



# Paw Prints

Official Publication of Indiana Lions District 25-G  
Nelson Nix, Governor

## What's Happening

- June 20 - July 8**  
Intern'l Conv.& vacation
- July 10**  
Peru Lions Radio Days
- July 21 -**  
Osceola Lions Official Visit
- July 28**  
Merrillville (Governor's Tour  
LCI Hdq)
- July 29 - 31**  
Governor's Council Meeting
- August 3**  
District Golf Outing (Syracuse)
- August 7**  
Cabinet Mtg. (Syracuse Com. Ctr.  
1 p.m)
- FUTURE EVENTS**
- September 10, 2005**  
Banner Night, Elcona Country Club,  
Elkhart, Indiana (More in Aug.  
Newsletter
- September 22-24, 2005**  
USA/Canada Forum, Peoria, Illinois
- November 12, 2005**  
Cabinet Meeting, Culver RR Depot  
Building
- February 12, 2006**  
Cabinet Meeting, Elkhart
- March 3-4, 2006**  
District Convention, Christo's  
Banquet Hall, Plymouth, IN
- May 13, 2006**  
Cabinet Meeting, Warsaw

## Dist. Newsletters are Online

The District 25-G  
Newsletter, Paw Prints, is  
'archived' online on the  
District's website:

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as a 'hard copy' and have an  
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## Governor's Grows

Well this is my first official newsletter as your Lions District Governor for the year 2005-2006.

I am very enthusiastic about the upcoming club year and really look forward to the challenges ahead; and there will be many. However, no mountain is too high or obstacle too great to overcome with your help. Let's always remember that we are a team, and that there is no I in TEAM. Our # 1 goal is to strengthen our district through membership growth. We have consistently lost membership over the last 20 years except for just a couple of years and this trend has to be reversed or the many valuable services that we as Lions provide our communities will come to a serious end. Membership growth is every Lion's responsibility. If you believe as I do that Lions are the greatest group of individuals in your town, dedicated to helping others, than you need to at least replace yourself and add one other member to continue the LEGACY. I have had at 2 meetings so far at least 65 Lions pledge to sponsor at least one member during this club year. Really, it's not that hard; all you need to do is ASK!

I am also planning to meet with our Past District Governor's Association to request their assistance in working to strengthen some of our smaller clubs that have appeared to have lost their way. I'm certain that the PDG's will agree with the need and dive right in. Like all new shiny apples, I have lots of goals; but goals are achieved only by planning your work and working your plan. Remember, that as you go through your daily activities to always "**Show the Pride**", "**Share the Pride**", and "**Strength the Pride**".

Please call me at 584-862-1410 or e-mail me at [nnix@shultzinsurance.com](mailto:nnix@shultzinsurance.com) to schedule your official club visitations or to make a special presentation at one of your meetings.

Also, if you would like for us to mention an upcoming event that your club is hosting, please send the information to [marty@martyjuel.com](mailto:marty@martyjuel.com) for inclusion in our newsletter. Deadline for material is the 15th of the month prior to publication.

I am continuing PDG Buddy's collection of used computer and copier cartridges for recycling. This is an easy way for the district to raise a few hundred dollars to offset convention expenses. Another item to collect, are old keys for cancer. If you will ask your club members to bring old unused keys to your meetings and then get them to me I will see that they are recycled and the funds donated as a district donation to our Cancer Control Project. Don't forget to call PDG Art Birk for information on training and scheduling for KidsSight photoscreening for the upcoming school year in the fall. Now is a great time to get your club to form at least one vision screening team. Call PDG Art @ 574-842-3690 or [iambirk@culcom.net](mailto:iambirk@culcom.net). Need a membership idea? Why not call PDG Charlie Haffner our District Membership Chairman. Lion Charlie has a basketful of proven membership growth plans that you can utilize. Charlie (& PDG Ann) can be reached at 574-457-3054 & [ahaffner@kconline.com](mailto:ahaffner@kconline.com). Well, we're off to Hong Kong. See you when we get back in mid-July.



**Your GUV...lion Nelson**

## Misc. 'Stuff'

• Thanks to all the officers who attended the 4 training sessions throughout the district and particular thanks to the host clubs and facilitators: Charlie & Ann Haffner; Bud & Jeri Seely; Pat & Art Birk; and Zone Chair extraordinaire, Dave Eisen.

• The Indiana Lions Foundation is in need of workers for the Brickyard 500 on August 5-6. Approx. 20 volunteers are needed each day. If you can work, please contact Peg Dawson at [pegdawson@aol.com](mailto:pegdawson@aol.com).

• The Dist. 25-G Golf Outing is scheduled for Wed., August 3, 2005. (See article on this page.)

## Dist. Newsletters

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your email address to the bulletin editor, [marty@martyjuel.com](mailto:marty@martyjuel.com). This will result in you getting the newsletter faster and saving the district money.

You are also encouraged to forward this newsletter to all club members who may have an interest in district events.

# 35<sup>th</sup> Annual District 25-G Golf Tournament For Indiana Lions

**When:** Wednesday, August 3, 2005

Tee Times: 8:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**Where:** Maxwelton Golf Club (one mile north & east of Syracuse) 574-457-4036

**Prizes:** Individual & Team prizes and trophies awarded (gross and net)

**Costs:** \$35.00 per player includes green fees, banquet, and prizes.

The Merl Smith & the Alex Miller traveling trophies will be awarded.

**Deadline:** Entries must be received by Friday, July 29, 2005

**Entries:** No entries accepted without a check.

No entries accepted at tee time.

No refunds, but you may substitute.

No Metal Spikes

Players are encouraged to play early.

**Mulligan** for sale at the first tee.

**Tee Times:** Requested times assigned by chairman in the order that the Entry Forms were received. Tee times will be confirmed by e-mail or you can confirm tee times on Saturday, July 30, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. by calling 574-457-8414 or 574-834-9945.

**Dinner:** 5pm to 7pm (prizes awarded following dinner)

**Chair:** Lion Dick Conroy 574-834-9945 [rbconroy@kconline.com](mailto:rbconroy@kconline.com)

**Co-Chair:** Lion Glen Slabach 475-457-8824

Make checks payable to: Syracuse Lions Club (\$35 per player)

Mail entry to: Lion Dick Conroy, 5094 N. Sawgrass Lane,  
Leesburg, IN 46538

## District 25-G Golf Tournament Entry Form



Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Tee Time \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Phone/E-mail of Captain:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name (Lion/Guest) \_\_\_\_\_ Name (L/G) \_\_\_\_\_

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Golf Carts are available at \$11.50 per player; do not include your cart money with Entry.

**USA Canada Forum  
Sept. 22-24, 2005  
Peoria, Illinois**

This is your chance to attend one of Lions International Premier events with the USA/Canada Forum. Seminars, exhibits, tours, speakers, friends and fun. All of this within a 2 hour drive from District 25-G. Honorary Chairman is Lions International 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-president Jimmy Ross of Texas and a number of your fellow District 25-G Lions will be in attendance or hosting seminars. Why not join us? Brouchures and registration information will be available at our 1<sup>st</sup> Cabinet meeting scheduled for August 7<sup>th</sup> at Syracuse; or you can call or e-mail Governor Nelson.

In conjunction with the USA Canada Forum, Lions International is hosting a Senior Leadership Institute September 25-29, 2005 at Peoria. This Institute is for Lions whom have already served as a club president but not yet as a Vice District governor. LCI will provide meals and lodging but not transportation and the delegates must be recommended by their sitting District Governor. If you are qualified and interested, please call District Governor Nelson Nix at 574-862-1410.

**Request for Information on Former Leos**

PID Joe Marcheggiani informs us that a new campus Lions club is planned for Ball State University.

Anyone knowing of former Leos who are attending or will be attending Ball State, please contact Doug at 5410 Brighton Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46825 (260) 484-7951.



**STATE FAIR  
WORKERS  
NEEDED!**

Lions are needed to work at the State Fair again this year Wednesday, August 10 through Sunday, August 21. Ticket seller shifts each day are from 6:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Please contact your District 25-G Indiana Lions Foundation Trustees responsible for getting workers for these days:

**Sat. Aug. 13**

PDG Charlie Haffner .... (574) 457-3054 ..... ahaffner@kconline.com

**Wed. Aug. 17**

PID Jim Cameron ..... (574) 528-5001

**Sun. Aug 21**

PDG Bud Seely ..... (574) 658-4842 ..... jseely@the-papers.com

Please plan now to bring a carload of Lions from your club to support your INDIANA LIONS FOUNDATION in raising funds for its grant program to Lions Clubs while making the presence of the Lions known to those attending the Indiana State Fair. Wear your Lions shirts, vests, and/or hats!

**August Cabinet Meeting Reservation Form**

**August 7, 2005**

**1 p.m. (doors open at 12:30)**

**Syracuse Community Building - Located 3-1/2 blocks east of downtown Syracuse on SR 13**

**Lunch served at 1 p.m. Meeting to follow at 2:00**

**Menu: Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, corn, green beans, coleslaw, Jello salad, assorted pies.**

**Cost \$8.50; After July 25 - \$9; at the door, \$9.50**

**Lions Club** \_\_\_\_\_

**The following Lions will be attending the Cabinet Meeting:**

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**Mail this form and your check, payable to District 25-G Lions, to: PDG Ann Haffner, 11268 N. State Rd. 13, Syracuse, IN 46567 (ahaffner@kconline.com). Deadline for reservations: July 30.**

## Spreading Your Wings

In the April District Newsletter, VDG Nelson Nix thanked PDG Art for pushing me to spread my wings.

On the corkboard above our kitchen desk hangs an old tattered and yellow note. It has been there since 1996 where it can't be missed. It says.....

"I believe that all success begins with" Spreading Your W I N G S

Believing in your **W**orth

Trusting your **I**nsight

**N**urturing yourself

Having a **G**oal, and

Devising a personal **S**trategy

And then, even impossible dreams become real"

*Sue Augustine*

Let's apply this to Lions and to our clubs. You do believe that as a Lion your clubs activities are **W**orthwhile in your community.

That Lions **I**nsight accomplishes many special needs that benefit your community and club.

We **N**urture our clubs by having meetings that are interesting and enjoyable. We all need to laugh – it makes us all feel good. New members nurture our club through growth, new ideas and helping hands.

Each club needs to set an attainable **G**oal that makes them reach out, stretch and grow.

"Just One More" One **n**ew community activity or fundraiser with the help of another organization will meet many community needs.

## Are You Getting This Newsletter As a 'Printed Copy'?

This newsletter is being sent to all Club Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Officers who submitted an email address on the club's Officer Reporting Form. If you have an email address and are NOT receiving this via the internet, please send your email address to [marty@martyjuel.com](mailto:marty@martyjuel.com) so we can add you to the electronic list. Our goal is send as many copies as possible via internet, to reduce the printing and postage costs, as well as speed up the time it requires to get it.

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When – (not if) we put this all together it is the **S**trategy for our clubs and districts success.

**Success that matters.... Success beyond our dreams!!!!**

Lions of MD 25 **G**, we can do this! This coming year spread your wings and show that we will accomplish the impossible. Every one of us knows what it takes to show our community that we believe we are the Greatest!

Thank you for flying out of your comfortable nest and embracing the needs of our world.

VDG Pat

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## Lions Attend Leadership Training Sessions

