

## Helen Keller to be keynote speaker at Mid Winter confab

Most Lions can recall Helen Keller's speech at the 1925 International Convention when she challenged the Lions to be Knights of the Blind. But, many don't know Helen's story. Indiana Lions will have the opportunity to learn about Helen at the 2019 Mid Winter Conference, Jan. 11-12 in Indianapolis. Jessica Michna (Helen) will be the keynote speaker on Saturday.

In the late 19th century a little girl struggled out of the depths of fear. At the age of 2, Helen experienced a life-threatening illness. She was plunged into a dark, silent world. Anne Sullivan, a determined young teacher, would find the key to unlock Helen's prison. Through Anne's diligence and perseverance, Helen would become a world-renowned speaker and advocate for the disabled.

This program, originally commissioned by the Lion's Club International, Northern Illinois Division, begins with the blind and deaf Helen being led to the podium where she recites excerpts from the 1925 speech given at the International Lion's Convention. The program continues in third person as Michna will tell the Lions about Helen's life and experiences.

Michna, recipient of the Presidential Service Center's Distinguished Service Award, has become widely known for her riveting portrayals of First Ladies, notable women of history and fictitious characters. She has entertained groups throughout America including guests from as far away as New Zealand, Japan and Brazil. Audiences ranging from young children to senior citizens have been equally enthralled. She has had the honor of performing at the National Churchill Memorial, Lincoln Boyhood National Monument and other esteemed venues. She has appeared before historical societies, schools, libraries, living history museums, senior centers, churches, and has been guest hostess at parties and weddings.

Michna's performances are compelling and emotionally enthralling. Audiences laugh along with her humorous anecdotes.

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### Council Chairperson's Corner

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**TRIKE RACE PARTICIPANTS** — Four of Indiana's Immediate Past District Governors participated in Brian's Trike Race event at the School for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Council Chair Keith Thomas rode on a team this year for the first time and had a blast! Shown from left are PDG Cindy Wright, PDG Chloe Weyrauch, CC Thomas and PDG Robin Smith.

### From Brian's Trike Race to Mid Winter Lions have fun, raise money and learn

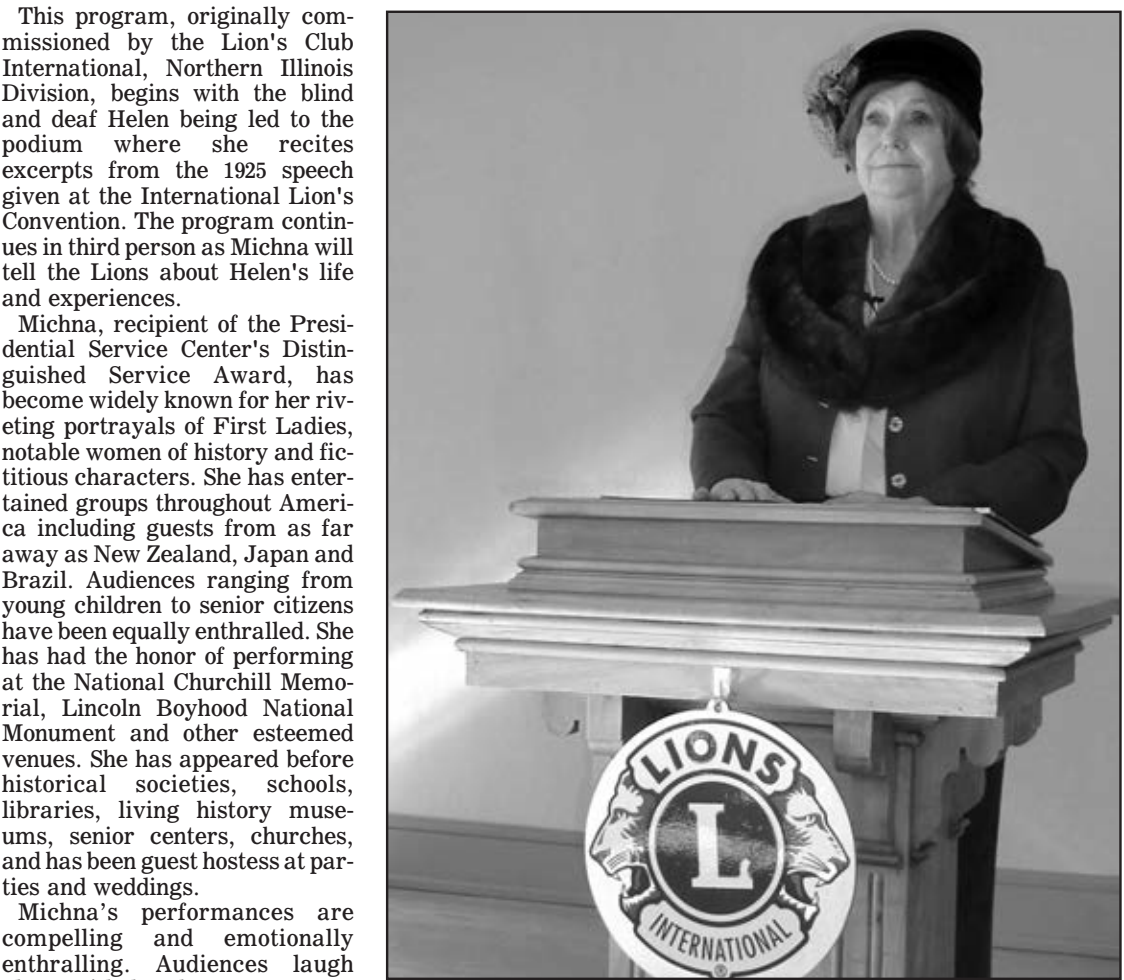
Brian's Trike Race event at the School for the Blind and Visually Impaired was held Sept. 16. I rode on a team this year for the first time and had a blast! How could I not have fun riding with three of my fellow Immediate Past District Governors? The only way I could have had more fun was to win our race, but winning was not the point. The point was to have fun, socialize with friends and to raise funds. In this, we were successful!

The leadership committee is still working hard to rework the Mid Winter Conference. Since the committee moved the conference to November, attendance numbers have suffered. To try to rebuild attendance, the conference is moving back to January. The committee is reducing the number of seminars and working on all new topics for the classes.

The Crowne Plaza at the Indianapolis airport is the new location to go with the new date. No more student seats in the lunch room! The class rooms should be closer together, so less rushing from class to class. Friday night dinner and the Saturday conference will be under one roof so no traveling to another location. Giving a report on Sunday at the Council Meeting will be easier as the Council Meeting is also at the Crowne Plaza. Hopefully with everything together, the new classes and more relaxed environment, the event on Jan. 11 and 12 will be successful.

Another subject I feel I need to discuss is event security. I have learned recently that a few Clubs

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HELEN KELLER (JESSICA MICHNA)

## Lions' Cancer Control is life-giving cancer care!

By PDG RICH HILL AND LION DOTTIE FLACK

It is hard to believe the amazing number of changes that have occurred in cancer care, as a result of the efforts of the Lions of Indiana. PDG Walter Shirley, founder of the project, envisioned help for those battling cancer. In 1946, he, and the Lions Clubs of Indiana developed and agreed to support the first state project in Multiple District 25. This dynamic project changed the curative course of cancer care here in Indiana, and around the world.

Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana gifted the first treatment machine in 1947 to the Indiana University School of Medicine. In the first 10 years, the Lions Cancer Control purchased four major pieces of treatment equipment. For 72 continuous years of service; millions of dollars have been raised, numerous treatment machines donated, research funded, cancer education granted; and the Lions of Indiana have saved lives and improved the technology of radiation therapy.

Many Senior Lions will remember treatment machines like the Sagittaire Linear Accelerator, Hyperthermia Unit, Microtron M22, and the Moving Treatment Table. Even more of you, remember the Gamma Knife, Stereotactic Body Frame and the Survivorship Endowment. Very recently, the fund purchased cancer research equipment and began working on the 3D Printing Research Project.


But the Lion's Cancer Control Fund is much more than just purchasing improved cancer treatment machines, or the good created by the proceeds from a Survivorship Endowment. This amazing State Project is life-giving cancer care, for patients who were once-lost from nearly all of its' diseases.

This project is also about patient awareness, early diagnosis and curative outcomes. The numbers don't lie. 2018 statistics demonstrate that of all diagnosed cancers, in all stages, 68 percent of patients will survive and experience a complete recovery from these numerous diseases called

cancer. But these are not just numbers; they are people with lives that matter.

Samuel, a 67 year-old, husband, father of four, grandfather of six, had tumors directly under the skin covering his skull. His treatment required very shallow beams of radiation, which should not permeate the bones of his skull. He heard about IU Radiation Oncology's, 3D treatments

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### Nick's Notes

By ID Nick Xinopoulos

## New commitments, new initiatives and new opportunities

I hope all of you have had a wonderful summer and are preparing for fall. Lion Gretchen and I have just visited Canada and on the way back we noticed that the trees are already changing colors. Since our International Convention in July, we are preparing for our next board meeting in Ojai, Calif. We will be joining IP Gudrun in Long Beach for volunteering at the Special Olympics Softball tournament.

Our new year has begun with new commitments, new initiatives and new opportunities for our great organization. One of our new commitments is "New Voices" to encourage women to not only join our organization but to step up to new opportunities our organization offers.

Thank you to the Ohio Multiple District Lions for their hard work and dedication for a great USA/Canada Forum. Our sincere congratulations to PID Doug Lozier for his five-year commitment on the Forum Committee.

I hope all of you who attended the Forum participated in the informative and educational

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# Roars from A

## Hurricane Florence

By GOV. DENNIS BROWN

In a moment everything you own could be washed away. Just think of the people in the Caroli-

nas and what they are going through. We know the Lions Clubs there are helping. But how can we help? One way we can is by donating to LCIF. How much?

Anything would help, but if you want to name a Melvin Jones recipient the cost is \$1,000. What a great way to honor a Lion and help the Carolinas at the same time!

**KING AND QUEEN** — Wes and Lucy Heironimus were the king and queen of the annual festival in Union Mills. Lion Wes is a 1975 charter member of the Union Mills Lions Club.



**WHEELCHAIR LIFT** — 2017-18 LaPorte Lions Boss Lion Paul Marsh, left, and Lion John Straub stand by the lift LaPorte Lions installed for a Huntington's Disease patient in La Porte.



## LaPorte Lions provide wheelchair lift

A chance meeting this spring between two former classmates has led to a lifechanging difference in the situation of one of them. John Straub, a member of La Porte Lions Club, met a man he went to school with years ago, at LaPorte Hospital. His classmate has Huntington's disease, and to preserve his and his wife's privacy, they will be referred to as "Jack" and "Jill" in this article.

Huntington's is a fatal genetic disorder that causes breakdown of nerve cells in the brain. It deteriorates a person's physical and mental abilities and there is no cure.

Jill told Straub that she had to depend on others to help her get Jack out of the house for doctor's appointments. There are three concrete steps from their kitchen to an enclosed back porch, and three steps at the front. She could not get Jack's wheelchair down the steps alone.

Straub knew of a lift that had been installed at a rental apartment for a veteran, who had since moved. He contacted the landlord, who said if someone else needed it, Straub could take it.

Straub brought the project to LaPorte Lions, who approved paying for a contractor to move the lift, build a platform at Jack

and Jill's back door, and install the lift there. John Lingle, of Lingle and Sons, Contractors, was hired to do the job. "He was wonderful," Jill said. "He had to take the lift apart to get it into the porch, and when it wouldn't work, he knew what the problem was, but couldn't get a needed part." "We were happy to help," said a representative of Lingle and Sons.

That's where Doug Moore, of Scooter Warehouse in South Bend, came in. He brought the part and got the lift operating. He was president of the South Bend Lions Club, and he never sent LaPorte Lions a bill for his services. "It just seemed like the right thing to do," he said.

That epitomizes the Lions' motto, "We Serve."

"It's so much safer," Jill said. "If we'd had a fire, I couldn't have gotten Jack out of the house. Now, I don't have to depend on having someone else help me get him outside."

It turns out that Jill knows Straub's wife, Linda, and past president of LaPorte Lions, Paul Marsh's wife, Gail, from when she worked at the VNA.

"I'm just so grateful to La Porte Lions," Jill said. "This has changed our lives."

### Diabetes

The Lions Club International initiative has brought diabetes awareness to the public. One thing District A is doing is having a Strides Walk on Nov. 3 at Kouts. Information is in this paper. Come and join us for a walk, games and dancing. Plus we will be talking 'diet' -- what to eat and what not to eat to protect your body from diabetes. We will also be raffling off a FitBit! All this is to raise awareness and money for diabetes. Come join the fun!

Sometimes we forget about the Lions motto — We Serve. We think about our personal agenda or how we don't like what other Lions are doing. It's hard to get 20 or more volunteers to agree on one thing. Sometimes we have to do what is best for the good of the Club to help the most people.

We need to keep all our Club members informed and empowered — not just the few who are making decisions for the Club. If the Club has voted on something, it takes a Club or a board vote to change it. No one individual has the authority to make that change — no matter how helpful they think their intentions are. People may think you don't feel they can do their job and then they quit. That outcome does not help our goals. Let's work together to serve the most people.

Right now we are planning the District Convention trying to make it fun and informative. Somebody asked me how many nights do I have Lion's activities? I told him seven nights a week. Their response was "You have a meeting every night of the week!" I said no, but if I don't have a meeting I am planning for the next one. Oh, and one more item I still have that thing called a job I try to fit in.

Official visits are filling up fast and I've had to turn down some requests. So please try to get the day you want in early.

Also remember our motto "We Serve".



**DONATION TO POLICE** — Lion President Larry is shown presenting a check for the K-9 unit to Winfield K-9 Officer Benton

## Lakes of the Four Seasons Lions

In September, the Lakes of the Four Seasons Lions donated to the Winfield Police on behalf of their K-9 unit. The Lions organization has a history of training and working with service dogs and their owners and handlers. The Winfield Police donation was

to help offset some of the costs of setting up the K-9 unit in the community, such as the cost of the travel kennel. The Lions were able to meet K-9 Officer Brego at their September meeting; thank you Marshall Ball and Officer Benton for your presentation!

**BINGO MUSIC** — during the recent Bingo afternoon, the club provided lunch and music.



**SCHOOL DONATIONS** — Bus filled with school donation for Lake Statin area schools.

## Lake Station Lions

In August, the Lake Station Police Department hosted a safety day - back to school event in Riverview Park. The Lions set up a sucker pull game and handed out folders and notebooks for attendees - and also membership info and had their own "project" of Fill the Bus (with donations of school supplies). They split all collected supplies between the Lake Station Community school system and

River Forest school system.

The Club has taken on area senior citizens as an ongoing community outreach. On Fridays the Club feed them a home cooked hot meal at the Senior Center located in a small outbuilding in Columbus Park. Club members hope to be able to offer this more than once weekly. They recently hosted a Bingo afternoon at the cabin in Riverview Park. Live music and lunch was provided.



**AT CROWN POINT** — DG Dennis Brown, PDG Patty Cooke and IPDG Robin Smith are shown at Crown Point's anniversary.



**DINNER AND DANCING AT CROWN POINT** — Crown Point Lions recently celebrated their 75th Anniversary with a wonderful dinner and dancing. PDG's Robin and Patty dust off their Electric Slide moves.





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## 'If not you, then whooo?'

By GOV. ALAN ARNOLD

On my Governor's pin this year is an owl with the saying, "If not you, then whooo?" We so often think that other people will do something if we don't. Well I say, "If not you, then who?" When your Membership Chair asks for the Club members to go out and ask someone to join, don't think someone else will do it. Because if not you, then who? If you are asked to be the President of your Club or hold another Club office, don't think that someone else will do it. If not you, then who?

All Clubs are asked to donate to the State Projects, LCIF and the Indiana Lions Foundation. Hopefully your club doesn't have the attitude that other Clubs will give to those so we will just save our money for our own com-

munity. If not you, then who?

Your club is going to hold a service project but you are "too busy" to help. If not you, then who? I know we are all extremely busy. But a busy person makes an excellent Lion. Why? Because busy people know how to handle their schedule so they can do all the things they are involved in.

If your Lions Club were to cease to exist, then who would build the playgrounds for handicapped children? Who would collect eyeglasses for recycling? Who would help hearing impaired people get loaner hearing aids? Who would do the vision screening for our children? Who would hand out dictionaries to school age children? Who would do the weekend backpacks so children won't go hungry? Who would do all the

other things that our Lions Clubs do?

The next time you are tempted to think someone else will do it if you don't, remember, if not you, then who?

On another note, the Kids Sight and School Sight vision screenings are off and running strong. We have already passed the 2,000 children screened mark and will hopefully pass the 5,000 screened we did last year. If you are a Lion of 25-B and would like to get involved in this, please contact DG Al Arnold at (260) 692-6610 or Lion Kathy Webb at (260) 437-7057. We have many screenings left in November and could use the help.

Thank you Lions for all you do. Hopefully as you progress through the 2018-19 Lions year it will be one of the best ever for your Club.

### HONORING VETERANS

As part of Lions Clubs International's 100th anniversary celebration, members of Anthony Wayne Lions Club presented a plaque to the Veterans Administration Hospital June 28 in honor of veterans as part of the Club's Legacy Project. In addition, the Lions donated \$500 for a charging station for the fourth floor waiting room. Earlier this year the Club gave \$500 to the Disabled American Veterans to assist in purchasing a van. Lion member Billy Jones, center, is presenting the plaque to Erica Jones, chief of Voluntary Services, right, and Jay Miller associate director of the hospital.



AT LCI — District Governor Alan Arnold is shown at the International President's desk at Lions Clubs International Headquarters in Oakbrook, Ill.



AT PRESIDENT'S DESK — DG Alan is shown testing the President's chair and desk at Lions Clubs International.



AT FORUM — IPDG Roger, Lion Gaye, right, are with PID Linda Tinch and LCI President Gudrun Yngvadottir at USA/Canada Lions Forum in Columbus, Ohio.



AT STATE FAIR — International Director Nick Xinopoulos, Lions Pauline Ulery and her Leader Dog and Lion Leonard Brown are shown at the Indiana State Fair supporting the Indiana Lions Foundation. ID Nick was a gate captain Lion Pauline and Lion Leonard were scanning the tickets of those who were attending the fair. The gate that they were working is gate 18 on the west side of the fair grounds.



25-B LIONS PARTICIPATED IN BRIAN'S TRIKE RACE



TEAM ANDREWS — Team Andrews Lions Club posed for a photo at the ISBVI Trike Race. From left are ISBVI Trustee Mike Okuly, Cheryl Okuly, Angela Spuller and Kory Okuly.



TRUSTEE RIDES — ISBVI Trustee Mike Okuly is shown racing for Team Andrews Lions Club.



RACING — DG Al Arnold is shown racing for Team Monroe Lions Club.

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## We need your support

By GOV. DOUG EVERSOLE

I hope everyone is enjoying the cooler weather. Soon, we all will turn to the leaf pick-up around our communities. As a reminder, when the leaves get wet, they can be slippery; so, watch your footing so you don't fall. Lions are involved in lots of service activities, so safety is a big issue for everyone. As most of you are aware as we age it takes longer to recover from even small injuries. We need all of our Lions to be safe and watch out for each other.

We also need all Lions to help with membership. Club retention is a huge problem in our District. Even with the Clubs working hard on new members, we continue to show dropped members. We need everyone to help find the FIX for this problem. It's great to have new Lions. It's sad to lose members with years of service and knowledge of their communities.

Please try to conduct a one-on-one exit interview with a member before dropping them. Sometimes the reason for leaving can be easily fixed. The more hands we have, the easier the projects. I'm asking each Club to grow by one member and maintain a +1 before the end of October 2018. I know this is possible. Just ask.

Several Clubs have not scheduled their official visit. Let me know the date you want me to visit so I can schedule your visits before the date is taken. If you want a Vice District Governor to help with anything, let us know. Don't forget to support your Zone Chairs. They are working hard to improve the Zones.

Our next Council Meeting is Oct. 20 in Fort Wayne. We need you to come and to support your District and your Governor. You will learn about the main activities

and issues in our District. Please try to attend Club, Committee, District, and State Meetings. We need your support and input to continue doing the business of Lions. Also, take the time to attend trainings, Cabinet Meetings, the Mid Winter conference, as well as State and District Conventions.

Lion Shelia and I enjoyed the USA/Canada Forum in Colum-

bus, Ohio. Many seminars were offered and those we attended were very informative. It was a proud moment when the forum honored PID Doug Lozier for his time as Forum Secretary. Doug works hard for the Lions of Indiana and Lions Club International. If you see PID Doug, thank him for his hard work.

Come out and support the Lions in everything we do.

## Reminder!! Mark your calendar with all these important dates

**District Cabinet Meetings**  
Nov. 17 — Riley Township Lions Club  
Jan. 19, 2019 — Frankfort Lions Club  
April 29, 2019 — District Caucus, State Convention  
**Conventions**  
March 1, 2019 — District C — Zionsville Municipal Building  
April 26 - 27, 2019 — MD-25 State Convention — Fort Wayne  
July 5 - 9, 2019 — LCI Interna-

**tional Convention — Milan, Italy**  
**Council of Governors Meetings**  
Jan. 13, 2019 — Indianapolis  
April 26, 2019 — Fort Wayne  
**Other Important Dates**  
Jan 11 - 12, 2019 — Midwinter Conference, Indianapolis  
Our Mid Winter Conference is coming back to Jan, 11 and 12, 2019, at the Indianapolis Airport Crowne Plaza. We need attendance to increase; don't miss out on the great seminars offered.

**AT USA/CANADA FORUM**  
— PDG Charlie Short is shown assisting packing bags at the USA/Canada Lions Forum held in Columbus, Ohio, in September. Some 1,000 goodie bags were packed for Pediatric Cancer Patients. The bags contained stickers, transfers, crayons, yellow bracelets, Lions coloring/puzzle books and a "Highlights" book. The bags also included handwritten notes to encourage the patients. Short demonstrated his writing skills and contributed several notes.



**AT BANNER NIGHT** — DG Doug continues the tradition of excellent leaders in 25-C. He is shown here with PID Bill Schooler, ID Nick Xinopoulos and PIDs Linda Tincer.



**WAR BIRDS CURISE-IN CAR SHOW** — The Young America Lions say 'We Serve' ice cream at 2018 the Grissom Air Museum War Birds Cruise-in. DG Doug and Lion Sheila are hard at work. The show was one of the best attended with approximately 300 vehicles entered.



**SCREENERS** — The Cloverdale Lions screened 541 students at Cloverdale and South Putnam School districts. The volunteers included Lion James McKee, Lion Todd Lewis, Lion Dave Johnson and wife Joyce, Lion Rebecca Mannan, Eddie Mannan, Donna Patrick, Kellie Lewis, Lora Fenwick (Brazil Lions), Emily Wright, Ian Wallace, Trina Baker and Harve Wilson (Eminence Lions).



**ISBVI PARTICIPANTS** — The Cloverdale team is shown resting up before push for first place in Lions bracket at the ISBVI Trike Race and Disc Golf Event.



**ISBVI DISC GOLF** — The Brownsburg LC sponsored a girls disc golf team — the B4's at the Disc Golf event at ISBVI.

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## What is around the bend?

By GOV. ISABEL ATCHESON

The Lion year is well started. It was good to see a number of Lions active at fairs and festivals. Most of the fair activities are fundraisers for the respective Clubs, but at least one had an excellent information poster about diabetes. I hear quite a few people stopped to talk about diabetes and ask questions at the Elwood

Lions Club booth at the Elwood Glass Festival. Part of the booth had a fundraiser, but the Diabetes poster was very visible. There was also a notebook with the individual pages that made up the poster. The notebook would be more accessible to some fairgoers.

As I hope you know, there are five service areas promoted my Lions Club International. Dia-

betes, named above, is one. The other areas are Vision, Hunger, Environment, and Childhood Cancer. Each Club is encouraged to have a service project in each area. How many of the service areas is your Club including? As our International President, Gudrun Yngvadottir, says, we should reach beyond the horizon of our traditions and do something new. The Elwood Club did that with an informational display.

Many Clubs are deeply involved in Vision projects. This seems to be the prime time of year to do KidSight preschool vision screenings and school-age vision screenings. If you aren't doing vision screenings, talk to a nearby Club that does. Besides being a wonderful service to the community, it is very rewarding. Other vision related activities include the old stand-by of supplying eyeglasses to those in need, donating white canes and helping the blind and visually impaired get Leader Dogs.

Another traditional service project, which is in the Hunger initiative, is giving food baskets at the holidays. Sometimes, Clubs sponsor food drives for local pantries. Supplying food to persons suffering a major illness is another possibility.

The Environment has been one focus of this year's International President. Do you know that she and her family have 4,000 trees? We cannot all plant 4,000 trees, but we can plant one or more. The Marion Lions Club planted 90 trees to celebrate its 90th anniversary. Some Clubs do highway clean-ups. We can also encourage recycling, and recycling efforts should include eyeglasses, hearing aids, and cell phones. Get some recycling boxes and place them in the community at eye doctor offices, banks, grocery stores, etc.

Childhood cancer covers both infants and older children. Our efforts help with treatment and research. Some communities have a house like the Ronald McDonald house that could use regular meals brought in. Even supplying a meal for one day makes a difference. Your Club can help fund research through LCIF. Local assistance to families suffering from childhood cancer are helpful.

What new activity can your Club do to help those around the bend in your community?

**SPEAKER** — Blake Lindsey, a Plano, Texas, Lion, was the speaker at Marion Lions Club's "Old Folks Day."



**AT MARION** — Shown at Marion Lions Club's "Old Folks Day," from left are PDG Sandra Price, Lion Blake Lindsey, Lion Scott Smith and Lion Greg Maynard.

## Marion Lions hold 'Old Folks Day'

Marion Lions Club recently held its annual "Old Folks Day." This year's motivational speaker was Blake Lindsey, who is a Lion from Texas who just happens to be blind. He wrote in his bio, "I grew up in Westfield, Ind., where I attended the Indiana School for the Blind from kindergarten through 10th grade. I never believed that being blind was a handicap. To me, blindness was a gift. In high school, I took broad-

casting classes and fell in love with the profession. That experience prepared me to become a radio personality and later on an author and public speaker. "I now live in Plano, Texas, with my wife Jennifer. When I'm not recording in my home studio, I'm usually out giving inspirational speeches or promoting an organization very near and dear to my heart—the Dallas Lighthouse for the Blind."

**BUSY LION** — Past President Jean Stiers from the Anderson Noon Lions Club is Zone Chair for Zone B, Region II. She is very active in her Club and District and will soon become a Trustee for Cancer Control.



**CLUB OFFICERS** — Lynn Lions Club's new officers are shown. From left are VP Ted Snider, Treasurer Cindy Skiver, Secretary Tom Myers, Tail Twister Jordan Astin and President Lindsey Nicholson.



**AT GLASS FESTIVAL** — Elwood Lions Club had a booth at the Elwood Glass Festival. Lion Karen Beeson is pictured on the right.



**POPSICKLES** — The Albany Lions Club recently gave Albany Elementary students popsicles. Lions in the photo are Second VP Jim Koger (handing out the popsicles) and Treasurer Kathy Sloniker (with her back to the camera). In the second photo are Lion Vicki Reade, left, and Treasurer Kathy Sloniker.

**FISH FRY** — Lions Rick Larrierson and Kaye Don Stevenson of the Wayne Fall Lions Club are shown breadng fish for the club's fish fry.



**SCREENING EYES** — Pendleton Lions Club spent six full days screening eyes of 1st- 3rd- 5th- and 8th-graders in five schools. Pictured from day one to day six are Lions Linda Courtier, Penny and Dick Creger, Betty Weist and Lorraine Doty.



**HOME SHOW SNACKS** — Saturday, Sept. 15, the Noblesville Lions Club provided snacks for the people touring the homes on the Preservation Tour. All proceeds go to the Lions fund to assist local and area kids. Shown, from left, are Dale Unger, Dave Marsh, Steve Morgan, Steve Craig (hat), Steve Shaw, John Grimes and Duke Miller.





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## We Serve

By GOV. RON EDWARDS

It really is an honor to be invited to our various Clubs and see first-hand the outstanding work being done for their communities. The enthusiasm shown for their projects and planning necessary to carry out those projects is an

uplifting experience. Change is our main constant. As LCI changes with the introduction of LCI Forward, followed by the Global Action Team organization, introduction of "My Lion" changes to "My LCI" and the recommended Club organization structure to embrace the LCI

changes our Clubs should recognize these opportunities as resources for their Clubs.

The digital age is here and we need to become equipped to take advantage of the changes. My Lion will be the only way to submit service activities starting next Lions fiscal year; beginning in July 2019. Please use the smart phone app to see how to utilize this new tool. On your device, go to [www.mylion.org](http://www.mylion.org) to see the information available like Quick Start Guide, "My Lion APP," and "My Lion Action Plan." All officers new an internet access or allow someone to place their address in place of yours to open communication lines with LCI. LCI wants to communicate directly with Club Officers to get information to Clubs quickly that they feel is important for the larger organization to function more effectively and efficiently.

Lions Clubs International Foundation is changing as well. Childhood Cancer is being added to the emphasis in LCIF. Like Diabetes Awareness, this is in the planning phase, but our donations help a great deal in the role we as Lions can play in this development. As LCIF makes partners with third parties, the added funds to the foundation allow them to see the commitment our Clubs have toward this project. Our Reports, Membership and Service, are also critical in the partnering. Those reports allows LCI and LCIF know we Lions are out there spreading the word and are willing to support these efforts financially.

Really, the amount of donation to LCIF isn't the issue; the donation of any amount is the issue. This represents the support of our members and Clubs for these very important projects that touch each of our lives and lives of those in our communities. Let our District soar to new heights in service for these projects by having every Club donate to our needed projects. Remember individual donations are available too and that it references your club. Please don't be left out.

We are improving in our reporting monthly membership and service activities. As stated above these reports are necessary, they are read and used. Also they are needed every month. LCI cannot assume anything about our status. So they need these reports every month. Most of the time they are easy. At the first of the month, report "no change" for membership.

You can submit necessary changes as necessary and the website will automatically update your Clubs status. For service activities, utilize the "signature activity" designation so each month click on "signature activities" and select the one you want so you won't have to type in the entire activity. Club meetings fit this category well.

Enjoy the activities shown on this page and perhaps you can utilize some of them in your own Club.

**CHARTER MEMBER** — District Governor Ron Edwards attended the Mt. Olympus 50th Anniversary Celebration with Charter Member Lion John Ford, shown with cake.



MOUNT OLMPUS 50TH CELEBRATION



**SPECIAL AWRD** — International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal has presented his "THE POWER OF WE" award to individuals who have shown extraordinary effort to improve contributions and services for Lions Clubs International. PDG Gary Ochs received this award for his work in increasing the percentage of Club donations to LCIF for MD 25. From left are PIP Wayne Madden, Ochs and Aggarwal.



**AT FESTIVAL** — DG Ron Edwards, PDG Dale Leffler and a club member are shown in the kitchen at the Oakland City Corn Festival.



**IN PARADE** — DG Ron Edwards and First Lady Hanna are shown at the Oakland City Corn Festival with PDG Dale Leffler driving the car.



**W.P. WOODS PRESENTATION** — These photos show the W. P. Woods Award presentation to Lion Mike Sowder, Secretary of the Bedford Noon Lions Club.

## Mike Sowder receives Lions Centennial Woods Award

Mike Sowder received the coveted William Perry Woods Award at the Bedford Noon Lions Club meeting at the American Legion on Oct. 3. The presentation was made by Indiana Lions. 25-E Gov. Ron Edwards.

"I was completely surprised," Sowder said. He knew someone in the club was being honored for service, but didn't know it was him until Edwards mentioned club secretary in his presentation.

Edwards related that the recipient had been Noon Lions President and had held other offices, but had been most active with the sight committee, which has collected thousands of used eyeglasses for recycling as well as hearing aids. He sees that those

who need eyeglasses, but can't afford them, are helped. Sowder also helps with eye screenings in Lawrence County Schools and at other local events such as the county 4-H Fair.

Sowder is retired from GM and Lowe's and is responsible for bringing his wife, Dolly, and another visually impaired Noon Lions member to the Noon Lions weekly meetings.

The Woods Award is named in honor of the first President of Lions International who was from Evansville, and is the highest award given by Lions in Indiana. The centennial edition of the award recognizes the 100th anniversary of the founding of Lions International service clubs.



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**Indiana Lions Mid Winter Conference**





# Roars from F



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## Good Day from 25-F

By GOV. RON BIGHAM

It has been a very busy time for the Lions in our District. Lion Patricia and I attended the USA/Canada Forum in Columbus, Ohio.

I was pleased with the number of Lions from my District as well as the MD-25 Lions from Indiana. Lion Patricia and I were overall pleased with the seminars and accommodations. It was the first one that we had attended and are looking forward to the upcoming Forums in the future.

If you have never attended one, I would recommend that Lions make plans to attend. In two years the Forum will be at Louisville, Ky. Plan to attend and take time to do the Lion University Bachelor Leadership Course. This is well worth the time for Lions and Lions leaders to take the time to complete each seminar to further strengthen your leadership skills.

Thank you to all attendees who came to support Camp Woodsmoke "The Best" on Pork Chop Sunday. Thanks to all the Trustees, workers and Clubs who helped make this a successful event.

For Camp Woodsmoke, The Best, it has been a sad time with the passing of our Chair Trustee Lion Dave Carter and our former Legal Trustee Lion Gil Snider. These Lions loved the Camp and what it was designed to do, which is to help those with special needs.

Our Pork Chop Dinner held on Sunday, Sept. 30, was dedicated to Lion Dave and Lion Gil for all their years of dedicated services. They would be very proud of this message stated below from a father's experience.

On Sunday, Paul Bowling, our

caretaker, received this following message from a family who has been at the camp but was unable to attend Pork Chop Sunday. Instead Bruce, who is Tyler's father, sent this message to pass on to Lions in 25-F.

"Good morning Paul, Tyler and I will not be able to make it today. I do greatly apologize for that. I wish that you would pass a little bit of information on to the attendees today for Tyler and me.

Camp Woodsmoke is one of the best things available for a special needs person. You see, when special needs people are out in public, the public does not mean it but they do stare and look at our special needs people in a different way. Sometimes Tyler and people like Tyler pick up on this and it makes them feel embarrassed and ashamed to be out in public. When we come to a place like Camp Woodsmoke everybody is equal. The special people know this and they feel more relaxed. They are able to be themselves and not worry about what other people think. We have only been to Camp Woodsmoke twice as a new annual event of LEL services. Tyler is building relationships, I am also building relationships with the other parents, caregivers and for special needs people, this keeps our social activities growing. In most cases, the special needs community is small, meaning they live in a group home or with their close family members and though we try to get them out into society to experience new things, it is somewhat a bit of a challenge.

"At Camp Woodsmoke we don't worry about the stares and special looks and it gives Tyler a chance to meet new friends. Tyler and I cannot tell you how

much this means to us as we look forward to it for next year and years to come. I just hope that you can find it in your heart today to see how important it is to have this facility continue and what it is doing for the special needs community. We thank you for all that you have done so far. May God Bless. Bruce"

This to me is what Lionism is all about. Reaching out to people with needs, whatever that need might be, to better their lives and to try to make life better.

Thank you Lions, from all over the state, who attended my Banner Night. Thanks also to those who helped make this a very successful event, too many to list but you know who you are because without the help, it would not have been the success that it turned out to be.

Thank you Clubs for stepping up to start completing the MMR's and Activities Reports. Let's work together to make this 100 percent reporting this year.

Also as a District, we are in the positive in membership growth. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you. Let's keep this increase going. If a Club has any questions concerning reporting, let me know or one of your Cabinet Officers.

Just a reminder, LCI will not read your reports via "snail mail." It has to be via MyLCI, MyLion or through our District Administrator, Denise Salsbery. Her information is in the District Directory.

To the Clubs that I have been to visit, thank you for the warm welcome. It is so nice to sit down and visit with my Fellow Lions in 25-F and find out how you Lions are supporting your local communities.

To the Clubs of 25-F, be safe through the holidays. Be safe on Halloween. Remember what to do when bobbing for apples? The first Lion who sends the correct answer to me at ronbigham25f@gmail.com (only one answer is correct) will get a prize. (Email is the only entry form accepted and winner based on date and time of email submission. This is open to all Indiana Lions).

Please remember Veterans Day in November. Many times we take our personal freedoms for granted but freedom is never free. Many of our fellow citizens gave their all so that we can live our lives as free men and women. I challenge each and every Lion to be sure to thank a veteran for their service to our country whenever you can.

This Thanksgiving, count your blessings. All of us have had hard times and difficult challenges this year but there are blessings in our lives. Our family and friends, food to eat, shelter for our family, opportunity to work to provide for our loved ones and the ability to be of service to others who have needs greater than ours.

Lions have a lot to be proud of in this day and age. Let's keep going for another 100 years. — Bite'em!



**COMPLETED PROJECT** — The Liberty Lions recently build ramps for a woman who needed them.

**RAMP BUILDERS** — Members of the Liberty Lions Club who helped with the ramp project are shown.



## Liberty Lions build ramp

When a Union County woman needed help the Liberty Lions stepped in to see that her needs were met. She was diagnosed with multiple cancers and because she uses a wheelchair she needed a ramp. She was told it would take three months for a ramp to be built.

The Liberty Lions were contacted and building the ramp was approved. Lions Carl Sharp Jr., Carl Sharp Sr., Duane Nickels and Mike England built two ramps and a platform outside the woman's home. "We felt like we

accomplished something by donating our time and materials. She was concerned about the time frame involved and we stepped forward," said Carl Jr.

"She is thrilled to death, and it takes a lot off her mind," said Bertie McKinna, co-chair of the American Cancer Society. "It's so pleased there are still people who will help other people. This shows that good people still outweigh the bad people." — Information for the above article was taken from an article by Elizabeth Dodd of the Liberty Herald.

**NEW MEMBERS** — Manilla Lions Club Chairman Dan Allender is welcoming two new newest members, Jodi Rawley and Wana Spears.



**SPECIAL NEEDS CAMPER** — Tyler Davis, on the left, enjoys a ride while at Camp Woodsmoke with Paul Bowling, the Camp Woodsmoke caretaker.



**SPECIAL NEEDS CAMPERS AT CAMP WOODSMOKE**

### PORK CHOPS

— Lions Ed Probst and Joe Swindle of the Manilla Lions Club are shown at the club's pork chop supper held on Friday, Aug. 24.



**DISASTER SUBJECTS** — A church group of youth campers, who were the disaster subjects for First Responders training at Camp Woodsmoke.





# Roars from G



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## Get On Board

By GOV. JIM REEVE

I can write about many things as your Governor like all the great Clubs I have been given the

great honor to visit. So far, each Club is doing so many wonderful things for their community and the peoples of the world, many of whom they have never met but

that does not matter because Lions have a heart. As your Governor, I want to come visit your Club and hear your story. Please call me at (574) 267-3423 - work, (574) 594-5470 - home, or on my cell at (574) 551-8474.

My slogan this year is GET ON BOARD and support pediatric cancer. Everyone I have met has a story to tell of someone they know that has or have had cancer. This cancer is killing the children whose lives, as adults, we are supposed to protect. Ringling Brothers Circus, that has brought us 147 years of entertainment, is now, through their elephant conservatory, working to unlock the secret and stop cancer. The question is if you had a dollar to give knowing that your dollar would destroy cancer forever, would you give it? That's the story I bring to the Clubs I visit and that's what I am asking the Clubs to SUPPORT PEDI-ATRIC CANCER through giving 10 percent from one of their fundraising projects.

Just a quick message on membership. If you are not asking your neighbor or a friend to become a Lion, then you are cheating them from joining a worldwide organization that reaches out to so many in so much need. Remember, as Lions WE SERVE.

**SPECIAL COUPLES** — Two of 25-G's special couples are shown at Banner Night. From left are Lion Kim Polk and Immediate Past District Governor Tom Polk with District Governor Jim Reeve and Lion Sheri Reeve. The couples posed following the passing of the banner from the LaFontaine Lions Club to the Lake City Lions Club.



**CHECK TO HELP TEACHERS** — On Sept. 13 the Madison Township Lions presented a check to the Madison Township PTO. The funds are to be distributed to the school teachers equally to help with their classroom expenses. From left are Lions Larry Kulczar and Al Beehler presenting the check to PTO President Beth Pogue.



**DICTIONARIES FOR ARGOS STUDENTS** — Shown are a group of Argos Elementary sixth-graders holding their new student dictionaries. Each year, the Argos Lions Club purchases student dictionaries for all students in sixth-grade through The Dictionary Project. The Dictionary Project is affiliated with Lions Club International.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY** — On July 25 four Lions from Madison Township Lions Club work at the PDG Jimmy and Rosalyn Carter 2018 Work Project site in Mishawaka. They completed 10 homes during the week of Aug. 26-31 with the Carters working as well.

Opening ceremonies were at the Purcell Pavilion on the campus of Notre Dame starting at 5 p.m.. Sunday, Aug. 26. Volunteers and friends of Habitat attended. The total project plans to complete 23 new homes in Mishawaka, and 6 new homes, 11 major home repairs and one rehabilitated home in South Bend by the end of 2018.

A member from the club worked three shifts selling fair tickets at the Indiana State Fair on Aug. 15, 16 and 17. The funds raised by working is donated to the Indiana Lions Foundation, which offers matching grants to Lions Clubs in Indiana for approved projects.



**RINGMASTER** — District Governor Jim Reeve, the ringmaster, greeted fellow Lions with handshakes at the opening of his Sept. 29 Banner Night. He is shown shaking hands with DG Alan Arnold, back to camera.

## Baugo Township has been busy

The Baugh Township Lions Club has had a busy couple of months. Thus far this year the club has built a ramp, helped kids with glasses and held a cemetery clean-up day. The club cut firewood for an ailing resident and sold corn and sausage at the Blue-gass Festival. The Lions had both a fish fry and a Port a Pit sale. They are now getting ready for selling fruit.

President Brice Clark said in a recent newsletter, "Our mission is clear. WE SERVE the residents of our neighborhoods."

One project that has come complete circle is the Kidsight group. The Lions, under the direction of Lion Keith Berg, tested

preschoolers in the spring. One in particular was noted as out of the norm. As the results the preschooler was examined by a doctor in Indianapolis. It was decided the five-year-old had anisometropia. The club received notice that finances were a problem for the family. The school was involved and the club sent the preschooler to an optometrist with the aim of a life full of clear sight.

The club sponsors a program for every Jimtown student, kindergarten through second grade. On a student's birthday they are given a book in order to encourage interest and skills in reading.



**W.P. WOODS HONORS FOR DUNLAP** — PDG Paul and Lion Rose Russell attended the Sept. 6 meeting of the Dunlap Lions. Lion Paul presented Lions Jackie Kurley and Jeanine Juel with W. P. Woods Centennial Awards for their work getting the Middlebury Lions Club started. Lion Paul also presented Lion President Judy and Lion Bruce Wells with W. P. Woods Centennial Awards for being mentors to the Middlebury Club. Lion Rose presented Lions Marlyn and Amanda Mast with W. P. Woods plaques for working at the Indiana State Fair.



**NEW MEMBERS** — At their Sept. 6 meeting the Dunlap Lions added three new members. Shown in the picture is new member Brian Smith and his sponsor Jeanine Juel; new member Daniel Roll and his sponsor Laura Staub; and new member Tom Graber and his sponsor Richard Litwiller.



**DICTIONARIES PRESENTED** — On Wednesday, Sept. 19, Lions Jo Ann and Jim Overmyer along with Lion Al Beehler distributed 168 dictionaries to the third grade students at three local schools. The Madison Township Lions gave out 78 at Elm Road Elementary, 63 at Meadows Edge Elementary and 27 at Madison Township Elementary. The students and faculty were all excited about receiving these books.



**IN SUMMER FESTIVAL PARADE** — The Middlebury Lions spread Lionism and made their presence known at the 50th anniversary of the town's Summer Festival.



# PDG notes

# Lions' Cancer

## PDG Pat Birk dies

Past District Governor Patricia "Pat" Birk, 81, (25-G 2006-07), Culver, passed away Sept. 12. Her body went to science per her wishes.



PDG PAT BIRK

The Culver Lions Club will honor PDG Birk with a tribute at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 430 Academy Road in Culver.

Born Oct. 16, 1936, in Fort Wayne, she was the daughter of Lawrence Ward and Margaret Adeline (Hodge) McGaffey. She lived in Culver most of her life and was a 1954 graduate of Culver High School.

On Feb. 23, 1957, she married Arthur "Art" Birk who preceded her in death July 6, 2009. She was also preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her children William Birk and Ruth Birk; and three sisters, Beverly (James) Baker, Marjorie Humes, Sharon (Gary) Randel.

She was involved and a member in many community organizations, Grace UCC, Culver Lions Club, Maxinkuckee Rebeca Lodge, Culver United Fund, Culver Ambulance Service, Manxinkuckee Players & Singers, Boys & Girls Club, Boy and Girl Scout leader, Gift of Warmth. She served various positions including dispatching for the ambulance service for 25 years. She's a Past President of Culver Lions Club, Past District Governor and a Melvin Jones Fellow.

The family request in lieu of flowers or plants that memorials be given to the Indiana Lions Eye Bank or Grace UCC.

## Wife of PCC Ray Enfield dies

Susan J. Enfield, 79, Elkhart, wife for PCC Ray Enfield (25-G 1988-89) passed away unexpected-

ly Aug. 22. She was at St. Joseph Health Center, Mishawaka, being treated for a respiratory infection when something happened and she went into cardiac arrest.



SUSAN J. ENFIELD

She was born on Jan 4, 1939, in Elkhart to the late William P. and Louisa (Weber) McDowell. Susan McDowell married Raymond Enfield on Aug 25, 1962. They would have celebrated the 56th anniversary this year.

Susan graduated from Concord High School in 1957 and then Indiana University in Bloomington with a Bachelor's in Education in 1961. Susan then received her Master of Education from the University of Illinois in 1965. Sue taught third grade in Homer, Ill., for three years while her husband attended architecture school.

They returned to Elkhart where she taught at Cleveland Elementary for 2 1/2 years. She took a hiatus from teaching to raise her two children and returned to teaching in 1978. She retired from Concord Eastside Elementary as a third-grade teacher in 2001 after 22 years. She enjoyed teaching immensely and always created unique and fun experiences for her students.

Surviving are her husband, PCC Ray of Elkhart, a daughter, Laura Enfield of Burlingame, Calif., a son, David (Michelle) Enfield of Portland, Ore.; one grandson, Scout Burnstine of Middlebury; a sister, Ann Whittride of Bloomington; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Celebration of Life was held for Susan on Thursday, Aug. 30 at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 1732 Garden St., Elkhart.

Donations may be made to the Elkhart County Humane Society or the Elkhart Civic Theatre's renovation fund of the Bristol Opera House.

(Continued from page 1) and traveled half the length of the state, to be treated at Indiana University. A medical treatment device, or bolus, was custom-crafted on the 3D printer that Lions Cancer Control purchased. This device was printed specifically for him from images acquired from a CT scan, so that a conformal, reproducible, shallow beam could be used to treat his tumors.

Samuel completed his treatments and was the first patient in the world to be treated with such devices. His treatment was extremely successful! Yes, the Lions of Indiana have once again provided a unique treatment solution. They have purchased the tools necessary to provide a better way of treating certain cancer patients. These 3D treatments create more accuracy where shallow treatments are required, are cost effective, custom-made on a timely basis, so there is no treatment delay and covered by insurance.

And, then there is Rebecca. She is a beautiful, little four-year old girl who had a tumor very near her chest wall. She is a cancer patient at Riley Children's Hospital. But Riley brings all of the radiation patients to IU Radiation Oncology for treatment because they do not have any treatment machines.

In evaluating the shallow location of Rebecca's lung tumor, it was determined that a custom bolus would serve her situation very well. Once a CT scan was completed, the device was printed the following day, and her treatments began in three days. She has since completed her treatments. When she returns for her follow-up appointments, she runs up and down the halls, here in the department, (when she's not playing with her favorite baby-doll.) I can barely describe the joy I feel, and what it means to hear those precious foot-steps. All she knows, is that she feels good. Her mother and father feel grateful beyond words!

What an inspired vision, Past District Governor Walter Shirley had, when he created this state project. Due to the support of the

Lions of Indiana, the IU Department of Radiation Oncology has remained at the forefront of cutting-edge cancer treatments.

That support has also educated radiation oncologists and therapists. And, that support has gifted tools for cancer research, enabling patient care to become more successful. But, the best gift the Lions of Indiana have given over these 72 years, is the gift of life.

The essence of this project is: life-giving cancer care. Thank you for your Club donations, and your personal support of this Project. Well done, Lions of Indiana!

For Cabinet, Zone, or Club presentations, contact Lion Dottie Flack, at dflack@iupui.edu or (317) 944-4059. Information is also available at: [www.lionscancercontrol.org](http://www.lionscancercontrol.org).

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DISTRICT LCIF COORDINATORS

## District LCIF Coordinators meet in Indianapolis

By PDG GARY OCHS  
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The 2018-19 Indiana Lions Clubs LCIF District Coordinators Training and Meeting was held at the state office Aug. 4.

During the meeting many LCIF programming areas were reviewed and LCIF materials were passed out to everyone. Here is a list showing just a few: Roles and Responsibilities brochure, a sample introduction letter to all Clubs, a new address listing for all LCIF District Coordinators, the Top Ten Reasons for all Lions Clubs to contribute to LCIF, a Status of Installments report as of 5/31/2018 for each district, a Recap of Donations report as of 5/31/2018 for each District, a current LCIF Grants report approved through 8/2/2018, the LCIF Club participation report from 7/1/2017 to 6/30/2018, Lions Constitutional Areas listing, the

LCIF Helping Hands Awards nomination forms, a District Governor suggested LCIF speaking points list, a District Coordinator actions for success listing and the Campaign 100 Pledge Forms.

A closing overview presentation was given about Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Services with questions and answers by PID Linder Tinscher. Schedule your LCIF District Coordinator for a Club presentation ASAP.

To all District Coordinators and Club Coordinators, for more information please go on line to LCI and click on "News and Media" and there you will also find Club LCIF Coordinator Resources. Once there, please review the Building A Foundation of Service: LCIF's 2016-17 annual report. Share these resources with your Club and District.

Under Resources, the following are available:

- Building A Foundation of

Service: LCIF's 2016-17 Annual Report

- LCIF At A Glance
- LCIF: By the Numbers
- Club Coordinator Training
- Measles Online Donation Portal

Attending this year's session were the following: DG Alan Arnold, DG Ron Bigham, PDG Steve Holtzleiter, PDG Frank Rush, C/T Karen McKellar, First VDG Mary Klempay, Lion Pam Arnold, First VDG Terry L. Marker, PDG John Brown, Second VDG Ken Faulkner, First VDG Tom Robbins, Lion Jack Taylor, Lion Greg Dodds, Lion Andy Smittkamp, Lion Kenneth Moisis, Lion Don Russ, Lion Katherine Holtzleiter, PID Linda Tinscher and PDG Gary Ochs

Thanks to everyone: District Governors from Districts 25-B and 25-F; LCIF Co-District Coordinators from Districts 25-B, 25-C, 25-D, and 25-F; and the new LCIF Club Coordinators from Districts 25-E and 25-F.

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MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP HONOREES

## Many receive Melvin Jones Fellowships

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During this year's Indiana Lions State Convention in Muncie Immediate Past Lions Clubs International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal recognized many Melvin Jones Fellowship honorees. Congratulations to each Lion honored. Maybe you're asking, "What is the Melvin Jones Fellowship?" That question is best answered in terms of individuals whose lives have been enriched by humanitarian projects. Projects made possible by donations to Lions Clubs International Foundation

for the Melvin Jones Fellowship Program.

The fellowship, which was created in 1973, takes its name from the founder of Lions Clubs International, Melvin Jones. It is an honor, not an award. The fellowship was established as LCIF's highest form of recognition to acknowledge an individual's dedication to humanitarian service.

Many Melvin Jones Fellows choose to extend their commitment to humanitarian causes by participating in the Melvin Jones Fellowship Progressive Program. Lions

Clubs and Districts also participate by making donations in the name of an individual who is

already a Melvin Jones Fellow.

Thanks to PIP Wayne Madden and current Indiana International Director Nick Xinopoulos for your participation.

## From Brian's

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have had security related issues. I believe the biggest issue is that most Lions by nature are very trusting individuals. This trusting nature is easy to be taken advantage of. Prior to events, talk to the local police and sheriff's department about having officers (on or off duty) attend in

By By PDG BILL  
WILLIS, 25-E

I wear on my lapel a bright little pin And others who wear it are much like kin.

It's not very big and it's purple and gold;

It shows a warm heart when the temperature is cold.

More than a million wear this device, Giving time and money, not just advice.

Hoosiers who wear it from State 25,

Show by that pin they're really alive.

Some folks focus on what they think they deserve,

But the pin folks are focused on the motto "We Serve."



Helping the blind and visually impaired,

Providing new glasses, getting others repaired.

Raising funds for projects, like Leader Dog,

Each one of the wearers is an important cog.

Cancer Control and the Lions Eye Bank,

And Speech and Hearing are all first rank.

The pin is associated with our clubs eight objects,

And also known for other state projects.

The pin's easily recognized, like the stars in Orion,

It identifies the wearer as a human Lion.

VISION SCREENING — PCC Herb Gaff, a member of the Churubusco Lions, screens a student as part of Project School Sight in District 25-B.



## Have you ever been a vision screener?

The 2019 Indiana State Convention will honor you at a Celebration Friday evening, April 26. Vision Screening is the service project that brings Lions together from Clubs all over Indiana. Great food, exciting entertainment and a party celebrating all Lions that perform this invaluable service is the perfect beginning to the Lions Convention.

If you are or have been one of the many Lions that have sacrificed your time to volunteer with Vision Screening, be sure to make your reservation for the Convention and join us for the Friday night celebration. Find all the latest information, Fort Wayne Hilton Hotel reservation details and registration form at [www.IndianaLionsConvention.org](http://www.IndianaLionsConvention.org). See you at the party.

## State Convention pins free to first 400 registrants

The Lions pin is one method we use to tell others we belong to the largest service organization in the world. The 2019 Indiana State Convention theme, Beyond the Horizon, is beautifully designed by Lion Keith Hanson. Thanks to the generosity of the Land of Lake Lions Club, a pin for the first 400 Lions to register for the Fort Wayne Convention will be included with your registration. Additional pins will be available for \$4 each. Registration forms will be available at [www.IndianaLionsConvention.org](http://www.IndianaLionsConvention.org)

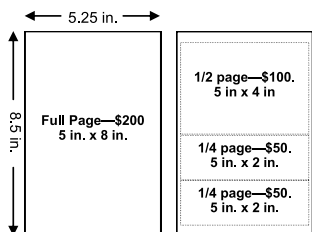


**2019 Indiana  
Lions State Convention**  
Fort Wayne, Indiana (26-28 April 2019)



### Convention Book Advertising Application

- Promote an upcoming event for your Club, District or Business
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- Thank your District Governor for a great 2018-19 Lions Year



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Fort Wayne, IN 46825

Email: [nsdaugh44@frontier.com](mailto:nsdaugh44@frontier.com)

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### Vendor Application

Lions Exhibitor - \$50 Non-Lions Exhibitor - \$75 Additional Booth - \$50

Each Booth includes  
10x10 space  
1 skirted table  
2 chairs

Please return this form and payment by April 10 to:

PDG Don Cooper  
1922 Kelley's Landing  
Fort Wayne, IN 46825  
[dkcooper81@msn.com](mailto:dkcooper81@msn.com)

Make checks payable to: 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Club \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Lions Exhibitor \$50 \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Lions Exhibitor \$75 \_\_\_\_\_ Additional Booth \$50

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_



## All new Conference schedule

This year's Mid Winter Conference offers a new schedule. It follows:

7 a.m. - Registration and continental breakfast  
7 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Vendors and Silent Auction  
8 a.m. - Welcome and opening remark  
8:30 a.m. - First seminars  
9:30 a.m. - Second seminars  
10:30 a.m. - Third seminars  
11:30 a.m. - Fourth session  
12:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. — Lunch, keynote presentation, awards, closing remarks and adjourn



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**NEW  
SERVICE  
PROJECT**



**We'll be  
collecting  
socks, mittens and scarves for  
distribution to needy kids  
in your own District.**

## Service project to be featured

This year a service project has been added to the Conference. The Lions of Indiana will be collecting children's socks, mittens and scarves during the day. These go to help needy kids stay warm this winter.

Following the conference the items collected will be divided and bagged and given to the Dis-

trict Governors at their Council meeting the following day. The Governors will then see that the items are distributed in their respective Districts.

Any Lion wanting additional information should contact PDG Kathy Lozier at [klozier@indy.rr.com](mailto:klozier@indy.rr.com).

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## New hotel and conference center

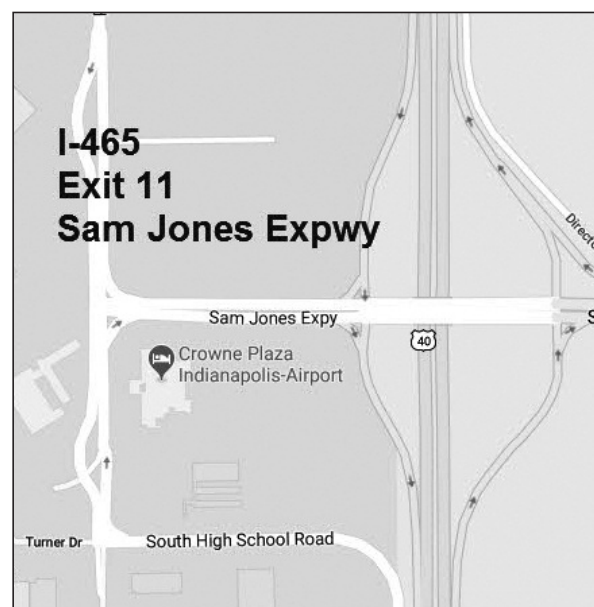
With the return to the Mid Winter Conference there has been a change in hotel and meeting place. The Crowne Point Indianapolis-Airport hotel at 250 South High School Road, Indianapolis, will be both the hotel and conference center.

Cost per night is \$109 plus tax. Don't forget to tell them you are with the Lions when making your reservations in order to get this discount rate.

Call (317) 244-6861. Lions must use this number and must mention the Lions of Indiana in order to get the group rate. The deadline for reservations at the hotel is 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Not only is parking free and you don't have to go from hotel to meeting place because it's all under the same roof. There is wireless internet, a health and fitness center and indoor pool.

This hotel is located off I 465 at the Indianapolis Airport turnoff (Sam Jones Expressway). Turn west and go to the spotlight. The hotel is just to the south of this intersection at 2501 S. High School Road.



## Helen Keller

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notes. They share in her tears. She has a powerful effect on an audience.

Audiences have left her performances impressed with her

knowledge of Helen Keller and educated about her life's contributions to society. This is a presentation you won't want to miss.

### Conference Moved

This year's Conference will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel,

Indianapolis, located at 2501 High School Road, just off the Sam Jones Expressway (old Indianapolis Airport Road). The Conference has been redesigned with a new schedule and simplified for Lions' convenience.

## Support LCIF: Campaign 100

By PDG GARY OCHS,  
Indiana Lions  
LCIF Multiple District  
Coordinator

Indiana Lions invite your LCIF District Coordinator to make a presentation at your club.

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## New commitments

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seminars and were inspired by the speakers during our meals. Listening to these motivational speakers renews our energy and a sense of purpose being a Lion. It is always nice to see our friends from the United States and Canada especially our family from MD 25.

I am happy to report that membership has held steady in our Constitutional Area for the past three months as we have shown

an increase in members. Our commitment to raise \$300 million in the next three years for LCIF has begun and it was reported that we have raised approximately \$64 million in funds and pledges worldwide since the beginning of our fiscal year. I know that Indiana Lions will do their best to support these two initiatives.

As of September, 78 Specialty Clubs with 1,872 members have already been approved this fiscal

year. There are currently 46 new Specialty Clubs with 751 members in the application process worldwide. Being a member of a Specialty Club gives someone the opportunity to SERVE without the traditional Lions Club meeting. These members pay their International, State and District dues and choose their own way to have their meetings or how to communicate with each other.

I am confident that our Multiple

District 25 Lions will work together to increase our membership and participate in the financial commitment to LCIF making our organization stronger than ever before.

IP Gudrun reminds us that our commitment to Serve 200 million people per year is still our goal. Please make sure that your Club reports your community service projects to LCI. This is the only way that we can make sure that we reach our goal.



# Conference seminars are one-hour each

The following are the seminars to be offered at this year's Mid Winter Conference. All will be 50 minutes long, to allow for 10 minutes between seminars. Mark your four choices on the registration form.

Seminar 1 — Eyeglass Recycling  
Seminar 2 — Marketing Communications and Your Club!  
Seminar 3 — Membership Recruiting  
Seminar 4 — Anyone Can Make Baked Beans - But We've Always Don It that Way!  
Seminar 5 — Community Partnerships/Partnerships Outside Your Club

Seminar 6 — Online Leadership Resource Center  
Seminar 7 — Raising A Leader Dog Puppy  
Seminar 8 — Internet Fraud Protection  
Seminar 9 — My Lion  
Seminar 10 — Orientation  
Seminar 11 — Getting Out Of The Club Box  
Seminar 12 — Effective Presentations: Steps To Being A Successful Communicator  
Seminar 13 — How To Organize And Report A Club Service Project  
Seminar 14 — Diabetes Awareness  
Seminar 15 - Finding Money In Your Community  
Seminar 16 — Generational Leadership Styles

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ALL NEW SEMINARS

Choose 4 from 16 NEW topics.

NEW SCHEDULE

Seminars will be held Sat. a.m.

## The Stand-Up World of Craig Tornquist

Craig Tornquist was told by David Letterman to "Keep your act clean, practice as often as you can, and never give up." Craig Tornquist has performed more than 3,000 stand-up comedy shows across the country. And according to his own promotional flyer, three of those went really well! Known for his quick wit, celebrity impressions, novelty songs, and hilarious audience participation routines, Craig's unique brand of completely clean comedy has put smiles on even the most skeptical of faces.



CRAIG TORNQUIST

Whether he's motivating students, inspiring adults, entertaining families, or helping congregations, Craig has consistently proven that "Laughter is the shortest distance between two people." His audiences interact, laugh, and win rotten gifts all at the same time! Be sure to bring the family to this great Friday night event at this year's Mid-Winter Conference.

Check him out at these two links:

<http://www.wnit.org/expmichiana/s/craig-tornquist.html>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7RTbrpzBo-Q>

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"Like" our Facebook page to stay up-to-date with the latest news about a great opportunity for learning and sharing.

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### Friday night dinner information

The Friday night dinner, like all conference activities, will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. It promises to be an evening of food, fun and fellowship as well as a time to renew old friendships and make new ones. Craig Turnquist (see article above) will provide the evening's entertainment. Friday's menu will be an Italian buffet with chicken parmesan, lasagna, garden salad, spinach salad, potatoes, seasonal vegetable, house breads and butter, dessert, coffee and tea. The cost for the meal is only \$20. Social time will begin at 5:30 p.m with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

### Saturday's menu

The menu for Saturday's lunches promises to be a delicious meal. Served buffet-style, it will offer swiss steak, fried chicken, garden salad, fresh fruit, seasonal vegetables, mashed potatoes, bread, butter, dessert, coffee and tea.

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## REGISTRATION FORM

### 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL LIONS CONFERENCE

(Each Attendee Must Complete a Separate Form)

**PRE-REGISTRATIONS \$40.00**

**PRE-REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 12, 2019**

**REGISTRATION PRICE INCLUDES THE 2019 COMMEMORATIVE SOUVENIR CONFERENCE PIN, AND THE BUFFET LUNCH.**

**TO GUARANTEE MEAL AVAILABILITY, REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>.**

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** Cancellations must be received prior to January 1st to receive a refund. Cancellations requested after that date will not receive any refund. Refunds will not be granted because of the weather.

**REGISTRATION AFTER DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> AND ON-SITE REGISTRATION \$ 45.00**

Seminars will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

**Send registrations early to assure getting the Seminars of your choice.**

**PLEASE SEND COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM AND CORRECT REMITTANCE TO:**  
**Lion Katherine Holtzleiter, 108 Canterbury Court, Anderson, Indiana 46012**  
**E-Mail Address: kathholtz@yahoo.com Phone: (765) 620-0085**  
**Make Checks Payable to: Indiana Lions Conference**  
**OR**

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**Signature: \_\_\_\_\_**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS: \_\_\_\_\_**

**( ) This is my first Mid-Winter Conference. I was encouraged to attend by \_\_\_\_\_**

**Registration: ( ) \$40.00 early-bird; ( ) \$45.00 regular; ( ) \$20 Friday Night Dinner = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Review the Seminars offered and note the session time (below) each seminar will be offered.  
Please circle your selections for each session to help us plan sufficient seating and handouts for all attendees.

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