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### Leadership is responsibility

A new Lions Year has begun in Lionism. New leaders have stepped forward and continue offer service to their fellow citizens in their community as Club leaders, in their District, throughout the world as well.

With leadership, comes responsibility to your Club, to your District, to the World of Lionism. It is said that our world is getting smaller, of course not physically, but travel has been reduced to hours anywhere in the world and communications that can transmit information in minutes most anywhere in the world. Our neighbors are worldwide today.

Lions Club International has become the largest "service" organization in the world because of caring persons in all levels of leadership in Lions. Club officers start the process by sharing information with other Clubs, by sharing with District Officers and by sharing with LCI as well. Go forward to make a difference in the lives of all you meets.

There are upcoming events that Lions from throughout Indiana need to support whenever they can.

Sunday, Sept. 15, is the annual ISBVI Brian's Trike Race and Disc Golf Event. This is truly a fun time for all and raising money for the students at ISBVI. Lions should consider sponsoring a team for either or both events. Registration forms are on their website as well as in many District newsletters

USA/Canada Forum is an opportunity to gain skills in leadership and many other educational areas for Lions to continue to grow. It is being held in Spokane, Wash., Sept. 19-21. They are still accepting reservations so it is not too late to make the trip.

Friday and Saturday, Jan. 10 and 11, will be Mid-Winter Conference, which is being held again at The Crown Plaza Hotel on the west side of Indy just off of I-465 on Sam Jones Road. Plans are being made and the committee is looking for suggestions on topics that would be of interest.

The committee is considering involving Lions in a possible project for Friday evening and we will need many Lions to make this a true success. More information will be coming as plans come to fruition. This is a true opportunity to help select subjects that matter to you as a Lion. Contact Dave PCC Eisen at d.eisen01@yahoo.com with your suggestions.

On Sunday evening, Jan. 12, will be the opening ceremonies for the Special Olympics Winter Games, which is the third year that Lions of Indiana have helped sponsor these games with the awards being presented on Tuesday, Jan. 14. This is a great opportunity for Lions to serve and meet those who have struggles in life but are determined to enjoy the winter sports even here in Indiana.

Come and enjoy the Winter Games and enjoy Indiana's Winter Wonderland at Perfect North Ski Resort. I challenge all of our District Governors to have a District wide fundraiser to help meet the \$1,500 challenge for each District.

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Dr. William Perry Woods (May 20, 1877-Jan. 28, 1966) An Evansville surgeon, Dr. Woods files Articles of incorporation with the Indiana Secretary of State on Oct. 25. 1916 for the International Association of Lions Clubs. As Founder, Dr. Woods was elected international President at the first Lions International Convention in Dallas, TX in Oct. 1917. Lions rated their Centennial in 2017.

W.P. WOODS MARKER - Past District Governor Vern Tincher, Indiana's Centennial Chair, pulls the cover off the W P. Woods memorial marker. It is located just outside the fence at the Evansville cemey and directly 100 feet from where Woods is buried.

The man in the insert is Will (William) Deem, grandson of W. P. Woods, the first President of Lions Clubs International. Deem expressed his thanks to the Lions of Indiana.

Deem was impressed that there were Lions from Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, Logansport, Evansville and Petersburg there. (Additional photos on page 4)

### Conference plans underway

State Leadership Chair PCC Dave Eisen is urging all Lions of Indiana to be sure to put the Jan. 10-11.





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PARADE DELEGATION — Indiana Lions who marched in the International Parade in Milan are shown with the banner as they posed for a photo prior to marching in the parade.

2020, Mid-Winter Conference on their calendars. He said, "We are planning another great event with exhibitors, a service project, and seminars. We'll be meeting at the Crowne Plaza Airport, just as we did in January 2019, but hopefully without the snow. We have some seminars already scheduled, but we have left space to get your ideas on what sem-

inar topics you would like to see presented. Let's make this YOUR Mid-Winter Conference. Get your ideas to us no later than Aug. 18 if possible. Contact me at d.eisen01@yahoo.com or Paul Russell at pdrussell@gmail.com.'

Since the move to the Crowne Plaza, there is no need for Lions attending the Friday night banquet and staying over for the Saturday conference to move their



vehicles. Everything will take place at the hotel.

Again, thee will be no two-hour workshops. There will be a number of door prizes, including a registration and Friday night hotel for the 2021 conference and a registration for the conference. Watch the October issue of The Hoosier Lion for more details and a registration form and check the Conference's Facebook page for

updates.

### We are making a difference – One kindness at a time

Two years have passed for my time on the Lions Clubs International Board of Directors. The years went quickly but the experiences will last a lifetime. It is very inspiring to get to know so many great Lions around the world who really care about the needs of others.

WE ARE MAKING A DIFFER-ENCE - ONE KINDNESS AT A TIME!

The secret to our success is working together. It's a team effort. We need to communicate with each other as well as interact with each other - not looking for small mistakes along the way but embracing each other for all that we do.

The past Prime Minister of England Tony Blair was our keynote speaker at this past International Convention. To paraphrase his statement: We are very lucky to have the opportunity each day to do something kind in someone's

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# The passion to serve

By GOV. MITCHELL SEMANS

It has begun! A lot has happened in July, starting with the International Convention in Milan. Milan was beautiful and the architecture was amazing and then there was the Convention. PDG Charlie Short from 25-C put on a great seminar presentation, there was some great entertainment and the inspirational messages from

our leaders were very motivating.

We have some great International Conventions planned for the next several years and I encourage everyone to take advantage of these great opportunities.

The first task on my list when I returned was to ensure that First VDG candidate Will Farrellbegg was duly elected in a special Cabinet Meeting. I am very proud to welcome him to his new role.

MD 25 had our first Council of Governors meeting on July 26-27 at the beautiful Lindenwood Conference and Retreat on the Ancilla College campus. These meetings allow the District Governors to find out what's going on with

### Welcome new Lions

East Chicago Evening- Anthony Campos — Sponsor: Arcides Santiago

Hamlet — Amanda Schwenk — Sponsor: Mitch Semans

Merrillville -Romayne R. Rozelle - Sponsor: Carol Rozelle South Haven - Ann Marie Nelson — Sponsor: Jason Kegebein

GOV. MITCH AND WENDY SEMANS

the Lions on an international and state level so that we can pass that information along to our District and Club levels. One of the items is "ALLI", Advanced Lions Leadership Institute, which is scheduled for Nov. 9-11 in Chicago. This is an amazing opportunity for training not only for Lions but for your personal and professional life as well. If you are interested, please contact me.

We have all our committee reports as well as the State Projects and Foundations.

And then we followed that meeting up with "Banner Night." I would like to take some time and thank all of the Lions, friends and family who made my Banner Night a success.

The Hamlet Lions Club put together a committee headed up by Hamlet Treasurer Heather Cecrle, Wendy Semans, Larry Jernas, Diann Henry, Rex, Miller, Bryan Cecrle and CT Tiffany Nagai. A special thanks to PDG Dick Silveira and PDG Barbara Toosley for all their input and participation, and to all the other Hamlet members who showed up and participated.

Another special thanks to everyone who donated to the silent auction and those Lions who have amazing talents

Doug and Kelli Denton and their band Night Shift, who are all Monterey Lions. Laurie Haussman from Lake Station Lions for making the incredible cake and Don Grott from Mill Creek for donating two amazing original paintings.

We have fantastic Lions in our District who have amazing talents. Thank you for sharing those talents

I said it at Banner Night, and I'll say it again: "Our District of 25-A is the only District in Indiana to have two years in a row of positive membership growth". Our PDGs have worked their tails off to put us in this position with great momentum. We need to continue to grow our members by increasing our service activity because we are the District that will lead MD 25.

It all starts by caring and having the passion to serve. I look forward to working with all of you and building relationships that will create positive outcomes for our communities.

May the Lions be with you and God Bless.

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First VDG's Words

I am honored and excited to serve you as First Vice District Governor. Firstly I would like to thank Lion Allen Mushett, who has stepped down, for his work as Second Vice District Governor last year and wish him all the best in the future.

I have been a member of Lowell Lions for seven years and served as Club President 2017-18 and as Zone 1B chairperson 2018-19.

I served in the British Army for 11 years and worked in the water industry in Scotland for many years. I married my wife, Martha, in 2005 when I came to the USA from my native Scotland. I am now retired after working as a salesperson for Bosak Auto Group.

At present I also serve as an elected official for

### Banner Night

The Lions of 25A and MD25 celebrated with DG Mitch at his Banner Night on July 27th.



CAKE FOR GOV. MITCH



FIRST VDG WILL AND MARTHA FARRELLBERG

Lowell Town Council.

I look forward to working with DG Mitch and all the Lions in the District.



TINCHERS ATTEND - PIP Linda and PDG Vern Tincher are shown with PDG Margaret Verkuilen at Banner Night.

### Indian Harbor - East Chicago CPR Classes The Indi-



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rest, thereby increasing that person's chance of surviving until first responders arrive on the scene. Upon completion of the

four-hour course and passing a test, the graduates receive a twoyear certification BLS CPR card from the AHA.

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### (Continued from page 1) life, not only for our communities but for each other. At the end of the day when I lay my head on my pillow I thank God for the opportunity to be serve mankind.

The International Convention was great with interesting seminars, top of the line entertainment and one of our own Indiana Lions was asked to present a seminar on Membership. It was well presented, well attended and many Lions stayed after to ask Congratulations to questions. PDG Charlie Short from 25-C for a job well-done.

Congratulations to Dr. Denis Mukwege from east Congo on receiving the Lions Clubs International Humanitarian Award. He has become the world's leading specialist in the treatment of wartime sexual violence and a global campaigner against the

use of rape as a weapon of war. It is always wonderful to see so many great Lions from around the world participating in our International Parade. It was extremely hot but that did not keep thousands of Lions marching celebrating their countries, their states and customs.

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ciation's Basic Life Support

CPR class can administer CPR to

a person experiencing cardiac ar-

It may appear that I am partial to MD 25 but you always present yourselves as first-class Lions. I think we as Lions from Indiana are always well received by the spectators. My sincere congratulations to all the parade participants.

International Our Board received a report from the North America Membership Initiative from our Second VP Brian Shee-Nine different Districts han. from nine different states have been chosen for this study of membership growth. These Dis-

tricts have made progress in membership growth in spite of the negative growth total of Constitutional Area 1. Information about this growth will be reported at a later date.

It was suggested for all of our Clubs to have a membership drive at least twice a year. Showcase the Club and your service activities for your community and invite people to participate to see what we are all about.

Congratulations to Campaign 100. It was reported that we have already raised \$110 million from our goal of \$300 million and we hope to stay on track for the next two years to raise funds for our Foundation.

Again I would like to congratulate our Council of Governors for 2019-20 and wish you a successful year. We would also like to extend our congratulations of the elections of Dr. Jung Yul Choi as International President, Judge Haynes Townsend as First International Vice President, Brian Sheehan as Second International Vice President and Dr. Patti Hill from Canada for being elected as our Third Vice President of Lions Clubs International. Congratulations to our Lions from Africa for becoming their own Constitutional Area.

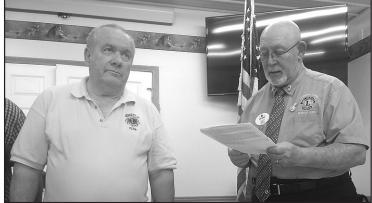
I wish everyone a wonderful summer.





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#### HOOSIER LION - AUGUST 2019



NEW PRESIDENT — District Governor Terry Marker is shown installing Lion Glenn Fisher as President of the Andrews Lions Club.

# Diversity

#### By GOV. TERRY MARKER

It seems like summer just started a few days ago and now it is almost over. The District Governors spent the last year preparing and then were off to Milan, Italy, to be sworn in. Now they are back home ready to serve their District, their State and Lions Clubs International.

We got to experience the diversity of Lions in Milan. International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi's theme is WE SERVE. But underlying that is this, "bridging differences connecting people and embracing diversity to cre-

OFFICERS INSTALLED, The Howe Lions Club, installs new officers for 2019-20. District Governor Terry Marker was in Howe on July 10 to do the job. Pictured from left iare Jim Parker, Ralph Abston, Rofer Fenstermaker, new President Robert Knowlton and District Governor Marker. For information on the Howe Lions Club, call Jeff Schrader at (260) 562-3367.



NEW MEMBER — Howe Lions Club installed a new member July 10. District Governor Terry Marker of Albion is shown on the left. He inducted Jamie Farnsworth, center, of Howe into the Howe Lions Club. Lion Dave Gunter, right, is the sponsor. ate harmony for all." (Dr. Choi) Or simply put "Greater Good Through Diversity" (Dr. Choi).

So how do we accomplish that? We live in this wonderful country that is call the USA. A nation that is made up of diverse cultures. We serve our communities that are changing and we believe are becoming more diverse, but I think that is probably what our grandparents thought. Look around you and open your eyes and see the melting pot that America is. It is also an opportunity to serve as Lions.

It might be in schools where Lions meet student of different nations, or the opportunity to serve a family that needs some understanding and someone to come along side of them.

We see diversity even in our local festivals. Two that stand out for me is Spencerville's Pickle Festival, and Wolf Lake's Onion Festival. Each celebrating something that was or is a big part of their heritage. If you think about it there are many more that you can name. But it celebrates a diversity of the locality and the people. Something that is forever changing.

On Dr. Choi's web page you find this: THE MANY WAYS WE SERVE

Strengthening membership through diversity.

Expanding service impact globally.

Supporting our global foundation, LCIF.

Empowering every Lion as a leader.

How will Lions serve through diversity in this 21st century? Only you the Lions of Indiana can write that story as we search for new ways to serve our community, our state, and the world.

We can do it, but it may require us to do something most of us hate to do - CHANGE. I found two acronyms for CHANGE - "Christ Has A New Goal Envisioned" or "Communities Helping All Neighbors Gain Empowerment." You choose which one to help guide you TO SERVE. EXPLAINING HIS PIN — District Governor Terry Marker explaining what his Governor's pin means; as his first official visit to the Andrews Lions Club.



### Project school sight

School is back in session. The summer break has gone quickly. With the start of school comes the start of another vision screening season. Both Operation Kid- Sight and Project School Sight teams are excited to provide screening to more children and provid- ed the needed support to their families.

Have you wondered what is involved with a screening team? There will be two training sessions for volunteers. This is an opportunity to learn about the different roles needed and how you can make a difference in the life of a child.

Join us at either of these two locations:

Aug. 8 – 6 p.m. Waterloo United Methodist Church

300 W. Maple St. Waterloo Aug. 15 - 6 p.m. Ossian Public Library

207 N. Jefferson St. Ossian

Last year more than 9,000 school children were screened. Please join us as we strive for 10,000.

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## Leadership is-



GOVERNORS CARRY BANNERS — Indiana's District Governors and others are shown carrying the Indiana Lions banner during the International Convention parade in Milan, Italy, in July. (Continued from page 1) I know this is early but please put on your calendars the dates of our Lions State Convention which will be in Bloomington on April 24-26. PIP Bob Corlew will be our Keynote speaker at the Saturday Night Banquet. Please remember as you go through life, be safe in your travels, be a blessing to all, cherish your loved ones, and celebrate the many blessings that we enjoy in this country.

Bite'em!!!!







### 'Feeding the World through Service'

#### By GOV. TOM ROBBINS

We have just concluded the Lions International Convention and My first District C Cabinet meeting. The International Convention, held in Milan Italy, was fun and exciting! It was great to hear final comments from International President Gudrun Yngvadottir and energizing to hear comments from Incoming International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi. Besides the fun, we had a wonderful time meeting other Lions from around the world and understanding some of the service projects they undertake.

Guess what? Many of the things are very much like our own activities and their interpretation of SERVICE is the same as ours. Different languages, different cultures and helpful people, that's LIONS around the world.

Closer to home, our first District Meeting was very well attended, and all six Zone Chairs were there, ready for the business of helping our Clubs GROW and SERVE.

I'd like to take the balance of this memo to introduce you to the people who have stepped forward into leadership positions for your District:

First VDG Jim Query, Spencer Lions; Second VDG Jim Roth, Battle Ground Lions; IPDG Doug Young America Eversole. Lions; Cabinet Secretary Charlotte Query, Spencer Lions; Cabinet Treasurer Karen McKellar, Zionsville Lions.

Zone Chairs: No. 1 Jim Roth, Battleground, No. 2 Paul Scheetz, Lucerne Lions, No. 3 Owen Matz, Frankfort Lions, No. 4 Tom Iles, Plainfield Lions, No. 5 Patti Foxx, Brazil Lions, No. 6 Larry Ridge, Prairie Creek Lions.

LCIF coordinator C/T Karen McKellar, Zionsville Lions; Global Action Team, DG Tom Robbins, Zionsville Lions; Global Leadership Team, PCC Ross Drapalik, Martinsville Noon Global Membership PDG Charles Short Lions; Team, Lafayette Lions; Global Service Team, Jim Query Spencer Lions.

Many other District C Lions have taken a leadership role in being District Committee Chairs and many are State Committee Chairs as well.

All Club members need to know that we have an outstanding team of folks who are ready, willing and able to provide you with support to accomplish your Club's goals. Our contact information is in the District Directory that will be delivered to every Club President and Secretary, and our only task is to help you and your Club. I am delighted to have the

opportunity to lead this team.

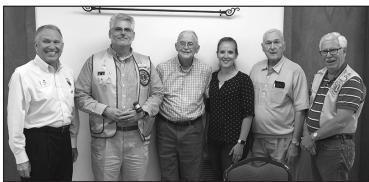
**THANKS** — President **Tom Schultz presented** a plaque to fellow member Nancy Jonas, from the Poland Community Lions, to recognize and thank her for donating the former bank building as a new Club house for the membership. Jonas generously purchased and donated the building for the meetings and activities of the Club. The plaque will hang on the newly remodeled walls of the Lions' Den.

GUEST SPEAK-ER — Zionsville Lions Club had a fascinating guest speaker, Dr Randy Harris, PhD. Dr Harris talked about his involvement of developing a program to train Astronauts like Neil Armstrong & Buzz Aldrin, and many others. Dr Harris' areas of research included the Lunar landing, flying and weightless walking, flight test research and manned simulator development as well as other areas of research that benefited general aviation.





He is a Purdue graduate of Aeronautical Engineering and received his PhD from the Medical College of Virginia. He and his wife Bobbi



**INSTALLATION — Plainfield Lions Club Installation of Officers** and Board Members was held recently. From left, are DG Tom Robbins, President Worth Donaldson, Treasurer Gene Young, Board Members Amberlee Wulfenstein, Wayne Carter and Secretary Tom Iles.



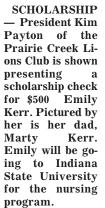
DINNER PROVIDED - Zionsville Lions Club held a dinner for the Miss Indiana State Pageant contestants and executive board. Plus arrange 68 convertibles and drivers. The Club also provides 40 ushers and ticket checkers for the four days of the preliminaries and finals, serving over 5,000 guest .

Shown are the Friday Night Ushers and ticket takers at Miss Indiana State Pageant.

DEER RESCUE - During a recent parkrun event, a fawn was found alongside a path. It was rescued by two runners (vets) and taken to rescue shelter. The fawn survived.



MAKING IT OFFI-CIAL —The removal of the blue elect ribbon at The Lions International Convention in Milan. Italy.







live in Indianapolis.





# You are the vital link

#### By GOV. DAN WILCOX

The 2019-20 Lions year has started at full speed. The seven MD 25 District Governors along with hundreds of others were installed at the 102nd Lions Clubs International Convention in Milan, Italy. It successfully closed on July 9 with the election of our new International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi. District Governor Dan and Lion Tammy returned home safely with many stories to tell, and have hit the ground running.

District Governor Dan's theme

CERTIFICATE -**PID** Nick presented Certificates of Appreciation to PDG Steve Holtzleiter for his work with the Winter **Special Olympics held** in Indiana and Lion Katherine Holtzleiter, shown above with PID Nick, for her commitment to raise Leader Dog puppies.



for this year is You Are the Vital Link. Ensure that your Lions Club has scheduled the District Governor to a Club meeting to hear more about your vital role, and the District's and Lions Clubs International's focus for this year. Each of you is a key link in the chain for the future success of Lions.

On Monday, July 29, at the Westfield Lions Club den, the first of four District Wide Meetings was held. There was a great turnout of over 65 attendees. A lot of important information for

improving service by your Club was shared. Make plans now to attend the next District Wide Meeting on Oct. 29 at the Tipton Lions Club. This will be a fun meeting. More information will come to you soon.

The District newsletter editor for this Lions year is Past District Governor Mark Anderson. He is distributing the newsletter monthly on or before the first day of the month. If you are not receiving a copy and would like to, send an email request to lionsdistrict-25d@googlegroups.com.

Are you familiar with the Lions Club? Seven simple words that your District's Global Membership Chair Tom Lorson uses as an opening line to potential members. Use it everywhere. You might be surprised who might just want to know more. The District added 14 new members the month of July.

Generate excitement and energy in District 25-D by adding new voices, who can add new input and new ideas into your Lions Clubs. The energy will be impossible to contain. The increased service opportunities will open more doors to ensure the future success of Lions Clubs.



CABINET MEETING — The first Cabinet Âeeting for District 25-D was held at the Westfield Lions Club on July 29. Lions were treated to a BBQ dinner. A total of 65 Lions were in attendance. Clubs from around the District were well represented. In addition to the usual business of minutes and treasurer's reports and budget approvals DG Dan shared his vision and goals for the upcoming Lions year. District Tail Twister Mark Albright made sure everyone got acquainted by passing around the microphone for every Lion to say their name and club affiliation as they paid their fine. Tail Twister proceeds went to support of the Heart and Soul clinic whose own fundraiser had met with difficulty.



**BUDDY BENCHES** — Anderson Noon Lions Club received a Indiana Lions Foundation matching grant to purchase Buddy Benches for Anderson Elementary Schools. The students collected plastic bottle caps that were recycled into benches. Pictured is Past District Governor Steve Holtzleiter.

What is a Buddy Bench, you ask? Children can decide to sit on a Buddy Bench during playtime, which signals to other children that they would like someone to talk to or play with. It's a piece of playground furniture that has the power to promote inclusion and empathy.



TRASH PICK UP - As part of the City of Westfield's "Trail Ambassador" program. The Westfield Lions picked up trash along Union Street from SR 32 to Cool Creek Park (approximately 1.5 miles). Affectionately known by the Westfield Lions as "The Ecology Tour," they were able to collect about 25-30 pounds of trash. They have found that Lion participation improves when free coffee and donuts are provided prior to the work being done. It helped get quite a few Lions out there (including our illustrious DG Dan Wilcox!). Other clubs take note! Lions, from left, are Mark Albright, Jan Skinner, Tammy Wilcox, "Donut" Dan Wilcox, Larry Clarino, Mike Birk and Don Russel.



FISHIN' FOR LIFE — Immediate Past District Governor Isabel Atcheson, second from right in front and Lion Kassie Lemons, to her right, participated in District 25A's Fishin' for Life event. It is a fishing event for those who are blind or with low vision. Lion Kassie thanks the Lions of 25-D for contributing paints and brushes for crafts. The kids and a few adults enjoyed painting on canvas and lenses for the Lions to sell to continue to do the events each year.



Application for W.P. Woods Fellowship



## Leader Dog PRAC

Leader Dog Trustee PCC Jeff Schafer, is now a member serving on the Leader Dog for the Blind Puppy Raiser Advisory Council . This is a two -year appointment and members consist of puppy raisers throughout the U.S. and staff personnel at Leader Dog. They meet once per quarter to discuss issue/concerns/projects for Puppy Raisers and Breeding Host Families.

Any Lion with a question or concern may contact PCC Schafer at jeff.schafer1@comcast.net



PCC JEFF SCHAFER

#### Allow 14 days for processing

The undersigned Lions Club or Lion in good standing does hereby submit the name of for a W.P Woods Fellowship. The following is a summary of nominee's contribution to the principles of Lionism

W.P Woods Fellowship Plate with Stand (\$500 or 10 credits

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City, State, Postal code

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Sevmour. IN. 47274

812-522-1395 or email to

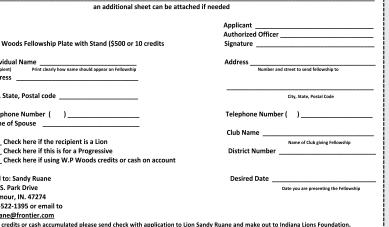
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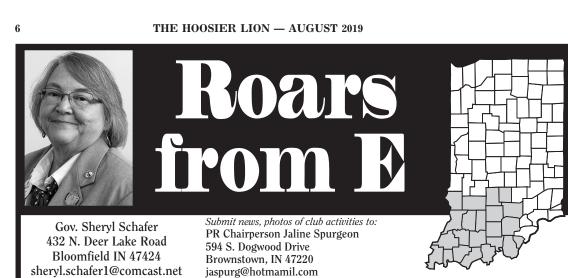
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Print clearly how name should appear on Fellowship



**NEW PLATE** — The Indiana Lions Foundation has a new Fellowship that just came out this Lions vear. It is an eightinch round plate that is pewter. It comes with a stand to display it. The cost is \$500 or 10 credits. which is the same as the original desk plaque.

If no credits or cash accumulated please send check with application to Lion Sandy Ruane and make out to Indiana Lions Foundation



# 'Lions Can Do It'

#### By GOV. SHERYL SCHAFER

"Lions Can Do It." We are doing it and I am so proud of everything you are doing this summer! There has been so many summer

CHECK FOR LI-BRARY . Brownstown Lions Treasurer, Mary Ann McMahan, presents a check to Children's Librarian Michelle Owens for the **Brownstown Library's** summer reading program. The Brownstown Lions have supported this program for over 15 years.

OFFICERS INSTALLED - PDG Robert Kamman, Seymour Evening Lions, installed the officers for the Brownstown Lions.

Shown, from left, are Treasurer Mary Ann McMahan, Secretary John Spurgeon, President Jaline Spurgeon and PDG Kamman. Unavilable for the pic-

INTERNA-TIONAL PRE-SIENT'S AWARD PDG Ron Edwards, Bedford Evening Lions, presents PDG Frank Ruane, Seymour Noon Lions, the International President's Award.



fundraisers and projects going on throughout the District. Various food booths, a tractor show with a vendor market, a rod run, pig in the park, spud launch and a golf scramble to name a few

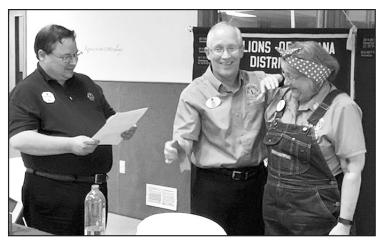


The Lions have also given support toward a summer reading program; a school bash, which fed 200 kids; many Lions collected school supplies and many Lions also did some vision screenings at their county fairs. We are off to a good start and I "Thank You" District 25-E for your community service.

From Childhood Cancer information found on Lion's Club International's Website. The next generation's ability to thrive is closely tied to the supports of the local community. Lions and Leos have seen and felt the effects of cancer on children and their families and continue to bring hope through tangible service and support. The family is a nucleus around which most communities are built. Some Childhood Cancer facts are: a child is diagnosed with cancer every two minutes; there has been a 13 % increase in incidence of childhood cancer over the last 20 years; 6 years is the average age at diagnosis of children with cancer; and 90% of childhood cancer deaths occur in low resource settings. LCI's Strategic Objective is to help those affected by childhood cancer survive and thrive.

As we start making plans for the new Lion Year I would like us to focus some of our efforts toward those affected by childhood cancer. See what your community needs are. There is a District in Indiana who sent two kids with cancer to a Summer Camp. There are children who sit in rooms to receive their chemotherapy and there is nothing for them to do. They may sit there for hours so maybe your Lion's Club could go read to them, do a puppet shows or show movies. Maybe the Lions can create support group for the families. Remember, where there is a need, there is a Lion!

I have confidence that the Lions of District 25-E will put some plans together to support Childhood Cancer. Lions Can Do It!



NEW GOVERNOR - PCC Jeff Schafer removes blue ribbon from newly anointed District Governor Sheryl Schafer's pin as PCC Keith Thomas concludes the DG Oath of Office.

W.P. WOODS FELLOW DG Sheryl Schafer, ac companied by her husband, PCC Jeff Schafer, receives the W.P. Woods Fellowship, presented by Lion Erica Thomas. Indiana Lions



Foundation Vice President.



TORCH IS PASSED — A symbolic passing of the torch as Immediate Past District Governor Ron Edwards shakes hands with DG Sheryl Schafer while First VDG Kenny Williams, second-left, and PCC Jeff Schafer smile approvingly.

ENVIRON-**MENT PROJECT** - Members of the **French Lick-west Baden Lions Club** pose under an IN-DOT Adopt-a-Highway signs after a highway 145 cleanup project south of French Lick. The project, along with a net increase in membership, helped the club qualify for the 2019 Club Excellence Award.

From left, are Lion Judy Wal-ters, Willard Jim Owen. Springer and Club President Bill Willis.



### **Great PR**

Brian's Trike



BRIAN'S TRIKE RACE & DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT

The digital world offers great opportunity to promote your Lions Club.

If your Lions Club has a Website, Twitter or Facebook page make sure it's well written, welledited and easy to navigate. Photos need to be clear and show action. Videos should be no more than three minutes long.

People want to know what you are doing. It's great PR.

> Donate Your Used Hearing Aids

**Race and Disc** Golf Tournament September 15

Please help the children at the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired by participating in Brian's Trike Race. Relay race your team of four against in a single elimination race for fun and fundraising! This year also sees the additional of a new event. Disc Golf! More information is available at www.inlionsforisbvi.org. Students will receive 4 hours service credit.

Each Trike team member will receive a race tshirt. Additional shirts and Disc Golf discs available to purchase.

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# A new year

#### By GOV. DON MULLEN

Well, it's a new year and by the time you read this article article I will have returned from the International Convention. Those of you who were able to attend represented District 25-F and the Sate with dignity and Hoosier Pride.

Before going further, I would like to congratulate PDG Ron Bigham for his terrific year as District Governor. He certainly set the bar high with all his accomplishments and leadership. It will be hard to duplicate.

I would also like to congratulate Ron for being elected Council Chair for this Lions year. MD 25 is in terrific hands. I would like to commend PDG Dennis Brown of District 25-A and PDG Al Arnold of 25-B for stepping up to run for Council Chair also. Your willingness to do so made for a competitive race and tough decision.

As we move forward into the new year, we also are excited about the high level of service that each of you, as Clubs and individual Lions will be doing in your communities. As each of your Clubs sets its goals, we encourage you to conduct and report more activities that serve more people than ever before. We would say it just takes dedication, but dedication has never been the issue with Lions. It will, however, take planning, promotion and expectation for your Clubs to reach new heights in providing

service to your communities. One of the axioms your Leader-

ship Team will be using is to communicate openly.As a matter of fact, the three words we will use to operate are communicate, communicate and communicate. As indicated in several Newsletter articles, we want to hear from you. You will have a safe and nonjudgemental environment in which you can express your concerns, criticism, ideas and questions. Rest assured we will listen and we will hear.

Part of this communication environment is the reporting of MMRs and Activities to LCI. This is important not because anyone says it is. It is important because it tells us how many people we serve locally and worldwide. We are part of a worldwide organization. Sowing organizations we partner with, how active we are and how many people we reach is what allows us to receive support for our activities at all levels of Lionism. The result is we become able to serve and change the lives of more people.

If you are having trouble with the new LCI website, ask for help. If you do not have a computer, we are sure there is someone in your Club who will be more than willing to help if ask. It does not take long to report as it only takes a click to do so. If yu are not sure what an activity is, when you get on the website, simply review the different categories and report the ones you have done. Even a Club meeting can be reported as an activity. Also, if you have no change in your membership from one month to the other, you still need to report by clicking on no change. If needed, just ask for help. For reporting purposes, my challenge to each Club is to report to have 100% participation. We have a great District. Let's show the other Districts how it's done.

There are some things we have historically done that will change as we move forward. Some will be cosmetic, while others will be substantive. Our goal is to communicate the District as every Lion's District. It's not mine. It's not your leadership group or any past leadership groups District. It's your District.

Our goal is to engage more Clubs in the direction the District takes. Our goal is to engage more Clubs and individual Lions who have been less so in the recent past.

To begin implementing our goals, we will not be using the word Cabinet. We will instead use the word District. The purpose of using District is to send a message they are for all Lions members not just District and Club leadership. Therefore, when we have our District Meetings, we challenge and encourage all Lions to attend if they possibly can. These are your meetings. We want everyone involved and contributing. We intend to have a fresh agenda that will involve all Lions who attend these meetings. How we conduct the Fall and

How we conduct the Fall and Winter District Meetings will also



be changed. These meetings will not be business as usual. We do understand there are certain activities that need to take place. We will be sensitive to the fact we need to respect all the work and commitment of the Trustees and Committee Chairs. Therefore we will utilize both oral and written reports, though the manner in which we do this will change.`+-We intend to balance these with a new and different direction. Our meetings will be informative, substantive and interactive involving everyone who attends.

Therefore, for your calendars: — Banner Night is Aug. 24 at the Clermont Clubhouse. The Fall District Meeting is Oct. 12 at Napoleon. The Winter Meeting is Feb. 8 at Richmond. The District Convention with a sitting International Director is March 14 in Indianapolis.

We know change is something no one likes and wants to avoid. However, change is the only thing in life that is inevitable. We need to embrace the change that is taking place in Lions, the recruiting of new people and in volunteerism in general. We struggle year to year to keep from losing people and Clubs. Might this not be a message that we need to evaluate what we are going as we age? Might we not ask ourselves how will we continue our legacy as Lions in our communities?

We perpetuate what we do by replacing ourselves with the next generation of Lions.

Our individual Lions Clubs have a great deal of autonomy to do what they want and what they don't want to do. Our Clubs also have the autonomy to change their paradigm to be progressive in considering new paths to take to assure our growth and continue the impact we have in our communities.

We look forward to serving with you. You have elected me to be the leader of the District. My belief is that leadership is not something that is done to others. It is something that is shared with others. So, we are looking forward to sharing this journey with you. It is a privilege I do not take lightly.



SCHOLARSHIPS — DG Don Mullen. second from left, and Ben Davis Lion and Wayne School Board member Phyllis Lewis, right, awarded scholarships to Mariah Judy and Corbin Lee.



AT CONVENTION — DG Don Mullen and 25-C DG Tom Robbins are shown enjoying the International Convention in Milan, Italy.

\$150.00 by August 16, 2019\*



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Silver Sponsorship - Your organization's name displayed at Brian's What You Receive: Trike Race \$300.00 by August 16, 2019\* All perks of a Silver Sponsorship PLUS: Gold Sponsorship - Your organization's name and/or logo on each of the 250+ T-shirts worn throughout Indiana What You Receive: A one-vear listing on our webpage. Certificate of Appreciation from the Indiana Lions for the ISBVI Exclusive opportunity starting at \$500\* Platinum Sponsorship - Priority name/logo placement based on donation! All benefits of Silver and Gold - Prominent placement on event t-shirts and web What You Receive: page (1-year) By-request exhibit space at the event Additional sponsorship options available by consultation. On-shirt and on-property sponsorship placement to be determined by the Indiana Lions for the ISBVI committee to best group, prioritize, and support the sponsoring organizations and space available.



MELVIN JONES FEL-LOW – **Bob** Uhrich was named a Melvin Jones Fellow during the Grass Creek Lions officers installation night festivities. He is shown with his wife, Judy. Uhrich is treasurer of the Grass Creek Club.



### Host a health fair is District project

On July 5 I was inducted as

your District Governor and my

blue ribbon was pulled by PDG

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sense of history.

Lions.

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I hope everyone is having a great summer, and you are ready to kick off our new year of Lions!.

As you know I am back from the 102nd Lions International Conventions in Milan, Italy. What a beautiful place to visit and see all the incredible buildings. The Duomo di Milano cathedral and Sforza Castle, along with some of the statues in Piazza del Duomo

I N D I A N A FLAGS — This unusual photo of the Indiana Lions flags features two 25-G Lions. Unseen but carrying the United States flag is Martin Van Meter of Grass Creek. The Lion on the left with the Indiana flag PDG **Billy** Chastaine of 25-C and on the right is PDG Paul Russell of Lakeville.



(Main Square) and the Roaring C. Now I am OFFICIAL! We learned how we can help our The training was very helpful to Clubs grow and make some nec-

me as your incoming District essary changes along the way. Governor. The beauty of Milan, The International parade was Italy, was over-whelming at on Saturday, July 6. and includtimes, and all the old buildings ed over 125 countries, all with beautiful and distinctive parade and churches gave me a great

outfits. This was once-in-a-lifetime fun and was it ever hot! It felt just like being here at home with the temperatures in the high 90's and the high humidity. As we walked the parade route, we were cheered and waved to by over 10,000 people!

Over the past several years, we have had District-wide projects that allow each of our Clubs to add a new community event. This year's District-wide project is to host a health fair! I ask that you to work with Clubs within your zones and coordinate a fabulous event that provides vision and diabetes screening, but look to include a blood drive, free mammograms and so much more! Things are in the works to have a September kick-off for the first health fair.

Please contact me at any time if you need help assembling people in your health fair ... we can all make a difference in our communities ... let's do it together!

P.S. Let's fill our District-G page with LOTS of activities from around the District. Be sure and email your pictures to PDG Jeri Seely at jseely@the-papers.com.



PDG WITH DG - PDG Chleo Wevrauch of 25-C with 25-G Governor Mary Klempay.



BROTHERS RECEIVE HONORS -**Milford Lions** Fred and Steve Weisser both recently received honors. At the Club's 75th anniversary in June Steve received a Melvin Jones Fellowship. He is shown in the top photo with Past International President Wayne Madden and then ID Nick Xinopolous.

His brother, Fred, received the Milford Lions Elmer Sorensen Lion of the Year award during the Club's annual scholarship and awards night. The award is presented in memory of long-time Mil-



ford treasurer Elmer Sorensen. Fred is shown with Club Secretary PDG Jeri Seely. An interesting part of the evening Fred was totally surprised until PDG Jeri noted that she and the winner had gone to school together for all 12 years.



FISH FRY - PDG Sam Fryback serves fish to those who attended the July 5 Syracuse Lions Fish Fry. The fry is an annual event and is held in conjunction with a silent auction.





City of Milan and International parade leave lasting memories for Hoosier Lions

