guidelines state that clubs can accumulate donations toward Melvin Jones Awards. You can check with District 25-G LCIF Coordinator PDG Marlyn Fast to see if you have enough credits to use and present a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

The Indiana Lions Foundation has similar guidelines. If your club feels it can accumulate \$500 within a reasonable period of time you need to indicate with each payment your club's intention with a note stating you will supply a recipient at a later date. To learn how much your club has on deposit with the Indiana Lions Foundation, contact a Foundation trustee or Lion Mary Ann Mast, 4699 E. Fall Creek Dr., Bloomington, IN 47401. Lions can earn a \$50 credit toward a W.P. Woods Fellowship for themselves, another Lion, or their club by working a shift for the Indiana Lions Foundation at the State Fair. To work at the fair this summer you can sign up directly on the Indiana Lions Foundation link at [www.indianalionsfoundationmd25.org](http://www.indianalionsfoundationmd25.org).

These are great opportunities for your club to support our Foundation, the Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing project, and the Lions Clubs International Foundation, and honor outstanding Lions for their service at the same time.

By the time you receive this newsletter, I hope you have reported your club's officers for 2023-2024 on the MyLCI website and submitted that report to 1st Vice District Governor Ron Guth. This is urgently needed so that his district directory can be completed and sent to the printer in June.

If you have questions about any of the above or other topics, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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*Everybody can be great. Because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve... You don't have to know the second theory of thermodynamics in physics to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love. -- Martin Luther King, Jr.*

## A Message From Cabinet Treasurer Lion Kim Polk



I'm writing this on the first day of Spring, March 20th. It has not felt like spring the last few days ... it's been cold and snowing. Our club has been busy prepping for our Spring Projects: Easter Breakfast, Native Tree Sales, Smoked Pulled Pork Dinner, and preparing our Kettle Corn Trailer for the upcoming season of popping.

As your club finishes out this Lions' year, please consider financially supporting the Indiana Lions State Projects, Indiana Lions Foundation, and LCIF, if you have not already done so. You may write one check to District 25-G for your club donations to the State Projects with a note as to how your club wants it divided, and I will forward your donations to the different projects. LCIF donations should be sent directly to LCIF.

In preparing for the next Lions' Year (2023-24), clubs are encouraged to elect club officers for next year and put the new officers elected into MyLCI. This will aid DG Elect Ron in preparing for his year as District Governor.

As I wrote in last month's newsletter, International dues will increase by \$3.00 for the 2023-24 year. LCI annual dues will be \$46.00 for the 2023-24 year. Please plan for this when planning for next year's dues. District and State dues will stay the same. Also, as your club is planning for the future, be aware that International dues will increase to \$48.00 for the year 2024-25, and then to \$50.00 in the year 2025-26. If you have questions, please contact 1st VDG Ron Guth or myself.

Lastly, as we prepare for our next Lions' year, LCI is moving to a different software platform. Club members are encouraged to have individual email addresses as we move into next year. As I have been using the same email address as my husband, PDG Tom, I have changed my email address to kkpolk61@gmail.com. Please update your records. PDG Tom says I can still look at his emails. 😊

Together We Can,

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## Random Thoughts From A Random Mind

### If You Don't Ask, the Answer Is Always "No"

When was the last time your Lions Club got a new member who asked to join your club, rather than being invited to join your club? It happens, but not very often. The vast majority of our members joined our Lions Club because they were asked. Perhaps they were not asked directly "Do you want to join our Lions Club?". Perhaps they were invited to participate in a community service project, accepted that invitation, and as a result of that experience, expressed an interest in becoming more involved. The point is: Someone in our club asked them to become involved, even if only for an hour or two, in our efforts to improve our community and the world at large.

You don't have to be a super seller to recruit new members; you simply need to be willing to tell others about your Lions Club and invite them to join. If you wear your Lions pin everywhere you go, you might not even have to start the conversation. On more than one occasion, a stranger has seen my Lions pin or the Lions logo on my shirt and asked "What do Lions do?" I simply answered their questions, and at least one of those conversations resulted in a new member for a Lions Club in the community where the conversation occurred.

You won't get a positive response every time you ask. In fact, you will probably get more negative responses than positive responses, but don't be discouraged by those negative responses. Take a lesson from your kids or grandkids: They don't stop asking for what they want simply because you said "No" this time.

If you don't ask, the answer is always "No".

## A Message From Cabinet Treasurer Lion Kim Polk

### New Member Semi-annual dues breakdown (District 25 G) 2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year

Lions Clubs International annual dues will increase from current \$43 to \$46 eff. 7/1/2023

The information listed below is how the semi-annual dues billing will be calculated.

**Top two charts are for LCI dues only, bottom chart is for District/State dues.**

*\* New member fee only applies one billing cycle for new or reinstated member after 12 months*

Month Joined Club	Billing Date New Member	Semi-annual Dues	* New Member Fee	Total LCI Dues+Fee
July	July 1st	\$23.00	\$35.00	\$58.00
August	August 1st	\$19.17	\$35.00	\$54.17
September	September 1st	\$15.33	\$35.00	\$50.33
October	October 1st	\$11.50	\$35.00	\$46.50
November	November 1st	\$7.67	\$35.00	\$42.67
December	December 1st	\$3.83	\$35.00	\$38.83
January	January 1st	\$23.00	\$35.00	\$58.00
February	February 1st	\$19.17	\$35.00	\$54.17
March	March 1st	\$15.33	\$35.00	\$50.33
April	April 1st	\$11.50	\$35.00	\$46.50
May	May 1st	\$7.67	\$35.00	\$42.67
June	June 1st	\$3.83	\$35.00	\$38.83

*Chart listed below is for qualifying family member (half price LCI dues)*

Month Joined Club	Billing Date New Member	Semi-annual Dues	New Member Fee	Family Member Total LCI Dues+Fee
July	July 1st	\$11.50	\$35.00	\$46.50
August	August 1st	\$9.58	\$35.00	\$44.58
September	September 1st	\$7.67	\$35.00	\$42.67
October	October 1st	\$5.75	\$35.00	\$40.75
November	November 1st	\$3.83	\$35.00	\$38.83
December	December 1st	\$1.92	\$35.00	\$36.92
January	January 1st	\$11.50	\$35.00	\$46.50
February	February 1st	\$9.58	\$35.00	\$44.58
March	March 1st	\$7.67	\$35.00	\$42.67
April	April 1st	\$5.75	\$35.00	\$40.75
May	May 1st	\$3.83	\$35.00	\$38.83
June	June 1st	\$1.92	\$35.00	\$36.92

### District/State Dues are billed based on member count as of December 31st & June 30th

District/State Dues are **not prorated** for month member joins.

District/State Semi-annual dues are the same for member/family member.

Join Date	Regular Member	Family Member	Billed in
July-December	\$9.00	\$9.00	January
January-June	\$9.00	\$9.00	July

Semi-annual District/State dues breakdown for qualified expenses:

District Governor	\$1.00 MD 25 (State)	\$7.00
1st VDG	\$0.50 2nd VDG	\$0.30
Youth Fund	\$0.10 Convention Fund	\$0.10

**Any club dues would be added to the LCI & District/State dues amount for each member.**



## Global Leadership Team

### Didn't I Just See That Commercial?



Since I tweaked my right knee about three weeks ago, I've spent way too much time in my recliner watching television. Thankfully there have been a few basketball games to watch but generally, for me, television is boring. What I hate the most are constantly repeated commercials for new wonder drugs, trucks, and personal injury attorneys. If even half the claims made in these commercials were true, the world would indeed be a better place. I understand why there are commercials, but their content and repetitiveness make me want to boycott those products forever. It's just too much.

So why am I ranting about television? It rather reminds me of Lions. Every day I get multiple emails from Lions International, almost none of which concern me. It's just delete, delete, delete, about as fast as I can. As a long time Lion, I suppose I should care more, but multiple emails telling me to find new members or attend the international convention just don't grab my attention. Yet while I am busy deleting these emails, it actually seems harder to find information on the Lions web site. There is a vast amount of information there, but it just seems harder to find, or what is found is about six years old. I understand how difficult it is to maintain such a vast website, so Lions does have my sympathy, but maybe there are a few things that could be adjusted. Plus, I don't want to sound too much like Andy Rooney.

I would like to suggest that our local Clubs think about our own commercials. In a way, our web sites and our newsletters, electronic or print, are commercials for our Clubs. Not all Clubs have web sites, nor do all Clubs have newsletters. We need to think about our intended audiences. We need to be sure our commercials are accurate, up to date, and readable. I cringe at misspelled words (especially names), poor grammar, and information that is truly outdated. Let's focus on new news, new Lions information, and new activities. This is one way to stop being the community's best-kept secret, so let's be sure to make reading our commercials as rewarding and informative as possible. This isn't to say that we can't find room for news about new grandchildren, new hobbies, or short member biographies of WWII vets in the Club. An imaginative editor can provide ways to produce a fine commercial without boring members or outside readers, even creating anticipation for the next issue. So be imaginative, be realistic, and be important to all readers.

I'd like to share an anonymous item on writing from page 5 of the 2022 FARM SHOW Magazine (volume 46, number 6):

#### How to Write Good

1. Avoid alliteration. Always.
2. Prepositions are not words to end sentences with.
3. Avoid cliches like the plague. They're old hat.
4. Comparisons are as bad as cliches.
5. Be more or less specific.
6. Writers should never generalize.
- Seven. Be consistent!
8. Don't be redundant. Don't use more words than necessary; it's highly superfluous.
9. Who needs rhetorical questions?
10. Exaggeration is a billion times worse than understatement.

Now see, it's not that hard, is it?

PCC Dave Eisen, Global Leadership Team Leader

## Global Service Team



We are three-quarters of the way through this 2022-23 Lions year. Can you believe how fast the year is going? Have you accomplished all the activities you planned for your club to date? If not, now is the time to get working on those projects you planned and create some new ones that will improve someone's life. There are two International causes that clubs should consider working on: Diabetes and Pediatric Cancer. Consider holding a community Strides walk to bring awareness to Diabetes.

I would like to thank all of the clubs in the District for doing all the wonderful service projects within and outside of your communities. It is a testament to the belief in serving for the benefit of those who are less fortunate. The Lions Motto of "WE SERVE" is alive and well in District 25-G.

Lions International is working on an update of the Member Portal which is to be implemented in July. Navigating the information for members should be easier in this new system.

I have a nine-page list of possible service projects and ideas for fund raising that I can send to you by email. This list was compiled by the Multiple District GST Coordinator.

My email address is: mtlcsecabee@aol.com

Lion Alan Beehler, District 25-G GST

## Global Membership Team



There is nothing like being a Lion. We make a difference in our communities and in the lives of the people we serve. And even though Lions spend most of their time giving, we also get so much in return. Our service is not just meaningful, it is also fun with opportunities for fellowship. We build new friendships in our clubs and new connections in our communities. We laugh. We bond. We Serve. And we do it with a smile and an open heart.

As Lions, we are part of something big. Lions are a big family - a really big family. We are 1.4 million men and women in 48,000 clubs in nearly every country on earth. We are changing our communities, club by club. And together we are changing the world.

You get when you give. Did you know that helping others actually helps you? A recent article in Psychology Today states that, "Research has found many examples of how doing good, in ways big or small, not only feels good, but also does us good." Volunteering improves our happiness, health, and sense of well-being, and decreases symptoms of depression. Giving is a win-win in my book!

That Ah-Ha! Moment: I am sure each of you has a story about the moment you truly became a Lion, that day when you helped someone who had nowhere else to turn, the tears of joy, the heartfelt thanks, the hope you restored through your kindness. That is why we are Lions.

No one serves like a Lion and your district membership team is here to serve you. We are here when you need us. Be sure to explore great info and resources that can help you and your club.

These are just some of the great benefits of being a Lion, so be sure to take advantage of everything your club and your membership has to offer. And share the joy of being a Lion by inviting a friend or family member to join you in service.

Make the most of each day and make the most of your membership! Just Ask!

Our clubs are doing awesome with many new members. Let's show our new members how much they will enjoy being a part of a great organization. I have enjoyed being a member of Lions since 2009. I have held many positions, learned many new things, and made many new friends. This is one amazing group of Lions we have here in District 25-G. Let's R-O-A-R!

My schedule is open for club visits as a guest speaker to promote membership.

PDG Mary Klempay, Global Membership Team Coordinator  
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## Here We Grow Again

Since July 1, 2022, 23 district clubs have welcomed 48 new or returning Lions to the largest and greatest volunteer service organization in the world. We welcome these new Lions and thank their sponsors for offering them the opportunity to make a difference in their communities and the world. The following new members were reported since January 1, 2023.

### **Atwood Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Sherri Miner  
Sponsor: Lion Jeff Miner

### **Baugo Township Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Larry Newland, Sr.  
Sponsor: Lion Larry Newland

### **Culver Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Joy McCarthy  
Sponsor: Lion Jennah Fairchild

### **Elkhart Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Emily Toledo  
Sponsor: Lion Susan Arneaud

### **Etna Green Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Nate Amstutz  
Sponsor: Lion Theresa Hartzell

### **Lakeville Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Jennifer Cook  
Sponsor: Lion J.D. Ort

### **LaPaz Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Terry McCollough  
Sponsor: Lion Dale Cox

### **Madison Township Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Elnora Freeman  
Sponsor: Lion Joann Overmyer

### **Mexico Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Tiffany Bernard  
Sponsor: Lion Dee Greer

New Member: Lion Jennifer Brindle  
Sponsor: Lion Dee Greer

### **Mishawaka Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Chico B. Reyes, Jr.  
Sponsor: Lion Kane Brolin

### **Peru Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Chrystal Burton  
Sponsor: Lion Kim Burton

### **Richvalley Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Kaleb W. Kelsheimer  
Sponsor: Lion C. Ben Smith

New Member: Lion Kyle R. Kelsheimer  
Sponsor: Lion C. Ben Smith

New Member: Lion Andrew Smith  
Sponsor: Lion C. Ben Smith

### **Rochester Lions Club**

New Member: Lion Gail Karas  
Sponsor: Lion Jeri Good

# Global Membership Approach

Where there's a need, there's a Lion—when our membership grows, our communities grow. Our service strengthens. Our future brightens. The Global Membership Approach provides a process and resources for districts to achieve this growth.



**You joined a Lions Club because someone offered you the opportunity to make a difference in your community. Offer that same opportunity to someone else.**

## News From Around the District

### District Convention Hosted by Argos Lions Club

The 2023 District 25-G Convention was held Saturday, March 4th at the Argos United Methodist Church, in Argos, Indiana. The Argos Lions Club was the host club for the convention and lunch was prepared by the ladies of the Argos United Methodist Church. International Director Jeffrey Gans of Voorhees, New Jersey was the keynote speaker.



(Above left) District Governor Elect Ron Guth of the Peru Lions Club gives his acceptance speech.  
(Above center) 1st Vice District Governor Elect Warren Allender of the Baugo Township Lions Club gives his acceptance speech.  
(Above right) 2nd Vice District Governor Elect Jackie Kurley of the Dunlap Lions Club gives her acceptance speech.



PID Doug Lozier presented LCIF Chairman's Medals to PDG Marlyn Fast (left) and Lion Jackie Kurley (right) in recognition of their service as the district's LCIF coordinators. PID Doug also presented an International President's Medal to Lion Jackie.



ID Jeff Gans and DG Brian Thomas presented an International President's Certificate of Appreciation to Lion Jerry Smith of the Dunlap Lions Club.



DG Brian Thomas introduced ID Jeff Gans from Voorhees, NJ as the keynote speaker for the 2023 District Convention as DGE Ron Guth listened intently.

*Photos provided by Lion Kori Fortunato, Dunlap Lions Club & DG Brian Thomas, Elkhart Lions Club*



## News From Around the District

### Visiting International Director Tours District Eyeglass Recycling Center



During his recent visit to District 25-G for the District Convention, International Director Jeffrey Gans of Voorhees, New Jersey, was given a tour of the recently-upgraded Eyeglass Recycling Center at the Fairview Grange in Goshen.

Pictured here (l. to r.) are Lion Jeanine Juel (Dunlap Lions Club), Lion Susan Arneaud (Elkhart Lions Club), District Governor Brian Thomas (Elkhart Lions Club), International Director Jeffrey Gans, and Past District Governor Marty Juel (Elkhart Lions Club).

*(photo provided by Lion Kori Fortunato, Dunlap Lions Club)*

### Baugo Township Lions Club Pancake Breakfast

Recently, the Baugo Lions served a pancake/sausage/biscuits/gravy breakfast for our community. Lion Steve Squibb was in charge of this very successful event as we served over 800 pancakes and 720 sausage links.



(left) Lion Jim Starkey shares the secret to making good pancakes ..... add water.



(center) Lion Doug Cook is serious. WE SERVE quality pancakes.



(right) Lion Gene Johnson explains the proper way to pour gravy over biscuits. His attentive student is Lion Byron Sanders.



(left) Lion Chris Ketcham stretches his artistic abilities as he molds a Mickey from pancakes. It made a kid smile.

(right) Lion Greg Serafino says "Why yes, I can make 10 pancakes at a time".

*(submitted by Lion Jim Eggleston, Baugo Township Lions Club)*



## News From Around the District

### Eyeglass Processing Center Gets A Facelift



Recently, the district's eyeglass processing center, located at the Fairview Grange in Goshen, has been remodeled, repainted, and redecorated. Several Lions from area clubs were involved in this project. Several ceiling tiles were removed and replaced in 7 areas of the basement, which also included replacing numerous tiles with large wall panels. Many of the tiles were not salvageable and additional work had to be done to prepare them for painting. New chairs were ordered and will replace old and uncomfortable steel folding chairs that simply have seen better days. Many pieces of memorabilia were contributed to the space and have found places of prominence to pay homage to the many eyeglass missions that District 25-G Lions participated in since the early 1980s.

A special letter was sent to all clubs in the district requesting contributions to help pay for this effort. The eyeglass program does NOT receive financial support from the district and has to rely strictly on contributions to fund most of the expenses. We do receive periodical payments for scrap metal that comes from eyeglasses that are no longer usable. This amount is small and is used to make equipment repairs and acquisitions as well as other expenses directly related to our missions. No Lions receive any benefit from this source of income.

An open house has been scheduled from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18th. See the invitation elsewhere in this newsletter for additional information.

Clubs should send in contributions (checks payable to the Elkhart Lions) to District 25-G Eyeglass Project, 3204 VillageCourt, Goshen, IN 46528. Clubs who would like more information or to schedule a program for your club about our district-wide eyeglass processing can contact PDG Marty Juel, 574-322-1660 or [info@elkhartlions.org](mailto:info@elkhartlions.org).

*(submitted by PDG Marty Juel)*

### Mishawaka Lions Club Supports St. Joseph Humane Society

For our Caring Crate project, Mishawaka Lions Club members collected wet cat food and dog food to donate to the St. Joseph Humane Society at the end of February. These items were delivered, along with a \$100 check, to the Director of Humane Society Genny Brown by Past President & Treasurer Becky Wertz, and Chairman of Caring Crate Project, Lion Colleen Hesch.

*(submitted by Lion Becky Wertz, Mishawaka Lions Club)*



### Madison Township Lions Club Holds Work Session at Cultivate Food Rescue



The Madison Township Lions Club held a work session at Cultivate Food Rescue. We had six Lions and two non-Lions attend this project. We packaged 503 meals in two hours. These meals will be distributed to area schools, pantries, and food banks. It was an enjoyable experience for all of us.

Pictured from L to R are Lions Doug Moore, Al Beehler, Joyce Shaliol, guest Sherry Beehler, Lion Mike Hunsberger, guest Patty Bell, Lions Tom Green, and Pam Hunsberger.

*(submitted by Lion Al Beehler, Madison Township Lions Club)*

## And Now For Something A Little Bit Different

### Not Your Classic Green Bean Casserole

The ladies of the Argos United Methodist Church served a delicious lunch at the District Convention on Saturday, March 4th. The menu included a green bean casserole that garnered compliments from several attendees. Someone asked for the recipe, then asked that we publish it in the district newsletter. Here, then is Kathy Casper's recipe for Not Your Classic Green Bean Casserole.

#### Ingredients (convention size):

6# bacon—fried & cut in small pieces  
10 cans green beans (drained)  
10 cans corn (drained)  
1/2# margarine (room temp)  
7 8oz cream cheese (room temp)  
4 cups mayo  
4 tsp salt  
1 Tbls. Pepper  
5 cans French fried onions (save 2 cans for topping)

#### Ingredients (family size):

1/2# bacon—fried & cut in small pieces  
1 can green beans (drained)  
1 can corn (drained)  
2 Tbsp. margarine (room temp)  
8 oz cream cheese (room temp)  
1/2 cup mayo  
Salt & pepper to taste  
1/2 can French fried onions (save 1/2 for topping)

#### Instructions:

Preheat oven to 400 degrees.  
Fry bacon to crispy.  
Mix together cream cheese, mayo, butter, salt, & pepper  
Mix in green beans, corn, & bacon  
Mix in French fried onions—3 cans for convention size, 1/4 can for family size  
Bake 1 hour & check. Bake more as needed, checking every 20-30 minutes.

### Does Your Club Have An Active Online Presence?



For the past few years, nearly every presentation about recruiting new members has made note of the fact that many of the young people we want and need in our Lions Clubs get much of their information about current events in their communities from social media services such as Twitter and Facebook. Websites are viewed by some as "old school", but many of the links shared on social media lead to websites, so they obviously still have value. Unfortunately, many of our

clubs do not have an active online presence, so we are missing out on opportunities to reach prospective members.

About 2/3 of the clubs in our district have Facebook pages, though several appear to be dormant. Less than half the clubs have websites and several of those appear to be dormant, as well. I have been unable to find any of our district Lions Clubs on Twitter.

Does your club have a website? A Facebook page? A Twitter account? Any other online presence? If your club has a website or social media account, is it active? Does someone in your club regularly post news and information about your club's activities? Do club members who use social media actively promote your club's online presence?

We've often heard it said—or perhaps said it ourselves—that Lions Clubs are the best kept secret in town. We need to take advantage of all the tools available to us to spread the word about our Lions Club to other members of our community.

*PDG Paul Russell, District IT Committee Chairman*



## Lions Clubs International Foundation Update

Hello Lions of Indiana,

Our State Convention in Bloomington, Indiana is soon approaching. Would you like to have someone recognized and awarded a Melvin Jones Fellowship or a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship during the Saturday luncheon? Now is the time to order or make that \$1000 donation to LCIF. We are in Convention season which means they are very busy and back logged with requests. If you haven't done this already, then please do it now.

LCIF requires all districts to have goals regarding fund raising just like your district has other goals. Here are the following goals per district and total funds raised through January 2023.

District A, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$29,988.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$12,401.00

District B, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$25,628.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$10,864.45

District C, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$34,833.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$24,176.00

District D, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$29,096.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$11,540.22

District E, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$31,263.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$ 5,875.10

District F, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$33,533.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$16,536.50

District G, FY 2022-2023 Goal \$31,824.00, Total Funds raised thru January 2023-\$15,073.60

Total funds raised in FY 2022-2023 \$216,165

Total funds raised through January 2023 \$96,469.87

As you can see, we have reached only 44.6% of our target fund raising goal through January.

My hope is, as LCIF catches up with their reporting figures, we will get closer to our goals. But you can help by making a small donation to LCIF. If every Lion in Indiana gave \$26.00, we would meet our goal. Will you help us meet our goal?

This year's signature cause is childhood cancer. When you come to the State Convention, and you are coming right? You don't want to miss the big announcement by our state project, Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, INC. Deadline for registrations is April 30. Come join us and if you have gift basket you'd like to donate, send Cheri Faulkner an email to [clermontlionlady58@yahoo.com](mailto:clermontlionlady58@yahoo.com) or text 317-271-3314 and let her know. She still needs baskets to assist in making this a great convention.

Respectfully Submitted,

PDG Ken Faulkner, MD-25 LCIF Chair, 317-847-7884





## Indiana Lions State Convention News

### International President to Speak at State Convention



Lions Clubs International President Brian Sheehan and Lion Lori will be our guests at the 2023 Indiana Lions State Convention, to be held in Bloomington, Indiana, May 12-14, 2023.

President Sheehan was elected to serve as international president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 104th International Convention, June 22 through June 28, 2022.

President Sheehan is the founder and CEO of Rural Computer Consultants, a software development company.

A member of the Bird Island Lions Club since 1991, he has held many offices within the association, and has received numerous awards in recognition of his service to the association. In addition to his Lions activities, President Sheehan is active in numerous professional and community organizations.

President Sheehan and his wife, Lori, also a Lion and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons and two daughters. And in their spare time, they have enjoyed raising many types of exotic animals.



### It's Not Too Late, But It's Getting Close!

The time is quickly coming upon us for the 2023 Indiana Lions Multiple District Convention in Bloomington Indiana on May 12-14, 2023. Final preparations are taking place by your convention committee and District 25-E as the host district is very excited to welcome International President Brian Sheehan and Lion Lori, as well as the rest of the Lions of Indiana to Bloomington.

The Lions of Indiana have been registering for the convention, but now is the time to make sure you get your registration mailed to Lion Debbie Ellis as soon as possible. The Courtyard hotel is full at this time and we are now using our block of rooms at the Hyatt Place on West Kirkwood. These are great rooms, and are an easy walk to the Convention Center down the B&O walking trail. And did I mention, the Hyatt Place includes breakfast each day with the room? Don't forget to drop your luggage off at the Hyatt Place and then park at the Monroe County Convention Center to avoid the parking fees at the Hyatt Place. The cutoff date for rooms at the Hyatt Place is Sunday, April 16th. After April 16th, any rooms not reserved in our block will be released to the general public and will not be held for Lions. Reserve your room today so that you do not miss out on the great rate of \$119.00 for the room.

You will want to make sure that your preferences for seminars and meals selections are made. Make sure your registration is one of the first 200 registration forms in to CS Debbie so you can receive your souvenir mug at no cost. Registration number 201 will be too late. Registration needs to be made by April 30, 2023 and mailed into CS Debbie Ellis at 8262 East Center Road, Sullivan Indiana, 47882 or by email to [ellisdebbie259@gmail.com](mailto:ellisdebbie259@gmail.com). Do it today so you do not miss out.

If you are a club president, you will definitely want to sign up for the 1:30 seminar with International President Brian to hear what he has to share with you as to his vision for our organization. Small and medium size club members will want to hear from our President how our work internationally is so important around the world. This may give you some ideas to help grow your club in your towns, but also to spread your club's influence beyond the town borders. Speaking of the seminars, plan to get to Bloomington early on Friday morning to attend a seminar on the limestone industry and how our

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## Indiana Lions State Convention News

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state is world famous for limestone building materials. A special speaker has been arranged for this presentation and is willing to share his experiences and knowledge with us in this area. A special gift for those who attend will be waiting for you, so plan on getting to Bloomington early Friday morning and attending this presentation at 9:00 AM.

The final countdown is on for our 102nd State Convention and you want to be a part of this exciting event. Don't wait another day and get your hotel reservation made at the Hyatt Place, 812-339-5950, and send in your registration form today.

We look forward to seeing you in Bloomington and having a great weekend as Lions.

OPDG Mark Clark & PDG Gary Ochs

### Donations Wanted for Silent Auction!

The Indiana Lions State Convention is quickly approaching. The Convention Committee is asking for silent auction items to help achieve our mission of providing relief to those in need. We can use items unique to your geographic locations. Perhaps there are very talented members in your local clubs that love to craft. And...who can't use a spa/relaxation treatment, or maybe a movie night would interest people. Please bring your auction items to the Convention Center. If you know in advance what you are bringing, contact me and I will prepare a bid sheet for each item.

Thank you in advance. If you have any questions, please contact Lion Cheri Faulkner at 317-271-3314, via text or voicemail, or you can email me at [clermontlionlady58@yahoo.com](mailto:clermontlionlady58@yahoo.com).

Lion Cheri Faulkner, Silent Auction Chair for the Indiana Lions State Convention.



## Indiana Lions State Convention

### Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center

Bloomington, Indiana

May 12-14, 2023

Special Guests

International President

Brian Sheehan & Lion Lori





## 2023 Indiana Lions 102<sup>nd</sup> State Convention

Hosted by District 25E

May 12,13,14, 2023



### Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center

with special guests: International President Brian Sheehan and Lion Lori

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY APRIL 11, 2023

Courtyard by Marriott Convention Hotel (attached to Convention Center)

310 South College Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47401 (Free Parking available at Convention Center)

Room Rate: \$109.00 per night, plus tax, until April 11, 2023.

Call 1-812-335-8000 for Reservations and mention LIONS CLUB 2023 in making the reservation

Hyatt Place Hotel: 217 S. Kirkwood Avenue, \$119 per night w/ breakfast

Hyatt Hotel does charge for parking; 1 ½ block north of Convention Center & free parking

Call 812-339-5950 and use block code LION for the reservation.

Come and visit several Lions project tables and related booths including a USA/Canada Forum apparel vendor.

Friday Golf Outing to be at Stonecrest Golf Club – 18 holes at \$39. Meet in the hotel lobby.

**Scooter rental is \$120 for Friday thru Sunday.**

Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, MONROE COUNTY LIMESTONE PRESENTATION

#### Registration Form (one per person)

Print out Registration form at [www.indianalionsconvention.org](http://www.indianalionsconvention.org)

**Deadline: All Registration Forms must be postmarked by April 30, 2023.**

Please print name/Lions Title as desired on name badge:

Name and Lion Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your FIRST Indiana Lions State Convention (circle one) **Yes** **No**

Attend the Friday morning Monroe County Limestone Presentation (circle one) **Yes** **No**

**Friday Evening BBO Dinner** at Monroe County Fairground Sponsored by Ellettsville Lions Club

Choose pulled pork: \_\_\_\_\_ or pulled chicken: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 18.00= \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday Lunch**: sandwich bar: chips, seasonal fresh fruit, pickle spear & drink

Choose warm beef & swiss sub w/ lettuce & tomato: \_\_\_\_\_

Or grilled ham & cheese on sourdough bread: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 20.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday Night Banquet**: Choose 1 Entrée below

Choose: citrus glazed pork chop \_\_\_\_\_ mushroom chopped steak \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 28.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday Brunch**: fried chicken, scrambled eggs, fresh fruit, bacon, french toast \$ 20.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday Strides Walk** T-shirt Size (S to 3XL, other) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 18.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**2023 Indiana Convention Pin** \$ 4.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Scooter Rent (Friday thru Sunday)** \$120.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Registration Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Special dietary needs, list here: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this Registration Form and Your Check, payable to

Indiana Lions State Convention 2023 to

CT Debbie Ellis, 8262 East Center Road, Sullivan, IN. 47882

Contact Info: 1-812-798-2096 or [ellisdebbie259@gmail.com](mailto:ellisdebbie259@gmail.com)

## 2023 Indiana Lions 102<sup>nd</sup> State Convention Schedule

### Friday May 12<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am-11:00.am Welcome to Monroe County Limestone Quarries Presentation in Bloomington Indiana. Enjoy a historic limestone slideshow presentation with Duncan Campbell, an experienced preservationist with a passion for limestone. During the presentation you will learn about the deep history and heritage of the world-renowned limestone industry that exists in Monroe County and nearby Lawrence County, Indiana. Campbell's presentation will last approximately one hour. A special 2023 Convention limestone gift will be presented to you for attending.

9:00am	Golf Outing	Courtyard Lobby
9am-6pm	Convention Committee Staging / Break	Cook Group West
9am-11am	Monroe County Limestone Quarries Presentation	Cook Group East
9am-noon	Exhibits setup	Olcott Young/Upstairs Hall
9am-noon	Silent Auction setup	Convention Hall Lobby
9am-noon	Blue Frog Vendor setup	Finch Room
9am-noon	Registration Table Setup	Information Desk
Noon-5pm	Registration open	Information Desk
Noon-5pm	Exhibits open	Olcott Young/Upstairs Hall
Noon-5pm	Silent Auction open	Convention Hall Lobby
Noon-5pm	Blue Frog Vendor (LCI Apparel vendor)	Finch Room
1pm-2:30pm	Cabinet Secretary Training	Ralph Rogers
2pm-4pm	Service Project	Zebendon/Hansen
2:30-3pm	Credentials Committee Meeting	Ralph Rogers
3pm-5pm	Credentials open	Lobby
5:00-7:30pm	BBQ at the Monroe County Fair Grounds	Fair Grounds
7:30-8:30pm	General Session #1	Duke Energy East/West
15 minutes after General Session	Hospitality	Hospitality Area in Hotel

### Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup>

8am-4pm	Registration open	Information Desk
8am-4pm	Exhibits open	Olcott Young/Upstairs Hall
8am-3pm	Silent Auction open	Convention Hall Lobby
8am-5pm	Blue Frog Vendor	Finch Room
8:00-9:00	District A	Cook Group West
	District B	Cook Group East
	District C	Zebendon
	District D	Hansen
	District E	Duke Energy West
	District F	Duke Energy East
	District G	Ralph Rogers
9:00am-4pm	Credentials open	Lobby
9:15am-10:00	Strides Walk	Back Parking Lot
10am-11am	Leader Dog Quarterly Meeting	Ralph Rogers
10:30-11:45am	General Session #2	Duke Energy East/West
11:55-1:15pm	Awards Luncheon	Great Room



## 2023 Indiana Lions 102<sup>nd</sup> State Convention Schedule

### Afternoon Seminars First Session: 1:30 pm to 2:20 pm

1:30-2:20pm	<b>Seminar #1</b> "Together We Can, Together We Will" with IP Brian Sheehan For Club Presidents and Vice Presidents (Everyone Welcome)	Duke Energy West Room
1:30-2:20pm	<b>Seminar #2</b> Indiana Lions Foundation and Holding Corp. Presented by PDG Don Cooper	Hansen Room
1:30-2:20pm	<b>Seminar #3</b> Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing Inc. Presented by PDG Alan Arnold	Cook Group East Room
1:30-2:20pm	<b>Seminar #4</b> Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Presented by PDG Connie Roe	Cook Group West Room
1:30-2:20pm	<b>Seminar #5</b> Indiana Lions Leader Dogs for the Blind Presented by Lion Pauline Ulrey	Ralph Rogers

### Afternoon Seminars Second Session: 2:30 pm to 3:20 pm

2:30-3:20pm	<b>Seminar #6</b> Lions in Motion and LCIF Presented by Lion Lori Sheehan and PDG Ken Faulkner	Duke Energy West Room
2:30-3:20pm	<b>Seminar #7</b> How to add new members into your Club Presented by PDG Charlie Short	Hansen Room
2:30-3:20pm	<b>Seminar #8</b> Indiana Lions Cancer Control Fund Presented by Lion Bev Coombs	Cook Group East Room
2:30-3:20pm	<b>Seminar #9</b> VisionFirst Indiana Lions Eye Bank Presented by PDG Kevin Roe	Cook Group West Room

3:30-4:00pm	PDG meeting	Cook Group East Room
5:15-5:45pm	Receiving Line prep (Council, IP, & PIDs)	Cook Group West
5:45-6:45pm	Receiving Line	Outside Great Room
6:45-7:00pm	Introductions	Great Room (Spotlight)
7:00pm	Welcome and Opening	Great Room
7:15pm	Begin Serve Dinner	Great Room
7:15-7:50pm	the "Singing Hoosiers" Perform	Great Room
7:55pm	Formal Introduction of IP Brian Sheehan	Great Room
8pm	Keynote Speaker and Awards	Great Room
15 minutes after All State Banquet	Hospitality	Hospitality Area in Hotel

### **Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup>**

6-7am	Credential Committee Breakfast (not on printed schedule)	Ralph Rogers Room
8am-noon	Blue Frog Vendor	Finch Room
8am-10am	Voting	Hansen Room
9am-noon	Exhibits open (if they choose to open)	Olcott Young
9am-10am	Memorial Service	Duke Energy East/West
10:30-noon	Key Member Brunch/Keynote Speaker <b>"Mother's Day Presentation at Brunch"</b>	Great Room
12:30-1:30pm	General Session #3	Duke Energy East/West
1:45pm	Council Meeting	Zebendon/Hansen

# **Lakeville Fire Department** **and the** **Lakeville Lions Club**



# **Fish Fry**



**April 7, 2023**

**4:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

Lakeville Fire Station - Drive Thru Only  
117 S Main St, Lakeville Indiana 46536

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**\$13 DINNER INCLUDES FISH, FRIES & DESSERT**

See a Lakeville Firefighter or Lions Club member for tickets



## Previews of Coming Attractions



District 25-G

# LIONS EYEGLASS RECYCLING CENTER

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

4 pm - 7 pm



Please come and see our newly remodeled facility. You may wonder what we do with all those used eyeglasses we collect throughout the 7-county area of northcentral Indiana. Annually we process over 50,000 pairs of used eyeglasses, including washing, reading prescriptions, sorting, filing and preparing them for shipment to Mexico where a team of 25+ Indiana Lions will work for five days to serve those who need glasses.

We're asking providers, Lions, and other individuals and businesses that help us with this international program to come and visit us. We'll have demonstrations of the many steps in our recycling program. This recycling center is one of kind, with Lions performing work throughout the year.



Located at the Fairview Grange  
22482 County Road 45  
Goshen, IN 46528





**Previews of Coming Attractions**



*84 Years of Serving Peru and Miami County Friends and Neighbors*

**PERU LIONS CLUB**

**“TENDERLION” SANDWICH CARRY-OUT**

**Saturday, April 22, 2023**

*Serving from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM*

*(While quantities last)*

**Drive-up's enter alley behind fire house from east end**

*(No dine-in service)*

**“Old Fire House”**

**Corner of Main and Miami St., Peru**

***“Tenderlion” Sandwich \$8.00***

*\*Served with condiment packets of ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise,  
dill pickle slices and chopped onions*

*Proceeds for Scholarships, Eye Glasses for Those in Need, Youth  
and Adult Charities, 4-H, Food Backpacks & Vision Screening*

Please drop off your old eye glasses and hearing aids so we can  
help those less fortunate with better vision and hearing

**We need more LIONS ask us how to join our team!**



## Previews of Coming Attractions



# MADISON TOWNSHIP LIONS PORK CHOP SALE

Saturday, May 20, 2023

11 AM to 2 PM

Madison Township Fire Station

66341 ST RD 331

Bremen, Indiana



CHOPS \$7.00 each  
At current pork prices

10 chops for \$65.00

10 chops and over \$6.50 each

**Carry Out Only**

## Previews of Coming Attractions



# Memorial Day Weekend 2023

*Display your honor and dedication with a 3' x 5' U.S. Flag*

Each flag will include your message to honor an individual, group, or organization, or memorialize someone who has passed. Flags will be displayed over the 2023 Memorial Day weekend in downtown Elkhart's

## Lundquist-Bicentennial Park

**Noon Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> to Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**

\$35 per new dedicated American flag

The flag is yours to keep after the weekend, or we can keep your flag to be displayed in next year's Flags project.

\$15 to display any previous "Flags from the Heart" flag

Call Brian Thomas at (574) 596-7411 for further details

Your Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Flags: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$35.00 for new American Flag = total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Flags: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 to re-display 2008 to 2022 flags = total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dedication: (Put one dedication per flag on a form. Print the completed dedication below or on the back of this application. Please do not write 'same'.)

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Make checks payable to: **Elkhart Lions Club**

Mail to: **P.O. Box 81, Elkhart, IN 46515**

**Flags should be picked up on 5/29/23, 3-4 pm at the flag display area unless prior arrangements are made. Flags are made in the USA.**

## Previews of Coming Attractions



# Culver Lions Club



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Invitational

Pretty Lake Golf Club 10055 Pretty Lake Trail Plymouth, IN 46563



Register your foursome now (Foursomes are limited)

All Sponsorships Levels Available

Food & Drinks are Provided following Golf  
Skill Prizes, Door Prizes and Hole in One Prizes!!!

Best Ball Play!!

Reservations by June 1, 2023

Contact Amy Hartman 609.805.1942 or email  
ahartman225@gmail.com



**Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Registration Opens 7:30am;  
Shotgun Start 8:30am**

**Use our District Newsletter to Publicize  
Your Club's Fundraiser or Community Event**

**\*\*\* FREE \*\*\***

**Send a copy of your flyer or just the basic information about your event to:  
pdgpaul25g@gmail.com**

**The normal deadline for submission of material for the monthly district  
newsletter is the 25th of the month.**



# April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	<b>12 DG Visit North Manchester</b>	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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# May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	<b>11 State Convention, Bloomington</b>	<b>12 State Convention, Bloomington</b>	<b>13 State Convention, Bloomington</b>
<b>14 State Convention, Bloomington</b>	15	16	17	18	19	<b>20 District Meeting, Culver</b>
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



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**ONE PERSON  
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DIFFERENCE,  
AND EVERYONE  
SHOULD TRY**  
-JOHN F. KENNEDY-

### **Mark Your Calendar**

May 11-14, 2023 State Convention  
Monroe Convention Center, Bloomington

May 20, 2023 Fourth District Meeting  
Vandalia Depot, Culver

Jul 7-11, 2023 International Convention  
Boston, Massachusetts

Aug 5, 2023 District Meeting #1  
Peru, Indiana

Aug 26, 2023 Banner Night  
Camp Mack, Peru, Indiana

Oct 21, 2023 District Meeting #2  
Wyatt, Indiana

### **District Directory Updates**

pp. 3, 19, 30: CT Lion Kim Polk  
New email address: kkpolk61@gmail.com

pp. 3, 10, 18: 1VDG Ron Guth & Lion Beth  
Delete home phone number

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