



Lions Tales

DISTRICT 25-G
State Convention Extra
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District Lions Honored at State Convention

Three members of Lions Clubs in District 25-G were honored at the 101st Indiana Lions State Convention held in Indianapolis, April 29th—May 1st.



Past Council Chair David Eisen was the recipient of the Distinguished Lion Award from the Indiana Lions Foundation. This award is given annually to one outstanding Lion with at least 25 years of service to their community.

This year, there were 12 nominees from throughout the state of Indiana.

PCC Dave joined the Mishawaka Lions Club in 1982.

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Lion Al Beehler was the recipient of an International Leadership Medal, the third-highest award presented by Lions Club International to a member of the association.

Lion Al joined the Madison Township Lions Club in 1979 and has served as the Club Secretary for the past 30 years.

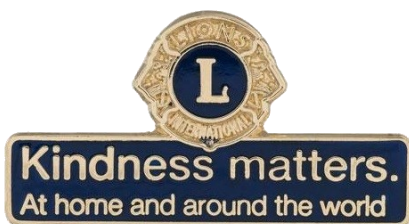
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Past District Governor Paul Russell was the recipient of an International President's Medal, the second-highest award presented by Lions Clubs International to a member of the association.

PDG Paul joined the Lakeville Lions Club in 1998, and has served in several positions at the club, district, and state levels.

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PCC David Eisen Receives Distinguished Lion Award (continued from page 1)



(l. to r.) Foundation Trustee Past Council Chair Bob Booher, Past Council Chair Dave Eisen, Foundation Trustee Past District Governor Don Cooper

Mishawaka Lions Club President Becky Wertz provided a synopsis of PCC Dave's accomplishments in the nomination for the Distinguished Lion Award.

- Perfect attendance for the past 40 years
- Served as Tail Twister, Director, Secretary (8 years), Newsletter Editor (8 years), and President (3 times).
- Participated in club activities including vision screening, bell ringing for the Salvation Army, eyeglass collection and cleaning, delivering food baskets, City Park cleanup, construction of Shioiri Niwa structures.
- Served as chair or co-chair of the Citrus & Chocolate Sale for 27+ years, and is currently serving as co-chair of the Flower Sale.
- Has worked for the Lakeville Lions Club food booth at the County Fair for 4+ years.

PCC Dave has been actively involved at the District level for many years:

- Zone Chair (20 years)
- District Governor (twice)
- Global Leadership Chair (17 years, ongoing)
- Rules committee (4 years, ongoing)
- Parliamentarian (3 years)
- Tail Twister (5 years)
- Past Chairman of Membership, Retention, and LCIF committees
- Past Chairman of Long Range Planning Committee (14 years)

PCC Dave has also been actively involved at the State level for many years:

- Council Chair (2008-2009)
- Assistant Global Leadership Chair (3 years)
- Global Leadership Chair (3 years)
- Mid-Winter Conference Chair (5 years)
- State Convention Committee Chair (1 year)
- State Convention Committee member (2 years)
- Volunteer for Indiana Lions Foundation Indiana State Fair project (15+ years)

PCC Dave has received numerous awards and recognition for his service to Lions Clubs and the community:

- Mishawaka Lions Club Lion of the Year (twice)
- District Governor's Certificate of Appreciation (6 times)
- Progressive W.P. Woods Fellow
- Melvin Jones Fellow
- Builder Award for recruiting 10 or more new members
- Extension Award for starting a new Lions Club
- International President's Certificate of Appreciation (7 times)
- International Leadership Medal, third-highest award given to a Lion by LCI
- International President's Medal, second-highest award given to a Lion by LCI (twice)

PCC Dave has also been active in many other community and professional organizations.

Lion Al Beehler Receives International Leadership Medal (continued from page 1)



(l. to r.) District Governor Marlyn Fast, Lion Al Beehler, Past International President Clem Kusiak

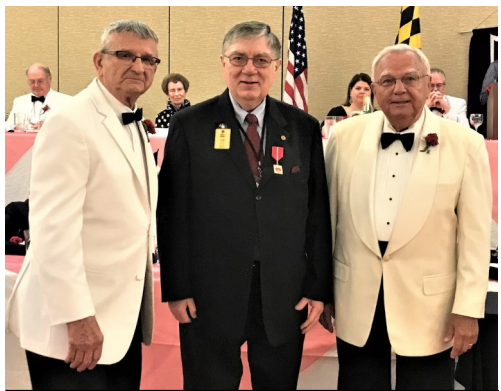
Past International Director Linda Tincher explained the significance of this award and described Lion Al's qualifications in her introduction for this award:

This Medal is the 3rd highest award in Lionsm. The individuals considered for this medal were Lions who made significant contributions toward leadership development. Leadership is essential to our association in that good leadership affects membership growth, the service that we provide, and the impact that service has on our communities, as well as the overall quality of the Lions Club membership experience.

The next recipient has been a Lion for 43 years. But he has held what he considers the most important job – the Secretary's job - for 30 years! He is considered a go-to person in Lionism and can be relied on to get the job

done! For the past 5 years he has served as the district GST and since I am the current MD GST I can personally vouch for this individual's leadership in promoting service activities. He does a great job. Please join me in congratulating Madison Township Lion in 25-G, Alan Beehler.

PDG Paul Russell Receives International President's Medal (continued from page 1)



(l. to r.) District Governor Marlyn Fast, Past District Governor Paul Russell, Past International President Clem Kusiak

Past International Director Linda Tincher explained the significance of this award and described PDG Paul's qualifications in her introduction for this award:

Our International President Douglas X Alexander embraced our association's motto of "WE SERVE". He wanted us to give our service from the heart to strengthen our clubs and our communities as well as to fulfill our mission of service to make the world a better place for all people.

The Presidential Medal, the 2nd highest award in Lionism, is reserved for Lions who distinguish themselves through exemplary service that significantly strengthens their community or our association. Recipients should be involved in club service projects, supportive of LCI and LCIF, and have sponsored a member, as well as worked to reduce membership loss.

With these qualifications in mind, the next Presidential Medal recipient comes to us after serving many years in the Lakeville Lions Club in 25-G. I honestly doubt if there is any office in his home club that he has not held or service projects that he hasn't chaired or played an instrumental role in. His computer skills and ideas make him a great event organizer for his club, district, and state. Please join me in congratulating PDG Paul Russell as a recipient of International President Alexander's Presidential Medal.

Scenes from the 101st Indiana Lions State Convention



Strides Walk by the Numbers
46 Walkers
75 T-shirts Sold
\$4,660 Raised for
Diabetes Awareness



Care-ing Cases by the Numbers
15 Lions Volunteers
1,001 First Aid Kits
183 Personal Hygiene Kits

