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District Governor's Message

District Convention

The 2011 District 25-G Convention will be held on Saturday, March 5th, at the Ramada Plaza in Warsaw. District officers for the coming Lions year will be elected at this convention. International Director Jerry Smith of Wauseon, Ohio will be the keynote speaker. Plan to join us for a full day of Lions fellowship. See the flyer and registration form in this newsletter for details.



State Convention

The 2011 Indiana Lions State Convention will be held April 29th – May 1st, at the Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center in Bloomington. International President Sid Scruggs III will be the keynote speaker. See the flyer and registration form in this newsletter for details.

Spring Into Action: Protecting Our Environment

It's not too early to start planning your club's participation in the next Lions Club International Global Service Action Campaign: Protecting Our Environment. Plant trees; clean up a park, beach, or riverbank; sponsor a "toxic waste" cleanup day; the possibilities are endless. For more ideas, visit the LCI web site and search for "protecting our environment".

Operation KidSight: Sharing the Vision

On Saturday, February 12th, Operation KidSight Executive Director Janice Chapman presented a training session for 31 Lions and guests from 5 clubs. The Lakeville Lions Club has purchased a PlusOptix S09 vision screening unit and will be working with nearby clubs to provide vision screening for pre-school children. We now have 4 vision screening units in the district.

Dictionary Project: Spreading the Words

So far this year, 36 Lions Clubs in District 25-G have distributed dictionaries to 4,400 school children. Lion Howard Heines, our district's Dictionary Project chairman, had a display table and presented a seminar at the Mid-Winter Conference. It's not too late to get involved in this project to improve childhood literacy in our communities.

Building To Meet the Needs of Tomorrow

As Lions, We Serve – working to meet the needs of today, but we are also building to meet the needs of tomorrow. We do this by inviting family members, friends, co-workers, and neighbors to join our Lions Club. So far this year, 36 clubs have welcomed 85 new members, and our district has experienced a net increase of 9 members. Keep up the good work!

Bite the Bullet and DO IT NOW!

By: PDG Ann Haffner, District 25-G Membership
Chairperson

Every Lions club must use a membership plan every year to remain strong. If you don't have a plan that currently works let your club decide on one of the plans listed below. They are successful plans used by real clubs to bring in new members.

Free Dues

Many clubs that build up significant administrative accounts pay members' dues for the following year for every member who brings in a new member. This rewards those who are making the effort to keep the club strong. The one condition is that the new member must have paid his/her dues for the next dues period.

Outstanding Women Night

This can be used by clubs who have not had women members before, as well as by clubs who already have women members. The point of the evening is to make certain that all women who are active in the community have the opportunity to join your Lions club. This should be a spouse's night, and you should have a special program that evening. Wives only count as the woman guest if they are serious about joining. Anyone not bringing a guest, or absent, is fined. Many clubs have found this activity will induce a wife and a friend of hers to join together.

Friends Night

Every member asks a friend, coworker, neighbor, or relative to the meeting, which should have a special program. Members without a guest or absent should be fined \$1.

Instant Reward

The cost of your meals is raised 50 cents or \$1 depending on the number of members you have. The first person who brings in a new member gets all of the money in the pot, and you begin again. You'll be surprised how actively your members are searching for new members once the pot gets above \$40 or \$50.

Welcome the new members you bring in and get them involved right away. Your success will make you wonder why your club hasn't used a membership plan before.

Lakeville Hosts PlusOptix Training

The Lakeville Lions Club recently purchased a PlusOptix vision screening machine, and Lion Janice Chapman, State Coordinator of Operation KidSight, conducted a training session. Thirty-one members and guests from five clubs attended. Those clubs represented were Greene Township, Lakeville, Lydick, Pierceton, & South Bend.

Lion Janice explained that Operation KidSight was designed for children 1-5 years of age, and although it could identify children needing glasses, that is not the primary purpose of the program. The purpose of the program is to identify children with serious eye problems that could result in permanent vision impairment, perhaps even blindness, if not caught before the child's eyes are fully developed.

One guest was Dr. Steve Gerber, a pediatric ophthalmologist from South Bend. He stated he was glad to see that this program was going to be offered. He said he sees one or two children each week who could have had serious problems prevented had they been tested earlier. He also offered to test any children who need to be referred.

After the presentation everyone had an opportunity to operate the vision screening machine.

Any club desiring to arrange a testing session should call Lion Dave Grenert or DG Paul Russell

Advertise in the 2011-2012 District Directory

If you want to advertise an upcoming event for your club, tell everyone about your club projects or just show support for your 2011-2012 District Governor, it's not too early to buy that space.

1/4 page (business card size)	\$ 25.00
1/2 half page	\$ 50.00
Whole Page	\$100.00

Send your payment to PDG Robert Myers, 2507 East 225 South, Warsaw, IN 46580

Send your copy to Rose Russell at the following e-mail address. rosewrussell@gmail.com and indicate what size ad you have purchased.

**Message from
1st Vice District Governor
Lana Wilson**

I Am A LION

Written by: Lion Alan Daninhirsch
New Brittan, Ct.

I have helped a child to see
I have built a school
I have brought man nourishment
Where hunger was the rule.

I have helped a young girl hear
And brought a mother joy
I have helped at Christmas time
To bring a child a toy.

I have helped raise leader dogs
And I have watched with pride
As a blind man goes to work each day
With "my dog" by his side.

I have battled drug abuse
And conquered river blindness
I have helped the elderly
With simple acts of kindness.

If I could see in every face
A pair of eyes that shine
It will be enough for me
You see, friend, I'm a lion.

And when my life is over
And I can do no more
I'll leave behind some younger Cub
I've thought to mind the store.

As I stand before my Maker
Accounting for my time
I'll say, "I have no balance sheet
You see, I'm just a Lion

2011 Will be a great year . Hard ships and troubles
will follow us where ever we go. Together we can
conquer the world! Lions can make it happen. Here
is why I really am a Lion.

Keep "Getting Fired Up For Lions " It` not over yet.

Tools for organizing articles

By: PDG Jeri Seely,
District 25-G Publicity Chairperson

Following is a copy of a list of tools for
organizing stories that crossed my desk. It was
written for newspaper reporters but works for
club reporters, too.

1. Make a list of what you want to say
2. What piece of information should be at the beginning?
3. What should be at the end?
4. Ask yourself the questions a reader will ask. Put them down in order they will be asked.
5. Assign values to quotes. Which are the most powerful?
6. Think of the story as chapters.
7. Identify important material in blocks. Organize the blocks in sequence.
8. Write headlines for your story early in the process to help establish focus/ theme.
9. Draft several leads as quickly as possible.
10. Seek a natural order for the story — chronological, pyramid, problem/ solution, a day in the life of
11. Consult an editor (another Lion) or a trusted colleague (your wife or husband).
12. Write an outline. Draw a tree and fill in the branches.
13. Clip notes on each part of the story together. Move the piles around to establish a working order.
14. List all of the main ingredients in the story down the left side of the page. Move the important items into columns marked beginning, middle and end.



Here We Grow Again

During the month of January, 11 clubs in our district added 25 new members. We welcome these new Lions and commend their sponsors for inviting them to join the GREATEST SERVICE ORGANIZATION IN THE WORLD. Sponsors, remember this is only the first step in your responsibility. Please be sure to involve your new Lion in all club activities.

Akron Lions Club

Member: Tommy J. Burket
Sponsor: Roger Gearhart

Argos Lions Club

Member: Stephen L. Hissong
Sponsor: Jerry W. Gates

Member: William Wachino, Jr.
Sponsor: Marty C. Peden

Claypool Lions Club

Member: Patrick Jones
Sponsor: Layne Warren

Culver Lions Club

Member: Trent L. Bennett
Sponsor: Barbara A. Winters

Member: Monica M. Cox
Sponsor: Patricia E. Birk

Member: Darrell W. Knowlton
Sponsor: Emma L. Bjornstad

Member: Caroline Podvin
Sponsor: Patrick E. Birk

Dunlap Lions Club

Member: Dale Crist
Sponsor: Charles J. Inbody

Greene Township Lions Club

Member: Stephen J. Eddy
Sponsor: Richard E. Liechty

New Paris Lion Club

Member: Darren J. Griffith
Sponsor: Larry D. Solyom

Member: Richard K. Shelly
Sponsor: Wayne Whitehead

Madison Township Lions Club

Member: Angela M. Vore
Sponsor: Brian Schlarb

Somerset Lions Club

Member: Gregory W. Bowman
Sponsor: David L. Compton

Member: John P. Grayson
Sponsor: David L. Compton

Member: Peggy J. Grayson
Sponsor: David L. Compton

Member: Charles L. Price
Sponsor: David L. Compton

Member: Phyllis A. Price
Sponsor: David L. Compton

Urbana Lions Club

Member: Ed Howard
Sponsor: Jerry Long

Member: Jerry Long
Sponsor: Lowell Karns

Lakeville Lions Club

Member: Jeanette R. Lymburner
Sponsor: Jenny Balmer

Member: John L. Lymburner
Sponsor: Arden Balmer

Member: Zachary A. Moore
Sponsor: Max Feitz

Member: Benjamin E. Norton
Sponsor: Paul K. Shafer

Member: Marsha Ormans
Sponsor: Joanie Snyder

New Contract Information for PDG S. Glenn Yoder & (Lion Doris)
1411-7 Kentfield Way, Goshen, IN 46526
Telephone #: 574-971-8941 E-mail Address: sgdyoder@embarqmail.com

Announcements

Clubs — Please send announcements of your upcoming events to be included in the newsletter. It's free advertising, so take advantage of it! Send your E-mails to RoseWRussell@gmail.com (please specify in the subject line that it's for the newsletter) or mail your announcements to Rose Russell, PO BOX 31, Lakeville, IN 46536

Milford Lions

Sausage and Pancake Breakfast
And
Whole Hog Sausage Sale
Saturday, March 26, 2011
6 a.m. until 10 a.m.
Milford Community Building

Sausage prices:
1 lb. \$ 2.75
3 lbs. \$ 8.25
6 lbs. \$16.50
Brats:
3 lbs. \$ 8.25

Proceeds to Indiana Lions State Projects — Cancer Control, Leader Dogs for the Blind, Eye and Tissue Bank, Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and Speech & Hearing — Scholarships for Wawasee High School students, eyeglasses for Milford school children and other community needs.

RICHVALLEY LIONS CLUB

Semi-Annual Tenderloin Day

Mar 5, 2011
11:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Serving:

*Hand-breaded Tenderloins, Baked Potato,
Applesauce, Baked Beans, Veggies,
Pickles, Bread & Butter
"All-you-can-eat" (Dine-in only)*

Carry-Outs Available

Adults : \$8.00 each
Children 5-12 : \$4.00 each

Greene Township Lions Present Community Breakfasts 2010-2011

3rd Saturday of the Month
March 19, 2011

Breakfast Buffet
Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Pancakes, Biscuits and
Gravy, Potatoes, and Beverage

Adults \$ 7.00 Children \$3.50 (5 & Under Free)

Serving 7:00 am to 10:30 am
At the Greene Twp. Community Building, Roosevelt Road
Please join us and support the Greene Township Lions
Community Fund and
State Projects: Indiana School for the Blind, Cancer
Control, Leader Dogs, Speech & Hearing, Eye Bank
See a Greene Township Lion for Tickets or Call 574-289-9942

Grass Creek Lions

All-you-can-Eat
Fish & Chicken Supper
Sat., March 26, 2011 4:30—7:30 PM
\$8.50 Adults \$4.00 Children 6-12
Dessert Included with Meal
Carry Outs Available
Grass Creek Fire Station
Dan's Frying Service of Huntington



2011 Indiana Lions State Convention

Hosted by District 25E-1
April 29-30, May 1, 2011



Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center
302 South College Ave., Bloomington, Indiana

Our Special Guests:
International President Sid L. Scruggs III and Lion Judy
Second International Vice President Wayne Madden and Lion Linda

Courtyard by Marriott Hotel (attached to Convention Center)

310 South College Ave., Bloomington, IN 47401

Room Rate: \$109.00 per night, plus tax, until April 1, 2011

Call 1-800-321-2211 or 1-812-335-8000 for Reservations (Mention "Indiana Lions Convention")

Alternate Hotels in Bloomington are:

Comfort Inn, 1700 N Kinser Pike, 812-650-0010

Hilton Garden, 245 N. College Avenue, 812-331-1335

Holiday Inn, 1710 N. Kinser Pike, 812-334-3252

Days Inn, State Road 46 Bypass and Walnut St., 812-336-0905

Hampton Inn, 2100 N. Walnut Street, 812-334-2100

Registration Form (one form per person)

Deadline: Registration must be received by April 15, 2011

Please print as desired for name badge:

Name and Title: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

District: _____ Club: _____ E-mail: _____

Friday Evening Dinner Number Attending _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____

(Please check one: Chicken ___ or Beef Brisket ___)

(At Monroe County Fairgrounds—10 minute drive from hotel/convention center)

Saturday Lunch Number Attending _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____

Saturday Banquet Number Attending _____ X \$25.00 = \$ _____

Sunday Brunch Number Attending _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____

Friday Golf Outing Number Attending _____ X \$40.00 = \$ _____

Friday Shopping Trip to Nashville (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.) Number Attending _____

(Transportation available for first 25 registrations received) (NO CHARGE)

2011 Convention Pin (Extras are available) \$ 4.00

(Voluntary) Donation to 2012 Wayne Madden Fund \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

**Mail Form and Check, payable to *Lions State Convention 2011*, to:
PCC Vernon Provines, 306 West Market Street, Spencer, IN 47460**

2011 Indiana Lions State Convention

Bloomington – Monroe County Convention Center

2011 Exhibits Form

April 29, 30 and May 1, 2011

If you would like to have an exhibit during the 2011 Indiana Lions State Convention in Bloomington, please contact PDG Gary Ochs to reserve your 8' table and chairs. You can reach his email address at gochsinlions@att.net and/or complete the Exhibits Form below ASAP. There is NO cost for an 8' table(s) and (2) chairs for Lions and their local or Indiana state projects. But, for all non-Lion exhibits there is a \$50.00 fee. We are hoping that all Indiana Lions Clubs with outstanding community projects will have an exhibit display. There will be NO charge for your wireless or electrical hook-up. All displays/exhibits and the silent auction will be from 9:00 – 5:00 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday, April 29 & 30, 2011.

PDG Gary Ochs; 106 Edgewood Drive; Bedford, Indiana 47421

Exhibitor Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Lions Club/District: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Questions: _____

Lions of Indiana Sponsor Law Camp at Anderson and Vincennes Universities

Law Camps give students entering the 7th and 8th grades a behind the scenes look at the criminal justice system. The four-day co-ed camps offer a more advanced look at law enforcement. Police officers staff the co-ed camps and programs include spectacular demonstrations by Emergency Response Team members, Bomb Squads, Underwater Search and Rescue Teams and police dogs. Campers meet peers from around the state, participate in recreational activities and leave with a greater understanding of the police field. These leadership camps are co-sponsored by the Lions Clubs of Indiana and scholarships are available. Lions of Indiana also donate their time and supplies necessary to make sure the kids have a meaningful experience.

Requirements of Campers: A willingness to learn
Activities Included: Camps allow students to make friends from around the state and participate in recreational activities and programs and experience what the police academy is like.
Description: For more than 30 years the Indiana State Police has offered young people an exciting look at law enforcement and the criminal justice system through youth camps. The camps help students gain respect for themselves and others through programs, which demonstrate the rewards of hard work and dedication. They learn teamwork skills while gaining self-confidence. The camps and programs teach students that discipline is a prerequisite in gaining self-respect, and self-respect is the first step in gaining the respect of others.

For more information and an application contact
PCC Linda Tincher
PO Box 158
Riley, IN 47871
812-894-2750



The **Lakeville Lions Club** presented PDG David Court with a Dr. Richard T. Miyamoto Fellowship in recognition of his many contributions to the Speech & Hearing project.

PDG Bud Seely of the **Milford Lions Club** acted as Master of Ceremonies at the joint Lions Club and Kiwanis Club Banquet. Several Lions Clubs and Kiwanis Clubs were represented.



Behind the scenes at the **Lakeville Lions Club** Spaghetti Dinner. Pictured (L to R) are Lions Anne Weber, Joanie Snyder and Jim Foster.

District Convention

**Saturday,
March 5, 2011**

At

Warsaw Ramada Plaza
2521 E. Center St., Warsaw, IN

Registration: 8:30am—9:15am

Opening Session: 9:15am

Closing: 3:00pm

Keynote Speaker: ID Jerry Smith

Menu: Herb Roasted Chicken or Spiced Apple Glazed Ham, Baked Potatoe, Green Beans,
Tossed Salad, Rolls, Assorted Cakes, Soda, & Iced Tea

Cost: \$16.00 per person \$19.00 after 2/24/11

Send \$ to: Make your check payable to DISTRICT 25-G and mail to
PDG Robert D. Myers, 2507 East 225 South, Warsaw, IN 46580

District Convention Registration Form

Name: _____ Club: _____ Chicken or Ham (Circle)

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Dictionary Project still Growing

Lion Howard Heines, Dictionary Project Chairperson, reports that 36 clubs are participating in the Dictionary Project and 4,400 dictionaries have been distributed. If your club is participating, but is not on the list, please contact either DG Paul or Lion Howard so your club can be added to the list.

Atwood LC
Bourbon LC
Bremen LC
Bristol LC
Centre Township LC
Claypool LC
Culver LC
Denver LC
Dunlap LC

Elkhart LC
Elkhart Community LC
Etna Green LC
Fulton Liberty LC
Greene Township LC
Grass Creek LC
Lake City LC
Laketon LC
Lakeville LC

LaPaz LC
Leesburg LC
Lydick LC
Mentone LC
Mid-Lakes LC
Mishawaka LC
Milford LC
New Carlisle LC
New Paris LC

N. Webster Lioness Club
North Webster LC
Pierceton LC
Plymouth LC
Sidney LC
Silver Lake LC
Syracuse LC
Wakarusa LC
Warsaw LC



Three members of the **Elkhart Community Lions Club**, third grade teacher, Deb Johnston, and students Alondra Garcia and Robert Kiefer, from the Pinewood School in Elkhart, with the dictionaries presented to the third graders. The Elkhart Lions and the Elkhart Community Lions worked together to get a dictionary into the hands of every third grader in the Elkhart Public Schools (except those located in Bristol, which the Bristol Lions handled.)

The New Carlisle News printed the following "thank you" notes from Olive Elementary third graders after the New Carlisle Lions Club donated dictionaries to their class.

Dear Lions Club,
Thank you for the dictionaries. When my brother grows up and my sister I will teach them how to use a dictionary in school. I have never had my own dictionary before. I have never used a dictionary in my life. Thank you,
Avery Stahl

Dear Lions Club,
Thanks for the dictionary. It was so nice of you to give all of us 3rd graders a dictionary. You guys are very nice. When I grow up I am going to be helpful.
Thank you,
Gage Burns

Wayne Madden
candidate for
Lions International
2nd Vice President



Madden 2012

The campaign to elect Wayne Madden 2nd International Vice President, and to support him as he serves the Association as an Executive Officer, will be funded primarily through voluntary club and individual donations. Wayne's success and service is something all Indiana Lions can be proud of; it is success that we all share in. Your club and members are invited to join the winning Madden 2012 team.

Wayne is a native of Auburn Indiana, known as the "Home of the Classics". Some of the finest, most advanced and innovative automobiles ever built were built in Auburn. To commemorate that heritage your club can qualify for one of three levels of banner patches: \$10 per member will qualify for the Auburn patch; \$25 per member the Cord patch; and \$50 per member the Duesenberg patch. Clubs that donate \$100 per member will be a "Classic Club" and in addition to a banner patch receive special recognition.

Your club's pledge could include a contribution from your club's administrative account, funds raised from a special project and can also include contributions/pledges from individual members (you may have members who have already made a contribution/pledge). Pledges can be paid over a three year period (2010-2012).

The _____ Lions club in District 25__ is proud to be part of the Madden2012 Team. Our pledge is based on our 1/01/2010 membership of _____ members.

Auburn Club ____; Cord Club ____; Duesenberg Club ____; or Classic Club ____.

Our pledge is based on a club donation of \$ _____ and the pledges/donations of the following Lions:

Lion _____ \$ _____

Lion _____ \$ _____

Lion _____ \$ _____

Lion _____ \$ _____

Additional Lions maybe listed on the reverse side

This pledge made on _____ Lion President _____
Initial Contribution of \$ _____ enclosed Lion Secretary _____

Send checks (payable to Madden 2012) & pledge forms to PDG Ed Souers 17002 Darling Rd Woodburn IN 46797

Visit us on the web at www.lionwaynemadden.com.

District Calendar

Sat. Mar. 5, 2011	All Day	District Convention	Ramada Plaza, Warsaw
Apr 28—May 1, 2011		State Convention	Bloomington
Sat. May 21, 2011	11:15am	Cabinet Meeting	Potato Creek State Park
Jul 4—8, 2011		International Convention	Seattle, WA

District Governor's Visits Scheduled

Wed., Mar. 2	South Bend Lions Club	Tue., Mar. 22	Warsaw Lions Club
Thu., Mar. 3	Dunlap Lions Club	Thu., Mar. 24	Greene Township Lions Club
Mon., Mar 7	Bunker Hill South Miami Lions Club	Mon., Apr. 4	Silver Lake Lions Club
		Tue., Apr. 5	Goshen Lions Club
Tue., Mar. 8	Pierceton Lions Club	Mon., Apr. 11	Millersburg Lions Club
Thu., Mar. 10	Bremen Lions Club	Tue., Apr. 19	Denver Lions Club
Mon., Mar. 21	Somerset Lions Club	Tue., Jun. 21	Peru Lions Club

Don't forget to call to arrange for a club visit

DG Paul Russell
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Lakeville, IN 46536