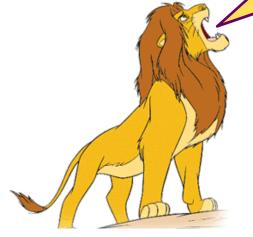
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State: IndianaLions.org

E-mail: indylions@indianalions.org

District: Lions25-D.org

NEW: indianalionsfoundationmd25.org

Lions State Projects

Lions Cancer Control Fund of Indiana, Inc.

http://www.lionscancercontrol.org

Indiana Lions Eye Bank, Inc.

http://www.indianalionseyebank.org

Indiana Lions for Leader Dog, Inc.

http://www.leaderdog.org

Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing, Inc.

http://www.indylionsspeechhearing.org

Indiana Lions for the Indiana School for the Blind & Visually Impaired, Inc.

http://inlionsforisbvi.org

WHAT A GREAT DAY TO BE A LION!

Here we are in December when all have the spirit of Christmas. As I travel around the District I hear wonderful stories of Lions ready to help those in their communities. Lions are feeding families, Lions are preparing gifts for the kids, Lions are busy in the schools screening eyes, Lions are collecting glasses, Lions are cleaning up the parks, Lions are helping the shut-ins and elderly. This is what Lions do - but not just in this wonderful season. Lions are kind and generous people who want to help all year. That's why we work on projects to improve our communities and protect the environment. This is what Lions have been doing for 98 years. And we do this well in District 25-D.

Those 3 words of IP Dr. Yamada, DIGNITY, HARMONY, HUMANITY are what we believe and the way we treat those in our community that we assist. This is our responsibility. Yes, we get tired and we are busy, but that's what Lions do. And we love what we do. We love how it makes us feel. When I decorated the Christmas tree last week at the Marion VA, I felt good knowing that residents and families will enjoy it. When wreaths are laid on Veteran's graves, I feel that I have given respect to someone who fought for my freedom. When the little girl unwraps a baby doll that Lions provided or the boy who shouts out with glee when he sees packages under his tree that Lions helped his family with, or the wonderful dinner that the family was able to enjoy because of the Lions, or the Cheer Plates that are taken to the shut-ins and to the nursing homes, or the warm gloves and scarves that were taken to the homeless shelter, we feel good that we have helped. This is what we do and so much more. We are Lions and we have a common idea: Let's improve our communities. LIONS SERVE!

As I give each and every one of you a special Crane:

I wish you a very happy holiday filled with love and laughter and happiness. You are each very special to me and I am honored to call you friend and fellow Lion, as I join you in a world of service.



DG Betty

Hello again Lions of 25D,

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Lions Year. Just to bring you up to date, I graduated from the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute in Chicago on 11-16-15. The experience was jam packed over the three days and much was learned by over a hundred Lions Leaders from around the world. The lessons focused on the history of Lions Leadership and an emerging paradigm shift in the approach to Lions Leadership, membership and service going into our next 100 years.

LCI President Yamada (Ya'ma'da) has asked all Lions to help reach the Centennial goal of 100 million persons served by 2017 during our Centennial celebration. The goal is to serve 25 million people in each of these four initiatives: youth, hunger, vision and environment.

Please keep your club membership and activity reports up to date and on time. The more new Lions we bring into our membership will help us all to reach the goals, so "Ask One".

Thank you for being a Lion and have a Great Lions Day!

Lion 1VDG Steve Holtzleiter



1 Believe

During the Christmas season you see "I Believe" on Christmas ornaments, cards, pillows, sweatshirts, and even the bottom of your socks. The "I Believe" phrase can mean to believe in the reason for the Christmas season, or to believe in Santa Claus.

But do you realize the phrase "I Believe" can be used throughout the year and for almost any event. You can "believe" in the Easter Bunny, your favorite driver will win the Indy 500 race, your wish will come true when you wish upon a star, or even that you will keep your New Year's Resolutions.

According to the dictionary, **Believe** means....have confidence in, trust, to have faith. Thinking about this, do you also realize it can mean to "Believe" in yourself, your actions, your deeds and what you accept as true or real.

Of course, I "believe" in all that I know and have learned of the stories about Jesus and the meaning of Christmas. I really, really "believe" in Santa! The Christmas season brings out a lot of feelings where if you think about it, you learn a lot about yourself.

I am very active in a lot of organizations in my town of Upland. I "believe" in and support all of them just as if they were the only one I was in. But the organization I truly put first in my life is Lions Club. I "believe" in everything that Lions International does for the people of the world. Lions are very unselfish people when it comes to helping others. I "believe" in helping people no matter if they need a pair of glasses, need help paying a utility bill, need their sidewalk shoveled, need help with some groceries or just need someone to talk to. I think that is what makes it so easy for me to enjoy being a Lion. I truly "believe" in the mission of Lions.

So "believe" in what you are doing. Have faith, confidence and trust that if you do your best, big or small, you will always get the results you want.

So just like the story says....if you "truly Believe", your dreams and wishes will come true, the Star will shine on Christmas Eve for the birth of Jesus, and Santa will come!

2" VDG Cindy

Merry Christmas!



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A 1 -1 -	Carmel L.C.	Jack Orson	Tom Lorson
	Greentown L.C.	Braden Gibson	Donald Winger
66	Matthews L.C.	Ronnie Alston	Harold Biggs
	Matthews L.C.	Stacy Alston	Steve Skiver

LION WHO HAS ENDED HIS SERVICE



DATE	EVENTS TO ATTEND			
	DECEMBER, 2015			
Saturday 6 th	Upland Lions Holiday Buffet – 11:00 to 2:00 p.m.Tables full of delicious food served buffet style. Adults \$8, 10 & under \$4, Adult advanced tickets \$7. Carry-outs available.			
Dec 4, 5, 6	Greentown Lions open the Christmas Lights Display at the fairgrounds. Visit with Santa in the Round Barn and enjoy hot cider and cookies. 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.			
Dec 4,5,11,12	Greentown Lions ring bells for food baskets they deliver on Saturday, December 19th			
Dec 11, 12, 13	Greentown Lions Christmas Lights Display at the fairgrounds. Visit with Santa in the Round Barn and enjoy hot cider & cookies. 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.			
Dec 18 thru 25	Greentown Lions Christmas Lights Display at the fairgrounds. Visit with Santa in the Round Barn and enjoy hot cider & cookies. 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.			
Thursday 31st	New Year's Eve Party – Upland Lions Club			
	<u>JANUARY, 2016</u>			
Saturday 16 th	Hamilton Township L.C Chicken Noodle Dinner 4-7 PM - \$6 person – Center Chapel UMC – 900 W Royerton Rd, Muncie			
Saturday 30th	Ladies Membership Social – Watch for more information in January ROARS			
	<u>FEBRUARY, 2016</u>			
Saturday 20 th	Hamilton Township L.C Pancake Breakfast 8-11 a.m./\$6 person – Center Chapel UMC – 900 W Royerton Rd, Muncie			
Monday 29 th	25-D 3 rd Cabinet Meeting in Lapel Lions Den			
MARCH, 2016				
Saturday 12 th	Albany L. C. Pancake Breakfast			
Saturday 12 th	LCI – 38 th Annual Lions Day with the United Nations in New York City.			
Saturday 19 th	25-D Convention – Officers Club – Military Museum in Anderson			

<u>APRIL, 2016</u>				
Saturday 9 th	Union City Pancake Breakfast			
Saturday 16 th	Hamilton Township L.C Pancake Breakfast 8-11 a.m./\$6 person – Center Chapel UMC – 900 W Royerton Rd, Muncie			
28 th – May 1 st	Indiana Lions State Convention in Shipshewana in the heart of Amish Country, hosted by Lakeville Lions Club and Lions of District 25-G			
<u>MAY, 2016</u>				
Saturday 21st	Hamilton Township L.C Chicken Noodle Dinner 4-7 PM - \$6 person – Center Chapel UMC – 900 W Royerton Rd, Muncie			
Saturday 28 th	Albany Lions 2016 Golf Tournament			
Tuesday 31 st	4 th Cabinet & Awards 6:30 in Union City Lions Den			
JUNE, 2016				
Saturday 18 th	Hamilton Township L.C Pancake Breakfast 8-11 a.m./\$6 person – Center Chapel UMC – 900 W Royerton Rd, Muncie			
24 th – 28th	Lions International Convention, Fukuoka, Japan			
Sept 15 th - 17 th	USA /Canada Forum – Omaha, Nebraska			

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A little help please:

For years the money-making project that the Dunkirk Lions Club has been known for is the "Nickel Pitch". With Dunkirk known for Indiana Glass, Lions always had glass pieces that they could use in this fun carnival type game and they made money to fund their projects. Indiana Glass has been gone for several years and the Lions are now almost out of glass. Lions, as you clean out your extra "stuff" and get it ready for rummage sales, thrift stores, or whatever, save the glass pieces for Dunkirk Lions. Some little boy or girl will take a "treasure" home to his mom and the Dunkirk Lions can continue their history.

















President Lion Rayford Jones 765-768-7839 and Secretary Lion Kent Taylor 765-768-6811

November 22, 2015

Mr. Ron Hinshaw Tipton Lions Club 313 Oak St.

Tipton, IN 46072

Dear Mr. Hinshaw:

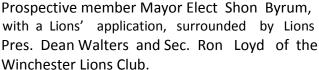
My grandson was recently tested at school for his eyes. You found a problem and suggested that he be seen by an optometrist which his parents did. With the information of your finding at the Lions Club, the optometrist was able to see the problem once his eyes were dilated. The optometrist went or to say that he was very pleased that the Lions Club has state of the art technology. The optometrist said he would have had problems in school, with reading and other things, all of his life if it had not been caught when it was. So, please keep up all the wonderful work that you and the Lions Club do.

Sincerely, Grateful parents and grandparents

Lion Ron Hinshaw, Tipton, shown screening a student's eyes with one type of equipment available for clubs to use. The above letter shows how important this project is for the student. If your club is not taking part in KidSight, please contact Operation KidSight at 317-220 8486. There is no \$\$ cost to the clubs, only time, and no cost to the parents. The Indiana Lions Eye Bank covers all program expenses.









Lion Roy Sneed and Lion Joe Schlegel received chevrons from DG Betty on her official visit to the Dunkirk Lions Club.

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> For new members to be listed in the newsletter, the information must have been sent to International by the MMR deadline so they are official members.

SILENT AUCTION REPORT

The Silent Auction held during the Indiana Lions Conference raised \$1390.00. This year's Silent Auction proceeds were shared by the Students Sharing Hearts Leo Club in 25-B who support us each year, and toward camperships at Indiana Lions Law Camp, John Warvel Diabetes Camp for Children in North Webster, and Indiana Children's Deaf Camp in Milford, Indiana.



Lions Carol Hamilton and Greg Maynard ring bells for the Salvation Army in Marion.



Marion Saint Paul Catholic Parish students love dictionaries so much it becomes a part of them.

The Mission of LCIF

Presented by PDG Gary Ochs Indiana LCIF Multiple District Coordinator

Every day, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) works to fulfill our mission: "To support the efforts of Lions clubs and partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and grants."

Since our founding in 1968 we have strived to sustain Lions' humanitarian service goals throughout the world, awarding over 12,000 grants totaling more than US\$900 million in the four key areas of **sight**, **youth**, **disaster relief and other humanitarian efforts**.

We give sight. LCIF is providing vision for those in need all over the world by combating eye diseases, creating infrastructure to improve eye care delivery, increasing the number of trained eye care professionals and making vision care more equitable and sustainable.

We support youth. All young people deserve to have an education, feel cared for and experience healthy development so they can have the chance to achieve their dreams. Through our positive youth development program, Lions Quest, LCIF is helping children learn to work together, make positive decisions and serve their communities. The Foundation also supports youth through constructing schools, youth centers and vocational training centers.

We provide disaster relief. Lions are often some of the first to arrive at a disaster to provide relief, and Foundation support is right there with them. We help devastated communities survive after disasters and bring hope by assisting in long-term efforts of rebuilding homes and lives.

We address humanitarian needs. From working to combat global health issues such as measles and diabetes to empowering those with disabilities to lead more independent and fulfilling lives, LCIF is dedicated to a range of humanitarian service projects. The Foundation continues to develop and expand programs that meet emerging needs worldwide.

Make sure you and your Lions Club support your foundation LCIF. Please contact LCIF Coordinator PDG Mark Anderson 317-581-8804 (H) for a club presentation.



Above: PCC Steve and Lion Sally Cook at the Diabetes Foundation Dinner.

Right: Lion Katherine Holtzleiter and Nanook make a Leader Dog presentation to the Anderson Noon Lions.







At Winchester Lions Club's OV, president Dean Walters, DG, and 1VDG Steve.

DG Betty's	December Calendar	1 st Sharpsville – OV
3 rd Anderson Noon – OV	5 th Markleville Lions Christmas in Markleville	5 th Council Christmas Party
7 th Russiaville – OV	15 th Pendleton Christmas Party	17 th Hamilton Township - OV





Left: During the Westfield H.S. Leo Club's workday, they cleaned up, cut the grass, raked leaves and did a few other odds and ends at the Heart & Soul Clinic in Westfield. The clinic helps local citizens that may not be able to afford going to the doctor or don't have health insurance. They also recently manned 2 stations at the Cool Creek Haunted Trails event. Each station along the trail had a Halloween theme - the Leos' stations included scary clowns and a zombie dinner. They also passed out candy at the high school's Trunk or Treat event.

Right: the Westfield Lions Club donated 50 stuffed animals and \$200 worth of McDonald's gift cards to each of the Westfield Police Department and Hamilton County Sheriff's Department. The idea is to give the police a simple way to relieve the anxiety and fear that children involved in police/sheriff runs might have. This will give the officers something they can offer kids to help lessen the stress or take their minds off the situation in which they're stuck. The gift cards will be given to kids that may be a little older and past the age of caring about stuffed animals.



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