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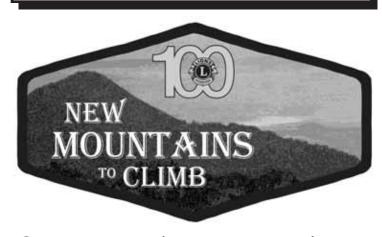


PARADE TIME — Indiana's 2016-17 District Governors are shown as they get ready to move out for the International Parade in Japan. From left behind the banner are Gov. Alan Arnold of 25-B, Gov. Wayne Karanovich of 25-F, Gov. Patty Çooke of 25-A, Gov. Peg VanNevel of 25-G, Gov. Ross Drapalik of 25-C, an unidentified Japanese Lion; and Gov. Steve Holtzleiter of 25-D.



## Council Chairperson's Corner

By CC Vic Fischer superduper826@aol.com



#### Our centennial journey is underway

"New Mountains to Climb."
This is the theme of our International President Chancellor Bob
Corlew. We in Indiana are well
known for our successful "climbing" abilities and reaching the

summit or the ultimate goals together.

No matter how large or small the task, we get it accomplishes. This has been repeated routinely at the Club, Zone, District and Multi-District levels. Through team work and tireless dedication, the accomplishments of the Lions in our state not only amaze others, but sometimes we even surprise ourselves on what can be accomplished when we harness the power Lionism as we serve others in need.

This is a very special year as we prepare for our 100-year anniversary of Lionism in 2017. The Indiana Lions are once again blessed to have an outstanding and very dedicated group of seven District Governors leading the charge to our summit this year. The Council members are creative, innovative, bold and also visionary. They are committed to insuring that MD-25 is prepared to be the leader in service for the next 100 years.

Following IP Corlew's lead, we will continue to focus on Service, Membership, and Leadership. We together want to ensure that where there is a need there truly is a Lion right there to provide the

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# Centennial 2017 Celebration

By PDG VERN TINCHER Centennial Celebration Committee Chair

Lions Clubs International and Lions around the world will celebrate 100 years of service from 1917 to 2017. Past President Joe Preston kicked off the Lions Centennial Celebration in 2014 with the "Centennial Service Challenge. Lions were challenged to serve 100 million people by Dec. 2018 in the areas of YOUTH, VISION, HUNGER and ENVIRONMENT. How are Lions doing? To date, 99,560,015 people have been served.

LCI has asked each Club to appoint a centennial coordinator to plan and report the activities of the Club's activity for the Centennial Celebration. There are resources available at lions100.org to help the Clubs plan activities for their celebration.

MD 25 has received a centennial grant of \$10,500 (\$1500 per district) to help us carryout the 2017 celebration. The funds can be used for a large celebration or divided among the Districts for projects.

Your Centennial Committee has met several times to discuss ways for the Multiple District, districts and Clubs to celebrate in 2017. The 500 Festival Parade in downtown Indianapolis is one of the most widely viewed parades in Indiana. Plans are underway for Lions to participate in this parade

Lions Clubs will be encouraged to participate in their county fair with a booth and information on how the Clubs serve their community. Another suggestion was for the Clubs to contact banks and businesses to get them to run a congratulatory message to Lions in June 2017.

Another idea is holding a Lions statewide service project for all of our 396 clubs to participate on June 2017. It was decided to declare that June 17 would the INDIANA LIONS STATEWIDE SERVICE DAY with the hope of getting media coverage for the Clubs.

There are many more ideas to celebrate 100 years of Lions service. Your committee welcomes suggestions how to have a great celebration.

# Lions Conference set for Nov. 4-5

Deb Robarge to be keynote speaker at Indiana Lions Leadership Conference

Deb Robarge, director of nursing at the Indiana School for the Deaf and 2016 winner of the Special Needs award given at the 48th annual National Association of School Nurses Conference held in Indianapolis this summer, will be the keynote speaker at the 28th annual Indiana Lions Leadership Conference to be held at Plainfield High School Nov. 4 and 5.

Robarge is the current director of nursing at the Indiana School for the Deaf. She has been the nursing supervisor at ISD since October 1997 and has been a school nurse for over 25 years.

She is an active member of the Indiana Association of School Nurses as well as the National Association of School Nurses. She recently represented the Indiana school nurses for four years as the board delegate from Indiana to the Board of Directors for NASN.

Robarger and her husband, Al, are the proud parents of three grown sons. Their youngest son, Drew, became deaf when he was 7 months old from a severe case of meningitis. He attended and graduated from the Indiana School for the Deaf in 2003.

Friday

The Baymont Inn and Suites in Plainfield will again be the conference hotel.



DEB ROBARGE BSN RN NCSN

Events begin on Friday with dinner at the school at 6:30 p.m. Social time will be 6 p.m. The menu will include beef tenderloin, baked fish, roasted red potatoes, vegetables, salad, rolls, dessert and drinks.

Comedian Jeff McDonald will entertain the Lions at the Friday night dinner. (See separate article elsewhere in this issue.)

Saturday The theme for the 28th annual (Continued on page 9)



# Let's promote Lionism in the best light possible

The Centennial Celebration committee and many Clubs are celebrating with parades, fish frys, etc., in numerous cities and towns. It is also an election year and the politicians are our friends as they attend and purchase tickets for our fundraising events.

However, all Clubs must be aware Lions International is a non-political organization. direct statement form Lions Club International states: "One of the purposes of the Lions Club International is to provide a forum for open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided however, that partisan politics and sectarian region shall not be debated by Club members. attempt to make controversial political statements through words or actions - at a Lions sponsored activity, is in direct violation of our policy."

All members should be aware they have a duty to see this does not happen. If someone arrives at your parade and asks to be a participant, don't just ask if they have a walking unit, vehicle or horse to ride

Before allowing anyone Lion or Non-Lion to participate in any Lions sponsored event, the Club should determine if the booth, float, words or actions reflect in a partisan or negative connotation. Once the issue is identified or any member becomes aware of an issue, it is their (Club/and or members) responsibility to see that the violation in question is removed or stopped from participating in the Lions event. Failure to do so could cause repercussions for the Club.

As someone once said to me, "One all Shucks, wipes out numerous Atta Boys!"



# Hello from 25-A

BY GOV. PATTY COOKE

The LCI Convention in Fukuoka was fantastic: meeting Lions from throughout the United States and the world, getting to know my fellow District Governors and enjoying the friendliness of the wonderful people of Japan. I am looking forward to Chicago in 2017!

On my return, July was a very busy month as a new District Governor. The first week was a blur of activity from working the 4th of July fireworks with my Lions Club to putting the finishing touches ( like printing the directory ) on the new 25-A Team. Then we held a planning meeting where we conducted Zone Chair training - a terrific night at the Lions clubhouse in Wanatah.

Then I visited Lions Club International with the fellow District Governors of Indiana. We had the tremendous opportunity to be the first to have our picture taken with the Centennial Torch!

After that, we were all part of our first Council Meeting — an interesting and learning experience. Some of the discussions were long. But as I listened to all the reports, I gained more respect for all Lions do. I know that the saying 'Where There's a Need There's a Lion' is really true because we are helping everywhere.

Then there was Banner Night! My Schererville Lions put on a fantastic party. There, IPDG Randy passed the banner on to me. It will be difficult to be as

great a Governor as Randy, he set the bar very high.

Now there is news of the Centennial Bus Tour in September — President Corlew will be coming to visit our eyeglass recycling facility in Westville. From there he will go on to visit District 25-G. Exciting things happening in Indiana

So life will continue to be busy for me, but it is the saELme for all Lions. I know many Clubs throughout 25-A have been working at their county fairs - manning food booths, parking cars, selling a chance to win at ring toss. Then they are also participating in local festivals or doing vision screenings. I am continually inspired by all we do - We



AT OAK BROOK — Shown are Indiana's Governors at Lions Club International Headquarters in Oak Brook, Ill., proudly showing the Lions 100th ANNIVERSARY TORCH. It had just arrived and the Indiana Lions were first to view it!

In front is Lion Cub Danielle Drapalik.

In the second row, from left, are 25-G DG Peg VanNevel, 25-A DG Patty Cooke, State Administrative Secretary PCC Sue Topf, PID Linda Tincher, Council Chair Vic Fisher, Lion Jennifer Drapalik, Lion Pam Arnold andLion Katherine Holtzleiter.

In back are PDG Vern Tincher, 25-F DG Wayne Karanovich, 25-C DG Ross Drapalik, 25-D DG Al Arnold and 25-B DG Steve Holtzleiter.

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NEW LIONS — Three new Lions were inducted into the Mill Creek Community Lions Club by PDG Glenn Swanson. From left, are new Lion Muriel Peterson, Lion sponsor Tom Sharp, new Lion Janet Ebsch, new Lion Joette Barnett, Lion sponsor David Hawn and PDG Glenn Swanson.

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PICNIC SHELTER — This photo was taken at the "Fishin For Life" program and shows the group under the picnic shelter.



ENJOYING THE LAKE — Blind children with sighted escorts are shown n paddle boats in the pond at the "Fishin for Life" weekend in mid-June.

#### Fishin for Life event held

This year's Fishin for Life event hosted over 12 adults and children who were blind or visually impaired. Activities included a Fishing Tournament for most and big fish, paddle boat races, hay rides and motorcycle rides were given by the Schererville American Legion Post, The LaPorte County Sheriff's Dept. entered with sirens blaring and eight vehicles and their newly acquired bomb sniffing dog.

Everyone had the opportunity to talk with the officers, explore their vehicles and pretend to be officers of the law using hand cuffs, sirens and the amplified microphone systems. Rides in the cars were also given. All of this and camping, and other fun were experienced by all.

The support from the District, and many outside the District, supported this wonderful event and made a difference to many. Not only by just fishing and camping but pulling together and completely understanding that everyone can do the same things; it just might not be in the same way.

This is a very worthwhile cause. Lions need to continue the steps forward and give support of these ideas to become leaders in their communities and any endeavors that are chosen. There is no limit.

### Celebrating 100 years of service.



BANNER PASSED — DG Patty Cooke and IPDG Randy Greer are shown at the official passing of the 25-A banner. Banner Night was a lot of fun with Lions from 25-A and throughout the state.



SIGHTSEEING — A group of MD-25 Lions were caught by the camera while sightseeing in downtown Fukukoa, Japan.



# Whirlwind start

By GOV. ALAN ARNOLD

Hello Lions of 25-B and the great state of Indiana. What a whirlwind start to the year as a District Governor; a great trip to Japan, my first Club official visit, installing officers and inducting new members. I can't believe that the first month is over.

I really enjoyed the Interna-

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trying

DG Al is

out IP Corlew's

office chair.

shown

tional Convention in Japan. The DG classes and the Convention itself were really great. Eating octopus, squid, oysters, shrimp and other delicacies was right up my alley. But here is my take-away from it all. I talked to many people from many different countries. And no matter what race, nationality, religion or whatever other differences we have, we all desire the same

thing. To serve our communities and world as Lions.

Back in the states I was able to visit the Andrews Lions Club. What an active Club. They are very busy during the summer months running their baseball facility. They also have some great other projects. I was able to induct a new member as well. Keep up the good work!

This month I will be preparing for the first District Cabinet Meeting, Banner Night and more Club visits. The District will also be preparing to take part in the Centennial Celebration — 100 years of service. That is truly incredible. Hopefully this year we can set the stage for the next 100 years.

In October, 25-B will be hosting a New Club Workshop. Along with starting a new Club, we will be trying to rebuild four or five Clubs that have low membership. These Clubs will be targeted throughout the year. As we look to start new Clubs, let's not forget about those that may be struggling a little.

The houses for the goalball athletes of the United States Association of Blind Athletes is finely under way. One of the house's basement is almost finished and the other house had to have pilings driven in because of wet soil. But the houses should be set by the end of August. The first check for over \$80,000 from the Lions through our LCIF grant was distributed on Aug. 2. Thanks to all Lions around the state who contributed to this project in 25-B.





MD-25 GOVERNORS ARE SHOWN RECEIVING THEIR COMPLETION CERTIFICATES



CHECK PRESENTED - The Monroeville Lions recently contributed to the purchase of eSight Eyewear for Heritage High School alumni Jeff Whitacre. Lion Susan Hoffman is pictured presenting a \$500 check to Jeff

Jeff was born legally blind, his vision is currently 20/400. eSight eyewear allows him to see 20/40. The cost of the eSight glasses is \$15,000. There are only 300 pairs of eSight glasses in the U.S. and Jeff will be the second one in Fort Wayne to be fitted with them. A young girl in Fort Wayne has received a pair in the last year.

A benefit was planned by family, friends and classmates on April 30 in hopes that Jeff would have his eSight glasses by June 3 so he could see his daughter graduate and watch his son play baseball this summer. Jeff shared that he will pay forward any surplus funds to assist someone else who could benefit from eSight glasses.

# THE DISTRICT

Heritage Lions Club sold soft ice cream from its concession trailer at: Monroeville Harvest Festival Aug. 4, 5, 6 and will be at Poe Days Aug. 26 and 27.

Saturday, Sept. 17, the Howe Lions Club will have their food wagon at the Indian Summer Days celebration at the Square in Howe. The Lions will have sandwiches, ho dogs, ice cream, popcorn, plus pop and water. This is a town celebration from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. with farmer's market, food, crafts, games, Live Howe caricatures, a parade at 1 p. m. with Lion Jim Parker being the grand marshal.

The Monroe Lions Club will be sponsoring a truck/tractor pull on Saturday, Sept. 17, at the Swiss Heritage Village pulling track in Berne. The pull begins at 6 p.m. There will also be a drawing that evening for the Monroe Lions Raffle. First prize is \$1,000 cash. There are 33 other prizes including \$350 and \$200 gift certificates from Zurcher Tire, \$200 gift certificate to Clauser's

Furniture in Berne and numerous restaurant and miscellaneous certificates. Raffle tickets are \$10 each.

St. Joe Lions Club will be at the DeKalb Free Fall Fair. The Club has a food tent at the northwest corner of the courthouse square. The Club has been there for many years and are well known for its food. The dates are Sept. 26-30 and Oct. 1. During the week Club members serve from 4 p.m. until closing. On Friday and Saturday the tent is open from 11 a.m. - closing.

At Ossian Days on Sept. 15-17, the Ossian Lions will have a booth with a ring toss and corn hole game. Moneys collected from this will go to the Project Fund.

The Zanesville Lions Club celebrated with the community on Aug. 20. There was a car show, breakfast, lunch a bike rodeo, tourney and parade. There will also be food, craft, flea market and fun booths. The Lions Club will be serving lasagna, fettuccine, sides, apple dumplings and root beer floats from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Zanesville Ball Park.

The Hamilton Lions Club, along with other service organizations will be sponsoring a pancake and sausage breakfast on Saturday morning, Aug. 27. Serving from 7:30 - 10:00 a.m. and the price of the breakfast is a donation. The community will be celebrating Summer Fest. All proceeds from the breakfast go towards the Boomerang Backpack program at the Hamilton Community Schools.



Jefferson Middle School in Fort Wayne, was presented with a Melvin Jones Fellowship from the Chapel Ridge Lions and a proclamation from Mayor Tom Henry for his unselfish service to the community, the students, staff and his leadership to the Jefferson Middle School

Shown, from left, are Chapel Ridge Lions members, PDG Kaylene Souers, Lion Deb Metzger, Jeannie King, Lion Jeff King, and Lion Jana Ankenbruck



PARADE TIME — Treasurer of Land of Lakes Lions Club, Lion Don Sutton and Barb are shown with their four-wheel bike. They were participating in a parade held in Fremont.

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# 'Remember when ....?'

By GOV. ROSS DRAPALIK

At the beginning of this year, I have challenged the Clubs of District 25-C to come up with a list of "Remember when...?" moments. In this Centennial Year of Lionism, we will be taking a look back over the first 100 years of Lionism and our accomplishments as we look forward to the opportunities that lie ahead. International President Bob Corlew has dubbed these opportunities as mountains, and we each have many "New Mountains to Climb."

A "Remember when...?" moment goes something like this: Remember when PDG John Hurt was asked by Lion Wilson Smith if it was alright to run his fingers through his mashed potatoes? PDG John didn't think that Wilson would, so he said "Well, I guess not." Lion Wilson then proceeded to massage the mashed potatoes and ended up getting the whole plateful in his lap.

The interesting thing about this story was that it happened well before I ever even considered joining the Martinsville Noon Lions Club some 21 years ago. This is a story that has been passed from generation to generation of Lions. Maybe it has been embellished over the years, but there is little doubt that something like this happened at one of our meetings. This is one of those stories that illustrates how Lions fellowship with one another. Maybe this wasn't the best example of fellowship, but I'm sure the rest of the Club got a chuckle out of the exchange.

There are equally as many, if not more, stories relating to our Lions' service. There are stories of providing roller skates to the children at the School for the Blind. There are stories about providing a pair of eyeglasses to that young child in our own home

MEET THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR — District Governor Ross Drapalik and Lion Jennifer are excited for the new Mountains they are about to climb. They are looking forward to 25-C climbing those mountains with them. "We Serve!"





DENT — Meet 2066-67 International President Danielle Drapalik sitting at 2016-17 International President Bob Corlew's desk during a recent trip with the MD-25 District Governors to LCI Headquarters in Oak Brook, Ill.

town or seeing the expressions on peoples' faces when they can finally see during one of the mission trips to Mexico. There are stories of traveling to India to meet a corneal transplant recipient who just wanted to be able to read his Bible. These are the stories of our past that describe our mission of service.

There is no better illustration of our past and our future than our Lions emblem. The lion looking to the left is looking back at the accomplishments of the past while at the same time the lion looking to the right is looking forward to those opportunities to serve those in need well into the next 100 years of Lionism and beyond.

On July 9 District 25C celebrated the chartering of the Logansport Lions Club. During the evening's festivities, I was able to acknowledge the Lions who worked diligently to get this new Club formed. Logansport was one of those mountains that needed to be climbed, and the team did so and planted the banner of Lionism on its summit. My challenge to our extension team was that it was now time to descend from that peak and find a new mountain to climb.

Although this Lions' year is just beginning, it is my hope that there will be many more "Remember when...?" stories that will lead us into the next 100 years of Lions.

# LOGANSPORT LIONS CLUB

WELCOME LOGANSPORT LIONS CLUB — Charter Night for the Logansport Lions Club was July 9. The Club has been active since April and members have been busy with Club activities and recruiting new members. "Great Job!" goes to Past District Governor Dick McKellar and his extension team. For their efforts, IPDG Dick recognized PDG Pat Short, the District 25C Global Membership Team chair,; Lion Doug Eversole, and Lion Karen McKellar with Club Extension Awards for their work with getting this new club up and running.

Shown are the 2016-17 club officers as they pose with the club's Charter during their Charter Night From left are Josh Cates, Tailwister; Chris Brown, Treasurer; Nikki Brown, Membership Chair; Serenity Alter, President; and Rich Brewer, Vice President.

Welcome to the Pride!

## Banner Night Sept. 25

Please join the Martinsville Noon Lions Club on Sunday, Sept. 25, to celebrate 25-C District Governor Ross Drapalik.

Festivities kick-off with a reception beginning at 2: p.m. followed by a sit-down dinner at 3 p.m. All Clubs are asked to bring an item for the Silent Auction benefitting District 25-C Vision Screening. For more information and to view the complete flyer for this event, go to the new District 25C website: http://edistrict.org/sites/25c/index.php



MORGAN COUNTY FAIR — Lion Dave Travers, Lion Leroy Postel, PCC Terry Maxwell, Lion Stan Mattila, members of Martinsville Noon Lions Club, are selling tickets at the Morgan County Fair Grandstand



ZONE PROJECT — Six Lion Clubs joined forces to work the Pork Producers food booth at the Morgan County Fair - Martinsville Evening, Martinsville Noon, Monrovia, Morgantown, Paragon and Plainfield. This joint effort was a Zone 4 project. Great Team!



BROWNSBURG PARADE — Lions are often in a parade or working a parade. That point of view can be very different from being a by-stander at a parade. This view of the color guard and Scout flag bearers in the 4th of July parade sponsored by the Brownsburg Lions is from a drone. Now THAT is a unique view! (Photo provided by SkyView Aerial Imaging.)



FLAG POLE DEDICATED — Frankfort Lions recently dedicated a new flag pole for the Frankfort Community Public Library. The Knights of Columbus and the Marine Corps League also helped with the dedication. Marshall Smith gave the dedicatory prayer. Donating a flag pole is a great idea for a Centennial Legacy project. Remember: all Legacy Projects should be identified with a sign or plaque indicating the project was donated by your Lions Club.

Pictured with the specialty decorated cake for the dedication are Greg Williamson, FCPL Director; Frankfort Lion President Marvel Albitz; and District Governor Ross Drapalik.



CAMP - DG Steve Marsh is shown serving at the Anderson Law Camp Ice Cream Social. Steve and PCC Steve Cook started the ice cream social at the Anderson Camp many years ago.



# Success happens when preparation meets opportunity

By GOV. STEBE HOLTZLEITER

WOW! We had a great first Cabinet Meeting hosted by the Upland Lions Club on July 29,

with a delicious meal and great fellowship. Immediate Past District Governor Betty Weist was presented a beautiful Centennial W. P. Woods Award plaque from the District in recognition of her

fantastic leadership for 2015-16. My next cabinet meeting is on Nov. 30 at the Wayne Fall Lions Club.

Your 2016-17 Council of Governors have held their first Council Meeting in Schererville, July 23,. We had a very productive, conducive, and well run meeting. We completed and approved the budget for 2016-17, as well as, other important business to start off a great Centennial year.

Association of Lions Clubs, more commonly known as Lions Clubs International at Oak Brook, Ill. Friday July 22. We received even more District Governor training. The LCI staff was very friendly and informative, the headquarters building and grounds are very beautiful. On Sunday morning, July 24, Lion Katherine and I travelled on to Leader Dogs for the Blind, in Rochester, Mich., where we picked up our second Leader Dog puppy a golden retriever. We have continued with our Native American theme and have named her "Yazhi," which means "Little One" in the Navaho language. She was the littlest one of the litter of eight and was the first born.

Now let's get off to a roaring start to the next 100 years by actively helping our District to grow and maintain our membership. We need your help to accomplish the goals set for 2016-17; of starting two (2) new Clubs. We especially want to start one in Muncie, where our District will be hosting the Indiana State Convention in 2018. Please look for a neighboring community in your area to sponsor as a new Club. We will be applying for the free assistance of a new Club consultant from Lions Clubs International to start new Clubs or to rebuild Clubs.

We have a new Global Leadership Team Chair, Past District Governor Kathy Lozier taking over from Past District Governor Steve Marsh. I want to thank PDG Steve for his super job for many years in training our new and emerging leaders. PDG Kathy will be holding a Leadership and New Officers training sometime before the end of September. We will be focusing on using MyLCI online for the Cub secretaries and presidents.

My District Governor theme for the year 2016-17 is "Success happens when preparation meets opportunity," I am truly humbled to have the opportunity to serve as your District Governor and give you my promise to work toward a successful year of preparation to meet these oppor-



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PARADE TIME - DG Steve and Lion Katherine and Yazhi participated n the Popcorn Festival parade in Van Buren.



PROGRESSIVE W. P. WOODS FELLOWSHIP - PDG Betty Weist was presented a Progressive W.P. Woods Fellowship from DG Steve, First VDG Cindy, and District D during first Cabinet meeting.



VDG HONORED — VDG Cindy Wright was honored by her Upland Lions Club President Harold Sargent and members with a W. P. Woods Fellowship.



ond VDG Isabel Atcheson, DG Steve and First VDG Cindy Wright



MEET YAHZI - Lion Katherine introduces newest FLD Yahzi to District D Lions during DG Steve's First Cabinet Meeting



OLD FOLKS DAY

August 4, 2016

An Ed Breen Moment

1928 (except for two years during World War ll) by hosting Old Folks Day.

On Aug. 4 the club served over 300 meals and provided a wonderful program. Three Lions from Pendleton Lions Club Phyllis Metzlaar, Lorraine Doty and Betty Weist joined the Marion Lions in registering and serving the guests.



CABINET OFFICERS — Shown are a number of members of the 2016-17 Cabinet. In front, from left, are First Vice District Governor Keith Thomas, Cabinet Treasurer Richard Kaiser and Second Vice District Governor Ron Edwards. In back are District Governor Trea McCandless, Zone Chair Cheryl Schafer, Zone Chair Julia Carey and Immediate Past Council Chair and Cabinet Secretary Jeff Schafer.

# Climbing mountains

By GOV. TREA McCANDLESS

I want to thank everyone who came to Banner Night. What a wonderful time of fellowship.

Thank you IPID Linda for being emcee. You did a great job. I am doing my official visits now. Enjoying meeting everyone over the District. If your Club has not

scheduled a visit please call or email me. I would like to get them scheduled as soon as possible.

The District is having a blood drive this year. Club members or if you know a non member who gives blood and can donate pints that count. Report the number of pints to your Club Secretary. She will report it on the Club's activity report. At the end of the year the Region and the Club that has donated the most pints will be awarded the Lawrence "Buster" McCandless Memorial Award in memory of my late husband. If you have any questions please contact PDG Eric Ahlbrand Blood Drive Chair from the Evansville Eastside Club at eric.ahlbrand@me.com.

This year is Lions 100th anniversary. The District is hosting the State Convention April 28-30, 2017. The theme is Happy Birthday Lions. We need volunteers. If you are interested contact Lion Erica Thomas at ericadthomas@yahoo.com. The Friday night dinner will be on the LST. There are only 300 seats so get reservations in as soon as possible.

If your Club needs help with membership, training, or anything, please call me or one of the Governor's team members. The Governor team is here to help. We would like to start at least one new Club. It would be great to start several if we could. If you know a town that needs some Lions let us know.

The school year is starting. That means kids will need vision screening. The vision screening equipment coordinators are Bedford area, Jim Fisher; Sullivan area, Glynn Wills; Evansville area, Ceal Schulz; Georgetown area, Nancy Rein.

qDoes your Club have a Leo Club? If you would like to start one call Chris Gentry, our new District Leo Chair. I know he would love to come to your Club

. Let's get our Leos involved. Remember our International President Robert Corlew's motto New Mountains to Climb. Lets go out this year and climb mountains.



MEMBERSHIP GAIN — At the First Cabinet meeting of the year PDG Herb Stevens, left, and PDG Mark Clark, right, presented Second Vice District Governor Ron Edwards and wife Jo Hannah with a certificate and pin for membership gain in the District.





AT COUNTY FAIR — The Vision and Health van was used at the Jackson County Fair. The Jackson County Clubs: Brownstown, Crothersville, Medora, Pershing Township, Seymour Noon and Seymour Evening, provided vision screening at the Jackson County Fair for the seventh year.

Pictured are a visitor and Lions Mark Thomas and Dave McGinnis



WITH BANNER — DG Trea is shown with the District 25-E Banner.



AT BANNER NIGHT — PDG Frank Ruane, PCC Richard and Lion Jan Halladay are shown at 25-E's Banner Night.



TWO SPECIAL LADIES — Shown are PID Linda Tincher and DG Trea at Banner Night.





ZONE CHAIRS — Two of 25-E's Zone Chairs are shown as they receive their pins. Cheryl Schafer is on the left and Julia Carey is on the right.



# Your Governor has been busy

By GOV. WAYNE KARANOVICH

Boy does time fly! It seems just like yesterday that we were getting set to travel to Japan for the International Convention. The 10 days that we spent there were really informative and we made contacts with other future District Governors around the world.

If you have never participated in an International Convention parade then you do not know what you are missing. I was proud to represent MD-25 in the parade. There were so many different countries and people groups who marched in the parade. Pam (my wife) who traveled with me got to see two countries in which she had spent time in growing up as a child of missionaries. The countries were Indonesia and the Philippines

Our international president's theme for this year is "New Mountains to Climb" and what an inspiring message it is.

We held our first cabinet meeting "organizational day" on July 9 and it was well attended. During that time we had training for those officers who had not been to the four other ones we had. We



had a PDG meeting help by IPDG John Brown and talked about many issues that affect our district and state.

They say that the third time is a charm and I guess they are right. After two failed attempts at having my first official visit in Batesville, we got it together and a good time was had by all. During our meeting I was able to induct a new Lion into the club. What an honor and boy does that make me happy to install new members. We also had a brief induction of the board of their club.

We had our official visit to LCI in Oak Brook as all new district governors from Indiana do. It was impressive to visit the building that houses the largest service organization in the world. We got to see the offices of the international president and even had an opportunity to sit in his chair. I would encourage all Lions to visit Oak Brook.

On Aug. 5 and 6, I spent all day at the Indiana State Fair selling tickets and will spend more time there in the coming days. The fair will run through Aug. 21. If you have never worked the fair by selling tickets, it is the easiest thing to do and helps the Indiana Lions Foundation. You can also use it to earn points for a W.P. Woods Award.

Our international president will be stopping in Indiana three times in the next few months if his schedule holds true. Things sometimes change but he will be in our district in October to do a re-enactment of the registering the original documents of the formation of Lions Club. He will also visit the Indiana School for the Blind.

It is my great honor to serve you as district governor and I look forward to seeing all the neat and wonderful ways you serve your community, state and country.



ON THE CONVENTION FLOOR — Indiana's District Governors are shown on the convention floor just after they were sworn in as Governors.

# Points Contest

BY GAYLE R. FEENEY Cabinet Secretary ion

Congratulation to the hard working clubs who won the Points Contest for 2015-16. PDG John Brown and PCS Sarah Getts awarded the following clubs with the newly designed patch that resembles PDG John's pin

3rd Place — 1-15 Hope; 16 - 35 Franklin Twp.; 36 +

Clermont 2nd Place — Fortville, Ben Davis, Indianapolis Washington Twp.

1st Place — Indianapolis Warren Twp.; Decatur Twp.; Pike

There will be a few changes to the Points Contest for 2016 -2017. There are two new categories that your Club can participate in to earn big points. Each member of your Club who visits either LCI in Oak Brook, Ill., or Leader Dog in Rochester, Mich., will earn 200 points. These are both fascinating places to visit and well worth your time in making the trip.

The other opportunity comes in the form of bonus points. As you know, having a trustee speaker or a committee chair present to your Club will bring 150 points. If your Club has all 17 speakers present at your meetings, the Club will get 1,000 bonus points in addition to the 2,550 points for each of the 17 speakers! So, get busy and schedule your speakers early.

It was such a pleasure for me to meet with you on Organization Day. I look forward to getting to know you as we progress through this coming year. Call me, write me, email me and give me a shout if you have questions or concerns with your secretarial duties. If I don't know the answer, I will do my best and find a resource that does know the answer.

Call or email soon to schedule your Official Visit by District Governor Wayne. By the way, if you schedule on or before Sept. 1, your Club will earn 150 points!

# Mark your calendars

The annual pork chop dinner at Camp Woodsmoke will be from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Sept. 25. Cost of tickets is \$10.



BATESVILLE'S OFFICIAL VISIT — The District Governor is shown making his official visit at Batesville.



 $\operatorname{GATE}\ 12$  — Workers at Gate 12 on the first day of the State Fair are shown.



AT OAK BROOK — The District Governors visited Lions Club International Headquarters at Oak Brook, Ill., in July. DG Wayne and PID Linda Tincher are shown looking at the photographer

#### Batesville plans golf scramble

The Batesville Lions Club will hold the Coach Willis Dunker Memorial Golf Scramble to raise money to benefit the Boys State delegate, 40 & 8 Scholarships, eyeglass collection van and local club charities, will be held Saturday, Sept. 17 at Cricket Ridge Golf Course, 22087 Pocket Road, Batesville.

The 18-hole shotgun scramble will start at 9 a.m.

There will be prizes awarded, gifts for everyone and a fried chicken dinner.

Cost is \$\$50 per person and \$200 per team if paid before Sept. 1. Or \$55 per person/\$220 per team after Sept.1. Hole sponsors are \$100 to place a sign on the course for all to see.

Call to sign up — Golfers — Frank Connelly at (812) 932-6844 or Sponsors — Joe foster (812) 933-5667.

Make checks payable to Batesville Lions Club and mail to P. O. Box 91, Batesville, IN 47006.





# New and exciting things are happening in District 25-G

By GOV. PEG VAN NEVEL

We have some challenging goals, but as International President Chancellor Bob Corlew told us all in Japan ... find NEW MOUNTAINS TO CLIMB!

So, where do we find MOUNTAINS in Indiana? Yes, we have some beautiful hills overlooking sweeping valleys, but our biggest mountain to climb is the Mountain of Positive Membership! We've been making great strides in the first few months of our Centennial year. The Dunlap Lions Club is sponsoring a new club in Middlebury ... one of the few areas in Elkhart County without a Lions Club.

Many thanks to the talented and committed members of the Dunlap Club who "hit the streets" to start this new club. Right now, we are just a few members away from the magic number 20 .. THAT'S how many are needed to charter a new Club! And if one Club isn't enough, we will be starting a new Campus Club at Saint Mary's College. Mishawaka Lions Club is sponsoring that Club, after working side-by-side with Saint Mary's students at the annual Baccalaureate Mass and Graduation for the past several years. Growth and Teamwork...that's our District 25-G.

So that was some of the NEW news...now to add the EXCITING

While our Council of Governors was visiting the Lions Club Inter-

IT'S OFFICIAL - PDG Paul Russell is shown as he takes the elect ribbon from District Governor Peg Van Nevel's badge, at the close of the International Convention, officially making her the chief officer of 25-





CHECK FOR LEADER DOG KENNELS — At the fourth Cabinet meeting held on Saturday, June 18, at Christos Banquet Center in Plymouth, PDG Jeri Seely presented a check to Leader Dog representative, Kathleen Breen in the amount of \$38,848.32. The check represents the money collected by District 25-G for the Kennel project during the 2015-16 Lions year and the money keeps coming. PDG Jeri received several more checks at the meeting. Pictured with Kathleen and PDG Jeri is DG Vic Fischer.

national office in Oak Brook, Ill., back in July, an opportunity arose, and we are meeting the challenge to making it a reality. We found out that IP Corlew and his wife, Diane, will be traveling across the country from Omaha, Neb., after their time at the USA/Canada Forum, heading toward Sandusky, Ohio. Yes, where Helen Keller made her famous speech to Lions International members at the 1925 Convention ... and we were told that he would like to have a stop in the South Bend area, while en route

The timing of his request to visit is fitting perfectly with the start of our two new clubs in 25-G! The goal is to have an afternoon chartering of the Saint Mary's College Campus Club and THEN an evening chartering of the new Middlebury Club, with Chancellor IP Corlew hosting the swearing in of all these new members. So, have I piqued your interest as to WHEN he will be here?

to Ohio.

It will be an incredible day to show IP Corlew HOW District 25-G supports these new Clubs, with YOUR attendance. Details are still in the making, but write this in your calendar (do NOT pencil it in, USE PEN) and plan on joining one or the other, or BOTH on Tuesday, Sept. 20.

It is such an honor to have him meet our new Club members, and inspire their Clubs to CLIMB NEW MOUNTAINS! And how often do our Hoosier Lions get a chance to meet, and share ideas

of Lions Clubs? Have you written the date down yet...in pen? Now...have you heard there's something special happening this

with the International President

year? Something to do with the number 100 and a district-wide project? Yes, now that you know about the 100 gallon Blood Drive goal, it's time to get your drive scheduled.

And of course, with 100 years of Lionism ... there are ways that all of our Clubs can celebrate the Centennial. The BIG point I want to stress is to REPORT what you do on the LCI website. IP Corlew calls us all to Celebrate the Centennial by:

Leading through Service: Help benefit over 100 million people by completing Centennial Service Challenge projects involving youth, vision, hunger and the environment.

So many of the projects your clubs ALREADY do, and will qualify for various awards!

Inviting for Impact: One Lion serves an average of 50 people every year. Adding new members and Clubs means more people can be served than ever

Bring family members, neighbors, business owners...let them SEE what they're missing!

Connecting with Community: Your Club can leave a lasting impact on your community through activities like donating a park bench, establishing a community garden or building a clinic as a Community Legacy Proj-

Now is the year to do it...let your community KNOW what you do! But we won't know the total impact of HOW many lives we touch, without reporting your Cclub's activities! So, please familiarize yourself with the MyLCI page, and the Service Activity Goals page. I have set up a District-wide goal for the District-wide Blood Collection, and am asking that you make sure to report your efforts. email (pitchinpeg@yahoo.com) when you have completed a blood drive and ves you CAN host more than one! Our goal on THIS...is to hit at least 100 gallons. Go fig-

And here is another VERY important 100 we need to focus on this year, too. I am asking ALL of our Clubs to make a donation to LCIF again this year. We had 100 percent participation two years ago, which was a very outstanding accomplishment. Large or small, please have your Club make a donation. The money was there for US last year for our Leader Dog project when we received a \$10,000 grant. Let's return the favor.

So...have you sensed a 100 theme here? First, review your projects, schedule a blood drive, MAKE the effort to report your Club's activities, and make a gift This 100th year Celebration is here now...let's SHOW the world what District 25-G can do!

**SPECIAL** LADIES Guðrún Yngvadóttir Reykjavík, Iceland is shown with DG Peg at the International Convention in Japan. Yngvadóttir was elected Second International Vice President at the Convention and will become the first woman to serve as International President.





AT CAMP — The Greene Township Lions provided train rides and ice cream once a week at camp Millhouse. (usually on Tuesdays). Camp Millhouse is a residential summer camp for differently abled people of all ages. They offer six one-week summer sessions and camp weekends in the spring and fall. With 24-hour on-site nursing, they are able to meet many medical needs and dietary restrictions. The camper to staff ratios are kept low for better focused care. Get more info at campmillhouse.org



TWO NEW MEMBERS — Two new members: Judy Hollis and Steve St. Clair were recently inducted by DG Peg into the Grass Creek **Lions Club** 



### Culver Lion places third at world auctioneering contest

The National Auctioneers Association held its 67th annual conference and show in July in Grand Rapids Mich. Auctioneers from across the world gather to network and discuss industry business. The conference wrapped up with the 29th annual International Auctioneers Championship. A total of 95 auctioneers from throughout the United States and parts of Ireland competed to be the International Auctioneer Champion.

Among these contestants was Marshall County native and Culver Lion Justin Croy. At just 21 years old, Croy finished second runner up in the contest. In last year's competition Croy placed in the top 15 auctioneers in the world.

"I am very humbled to be awarded with this honor. It's a great sense of validation for me both personally and professionally." Croy stated.

Croy will be a junior in college while working full time in the auction business at Oak Crest Auctions in Plymouth

FIRST CON-TRIBUTING MEM-BER PIN OF YEAR Shown receiving the first LCIF 2016-17 Contributing Member pin of the year is PCC Jeff Schafer. It is being presented by PDG Gary Ochs, Indiana's **LCIF Multiple District** Coordinator during the first Indiana Lions **Council of Governors** meeting.

Ochs said, "We are pleased to announce that all gifts to the Contributing Member program are now MJF eligible. Contributing



Member pins will not be sent automatically, so donors must request a pin by checking the appropriate box located on the Contributing Member form.



HONORS FOR INDIANA LIONS — At the 48th annual National Association of School Nurses Conference held in Indianapolis this summer the Indiana Lions received honors for their work with children and sight. PCC Sue Toff, MD 25 administrative Secretary, and PDG Charlie Short, MD 25 Sight Conservation Committee Chair, were at the conference and received the award. Presenting the check is NASN president Betty Mattey.

Lions were recognized for their school vision screening efforts throughout the state and awarded \$1,000 to continue such services in the future. Great publicity for Lions and for one of our major growing programs.

In his comments to the state, PDG Short said, "It was PCC Sue's and my great pleasure to accept this award from NASN on behalf of your hard work. This was the community giveback award from their national convention. This was not a requested grant, nor an award that we sought to receive. We were nominated by the Indiana Association of School Nurses for our support of them and their charges. What a statement of the gratitude and confidence they have in the Lions of Indiana. THANK YOU for all the effort you put into Operation KidSight and Lions Clubs Vision Screening. It really matters."

# Lions Conference—

(Continued from page 1) conference is, "Where there's a need, there's a Lion.

Registration and a continental breakfast will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday. The displays and silent auction will open at 8 a..m. and close at 3:30 p.m.

The opening session will begin at 9:15 a.m. and the morning workshops and first session seminars will begin at 9:45 a.m. with the workshops ending at 11:45 a.m. and the first session seminars ending at 10:45 a.m. The second session seminars will be from 11 a.m. until noon.

Lunch will be served from noon

until 1 p.m. The menu will include roast pork, mashed potatoes and gravy, salad, vegetables, rolls, cookies, brownies and drinks.

The keynote speaker will be from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m.

Afternoon workshops will begin at 2:15 p.m. and close at 4:30 p.m. The first afternoon seminar sessions will be from 2:15 until 3:15 and second session will be from 3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

A closing session will be from 4:35 p.m until 4:45 p.m.

Additional information is printed on page 11 and a complete list of workshops, seminars and the registration form is on page 12.

## Our centennial

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needed services for our communities.

There are many opportunities again this year for our Lions to expand their horizons. To enhance the view from the summit. clubs can include efforts towards the Centennial Service Challenge, earn a Centennial Celebration Membership Award or conduct a Legacy Project that provides a lasting gift to their communities. Also, our MD-25 Governors are planning on adding 14 new Clubs along with "re-membering" existing Clubs throughout our state.

Sign-up today and join in on the fun and excitement while learning new techniques that add or

enhance Clubs in your communities. Any Lion can experience the fellowship and satisfaction of bringing new members into our Lions pride. Want a Bonus? Become a Guiding Lions and help mentor a fledgling Club grow into a community service powerhouse.

This indeed is a very special and exciting time to be a Lion. Our centennial journey is underway. Grab the ropes and clevises everyone. We're going mountain climbing. Let us support each other as we continue to strive to reach the summit together. I hear the view at the top is spectacular!!!

Thanks for all that you do and keep up the great work every-

# PDG notes

#### PDG Art Resler dies Aug. 1

PDG Art Resler (25-B 1980-81), 78, Churubusco, died Aug. 1. He was orn Jan. 18, 1938, in Noble County. He was a 1956 graduate of Curubusco High School. Dec. 28, 1958, he married Carol Blessing, who survives.

He was a member of Charter Oak Community Church and the Churubusco Lions Club. He was a Melvin Jones Fellow. He was also a member of the Professional Photographers of America.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Greg (Jenny) and Kert

(Julie) Resler of both Churubusco;

brother, Clarence (Ruth) Resler of Churubusco; five grandchildren and two step-grandsons; and three foster great-grandchildren.



Funeral services were at the church with a Lions memorial service held prior to the service.

Burial was in the Christian Chapel Cemetery, Merriam. Memorials to the church or Churubusco Lions Club.

#### Death claims PDG Reier

Word has been received of the death of Past District Governor Ed Reier (25-F 2003-04).

PDG Reier regularly attended all District functions and worked tireless for the District 25-F Vision Screening program since it's inception in 2004.

PDG Reier's family chose to have a private service.

#### TO ALL PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS YOUR BIG WEEKEND IS COMING THE INDIANA LIONS PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS WEEKEND

Friday, Saturday & Sunday - SEPTEMBER 23, 24 & 25, 2016

French Lick/West Baden, Indiana PDG Gary Ochs, District E Chairperson 812-275-7241

All Registration Forms and total payment must be received by September 14, 2016.

Host Hotel: Comfort Suites by Choice Hotels, 9530 West State Road 56, French Lick, IN 47432

To make your room reservation call 812-936-5300, then ask for: "Indiana Lions Past District". We have 40 suites reserved until September 14, 2016. Check in early!

- · Rooms: All suites with King and Queen bedding will be \$94.00 + tax per night. (40 rooms reserved with a September 14, 2016 cutoff date for early reservations)
- Complimentary Deluxe Hot Breakfasts both Saturday and Sunday mornings
- Indoor pool and spa
- Free wireless internet
- No charge for meeting room both Friday and Saturday day and night. Room will seat 60 people and will always have hot coffee and water available
- Many more features are listed on their Comfort Suites brochure
- The Donald Ross Golf Course & Country Club 888-936-9360 "On your own" down the road Highway 56 from the Comfort Suites (\$120.00 with cart; Night rate \$75.00 with cart, starts at 2:30 p.m.; Plus, or the Valley Links 9 Holes \$25.00 and 18 Holes \$40.00).

6:00 p.m. Friday night dinner will be provided by the French Lick/West Baden Lions Club before train departures at the train station, 8594 West State Road 56, French Lick, Indiana 47432 (Please be on time!) Once you have arrived, check in with our PDG Sec. / Treasurer - PDG Jim Wyatt for dinner and train tickets. Everyone will eat before boarding the train or you may take your dinner on board with

7:00 p.m. A French Lick Scenic Railway Train Ride Friday Night (Train leaves at 7:05 p.m.) The 1 hour train trip with takes you through the Hoosier National Forest, past limestone rock-cuts, and into the 2200-foot Burton Tunnel, the second longest railroad tunnel in the state. 60 Lions are required to guarantee this train ride. Free parking adjacent to the Museum. Motor Coaches, RV's, and all vehicles with trailers should park in the Blue Lot.

Friday night after the train ride and Saturday day and night the **Comfort Suites Hospitality Room** will be open for fellowship, games, rest and refreshments. If you have a favorite game-bring

Enjoy other French Lick/West **Baden options Saturday:** West **Baden Springs Hotel tour, French** Lick-West Baden Museum, French Lick Resort Casino, Big Splash Adventure; Laser Tag, Indoor Karting, Miniature Golf, Indiana Uplands Wine Trail,



TRAIN RIDE FRIDAY NIGHT -Following the Friday night dinner, at 7 p.m. the lions will board a train for a French Lick Scenic Railway ride. the train leaves at 7:05 p.m. The 1-hour train trip with sing-along takes you through the Hoosier National Forest, past limestone rock-cuts, and into the 2,200-foot Burton Tunnel, the second longest railroad tunnel in the state — 60 Lions are required to guarantee this train ride. Free parking adjacent to the Museum. Motor Coaches, RV's, and all vehicles with trailers should park in the Blue

French Lick Wine & Spirits, Wilstem Adventure (Horseback Riding & Zip lines), Patoka Lake cruise or fishing (9 miles south of French Lick), Holiday World & Spashin' Safari (46 miles). It'll be a great weekend for everyone!

Please plan to enjoy everything that French Lick/West Baden has to offer Saturday.

6:00 p.m. Saturday Night Buffet served by Cedar Hill at the host hotel, Comfort Suites.

7:00 p.m. Special entertainment: "Blend in Him" is a Ladies acapella trio that has been singing together about 10 years.

Becky Muncy, Janene Limberger and Karla Farnsley met at Sherwood Oaks Christian Church. They found they shared a love of singing and had a great blend when singing together. Hence the name was picked "Blend in Him". The trio sings at churches and special events in Monroe and Lawrence County.

Past District Governors Special Program (For new PDG's attending this weekend)

Sunday morning: 9:00 a.m. Necrology Service;

9:45 a.m. Past District Governors Weekend Business Meeting

#### REGISTRATION FORM

All Registration Forms and total payment must be received by September 14, 2016. Make checks payable to: PDG James W. Wyatt Mail to: PDG James W. Wyatt

Name	
Club	
Email	Phone
Street, City, Zip	
First Timer PDG	<u> </u>
Name	
Club	
Email	Phone
Street, City, Zip	
First Timer PDG	

Railway Train Ride

Saturday night buffet dinner

\$24.00 \$15.00

Total \$39.00



RECYCLE THE EARTH — Lions in Vinton, Iowa, collected 40 tons of recyclables during a one-month project.

# Lions recycle world-wide

Lions can be found on the front lines of local recycling projects all around the world, reclaiming everything from scrap metal and old newspapers to medical devices and used cell phones.

The recycling effort Lions are best known for is the Recycle for Sight Program, which collects millions of used eyeglasses yearly for distribution in developing countries, where eye care is unaffordable or inaccessible for many people.



Simple and effective, the pioneering program that started in the 1930s remains a high-profile and frequently praised symbol of Lion practicality and service to others. "Unwanted or outdated eyeglasses, tucked away in drawers or closets, can make a tremendous difference in the life of someone in need," Abigail Van Buren told readers of her syndicated "Dear Abby" column in 1996. The Lion eyeglass initiative is a "wonderful program," she added.

Building on the success of that initiative, Lions in the early 2000s launched the Hearing Aid Recycling Program, which similarly collects and refurbishes donated hearing aids for distribution to those who lack funds to buy them.

Over time, however, Lions have taken up more conventional recycling chores, often led by Lions Green Teams. Around the globe, Lions Green Teams regularly gather and recycle huge quantities of scrap metal, paper, and other reusable projects. Each



ENVIORNMENTAL AWRENESS — The Boracay Malay Amity Lions Club in the Philippines organized an environmental awareness campaign to make separating trash from recyclables fun.

April, Lions dedicate a month of service to protecting the planet as part of the Global Service Action Campaign. The campaign's recycling efforts help save energy, reduce the amount of trash sent to landfills and conserve dwindling natural resources.

In Turkey, the Bursa Koza Lions Club collects plastic bottles for recycling "in order to prevent pollution of the environment and nature," said club member Nuket Tuzlacioglu.

Recycling has another attraction for some Clubs: Besides their environmental benefit, recycling programs often generate revenue that Lions can use to fund other good works.

In Arizona, the Prescott Noon Lions Club has collected and shipped nearly 53 million pounds of recyclable newsprint and other paper. By collecting newspapers and magazines in bins all around town, the Club has raised more than \$200,000 to support local charities.

"If the paper is recycled, that means we don't cut down as many trees," explained Prescott



Noon Lion Bill Parker.

In India, the Aldona Lions Club launched a garbage reduction program in local schools. Officials noted the plan was "converting waste to wealth," as the schools benefited from funds raised by the sale of recyclable materials. In Penn Yan, a village in upstate New York, local Lions asked neighbors in the Finger Lake region to "help us help others by donating your scrap metal so we can recycle it and turn it into cash."

Recycling work can be difficult, but the benefits to the community and the earth make the effort worthwhile

### Indiana's LCIF Program

We have reached a new final goal of participation in LCIF.

The final LCIF audit has been completed for 2015-16 and Indiana's Lions Clubs, through June 30, have improved to 70.20 percent participation. Congratulations everyone.



ONE OF THREE — Immediate Past District Governor of 25-G Vic Fischer holds a certificate received from Leader Dogs for the blind. It notes that 100 percent of the Clubs in 25-G credited for donations to the District's 2105-16 Kennel Project. Over \$40,000 dollars was raised with enough money donated to sponsor five kennels an the new canine center. Every Club in the District received a like certificate. District 25-G was one of three Districts in the United States and Canada to receive the certificates.



SHE IN-SPIRED THE LIONS — Helen Keller inspired Lions to commit to ending preventable blindness and serving the visually impaired.

## How Lions became Helen Keller's Knight of the Blind

In 1925, as an ambassador for the newly formed American Foundation for the Blind, Helen Keller addressed the Lions Clubs International Convention in Cedar Point, Ohio.

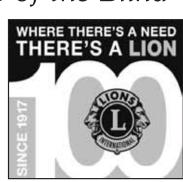
"Try to imagine how you would feel if you were suddenly stricken blind today," Keller asked Lions members packed into the convention hall. "Picture yourself stumbling and groping at noonday as in the night; your work, your independence gone."

Keller knew exactly what this was like. Blind and deaf since the age of 19 months, she had once lived in virtual isolation, unable to effectively communicate. Then, a teacher from the Perkins School for the Blind named Anne Sullivan came to live and work with Keller and taught her to connect with the world through sign language. Keller eventually learned to read and write, earned a bachelor's degree and learned how to speak.

Most Lions at the time were familiar with her well-publicized story. Some Lions in the audience had already been involved with service projects to the blind. But witnessing Keller share her heart and soul for the plight of the blind brought the reality of being visually impaired crashing home for everyone present. The Lions and their guests were captivated.

Keller saved her most stirring words for the end of her speech, hoping that the Lions would partner with the American Foundation for the Blind and lend their support as an organization to those who had lost their sight.

"Will you not help me hasten the day when there shall be no pre-



ventable blindness; no little deaf, blind child untaught; no blind man or woman unaided? I appeal to you Lion, you who have your sight, your hearing, you who are strong and brave and kind. Will you not constitute yourselves knights of the blind in this crusade against darkness?"

She had no idea just how far the association would take her challenge.

Before the convention was over, the association unreservedly dedicated itself to making Keller's dream a reality. Lions would become Keller's Knights of the Blind.

Since 1925, hundreds of millions of lives have been changed through the vision-related work of Lions around the world, and today the association is as dedicated as ever to hastening the day when no one should suffer unnecessarily from vision problems. Through eye centers and hospitals, medicines and surgeries, eye glasses and eye banks, Lions are working to end preventable blindness and aid the visually impaired.

Keller's challenge and her dream live on.



Phone 574/658-4111 Milford, Indiana 46542

MD 25 LIONS

#### Where There's a Need, There's a Lion

# 28th Annual Indiana Lions Conference Saturday, November 5th, 2016

# Guest Speaker - Deb Robarge, RN

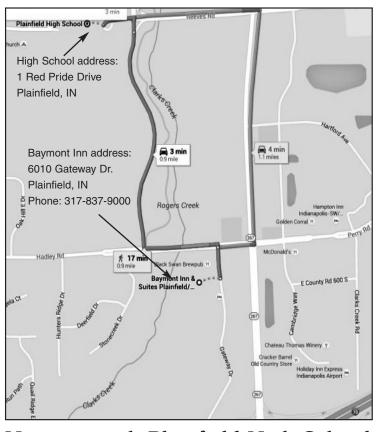
Special Needs Award Winning Nurse \* Indiana School for the Deaf



Location ~ Plainfield High School, 1 Red Pride Dr., Plainfield, In

# Remembering last year's conference





#### How to reach Plainfield High School

To reach Plainfield High School exit I 70 at the Plainfield exit (Exit 66). turn north on SR 267 (Quaker Blvd.) to Reeves Road.

Turn west on Reeves Road and proceed to Plainfield High School at 1 Red Pride Drive.

Enter the building at Door No. 21, in the front of the building. This is also the area where the Lions will park.

#### Spend the night at conference rate

Lions traveling a distance to the conference may wish to spend the night. Rooms have been reserved at the Baymont Inn and Suites at 6010 Gateway Drive, Plainfield.

The phone number is (317) 837-

The room rate is \$65 per night plus tax. Mention the Indiana Lions when calling to reserve a room to get the special rate. Do not use the 800 number or you will not get the reduced rate. Breakfast is served at the hotel.

the Plainfield exit (Exit 66) and because of the weather.

turn north on SR 267 (Quaker Blvd.) and go to the first light. Turn left and go to Gateway Drive. Make a quick left onto Gateway.

#### **Cancellations**

Any Lion who makes a reservation may send in a cancellation request ten days before the conference. He/she will receive a full refund. Any requests after that date will not receive a refund and refunds will not be granted because of the weather.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE								
Registration & Continental Breakfast	8:00 A.M. – 9:10 A.M.	Lunch	12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.					
Displays And Silent Auction	Open until 3:30 P.M.	Keynote Speaker	1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.					
Opening Session	9:15 A.M. – 9:35 A.M.	Afternoon Workshop	2:15 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.					
Morning Workshop	9:45 A.M. – 11:45 A.M.	Third Session Seminar	2:15 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.					
First Session Seminar	9:45 A.M. – 10:45 A.M.	Fourth Session Seminar	3:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.					
Second Session Seminar	11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.	Closing Session	4:35 P.M. – 4:45 P.M.					

# Seminar and Workshop Selections

CHOOSE: one (1) Workshop in the Morning and one (1) Workshop in the Afternoon; OR one (1) Workshop in the

Morning and two (2) Seminars in the Afternoon; OR two (2) Seminars in the Morning and one (1) Workshop in the Afternoon; OR two (2) Seminars in the Morning and two (2) Seminars in the

"WORKSHOPS -2 HOURS EACH" (Morning: 9:45 A.M. to 11:45 A.M.) (Afternoon: 2:15 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. with short break)

WORKSHOP "A": LEADER-SHIP IN ACTION (A. M.) - Presenters - PDG Herb Stevens and PDG Mark Clark

"The ten eyes of action consist of: a) six facets of leadership and b) four facets of management."

**WORKSHOP "B":** OPERATION KIDSIGHT: HOW TO HAVE A SUCCESSFUL VISION SCREENING (P.M.) - Presenters - Sheila Christoff and Janice Chapman

"During this session, you will be hands-on with the Plus Optix cameras, learn the procedures set up by Operation Kidsight, tips and tricks to get that child's picture, and be updated on all the forms."

WORKSHOP "C": BUILD YOUR OWN CLUB WEBSITE FOR FREE. FROM BEGIN-NERS TO ADVANCED (P.M.) -Presenter - PDG Connie Roe

"Use the LCI e-clubhouse approved fonts and logos that also include built-in LCI links. Bring your own media device to follow along the presentation.

"SEMINARS - 1 HOUR EACH" (Morning: 9:45 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.) (Afternoon: 2:15 P.M. to 3:15 P.M.) (Morning: 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.) (Afternoon: 3:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.)

SEMINAR "1": HOW LIONS CLUBS CAN PREVENT SCAMS AND FRAUDS (P.M.) - Presenter - Indiana Attorney General's

"Learn how not to be a victim of scams and frauds, and how Lions Clubs can provide Fraud Forums in their communities.

SEMINAR "2": STATE TAX **GUIDELINES FOR NONPROF-**IT ORGANIZATIONS (A.M.) -Presenter - Adam Caddell

"Will cover a variety of tax information for nonprofit organizations, including nonprofit recognition, tax codes and regulations, information bulletins, sales tax responsibilities, and use tax responsibilities.

**SEMINAR "3": INSURANCE:** AM I COVERED? WHAT EVERY LION NEEDS TO KNOW - Presenter - David Kingsbury, LCI Legal Division

A representative from the LCI Legal Division will discuss the basic coverages, limits and exclusions of the General Liability Insurance Policy provided by LCI

to all Clubs and Districts. Time will be left at the end for questions.

SEMINAR "4": MEMBER ORI-**ENTATION - FOR NE--W AND** SEASONED LIONS (P.M.) - Presenter - PCC Reed Fish

"Learn about the history, structure, growth and vision of our Association from year one until today. If you have never been to an orientation program, we invite you to this informative session."

SEMINAR "5": THE MISSION OF LCIF (A.M.) - Presenter -**PDG Gary Ochs** 

"Every day, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) works to fulfill our mission "To support the efforts of Lions Clubs and partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and grants." Because of you, we are treating the people we serve with dignity and working together in the spirit of harmony, all in the name of humanity. Join this seminar to learn more for your Lions Club about your Foundation."

SEMINAR "6": WOMEN, FAM-ILY & TEA - SERVICE OF THE CENTURY! (P.M.) Presenters -PDG Kathy Lozier and Lion Charlotte Query

"We will present history, ideas and ways for you and your Club members to work together with others in your community to provide "Service" for those in need well into the next Century!"

SEMINAR "7": THE JOYS OF TAIL TWISTING (P.M.) - Presenter - PDG Frank Ruane

"Learn how creative Tail Twisting can enliven and make meetings exciting for Lions of all ages."

**SEMINAR "8": ACHIEVING** CLUB EXCELLENCE (A.M.) -Presenter - PCC David Fiandt

"Simple tools to help your Club become a stronger Club, better able to serve your community and improve member satisfaction."

SEMINAR "9": 100TH LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CON-VENTION IN CHICAGO: WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GO (A.M.) - Presenter - PDG Dan

**SEMINAR "10": FIND YOUR** CLUB'S TWIN IN LCI - LEARN ABOUT A DG FRIENDSHIP IN JAPAN (A.M. AND P.M.) - Presenter - 1VDG Melissa Baker

"Discover the joys of an international twin club, the possibilities for greater understanding, travel, and friendships."

**SEMINAR "11": LIONS CLUBS** VISION SERVICES AND VISION SCREENING (A.M.) -Presenter - PDG Charlie Short

"Hear about the fastest growing service project in Indiana Lions history, and what it means for your Club! Vision screening for schools, senior centers, health fairs and public events means new membership, better community engagement, healthier Hosiers and FUN. What does it take? What does it cost? Find out!"

SEMINAR "12": CLUB SEC-RETARY: AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE LIONS TEAM (P.M.) - Presenter = PDG Ann Haffner

"The role of the Club Secretary has changed! Clear communications, record keeping, MYLCI reporting and online access to club reports, and other tools and responsibilities will be covered."

SEMINAR "13": INDIANA LIONS CENTENNIAL CELE-BRATION (P.M.) - Presenter -**PDG Vern Tincher** 

"Learn some of the ways for MD 25 and its Clubs to celebrate Lions 100 years of service."

SEMINAR "14": THE BASICS OF BLADDER CANCER (A.M.) - Presenter - Lion Dottie Flack

"Discussion will include diagnosis, staging, and various treatment options. Join us as we learn how Indiana physicians invented curative options for quality survivor-

**SEMINAR "15": EXPLORING** THE LCI WEBSITE (P.M.) -Presenter = PCC Sue Topf and **PDG Sara Provines** 

"For experienced and inexperienced users. An opportunity to discuss what is available on the LCI website and where to find it."

SEMINAR "16": CLUB TREAS-URERS (A.M.) - Presenter = PDG Marty Juel

"This session will help treasurers understand their roles and responsibilities to their clubs, including some simple methods to track income and expenses that meet LCI standards and the importance for clubs to develop and monitor budgets to avoid a future financial

# Jeff McDonald to entertain Friday night

Comedian Jeff McDonald will entertain Lions who attend the Friday night, Nov. 4, dinner. He has headlined comedy clubs and casinos fromAtlantic City to Las Vegas.

McDonald has twice been named Indiana's top comedy writer and has written for the Bob and Tom show (Marge Schott and Harry Caray after hours segments). He is a Midwest Jestival Rising Star winner.

McDonald has performed at the **Indianapolis Comedy Connection** and Broad Ripple Comedy Cub numerous times. He has done a professional job on and off stage and has been called a true professional who is not only extremely talented and funny but has a unique skill set to get everyone in the room engaged and enter-

The Fellowship and Family Life Committee Members, Pleasant Run United Church of Christ, Indianapolis noted, "What a blessing for us to receive your gift of comedy. We enjoyed the lighthearted humor you shared with us. If laughter is "Good Medicine," then we all received a healthy dose.

Over the years he has appeared with such people as Drew Carey, Jerry Seinfeld, Richard Jeni,

#### Silent Auction to benefit youth

Again this year there will be a silent auction at the conference. Funds raised will help to support Indiana Leo activities.

Lion Linda and PDG John Scott and Lion Jan Halladay are in charge of this years's auction.

They are asking for each district to furnish auction items. Individual Lions may also contribute items for the auction.

Items can be turned in Friday evening or by 7:30 a.m. Saturday.



JEFF MCDONALD

Brette Leake, Bobcat Goldwait, Tim Wilson, Dr. Gonzo, Heywood Banks, John Fox, Vince Morris, Bob Zany, Jimmy Pardo, B.T., Ralph Harris, Mario Joyner, Basile, Jeff Wayne, Pinkard & Bowden, Pat Kilbane, Chas Elstner, Dwight Slade, Charlie Viracola, Tim Cavanaugh, Tom Parks, Blair Shannon, Killer Beaz, Tim O' Rourke, Jeff Marder and Todd Snider.

## Note to First Timers

The Lions Conference Committee would like those attending for the first time to indicate who is sponsoring them to attend and who has influenced them to attend their first Conference. There is a line on the registration form for this information.

#### REGISTRATION FORM

(Each Attendee Must Complete a Separate Form)

#### **DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATIONS: OCTOBER 20, 2016** EARLY BIRD PRE-REGISTRATION FROM SEPTEMBER 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Lions - \$30.00 Lioness - \$30.00 Partner-in-Service - \$30.00 Leos - \$15.00 Friday Night Dinner - \$15.00

PRE-REGISTRATION FROM OCTOBER 1 TO OCTOBER 20, 2016

Lions - \$35.00, Lioness - \$35.00, Partner-in-Service - \$35.00, Leos - \$15.00

Friday Night Dinner - \$15.00

(2:15 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.)

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\*NO PRE-REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED POSTMARKED AFTER OCT. 20, 2016\* Conference Registration(s) Friday Night Dinner(s) +Books @ \$8 Total \$

ON SITE REGISTRATION \$40.00

REGISTRATION PRICE INCLUDES THE 2016 COMMEMORATIVE SOUVENIR CONFERENCE PIN, PROCEEDINGS CD, AND THE BUFFET LUNCH.

(☐ Please add \$8.00 extra for Proceedings Book.)

Workshops and Seminars will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Send registrations early to assure getting the Workshops or Seminars of your choice.

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM AND CORRECT REMITTANCE TO:

PDG Jim Query, 2408 Shepard Patrick Rd., Spencer, Indiana 47460 Make Checks Payable to: Indiana Lions Conference E-Mail Address: jequery@bluemarble.net Phone: (812) 829-4496

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