

# Service project, Helen Keller highlights

A service project and Helen Keller are both highlights for the 2019 Lions Mid Winter Conference set for Jan. 11 and 12 at the Crowne Point Hotel at the Indianapolis Airport.

In working on conference publicity PDG Paul Russell of 25-G noted, "This is an excellent opportunity to learn, share and grow in Lionism."

The committee, under the lead-

ership of PDG Kathy Lozier, is collecting new socks, mittens, gloves, hats and scarves at the conference. These will be divided equally and given to the district governors to take back to their respective districts for distribution to those in need.

The keynote speaker for the day will be Helen Keller (Jessica Michna) who will tell her story and how the Lions became Knights of the Blind.

Everything will be held at the Crowne Point Hotel, located on South High School Road. It's easy to find. Take the Sam Jones Expressway, west off I 465. Go to the stoplight and turn south. The hotel is right there. Lions can stay overnight and can go downstairs for the Friday night banquet and the Saturday conference without moving their cars.

Craig Tornquist will provide

entertainment at the Friday evening banquet.

This year's conference has been restructured with registration beginning at 7 a.m. Vendors and the silent auction will be available from 7 a.m. until 12:30 a.m.

The welcome and opening remarks will be at 8 a.m. with sessions being held at 8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Sessions will be 50 minutes

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## Council Chairperson's Corner


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### We need to reverse the trend

Happy Holidays! I trust everyone had a great Thanksgiving and didn't spend too much on Black Friday and Cyber Monday. The Lions of Indiana have a lot to be thankful for, the biggest being we seem to have slowed the rapid

decline in membership. With some hard work, we can reverse the trend and actually start gaining members. Please contact your District Global Membership person for membership recruit-

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## Nick's Notes

By ID Nick Xinopoulos

### There is good news on the horizon

My Fellow Lions, Membership in our Multiple District is currently at minus 68 members through Dec. 2. I would like to congratulate the one District that is showing a positive membership for the year. I know there is much more work to be done and I am confident that all Districts will be at a plus by the end of this fiscal year. We are doing much better compared to the previous years for this time.

There is good news on the hori-

zon! For Constitutional Area 1, although we still show a negative of 869 members, we are approximately 30 percent better than the year before. Worldwide we have approved 125 Specialty Clubs with 3,063 members as of Nov. 28. There are currently 41 Clubs with 663 members in the application process. The Membership Development Committee is busy every month discussing new Clubs, grants and the women's initiative New Voices.

Our International President encourages us to welcome new members and she also emphasizes doing our best to retain our existing members by including them in all projects and activities. She also emphasizes working with the Leos who are the future of our association and has appointed Leo Kyle from Canada

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### Speech and Hearing serves Hoosiers one ear at a time

By Lion JENNIFER BLANDFORD  
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"Thank you for your efforts to help my mother receive her hearing aids! She has been wearing them for a few weeks, and we joke that there are "no more secrets" around Mom! It is wonderful to see her smiling and joining in the conversations, instead of being anxious and isolated. ..."

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*Season's Greetings*

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## The time to decide is now

By GOV. DENNIS BROWN

Who is going to be the next District Governor of 25-A after Lion VDG Mitchell Semans and Lion Second VDG Allen Mushett? Will it be you? Will it be a male or a female? If you know the answers to these questions, then you must be considering this Leadership opportunity.

The time to decide is now! Your paperwork needs to be in 30 days before the District Convention on March 16, 2019. Will it be your turn?

I have failed you as a District Governor. As of the time I'm writing this, we are down in membership. No matter what I do or say to motivate Lions to add members and watch their drops, we are still down. Maybe it's not me. Maybe it's the GMT. Or all

the members of the Global Action Team.

Who is to blame? In today's society, somebody is always at fault - right? We all are at fault when we fail to add new members and retain the ones we have. If there's something I, as District Governor, or GMT Dick Silvera can do to help you, please let us know before it's too late.

How is your Club doing? No, how is your Club REALLY doing? Take a look at your Club and be honest. Are you firing on all eight cylinders? Or are you sputtering along. Let's get all cylinders firing again. Only you will know what your Club needs. Talk to your members. Find out what can everybody do to help.

Want to know more about your State Projects? Please "ask" one of your Trustees to come to your

Club. Again be careful — you might learn something. But then if anybody asks you about one of our State Projects, you'll be able to answer them intelligently and have the knowledge to promote it to you Club.

Please plan on attending the Mid-Winter conference on Jan. 12, 2019. It's a lot of fun and a good chance to learn something about Lions. Don't be shy — come on down to Indianapolis.

In planning our District Convention, we will be trying new things. I told Lion Mitch that if he likes the changes, then continue using them next year. But if he doesn't, then try something else. Hopefully you will plan on attending. We should show our International Director Lion Ardis Klemish from Adair, Iowa, some good old District 25-A hospitality. Mark your calendars for the Convention on March 16, 2019.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everybody a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

WELCOME — DG Dennis welcomes his new Second VDG Allen at the October Cabinet meeting.



## Allen Mushett, new second VDG

My name is Lion Allen Mushett and I am lucky enough to have been elected as the new Second Vice District Governor of 25-A.

I was born and raised in New Jersey, but I have lived in Rensselaer for 15 years and have been a member of the local Lions Club just as long. I have served in multiple Club positions — presently President — and at the district level, I have served as Zone 4A Chairperson.

It was while I was preparing a Zone Meeting talk about "possibilities" in Lionism — for all of us at all levels — that it dawned on me ... I was actually talking to myself. There it was, a possibil-

ity before me, to grow more informed as a Lion, to help my District as a Lion, to HELP OTHERS as a Lion.

I talked with DG Dennis Brown and First VDG Mitch Semans and the possibility has become a reality. With the mentoring of these two Lions, as well as multiple PDG's, I hope to successfully fill this position.

We, as Lions, accomplish amazing things, at all levels. The unselfish attitude of Lions, the compassion of Lions, the philanthropy of Lions are values in Lions that draw me to do more!!

Thank you District 25A Lions, for your support.



LIONS CLUB PAST — GMT Richard Silveira invokes the spirit of "Lions Clubs Past" in a membership presentation at the 25-A Cabinet Meeting.



PARTICIPANTS OF STRIDES WALK

## Strides Walk held in November

The Strides Walk was held on Saturday Nov. 3 at St. Paul Lutheran Hall in Kouts. The Lions began by promoting Diabetes Awareness — including healthy food choices, dancing with the DJ, an informative video and a Fitbit giveaway. Participants included: District Governor Dennis Brown, IPDG Robin Smith, First VDG Mitch Semans, Secpmd VDG Allan Mushett, Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Barbara Toosley and Diabetes Awareness Chair Carolyn

Toosley, along with many other Lions.

November was Diabetes Awareness month and Nov. 14 was World Diabetes Day. The symbol for World Diabetes Day is a light blue circle, which represents the continuous efforts to find a cure for diabetes. Every 23 seconds someone in the world is diagnosed with diabetes. Please get checked for diabetes as it can be controlled with healthy food choices, portion control, exercise and medication.

## ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED

The Rensselaer Lions Club celebrated 75 Years of Lionism on Saturday, Oct. 20. Lion Steve Anton, Global Membership Team Leader for Constitutional Area 1-C was guest speaker. Lion Steve presents a 50-year membership pin and certificate to Lion Louis DeGroot, a 50-year member; and Lion Arnold Braasch, a 57 year member.



## NEW WATER FOUNTAIN

Winamac Lions Club members are shown at the newly installed water fountain in the Lions Park in Winamac. It was a joint effort of the Lions Club and Winamac Town Board.



CELEBRATING — DG Dennis celebrates with the Monterey Lions at their recent celebration for their 70 years of Serving their community. They had a free dinner and the Nightshift band!!



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## We need to

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ment and retention ideas.

The Council of Governors had their annual Christmas Party on Dec. 1. This year, we all brought in a small toy for Riley's Kids and we filled the back of Past International Director Doug and Past Director Governor Kathy Lozier's SUV. Most of the Council of Governor also attended the Speech and Hearing Annual Holiday Dinner. Speech and Hearing gave out more than \$48,800 in grants and scholarships. Way to go Speech and Hearing!

On Jan. 12, the Lions of Indiana are holding an All-New Mid-Winter Conference at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Everyone should already know about that. This year we have over 15 project/committee tables to distribute information. Follow Indiana

Lions Mid-Winter Conference on Facebook for the latest updates on the Conference.

One of the tables will be the Eye Bank's table promoting the Constitutional Amendment they are requesting. The Eye Banking industry has become increasingly more competitive and the amendment is to help the Eye Bank remain competitive and on the leading edge. Please take time to visit the Eye Bank table and all the other tables to learn more about the amendment and all the other great things the Lions are doing.

Now is the time to start planning to attend the MD-25 State Convention in Fort Wayne on April 26 to 28. This year the Saturday night key note speaker at the State Convention is the First International President from

Iceland, Gudrun Yngvadottir. Gudrun is also the first lady President in Lions. The Convention will be held at the Fort Wayne Grand Wayne Convention Center and the Convention hotel is the Fort Wayne Hilton. The online registration form will be up and running soon. The Convention Committee is currently updating the website at [www.indianalionsconvention.org](http://www.indianalionsconvention.org) so check the site often for more information.

How you considered running for a Trustee position, Club or District office? For a Club office, let your Club nominations committee know you are interested and ask what is involved in the position as in some Clubs the job description may vary. For a non-elected District office, please contact your First Vice

District Governor and discuss the position you are interested in with them. There is a misconception that you have to be a Past District Governor or higher to be a project Trustee. This is simply not true although several of the Trustee positions are filled by Past District Governors. Trustee positions are a great way to prepare yourself for a more active role in the District.

In closing, I would like to stay with my plan to have a State Project featured in each issue of The Hoosier Lion. This month, look for the article about Speech and Hearing. Hopefully everyone enjoyed PDG Rich Hill and Lion Dottie Flack's touching article on Cancer Control back in October. I know I did.

Happy Holidays to you and yours.





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## Things I'm thankful for in 25-B

By GOV. ALAN ARNOLD

As we are in the holiday season now, I can't help but be thankful for a lot of things. Following are the things I am thankful for about the Lions in District 25-B.

I am thankful for the Vision Screening Team. What a fantastic job we have done this year. Under the leadership of PDG Kaylene Souers and Lion Kathy Webb, we have screened over 8,400 students in our second year of School Sight. Last year we did almost 5,000 so we have been able to greatly increase that number. There are several school corporations that we have not worked in yet, maybe next year.

I am thankful for all the Clubs that have donated to LCIF. A District goal that I set was to have 100 percent of the clubs donate. About one-third have at this point. I know a number of clubs do not give contributions until the end of the year, so here's hoping that we still reach that 100 percent.

I am thankful for all the service projects the clubs of our District do. As I have been on my official visits, I have asked each Club to "share a story of service." It is very exciting to hear these stories and to see how the Lions of 25-B touch the lives of people in their communities. Some of these stories include buying a prosthetic eye for the victim of a home invasion, running summer youth league program, dinners for senior citizens, playing games with residents of retirement/nursing homes, and many more. When I hear these stories, I am so proud to belong to an organization such as this.

I am thankful for all the new members that you have brought in so far this year. Even though we are not yet positive for the district (-11 as of Dec. 1), we are very close. So keep up the good work and "Just Ask."

I am thankful for all the Club secretaries who file their membership and service reports on time. We have improved our filing history this year. Last month, there were only five Clubs

that did not file on time. Keep up the good work.

Now as we enter 2019, here are some Lions New Year Resolutions I hope that all Lions would adopt.

Resolution 1: Ever current Lion bring in a new member.

Resolution 2: Every Club makes a donation to LCIF.

Resolution 3: Every Lion make a personal donation to LCIF.

Resolution 4: All Lions participate in their Club's service and

fundraising projects.

Resolution 5: All Clubs have members attend the District and State Conventions.

Resolution 6: All Club secretaries file MMR's and Activity reports by the end of each month.

If every Lion in our District would honor each of these six resolutions, what a fantastic year we would have. So Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and may you be safe and happy throughout this coming year.



**CHECK FOR FOOD BANK** — New Haven Lions Club President James Rorick, right, presents a check for \$500 to Director Tom Kneller of the New Haven Food Bank. The food bank is a vital part in the lives of many residents of the community.



**THREE GENERATIONS** — Cromwell-Kimmell Lions Club celebrates three generations.

Lions District Governor Alan Arnold inducted former Leo Lucas Kreisler into the Cromwell-Kimmell Lions Club on Oct. 1. Shown, from left, are DG Arnold, Lion Mary Kreisler (Lucas' sponsor and grandmother), Lion Lucas Kreisler and Lion Tina Kreisler (Lucas' mother). Lucas joined the West Noble Leo Club at the age of 12. He was inspired to join the Leo and Lions Clubs because of his grandfather, Donald Kreisler, who was also a member of the Cromwell-Kimmell Lions Club.



**AT ADAMS CENTRAL** — This Vision Screen team worked at Adams Central. Seated are Paul Row and Gaye Cash. Standing, from left, are, Pam Arnold, Al Arnold, Kyle Strombeck, Greg Landis, Kaylene Souers and Deb Metzger.



**AT NORWELL** — Lion Deb Metzger is Vision Screening at Norwell.



**AT SOUTH WELLS** — Sherry Kill and Kaylene Souers are Vision Screening at South Wells.



**CHEVRONS PRESENTED** — Lions, from left, Dennis Stoll, Tom Clements and Bob Hudson were presented with chevrons commemorating 15 years of membership in the New Haven Lions Club by Lion President James Rorick.

## There is good news

(Continued from page 1) and Leo Elenora from Italy to sit on the International Board. International President Yngvadottir is also encouraging more women in membership and into leadership roles through the New Voices initiative.

Our last International Board Meeting was held in Ojai, Calif., from Oct. 14-17. IP Yngvadottir, the Executive Officers and the Board of Directors are working hard to make sure our association remains the No. 1 Not-for-Profit organization in the World.

After the Board Meeting many of us joined IP Gudrun and PID Jon Bjarni on a weekend of service in Long Beach. On our way there, we stopped to see the Lions Rose Bowl Parade Float "Rockin' the Vest." This is one big Lion driving one big car with one huge

boom box in the back! The float is ready to be decorated.

Our first service project in Long Beach was to vision screen children at a special school center. Our group listened to the children as they recited their lessons and then we all had the opportunity to screen them using the "Spot" camera. As we were on the bus leaving, it was very moving to see the small children lined up inside the fence waving goodbye.

We then had the opportunity to participate in a Summer Olympics softball tournament with approximately 200 participants from ages 10-40. It was amazing to witness the enthusiasm of the athletes and cheerleaders as they entered the playing field to line up for the opening ceremonies. It was an emotional yet gratifying experience for us

to see how much these athletes put into this game. The local Lions clubs, along with medical students, screened these athletes for vision, hearing and diabetes throughout the day.

It was an honor for me to present PDG Charlie Short with IPIP Naresh Aggarwal's Presidential Medal for marketing and promoting the ideals of Lions Clubs International. He traveled at his own expense not only in Indiana but from California to Florida to Michigan helping Lions to develop a vision screening program. His efforts resulted in developing a Cyber Club and he was instrumental in the Lafayette Lions Club in receiving a grant to purchase a KidSight camera.

We are planning on attending our MD 25 Mid-Winter Conference and hope that we will see you

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there as well. I know that PCC Dave Eisen and his team have worked very hard to put together new and exciting seminars. Lets all participate to make this Mid-Winter Conference a success.

Lion Gretchen and I hope that you stay safe in your holiday travels. We want to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year.





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## Have a blessed Christmas

By GOV. DOUG EVERSOLE

It's the most wonderful time of the year. Several of you can remember the time when a pair of jeans, shirt and a small toy, along with candy, made for a wonderful Christmas. Our parents provided a table setting fit for a king. All food was made from scratch. Time has changed how Christmas and holidays are celebrated. The wonderful time spent with family and friends has never changed. Have a blessed Christmas.

Lions are going about their business feeding the hungry and doing other great projects worldwide in the overall celebration of

Christmas. For over a 100 years, Lions have focused on our local and worldwide community projects.

By the time you read this, one half of my year as your Governor will be history. Here is where we stand on the goals:

100 percent MMR reporting. Thanks to all who have a hand in reporting. Great Job.

100 percent SAR reporting. Again, it takes every one of you to make this happen.

New Officer Training. We completed five training sessions around the District and 83 Lions attended. Thanks to all the Lions who had a part.

Encouraged Clubs and Zone

Chairs to hold Orientation classes.

LCIF donations/Campaign 100 participation is improving. I ask each Club and member to donate. A small donation is a big HELP.

Membership is at 1,500, which is plus 20 from where we started our year. Thanks to all for keeping membership positive.

Work is in progress for a new or branch Club.

Women membership is up 2 percent. An April 13 symposium for women is in the works.

Be sure to review the list of important dates below. Attendance is needed at all Club, District and State Meetings. If you can only come for one day, give us your Saturday to help support Lions. The District and State Committees work hard to provide you a valuable experience.

Let us grow together to provide more hands for service, and this will make your efforts easier. Someone encouraged you to join, so think about returning the favor.

### REMINDER!!

Mark Your Calendar with All the Important Dates Below:

District Cabinet Meetings  
Jan. 19, 2019 Frankfort Lions Club  
April 29, 2019 District Caucus, State Convention

Conventions  
March 1, 2019 District C - Zionsville Municipal Building  
April 26 - 28, 2019 MD 25 State Convention - Fort Wayne  
July 5 - 9, 2019 LCI International Convention - Milan, Italy

Council of Governors Meetings  
Jan. 13, 2019 Indianapolis  
April 26, 2019 Fort Wayne

Other Important Dates  
Our Mid-Winter Conference will be held on Jan. 11 and 12, 2019, at the Indianapolis Airport Crowne Plaza. We need atten

**TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE** — Zionsville's first female Lion, Meg Julian, received her 25-year chevron from DG Doug Eversole.



**FIFTEEN-YEAR CHEVRON** — President Mike Moran congratulates Dr Kevin Spees with his 15-year chevron from DG Doug Eversole.



**HELPING VETS** — The Lafayette Lions participated in "Stand Down" Nov. 3 to help homeless veterans.

### Lafayette Lions are helping vets

On Saturday, Nov. 3, eight members of the Lafayette Lions Club participated in the local community "Stand Down" events from 7:30 a.m. until noon. Such events take place every two years in cities country-wide to support homeless veterans by providing needed food, clothing, medical exams, shots and other basic needs. Close to

200 vets were registered locally.

The Lafayette Lions offered vision screenings and took requests for replacement glasses. In addition, popcorn was provided. Prescription readers were displayed that voiced dosage, restrictions, etc. Information on the availability of such readers was provided.



**ROSE DAY FUNDRAISER** — The Prairie Creek Lions held a Rose Day Fundraiser Oct. 4. They sold 130 dozen roses that were delivered in the Terre Haute area. Shown, from left, are Marvin Mericle, Barbara Mericle, Jolynn Kuhlman, Linda Pearman, Mary Monroe, Kim Payton, Melissa Strole and President Larry Ridge. Not shown are Neil Hunt and Kim Waggoner.



**PEACE POSTER WINNERS** — Shown, from left, are Zionsville Lions Club President Mike Moran; art teacher Ms. Heath; third place Ella Bowman; fourth place Keziah Dobbins; second place Isabel Casciani; and first place Peace Poster winner Lily Lovell; art teacher Ms. Brown; and Lion Martha Pappas the Club's Peace Poster Chair. Lily also won the state contest.

### Plainfield Lions have been busy

The Plainfield Lions Club conducted vision screenings at both La Petite Academy of Avon and Saint Susanna School in Plainfield within the past few weeks. Between the two locations, a total of 60 children were screened with seven referrals.

Emily Smith, a 12-year-old seventh grader at Plainfield Community Middle School won the local competition of the Lions Clubs International Peace Poster

Contest sponsored by the Plainfield Lions Club.

Plainfield Lions Club held its annual Guest Night/Christmas Dinner at the Friends Apartment Home in Plainfield. Two new members were inducted. In addition, Dr. Mary Giesting attended and gave a brief overview of The Imagination Lab and new member Amberlee Wulfenstein spoke about various ways that the Club might increase diabetes awareness in the community.

## Speech and Hearing

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"That is a note from the family of a patient we assisted recently, and it says it all as to why we do what we do," said PDG Melissa Baker, 2018-20 Chair for Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing Inc.

Baker noted the initial efforts of PDG Bill Birk and Lion Wayne Reynolds over four decades ago, when they created a state-wide committee to develop programs and projects for Lions to serve in the area of hearing and speech. From that committee, ILSH was developed and, ultimately, became one Indiana's five official State Projects.

Baker and members of the board are often asked just exactly what it is the project does. "That's a complex answer," laughs Immediate Past Chair Dan Richison.

"In the 1980s, ILSH's first major

project and claim to fame was to assist Dr. Richard T. Miyamoto in his work to acquire FDA approval of the cochlear implant.

"In his career, Miyamoto was successful in promoting the cochlear implant in the U.S. as a surgical procedure to correct hearing loss in patients of all ages.

Prior to his retirement, he personally implanted over 1,500 devices, and the cochlear implant is now in wide-spread use around the world. His relationship with Indiana Lions continues today through his ongoing support of ILSH and as the namesake for the coveted Miyamoto Fellowship.

In the decades since that early beginning, ILSH has expanded its services to include educational

programs, grants and scholarships with a variety of end users, funding for the Riley Children's Hospital Foundation and assisting individuals in the acquisition of affordable hearing aids through the Hearing Aid Loaner Bank and Affordable Hearing Aid Program.

"One of our most interesting accomplishments recently was a funding project for Riley Children's Hospital," Richison explained. "Through grants from LCIF, we helped them buy equipment for their Augmentative and Alternative Communication Assessment Library, which enables them to assist non-verbal patients in communication using, what I can best describe as a collection of very expensive iPads, running very

expensive software. It allows patients to communicate who do not otherwise have the ability for a variety of reasons, including stroke victims."

Baker chimed in, "We're so proud of all this work, but what we most want to promote to our fellow Lions are the Loaner Bank and Affordable Hearing Aid Programs. The scholarships and grants and educational programs are powerful, important ways we are using Club contributions, but providing a hearing aid to someone with hearing loss who cannot otherwise afford it is really why we do what we do, and that is where Lions across the State can get behind us and get involved."

The Hearing Aid Loaner Bank is just that: a library of hearing aids housed at Riley Hospital for the sole purpose of loaning to those in need, with very little cost

to the patient. The hearing aids are collected through recycling efforts of the Clubs, on behalf of ILSH. All functioning behind-the-ear hearing aids received are tested and catalogued by a coordinator at Riley Hospital and then banked for future loans to patients.

"Hearing aids are extremely expensive," Baker explained. "Most insurance plans do not cover the cost of the devices. Some will pay for the testing, but next to none will provide the actual aids...."

"So being able to access hearing aids through the Lions is a tremendous resource to our fellow Hoosiers," Richison added. "To be clear, we will take all the hearing aids the Clubs can collect for us. We don't care if they work or not, we don't care if they're old

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## A Lions Christmas greeting around the bend to 25-D Lions

By GOV. ISABEL ATCHESON

I have been enjoying traveling around the bend to previously unvisited areas of District D. It is great to see so many dedicated Lions and learn about all of the wonderful activities you do. From the Clubs that are making activity reports on MyLCI, I am learning about some interesting service projects and fund raisers. Share your stories.

There are some service projects that many, many Clubs do, such as KidSight and school vision screening, giving dictionaries to third grade students and purchasing eye glasses. I was impressed by the number of Veteran programs that Lions did in November. The Club that gave Popsicles to kindergarten students on their first day of school made me smile. Another Club filled sandbags to provide protec-

tion from flooding. Not as much fun, but certainly helpful.

One of the suggestions from LCI is that each Club comes up with a new service activity. What kind of activity should you choose? What kinds of questions do you need to ask? Of course, a main question is whether it serves a need in the community. If you are trying to recruit some new, younger members, will the service project appeal to them? Do you have the manpower and other resources to successfully host the service project? Finally, do you have members who are enthusiastic about the project?

Besides addressing a need in the community, does a service project have any other benefits? Of course. It is fun to serve together with other Lions, and we get more done while working together. Another benefit is the potential to recruit new members. Perhaps the potential member is invited to help with the service project, or maybe, a conversation with a bystander generated interest in Lions.

Finally, wear your Lion pin and other Lion apparel. Show your PRIDE in being a Lion. I hope to see you around the bend wearing your Lion shirt or pin.



**HALLOWEEN THEME** — The District D second Cabinet meeting was held on Oct. 29 at Pendleton Lions Club. The Halloween theme was well received and all had a “frighteningly” good time.



**AWARD** — The Pendleton Lions Club was recently recognized at the November School Board meeting for its work of screening the eyes of 3,500 children in the South Madison Community Schools this fall. The club was presented with the Community Partnership Award. Pictured are screeners Jeff Cash, Betty Weist, Penny Creger, Lorraine Doty, Dick Creger and Linda Courtier.

### Noblesville Lions H.S. Leos Club helping the homeless

The Noblesville H.S. Leo Club recently prepared backpacks for the homeless in Indianapolis. The Club made up 58 backpacks full of toiletries, hats, gloves, scarves, blankets, coloring books, pencils, snack food and other items.

This was their first service project of the year. Next up will be a can food drive, and buying Christmas for a needy family. The Club is supervised by John Smith, a high school teacher and Noblesville Lion.

### Marion Lions Club members helped



the Salvation Army by ringing the bell



## Speech —

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or new, or whether they're designed for in-ear or behind-the-ear use. We will put them all to use, one way or another."

"Our hearing aids are available to all adult residents of Indiana with a need for hearing aids and no means to buy them, but there is a process we need all the Clubs to follow in getting a patient into our program," Baker said. "It is simply to put the patient in touch with a local Trustee. That's it. "Many of our Trustees have served multiple terms, and they are all passionate about the project," Richison added. "They are on the frontlines with the patients, so they hear and see the impact; and they are fully invested in this service. They know the details and our resources inside and out.

"I am just as deaf as I am blind. The problems of deafness are deeper and more complex, if not more important than those of blindness. Deafness is a much worse misfortune. For it means the loss of the most vital stimulus - the sound of the voice that brings language, sets thoughts astir, and keeps us in the intellectual company of man..." Helen Keller



For patients participating in the Loaner Bank program, the only cost is the actual test and the molds used to fit the aid to the ear. The hearing aids are loaned free of charge.

Since the Loaner Bank was established, over 6,500 hearing aids have been loaned. Though ILSH does request that recipients return the hearing aids to the Loaner Bank when they are no longer needed, only about 20 percent are ever returned.

"The more we have in our library, the more people we can help. We know there is great need out there, and with social

media platforms, we could spread the message quickly, but priority number one must be the building up our inventory," said Baker.

"Once we have a comprehensive collection network in place and a stronger supply of inventory, we want to roll out a PR campaign to the public," Baker said. "But first things first."

Financial support is another crucial area where the Clubs can deliver direct support to the project.

"Please remember ILSH in your budgets," Baker urged. "Every contribution of \$500 or

more over a consecutive two-year period will entitle your Club to present a Miyamoto Fellowship, and that is an achievable goal for every Club.

If your Club would like to learn more about this important State Project, contact your local

Trustee to schedule a presentation. More information can be obtained via any Trustee or on ILSH's website: [www.indyion-speechhearing.org](http://www.indyion-speechhearing.org). Contact information for all ILSH Trustees is also included in the annual District Directories.

### Special Olympics Winter Games Volunteer

By PDG STEVE HOLTZLEITER  
State Chair Special Olympics  
Winter Games

Higher Ground Conference Center

3820 Logan Creek Lane  
West Harrison, IN. 47060  
Awards Ceremony - Tuesday,  
Jan. 15 - 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

We will work with the Knights of Columbus members just like last year. We will need 6 to 8 Lions.

Perfect North Slopes  
19074 Perfect Lane  
Lawrenceburg, IN. 47025

Please reply to Bill McDonald to register as a volunteer for either one or both days - [lionmcdonald@hughes.net](mailto:lionmcdonald@hughes.net).

Following is the schedule for Special Olympics in West Harrison:

**Opening Ceremony** - Sunday, Jan. 13 - assemble between 6:30 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. in the dining hall; ceremony will start at 7 p.m.

We will lead each delegation/county into the hall, just like last year. Will need approximately 20 Lions.





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## Rounding the corner

BY Gov. RON EDWARDS

As we complete the first half of this Lions year, let us be grateful we can help those in our communities in need and be sensitive to those who have needs we are unaware of. We are approaching the season of giving and concentrate on our families, but let us, at the same time, notice those around us who have less and be compassionate to them.

The Mid-Winter Conference is coming up in January. Lions Clubs International will have a representative there to discuss the new LCI Website. Also, an LCI representative will be there to explain about My Lion. So, every Club should have a representative there to find out how to use this new tool because that will be the only way to submit our service activities after July 2019.

This will be a great learning opportunity for everyone; especially Secretaries and Presidents. Learning the differences in the new website to make it easier to navigate the site will be worth the trip. My Lion is Seminar 9 at 10:30 am.

Other learning opportunities are available also. How to organize and report a service activity is Seminar 13 at 9:30 am. On Line Leadership Resource Center is Seminar 6 at 8:30 am. Membership Recruiting is Seminar 3 at 10:30 am. Refer to the newsletter

to get all the registration information you need.

Participation in District and State events is very important to insure all our Clubs are well informed and prepared for changes coming our way. Asking questions after the changes for clarification is very good, but trying to learn about a change after the change is rolled out can be difficult.

Please take advantage of District Meetings and training opportunities. The information is important and you can ask for clarification of items as you become familiar with the use of new systems. Then you can browse the system to become effi-

cient with it. When questions arise, ask a District Cabinet Member. Answers are available and District Officers are happy to help. That allows you to manage your Clubs better.

Don't forget to submit your Membership Reports and Service Activity Reports each month. District Officers and LCI personnel read your reports. Reports are important for our District and for the entire Lions International function. Should you have questions of what to report or how to report it, call your District Governor, Cabinet Secretary or either Vice District Governors.

Thank you for serving your communities.



**NEW MEMBER** — Marty Goldman in the French Lick/West Baden Lions Club. He was installed by DG Ron Edwards.



**CLUB PRESIDENT** — in the photo are Tony Rhodes, President of the Chandler Lions, and Lion Teresa Arvin.

**BLOOD DRIVE** — Shown are Sue Boyles, Chair of Chandler Blood Drive, and PDG Eric Ahlbrand.



**LIONS ALL** — Chandler Lions Louise James, Karen Rhodes, with Evansville Lions Teresa Arvin, and PDG Eric Ahlbrand.



**W.P. WOODS FOR GOVERNOR** — PDG Mark Clark is presenting DG Ron Edwards with a W.P. Woods Fellowship Medallion.



**TRICK OR TREAT** — The Salem Lions Club took part in the annual City of Salem Trick or Treat at the Museum Village held on Oct. 27. Pictured are Club members Sid Pendency, Jimmy Jackson, Charlene Clark and Cheryl Brishaber.



**IT'S CHRISTMAS** — Lions Mary Ann McMahan-Spurgeon, Dave Willey, and John Spurgeon; with the aid of three FFA members, Megan Kuhlman, Abbie Reynolds, Macey Stuckwisch; and their sponsor Blake Hackman and Klint Miller, set up figurines on the Jackson County Courthouse Lawn.

## PDG notes

### PDG's meet in Nappanee

The 2018 meeting of the Past District Governors of the state of Indiana met at Amish Acres in Nappanee Oct. 12,13,14.

Friday evening the group met at the restaurant at Rentown with the evenings' program presented by Martha Owens of Nappanee on Nappanee cartoonist.

Saturday the PDGs were on their own to visit various places in the area. Some enjoyed a tea at Tea and More while some enjoyed a tour of the miniature village of Hastings. During the afternoon several visited the Fred Beer Dairy Farm.

Saturday evening the Lions enjoyed the Thresher's dinner at Amish Acres and were entertained by a country gospel band.

The hospitality room was open both evenings with some visiting, some playing cards and on Saturday the Notre Dame football game was on the television.

**INITIATION** — PCC Dave Eisen presided over the initiation of new members Saturday night. From left are PDG Steve Hanan, 25-B 2014-15; PCC Ross Drapalik, 25-C 2016-17; PDG Roger Cash, 25-B 2017-18; PDG Robin Smith, 25-A 2017-18; PCC Vic Fischer, 25-G 2-15-16; PDG Lana Wilson, 25-G 2011-12; PDG Peg Van Nevel, 25-G 2016-17; and PDG Patty Cooke 25-A 2016-17.



During Sunday's business meeting, which followed the necrology service, Jim Wyatt was re-elected

secretary/treasurer and Pat Short from 25-C, was elected second vice president.

### 2019 outing to be at Fair Oaks

The 2019 PDG outing will be held at Fair Oaks the weekend of Oct.18-20. The PDG's of 25-A will host the event.

PDG Connie Roe is the chair and has some great plans for the PDG's to have fun. The on site hotel will be complete by then and Roe has

negotiated a great room rate. Watch for further details!!!

If you haven't been to Fair Oaks, you're in for a nice surprise — and it's constantly being added to with new experiences — check out the website.

### 2019 State Convention Update

With Christmas just around the corner, the 2019 Indiana Lions State Convention will be here before we know it. Now is the time to make your hotel reservation by calling the Hilton at (260) 420-1100, code Lions of Indiana, and send your registration form to Lion Kevin McDermit. All registrations received by March 1 will be entered into a drawing for a free Friday night stay at the Hilton Hotel. The registration form is available at [www.IndianaLionsConvention.org](http://www.IndianaLionsConvention.org) as well as District newsletters and the Indiana Lions website.

Visit our table at the Mid-Winter Conference. We will have registration forms as well as information about Fort Wayne area attractions. Visit Facebook and the website for all the latest details.





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## Happy 25-F holidays

BY GOV. RONALD BIGHAM

It has been a busy time in District 25-F. Below is a sample of partnering of Lions with other groups to accomplish a goal to benefit many.

“On Nov. 16. and 17, the Kentucky National Guard held a National Emergency Training Operation at the Muscatatuck Urban Training Center in Butleville. Lion/Knight Bill McDonald was contacted by E9 Enterprise, a veteran run company, for 40 volunteers to act as victims for this exercise. Lion Bill sent out a “call” to both Knights and Lions to support this mission.”

The following Lions answered that call: Lion IPDG Melissa Baker, Lion Shirley Bocoock, Lion Sue Socha and Lion Judy Jordan from the Milan Lions Club. Lion Toni McDonald, Lion Keri McDonald/Johnson and Lion Bill McDonald from the Osgood Lions Club and DG Ron Bigham from Indy-Washington Twp. Lions Club. E9 made a donation to each Club for each Lion member in attendance.

Other Ripley County organizations that assisted were Jac-Cen-Del FFA, JCD-Honor Society and JCD/SR-Ripley Wranglers.

I was personally amazed about the grounds that are set up for virtually any scenario that our military might encounter. A mock embassy, bombed out buildings and vehicles, an area that was set up for flood and water rescue. It was also truly a privilege to experience these young people willing to work together with the Lions and our military people. Here is a prime example of what Lions can do to help in more ways than we can imagine. The ladies who did the make-up for various injuries really did a fantastic job of “creating wounds”. This was truly an experience I was really glad to have participated in.

Camp Woodsmoke “The Best” has been getting some nice recognition. So here is your challenge. Be sure to check out your LCI Magazine to see if you can find

what I found about MD-25F.

I do hope that all of my fellow Lions in MD-25 had a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving. I enjoyed my down time at Thanksgiving spending it with my relatives in Ohio.

I had the privilege of installing a member at Osgood Lions Club in November and three new members were installed in the Franklin Lions Club in December. Keep up the great work recruiting new members and retaining current ones.

Our Cabinet Treasurer Lion Patricia Bigham, attended ELLI Training in Chicago on Nov. 3,4,5. I went along for the trip as chauffeur and had the opportunity to visit with Lions from all over the country at the Sunday evening banquet.

This is the time to start to be making plans for upcoming Lions events that we Lions need to support.

Mid-Winter Conference is a great opportunity to visit with other Lions and gain new insights into Lionism. It is set for Jan. 11 and 12 with Helen Keller (Jessica Michan) as the keynote speaker on Saturday and Friday Night dinner keynote speaker, Craig Tornquist, should be entertaining. Please note that it is being held at a new location, Crowne Plaza Conference Center. It is off of Sam Jones Parkway, which is off of I-465 at the Old Indianapolis Airport.

Special Olympics Winter Games is a fantastic way for Lions of Indiana to get involved with a great organization. Sunday, Jan. 13 at 7 p.m. will be opening ceremonies at Higher Ground Conference and Retreat Center and Tuesday, Jan. 15, around 9 a.m. will be awards presentations at Perfect North. Plan to come to at least one of these events if at all possible.

Indianapolis-Washington Twp. Lions and the ISBV Leos are hosting a Meals-a-Million packaging on Monday, Jan. 14, inviting Lions and Leos members to assist in this effort from both Regions 1 and 2.

Our Winter Cabinet meeting is being hosted by the Edinburgh Lions Club on Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Edinburgh High School. Contact Lion Ron Hazelgrove at (812) 526-2571 to schedule your reservation. Thank you for being involved in this District event.

March 30 is our District Convention with ID Tom Gordon from Canada and his wife, Gillian, visiting this corner of Indiana. Many thanks to the Osgood, Batesville, Milan and Versailles Lions Club for hosting this District Convention. The location is as close to central in the District as we could find that would make it possible for all Clubs to send at least one representative from throughout the District. Plan to come and enjoy visiting with your fellow Lions of 25-F and visiting with ID Tom and his wife, Gillian.

The Lions State Convention in Fort Wayne, April 26-28, would be a fine opportunity to meet and greet with other Lions from throughout the State. Our IP Gudren Yngvadottier will be there this year and she is very well spoken and great motivator. Please plan to attend and enjoy the weekend.

Lions of 25-F, there are so many opportunities for Lions to visit, get acquainted, make new friends, give support to each other and “borrow” ideas from other Clubs.

I want to thank the Clubs again who have stepped up to complete their MMR’s and Activities Report. As Club officers you have pledged to do the duties of your office. I am asking Club officers to do their part to make this District a 100 percent reporting District. Sending your reports through the U.S. mail to LCI is not acceptable any more. If you have problems, contact District Administrator Lion Denise Salesbery or myself. Our information is in the District Directory. Let us help any way we can.

So now, I want to say “Merry Christmas and Happy New Year” to all my fellow Lions throughout the District and State. Be safe in

your travels, be a blessing to all, cherish your loved ones and celebrate the many blessings that we do enjoy in this country. Remember our Veterans and Service men and woman who are away from their families this holiday

season protecting what is the world’s most free country in the world.

Lions have a lot to be proud of in this day and age. Let’s keep going for another 100 years



**A VICTIM** — Looks like the victim might be hurting? Is he really unconscious?



**LIONS AT MUTC** — This picture show the Lions and students from Jac-Cen-Del High School prepared to be the victims at the MUTC facility. They were at the MUTC training center where Kentucky National Guardsman for Emergency Disaster Response. This training was for nuclear disaster care for victims who survived.



**CONGRATULATIONS** — DG Ron Bigham, left, congratulates President Gary McCoy, middle, for sponsoring Lion Andy Shelton as a new member of the Osgood Lions Club.



**ATTEND ELLI** — The Indiana Group representation at the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute in Chicago Nov. 3-5 included, from left, Megan Bauer (District C - Martinsville), Patricia Bigham (District F - Indianapolis-Washington Twp.), Lissa Newton (District G - Lakeville), Laura Moss (District C - Indiana Cyber Lions).

## 2019 Lions International Convention Milan, Italy

By PCC REED FISH  
Indiana International  
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Buongiorno — Good morning, good afternoon, good-day, good evening, good night (interjection, noun) words used (depending on the time of day) when meeting or leaving someone.

The 2019 Lions International Convention will be held in Milan, Italy, July 5-9.

Are you set to go to the next International Convention or considering it? Here are some important dates to remember for registration:

Registration fee before Jan. 11 is \$150 it then goes to \$200 until March 31. At that point it will be \$225, including onsite registration. Alpha Leo cost is \$20 and

Omega Leos is \$100 for all time periods.

Please note that when submitting the hotel deposit there is an 8 percent fee if using a credit card. If paying LCI by check for initial registration there would not be an 8 percent fee on the hotel deposit.

Will you be planning some additional fun outside of the Lion events? I hope so!

The following preferred tour companies are offering Lions a variety of Pre- and Post-Convention Tours for you to select from. Italy



has so much to choose from — the Italian Alps, its famous beaches and coastal cities, its capital city Rome with its historic sites, Vatican City, spectacular art, fashion, sports cars, plus Italy’s world-famous cuisine, wines and hospitality.

Are you interested in traveling beyond Italy to another country? These LCI preferred tour companies can help you plan this too! Visit the LCI Convention website LCIcon.Lionsclubs.org

more info and links to each of these companies and what they offer.

AIM Italy  
Since 1960, AIM Italy has been providing outstanding travel experiences thanks to its extensive network of preferred partners. Its AIM is to take advantage of a global know-how mixed with a local experience.

Central Holidays/Rose Marie’s Travel LLC

Since 1972, Central Holidays/Rose Marie’s Travel LLC has offered travelers superior travel programs, value, and service to some of the best destinations in Italy, the Mediterranean, Europe, and beyond.

Goway Travel  
Goway Travel is offering Lions and their guests custom Pre- and Post-Convention tours highlighting some of the best Italian trav-

el experiences and beyond. Interested in a cooking class in Tuscany? A visit to a charming Italian island on a private boat trip? A Mediterranean cruise? These are just some of their tour highlights. Goway’s escorted tour packages include international air, hotels, transfers and touring.

Naonis Viaggi  
Based in Italy, Viaggi designed their custom “Lions On Tour in Italy” tour packages for Lions that showcase many of their favorite places and activities, or as they say, “Meet Italian charm and culture with the advice of your Italian travel agent.” Naonis Viaggi’s tours feature top cities and regions.

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## Reach out to your community

By GOV. JIM REEVE

By the time you read this, you and your family have celebrated another Thanksgiving holiday. Hopefully your tummy is not so full that you will not slow down being a Lion. We have a lot more year ahead of us so reach out to your community and keep the Lion's name strong.

Just a quick word concerning membership. Remember that there are many men and women who you know who are not Lions so please invite them to you meeting and let's recruit that potential Lion member.

Please remember that Lions are currently raising funds for the Campaign 100 cause. If you have any questions or would like to have a speaker concerning this topic, please contact PDG Marty Juel at (574) 534-8867 or (574) 322-1660 or you can email Marty at [marty@martyjuel.com](mailto:marty@martyjuel.com), he would be more than glad to come speak to your Club about Campaign 100.

PDG Jeri Seely would like to receive any articles and pictures concerning all the great things your clubs are doing so she can publish them in the Hoosier Lion. You can send them to PDG Jeri at [jseely@the-papers.com](mailto:jseely@the-papers.com).

Currently my calendar has a lot of space on it for club visits so please contact me at (574) 594-

5470, daytime number is (574) 267-3423 or my cell number is (574) 551-8474. When I come to your Club it gives me an opportunity to meet all the wonderful Lions who do so much for your community.

Please keep in mind that this year my slogan is simply "GET ON BOARD," which means that I am asking your Club to help me fight and conquer pediatric cancer. All donations should be sent to my Cabinet Treasurer PDG Robert Myers. He will forward

your donation to LCIF in your Club's name.

Keep in mind that the Mid-Winter Conference is coming up on Jan. 11 and 12 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at the Airport in Indianapolis. This may be the last year for this conference if we do not have a good turn out so please come and support this great Lions' endeavor.

Sheri and I would like to wish all you Lion Heroes and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year.



**PINS AND CERTIFICATES PRESENTED** — DG Jim Reeves visited the Dunlap Lions on Oct. 18. and presented pins and certificates to the following for their service: Lion Merv Bontrager, 5 years; Lions John and Joan Preheim, 10 years; Lion Sally Weirich, 25 years; and Lion Marlyn Fast, 55 years. Shown are DG Reeves with Lion Sally Weirich and Lion Marlyn Fast.



**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS** — Lion Rose Russell and PDG Paul Russell were each presented with Lifetime Achievement Awards from President Donald Trump during the Lakeville Lions 75th anniversary celebration.

From left are Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos, Lion Don Milzarek, Lion Dee Milzarek, Lion Rose, PDG Paul, Do Foster, Lion Jim Foster. and ID Nick Xinopoulos, the evening's Keynote Speaker.



**PORK CHOPS** — The Madison Township Lions Club held its biannual Pork Chop Sale recently. The Club donated all the profits from this sale to benefit Shannon Verheaghe, an area resident and Bremen High School Teacher who is fighting leukemia. Chops were sold in Wyatt and Bremen.

The Club sold out of chops at 2 p.m., selling over 1,950 pork chops, which is about 500 more than is normal for the fall sale. The Lions were helped by the agriculture students and faculty from Bremen High School and the Madison Twp. Volunteer Fire Dept. helped and allowed the Lions to use its parking area in Wyatt and Woodies Supermarket in Bremen allowed the Lions to sell there.



**BRUSH CLEAN UP** — Seven Lions from the Elkhart Lions Club worked several hours to clean up overgrown brush and trees from the fishing pier area immediately west of the Johnson Street Dam in downtown Elkhart.

**WASH-A-THON** — Seventeen Dunlap Lions and one Elkhart Lion, along with eight Concord High School Student Council members washed 2,283 used eyeglasses for use on the District 25-G eyeglass missions to Mexico during a November Wash-A-Thon held at the Concord Fire Station.



## Service project

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in length and Lions can choose four of 16 topics.

Lunch and the closing program will be held between 12:30 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. This session will include the keynote presentation, awards and closing remarks.

New topics have been chosen for the seminars. These include Eyeglass Recycling, Marketing Communications and Your Club, Membership recruiting, Anyone Can Make Baked Beans But We've Always Done It That Way!, Community Partnership/Partnerships Outside Your

Club, Online Leadership Resource Center, Raising A Leader Dog Puppy, Internet Fraud Protection, My Lion, Orientation, Getting Out Of The Club Box, Effective Presentations: Steps To Being a Successful Communicator, How To Organize And Report A Club Service Project, Diabetes Awareness, Finding Money In Your Community and Generational Leadership Styles. Some of the sessions will be lead by members of the Lions Clubs International staff and others by out of state Lions who are experts on their individual topics.

For the latest information on the conference check the Facebook page — Indiana Lions Mid Winter Conference or go to <https://bit.ly/2F8VaOZ>.

## Visit LCIF booth at Mid Winter

Are you ready for something new? If you, are any Lions Club member attending the 2019 Mid Winter Conference, then this is for you!

Please stop by the new LCIF information booth and do two things: (1) Pick up all the New 2019 LCIF Campaign 100 Informational Brochures for your Club members; (2) Ask any questions and receive answers about LCIF. We will be there to help everyone on Saturday Jan. 12, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Attending the Indiana Mid Winter Conference will be Rick Pesavento, Regional Development Specialist - Midwest U.S. and Canada from Lions Clubs International Foundation. Also, PDG Gary Ochs, Indiana Lions LCIF Multiple District Coordinator; PID Linda Tinchler, LCIF Vice Area Chair for Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois and Michigan; and several Indiana LCIF District Coordinators.

## USA/Canada Leo Leadership Forum

Registration is now open for the 2019 USA/Canada Leo Leadership Forum in Arizona. The Leo Leadership Forum provides interactive seminars in areas of leadership and community development. Leos will have a day of fun touring Phoenix and also participate in a service project at the Arizona Sight & Hearing Foundation of Multiple District 21. At the conclusion of the Leo Leadership Forum, Leos receive their high school degree. Leos in MD 25 can apply to receive funding to partially defray costs. Contact your District Leo Chair for more information.

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