



“Share the Pride”

Indiana District 25G News

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Thought for the month:

Natives of the Island of Puerto Rico believe chocolate will cure arthritis and the common cold.
What if they are right?



Greetings from Detroit, Michigan, USA

As our family (Your DG, your cabinet secretary and Olivia) begins its journey to serve District 25G for 2004 – 2005, it is with mixed feelings. We are excited to be in the position, yet fearful, that we do the right things in representing you. Thanks to our extended family of Lions which we can turn to for advice. It is a joy to serve you.

We are in Detroit as you read this. I am attending DGE Seminars and training to learn to better serve our district. International Convention follows the training. Deborah is a delegate to the convention. Celebrating our Daughter Olivia's 13th birthday has been worked into our already busy convention schedule.

Indiana is expected to be well represented at the convention, as we have a candidate for International Director, Dave Fiant.

Remember to register for the first cabinet meeting of the year. (August 7th at Lakeville) Bring as many with you as you can. Please keep us informed of the activities your club has planned so we can inform the entire district.

We are looking forward to visiting clubs in 25G this coming year. (Get your visit requests in soon). There is so much to share.

District Governor Buddy
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News from Vice District Governor Nelson Nix:

Hey isn't it Great to be a Lion? I think so, and so do millions of others throughout the world. Time Marches on and this is a new year with some new faces and new ideas to recharge our district in the many great things you do for your communities thru Lionism. Lion District Governor Buddy has some novel ideas to assist you with retention and recruitment so be sure to listen and follow his well thought out messages as the year progresses.

The International Convention will be held this year in Detroit. Well over 150 Hoosier Lions are already registered. Are you planning to go? Why not? It's an easy trip just 2 1/2 Hours from 25-G. Even if you can only make it for a day, it will be a day worth remembering. Hope to see you there.

Another thought: The next time you're in Indianapolis, I would strongly recommend that you give Lion Dottie Flack a call and visit the very great things that are happening at the Indiana Lions Cancer Control Unit. It is absolutely mind-boggling to see the wonderful things that can be accomplished thru your clubs fund raising activities and your generosity to our state projects.

I really look forward to seeing many of my old Lion friends and making Lots more during the upcoming years.

I would, in closing, like to thank Governor Ann Haffner for an outstanding year of service and of course a big thanks to the greatest Lions of them all Art and Pat Birk in Culver for all they do each and every day to make the Lions of 25-GREAT.

Notes from the Secretary:

This year is providing more new experiences than I expected. I will do everything I can to help you with the information you need to do your jobs. I would ask that you help me with my job. Remember that this is all new to me, so ask your questions, make your requests and please, turn in your paperwork just a little bit ahead of schedule, so I can get back to you as quickly as you need me to.

When you send in requests for visits by the Governor, give a choice of two or three dates. All requests will be confirmed as received, with dates assigned on a first come first serve basis. Email requests will be acknowledged ahead of snail mail. Thanks, Lion Deborah.

Request for Governors Official Visit:

Club name:

Contact person:

phone:

e-mail:

Requested date choices: 1.

2.

3.

Send to: District Secretary, PO Box 343, LaFontaine, IN 46940 or bandmancha@earthlink.net

PROJECT CHAIRPERSONS

These are the chairperson for our project committees. They will be contacting you about their projects, to provide information and a program if you wish. Please feel free to contact them at any time, DG Buddy.

- Activities:** Susan Robledo, 806 Lake Street, South Bend, IN 46619 (574)289-8275
- Cancer Control:** PDG Ann Haffner, 11268 N. State Rd. 13, Syracuse, IN 46567 (574) 457-3054
- Diabetes Awareness:** Beverly Reid, 501 N Second St., Pierceton, IN 46562 (574) 594-5220
- Environmental:** Larry McCLeary, 5104 McKenna Rd., Warsaw, IN 46580 (574) 594-3934
- Eye Bank:** PDG Art Birk 614 North Plymouth St. Culver, IN 46511 (574) 842-3690
- Eyeglass Recycling:** PDG Layne Warren, PO Box 3, Claypool, IN 46510 (574) 566-2252
- Glaucoma Screening:** John Krzyzanowski, 16360 Fairfield Lane, Granger, IN 46530
(574) 272-9492
- Habitat for Humanity:** PDG Dave Court, 18681 Osborne Rd., Lakeville, IN 46536
(574) 784-8242
- Indiana School for the Blind:** Carol Buday, 107 N Thompson St. Bourbon, IN 46504
(574) 342-0230
- Law Camp:** William Peckham, 505 E Liberty, Bourbon, IN 4504 (574) 342-6415
- Leader Dog:** PDG Howard Jones, 26750 Quinn Rd., North Liberty, IN 46554 (574) 656-8489
- Lions Services for Children:** Deborah Mancha, PO Box 343, LaFontaine, IN 56940
(765) 981-4114
- Liberty Day:** Pat Birk, 614 North Plymouth S., Culver, IN 46511 (574) 842-3690
- Peace Poster Contest:** Pat Birk, 614 North Plymouth S., Culver, IN 46511 (574) 842-3690
- Photo Screening:** PDG Art Birk, 614 North Plymouth St., Culver, IN 46511 (574) 842-3690
- Sight Conservation:** PDG Charlie Haffner, 11268 N. State Rd 13, Syracuse, IN (574) 457-3054
- Speech & Hearing:** PDG Jerry Higginbotham, 2408 Sally St., Warsaw, IN 46580 (574) 269-9700
- Women's Membership Development:** Annie Speth, 2334 E Tam O'Shanter, Peru, IN 46970
(765) 473-3209
- Youth Exchange and Outreach:** Donna Varner, EMS 134N 17LN, North Webster, IN 46555
(574) - 834-2662

Project Focus: Activities

The purpose of the Culture and Activities committees is to support and coordinate cultural and community activities in the District. His means helping the clubs find opportunities to get involved in Concerts, competitions, theater, art, crafts, education and other aspects of the cultural life of a community. The Chairperson will help your club find projects that your club can get involved in to expand your community's awareness of the Lions.

Contact: Susan Robledo for more information



Project Focus: LIBERTY DAY

The purpose of Liberty Day is to make 8th and 11th grade Indiana US History Students familiar with the US Constitution. The program is:

1. all volunteer
2. funded by patriotic businesses, who pay for printing and distribution
3. non-partisan, with elected officials talking about the Constitution
4. coordinated by Indiana Lions

Programs are arranged by District Coordinators working through Club Coordinators recruited from participating clubs, a school program requires as few as two or three Lions.

The club coordinator contacts:

1. the school principal to arrange a date for a 45 – 50 minute convocation
2. an elected official to speak approximately 20 minutes on the meaning of the Constitution and answer questions for about 15 minutes
3. press and radio to come for a news story.

The club coordinator may also introduce the program and the speaker. One or two other Lions pass out copies of the Liberty Day Constitution booklets as the students enter the convocation.

Last year Indiana Lions provided over 14,000 copies of the US Constitution to students in 55 schools in each of the 8 districts in Indiana. This year's goal is 20,000 copies. Your club can help Indiana reach this goal.

CONTACT: Pat Birk, iambirk@culcom.net or 574-842-3690

August 7th Cabinet meeting

Registration 11:30

Meal 12:00 noon

Place: Lakeville Elementary School

Host: Lakeville Lions

Cost: \$8.00

Send reservations to: Cabinet treasurer, Jeri Seely, PO Box 567, Milford, IN 46542

Name:

Name:

Name:

#Attending: x \$8.00 total enclosed:

REGISTRATION DEADLINE AUGUST 1, 2004

INDIANA 25 G BANNER NIGHT

Saturday, October 2, 2004

Place: The Honeywell Center, Highway 15 and Market Street, Wabash, Indiana

Registration: 6:00pm

Dinner: 6:45pm

Cost: \$16 (Until September 15th)

Send reservations to: Cabinet treasurer, Jeri Seely, PO Box 567, Milford, IN 46542

Name: _____ club _____

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#attending: x \$16 = total enclosed: _____

\$20 after September 15th. No reservations accepted after September 25th.

STATE FAIR WORKERS NEEDED!

Lions are needed to work at the State Fair again this year Wednesday, August 11 through Sunday, August 22. Ticket seller shifts each day are from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Water tent workers are needed each day from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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

PDG Charlie Haffner	Sat., August 14	(574) 457-3054	ahaffner@kconline.com
PDG Bud Seely	Wed., August 18	(574) 658-4842	jseely@the-papers.com
PID Jim Cameron	Sun., August 22	(574) 528-5001	

This year each Lion that works may again designate that his/her \$5 per shift earned be sent to his/her home club, one of the state projects, or the Indiana Lions Foundation.

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!



Elsie Downhour, Richard Liechty, Lee Ewing, Ray Madden
DG Ann Haffner presented Melvin Jones Awards to these Greene Township Lions

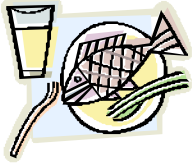
Get you clubs upcoming events listed in the news letter. Send the information by July 15th to appear in the August News Letter.



Syracuse Lions Club Annual Fish Fry

Friday, July 2 Syracuse Community Center 4-7pm

Adults \$7 Children (under 10) \$3



Mid-Lakes Lions Club Fish Fries!

Oswego Community Building 4:00 – 7:00pm

July 17 August 21 September 18 October 16



Peru Lions World Famous Tenderoin Sandwiches

Circus City Festival

July 19-24th

LaPaz Lions Wayne Cox Memorial Scholarship Golf Outing July 24th.

34th Annual District 25-G Golf Tournament

Wednesday, August 4 at Maxwellton Golf Club in Syracuse

Individual and Team Prizes and Trophies for Gross and Net

Tee times 8:00 am to 1:00pm

Contact Lion Gus Duehmig 574-457-8414 dueh@kconline.com

Denver Lions Club 15th Annual Car, Truck and Bike Show

Saturday, August 14 Registration 1:00 gates close at 5:00

\$8 Pre-registration \$10 Day of Show

Best of show Car, Truck and Bike; Best Paint; Engine and Interior; Long Distance; Top 35 cars;
Top 10 trucks; Top 5 Bikes

All proceeds go to Denver Lions Club Service Projects

Bring your pop tabs, eye glasses and Hearing aids

Contact Person: Lion Lyle Davis 765-985-9425

LaFontaine Lions Bar-B-Q for Books Hog Roast

August 14, 2004 4:00pm

Adults \$5 Children under 10 \$2.50 Pre-school kids free

This event is 100% under written, all ticket sales go to support
the LaFontaine Elementary School Library Reading Programs

2d Annual Eyeglass Recycling Appreciation Golf Outing

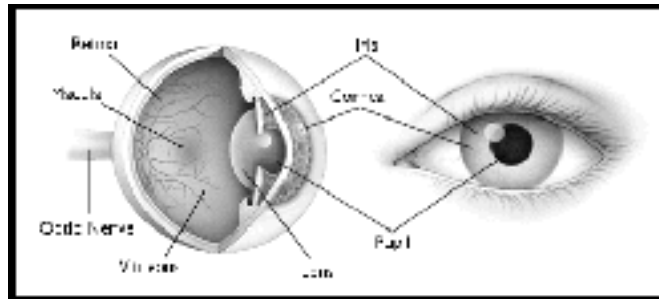
Tuesday, October 5th at South-Shore Golf Club south of Syracuse

Contact Person: PID Jim Cameron 574-528-501



PHOTOSCREENING FACT SHEET

From lions world sight day



WHAT IS PHOTOSCREENING?

Photoscreening is used to detect the majority of potential vision problems in pre-literate children, ages six months to four years, who are often unable to identify or express problems with their vision. This technology makes possible early detection of diseases and conditions that would, if left untreated, result in blindness.

HOW IS PHOTOSCREENING PERFORMED?

Trained Lions club volunteers using a specialized hand-held MTI PhotoScreener™ perform photoscreening on children. Similar to taking a Polaroid snapshot, the photoscreener takes two black and white images, solely focusing on the eyes. One picture is taken with the flash in the vertical position and one in the horizontal position. Photoscreening takes approximately two to three minutes per child, no physical contact is made with the child and eye drops are not necessary.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER PHOTOSCREENING?

Normally, ophthalmologic experts at the Tennessee Lions Eye Center at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital review the photos. If problems are identified, a child is referred to local ophthalmologists or optometrists for further evaluation or treatment. During Lions World Sight Day in Brazil, Lions Clubs International will sponsor on-site eye care professionals who will examine the pictures immediately after a child is screened, then determine if further evaluation or treatment is needed.

WHY IS PHOTOSCREENING IMPORTANT?

In 85 to 90 percent of the cases, photoscreening has been effective in detecting problems that can cause decreases in vision. This test screens for major eye disorders including:

- Cataract – cloudiness of the lens or capsule of the eye, causing partial or total blindness
- Astigmatism – a refractive defect of an eye lens that prevents focusing of sharp images
- Anisometropia – unequal refractive power or uneven ability of the eyes to bend light rays to focus images
- Strabismus – a misalignment of the eyes, where one or both eyes is turned in, out, up or down
- Near sightedness – unable to see distant objects clearly
- Far sightedness – difficulty focusing on objects at close range

WHERE TO FIND THE GOVERNOR:

July 5-9, 2004 International Convention, Detroit, Michigan
July 12-16, 2004 Wabash County 4-H Fair Lions Booth
July 31 – August 1, 2004 Council Meeting, Merrillville
August 2, 2004 Marshall County Lions Joint Meeting, Plymouth
August 7, 2004 Cabinet Meeting, Lakeville
August 21, 2004 District F Banner Night
August 25, 2004 Culver Official Visit
August 28, 2004 District D Banner Night
September 2, 2004 Dunlap Official Visit
September 16, 2004 Mishawaka Official Visit
September 18, 2004 District E2 Banner Night
September 24 Kosciusko Days
September 27, 2004 Lydick Official Visit
October 2, 2004 Banner Night, Honeywell Center, Wabash IN
October 5, 2004 Centre Township Official Visit
October 8 – 10, 2004 Council Meeting, Kendallville
October 16, 2004 District E1 Banner Night
October 23, 2004 District C Banner Night
October 28, 2004 Oswego Official Visit
November 1, 2004 Milford Official Visit
November 4, 2004 Lapel Official Visit
November 6, 2004 Cabinet Meeting (place to be announced)
November 9, 2004 Pierceton Official Visit
December 13, 2004 Etna Green Official Visit
January 8, 2005 Mid-winter conference
January 21-23 Council Meeting
February 5, 2005 Cabinet Meeting, LaFontaine, IN
March 5, 2005 25G Convention, Honeywell Center, Wabash IN
April 29 – May 1, 2005 State Convention, West Lafayette, IN
May 13-15, 2005 Oswego Days
May 21, 2005 Cabinet Meeting, Warsaw IN

Have you sent in your visit request form yet?

DG Buddy Mancha

Indiana Lions 25-G

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Indiana 25-G Welcomes new members:

Tim Nixon – New Carlisle
Jim Embersol – New Carlisle
Rick Burkas – New Carlisle
Mike Coulter – Peru
Roseann Walker – Peru
John Walker – Peru
Jan Languel – Peru
Shawna Sopher – Peru
Charles Kitchen – Syracuse
Mary Ellen Prickett – Syracuse
Judy Jarrett – Syracuse
Robert Bales – Syracuse
Steven Page – Millersburg
William Haffer – Atwood
David Slabaugh – Etna Green
Scott Drake – Etna Green

Sheila Collier – Pierceton
Ram Sharma – LaFontaine
Saku Sharma- LaFontaine

