

Digging Spurs Into Service



The Official Newsletter
of Lions District 25-F
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Thanksgiving

District Governor Ken Faulkner

The leaves are on the ground, cold gloomy days are here, and the holidays quickly approach.

Thanksgiving will take on a new meaning this year for many people including Lions. What are you thankful for? I give thanks for allowing Lions to serve our communities in ways we never thought possible. I give thanks to God for keeping us healthy. I give many thanks for my family, both blood and Lions. And, I give thanks to all who are reading this, because without you, we would not have a Lions Club.

I give thanks for our Veterans. On November 11th, we honor all our Veterans, serving, reserves, discharged, and retired. If you are a Vet, thank you for your service and am very grateful that you served! Anyone who is willing to put their life on the line for someone they have never met or don't know deserves our unyielding gratitude.

One Veterans Day tradition I really enjoy is when our President lays a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. It is hard to imagine that there are soldiers buried there, but there are three. The neoclassical, white marble sarcophagus depicts three carved Greek figures representing Peace, Victory, and Valor. Inscribed on the back of the Tomb are the words: Here rests in honored glory an American soldier known but to God. The Tomb sarcophagus stands above the grave of the Unknown Soldier of World War I. To the west are the crypts for an Unknown Soldier from World War II and the Korean War. A white marble slab flush with the plaza marks each crypt. If you are like me and extremely Patriotic, I tear up writing and reading this. I encourage all Lions everywhere, to thank our Veterans & anyone currently serving who is in their community and/or who are in their life. I again wish to express my undying gratitude for their service.

I am thankful for the Fortville Lions that hosted our District Meeting. It was held at McCordsville

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United Methodist Church and their congregation celebrates over 100 years of fellowship. Lunch was awesome with homemade chili, and potato soup and sandwiches. There is not enough gratitude that I can share for hosting that meeting. Just a reminder, everyone is welcome to attend, as this is not just for PDG's or Cabinet Lions. We can all come to together and share fellowship, and even a few laughs.

Four months of my year as District Governor are behind me and many things have happened that have made me proud to be a Lion. I was able to assist a club with presenting a Melvin Jones Fellowship, congratulations to Cabinet Treasurer Pat Bigham on this honor. I was able to present a W.P. Woods Fellowship to Barb Price that same night, congrats!! I have been able to install officers, new members and presented many membership chevrons recognizing years of service.

Speaking of service, NO SERVICE IS TOO SMALL to report. The Lions of Indiana are trying to beat an old record of 85% of all clubs reporting service activities. Secretaries, did you know that you can report yourself reporting MMR's? Yes, it is an activity! If I call our Club Treasurer to see how she is doing, I ask our secretary to report it. Why do we need to report it? What does LCI do with this information? LCI works with outside organizations to fundraise and partner with to support Lions causes, groups like the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The information that is entered in is used as evidence to show the Gates Foundation we mean business and live up to our motto: WE SERVE!

I look forward to visiting the clubs that have their visits scheduled, and for those clubs that have not scheduled, please contact CS Ed Harper and let's get this scheduled.

I have given you my partial list of reasons for what I am thankful for. Time for all Lions in the District to do the same. Email or text me what you are thankful for.

United in Kindness and Diversity as We Serve,

DG Ken Faulkner

Happy Fall!

V.D.G. Jeffrey Locke

By the time you read this we will be into November, the heat of the summer is behind us and the cool winds of winter are upon us. One of the Indy weather personalities I follow on Facebook had posts on his page of people finding white woolly worms. The weatherman said that's an indication of SNOW!

This past month has been busy with Lions activities. On September 22nd, PCC Reed Fish, Leo Scrougham, Lion Past Pres. Jim George of the Williamsburg Club and I played golf in the District 25C outing in Pittsboro. While everyone had a good time, the hardware stayed in 25C.

The funds raised from this event will be donated to Special Olympics.

September 27th was Pork Chop Sunday at Camp Woodsmoke. Even with the new format, I believe everyone was pleased with the turnout. Lion Angela and I had a lot of fun working in the kitchen helping assemble the carry-out meals.

Lion Angela and I tagged along with DG Ken and Lion Cheri and attended DG Ken's official visit at the Beech Grove Lions on October 1st. Our thanks to Lions President Pence for having us. I played golf once again at the Liberty Lions Club outing on Oct 3rd. Funds raised from this event supports Liberty's Christmas for Kids fund.

On October 10th our District held their first District meeting for the year at McCordsville. It was an informative session and the Fortville Lions out did themselves extending their hospitality. On October 12th Lion Angela and I attended DG Ken's official visit to Indianapolis Washington Township Lions Club where we were honored to see CT Pat Bigham receive her Melvin Jones Fellowship. We also thank the Washington Township Lions for their warm welcome.

October 17th found us in Spencer, In. at the Fall Council of Governor's meeting. It was again a great opportunity to visit with Lions from all across Indiana. That evening we attended the Banner Night for DG Kenny Williams of 25E, held at McCormick Creek State Park.

Throughout our travels around the state, we are seeing Lions finding ways to continue to serve their communities in various ways. Even though we are still in the Covid-19 pandemic, Lions are resilient in their efforts to make our communities better for everybody.

Please remember to Wash Up, Mask Up and Social Distance whenever possible. I hope to see you and your Club soon as Lion Angela and I travel this great Lions District of 25F

Jeffrey Locke, 1st VDG

Club Activities

November 21, 2020; 4-8PM

Please note that the Camp Woodsmoke "clean-up day" has been rescheduled for November 21st. We will start to assemble at the Dinning Hall at 8am. We will have coffee and donuts available. - Bill McDonald, CWS Chair

January 22--23, 2021: Mid-Winter Conference Cancelled

Mid-Winter Conference at the Indianapolis Crownne Plaza (Airport). See Ad later in this newsletter.



Is your Club event on the District Calendar?
Check here:

www.indianalions25f.org/calendar.html

November is Here!

2nd VDG Linda Scott

This last month before winter gives us such colorful days. We can enjoy the beautiful colors on the trees and all around us. We often think about all we are thankful for.

I want to thank all the veterans and those serving currently. Thank you for your service!

Thank you clubs for being creative with your meetings and for continuing to serve your community. Remember no act of service is too small.

I am sure you have heard that the Mid Winter Conference will

not be a face to face event. The good news is, you will be able to join in the learning virtually and it will not cost anything to participate. More information is coming about what is being offered and how you can join in.

I will add one quick reminder that Peace Posters are due to our Governor by Dec. 1.

Speaking of creativity, each club can submit one design for the International Pin. This pin will be for the 2022 International Convention in New Delhi, India. Designs for pins should be to our Governor by Dec. 15, 2020.

Thank you for all you are doing. Wear your masks and stay safe.



INDIANA LIONS FOUNDATION

*As you may have heard the Indiana State Fair has been cancelled this year due to COVID-19 concerns. While you may not be able to support your Indiana Lions Foundation with your time & talents, please consider a contribution to our **NEW ONLINE campaign** via GoFundMe.*

Safe, secure one-time donations or set up recurring donations!

<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/indiana-lions-foundation-online-campaign>

or <http://tiny.cc/o2v7rz>

or scan the QR code with your smart device!

Indiana Lions Foundation News: All Indiana Lions recently received a brochure expressing benefits provided by the Indiana Lions Foundation. One such benefit is the \$750.00 Matching Grant Program. The Program matches, up to \$750.00, of a Clubs contribution to an approved service project. Due to the cancellation of the Indiana State Fair, Lions from across Indiana were unable to volunteer their time to raise funds for the Indiana Lions Foundation and the Matching Grant Program. Please consider supporting the Indiana Lions Foundation so we can continue our programs for the Lions of Indiana. You can make a one-time donation via our GoFundMe online campaign. Donation options include: Using the QR Code above, going directly to our GoFundMe page, or making a direct contribution to the Indiana Lions Foundation. If you have any questions, please contact an Indiana Lions Foundation Trustee or visit our website: IndianalionsfoundationMD25.org

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ELECTIONS!!!

**Attention All Lions running for District Office & Positions
District Convention is scheduled for March 13, 2021
Deadline is March 5, 2021**

Must Submit:

- A letter of intent from the person running for the position
- A letter from the Club signed and dated by club secretary or president stating the Lion is in good standing with the club

Letters may be emailed to owen.47037@gmail.com

OR mailed to:
Owen Menchhofer
1970 N. county road 300 West
Holton, IN 47023



Ben Davis Lions Club
CHILI DINNER

Saturday, Nov. 7th

4-7pm

Church of the Master

1620 N. Girls School Rd

Carry out a

**Bowl of Chili with all
the fixins OR
Hot dog & chips**

**Each with a bottle of
water**

**Just
\$5**

Carry Out Only Event

Please join us for our last



At the Clermont Lions Club

3201 Tansel Rd, Clermont, IN 46234

November 6, 2020 Open 5:00 – 8:00 !

CARRY OUT ONLY!

Veterans eat for FREE!

Adult meal includes a Fish, BBQ sandwich, or hot dog, choice of 2 sides (potato salad, baked beans, coleslaw, or Italian pasta), a homemade dessert & a drink. All for \$9. Kids meals are available!

****We as Lions, volunteer our time to raise money so that we may have the opportunity to give back to our communities. We raise funds so that we may host holiday parties for the kids, and it enables us to make donations for causes such as vision, cancer, & diabetes to name a few. We take pride in our community and it is an honor to serve!**



2020-2021 Directory Corrections

Governor's Honorary Advisory Committee (pg. 36)

List should include PCC Reed Fish (13-14), Speedway, C: 317-501-0535, rfish@amfam.com and PDG John Brown (15-16), Pike Township, C: 317-442-3223, jebrown1234@comcast.net

Greensburg Lions Club (pg. 16)

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Lawrenceburg Lions Club (pg. 19)

Secretary EG McLaughlin – E-mail Address: mclaughlineg@gmail.com

Present Bryan Johnson – E-mail Address: hbryanjohnson@77@gmail.com

Zone Chair (pg. 38), **Special Olympics Committee Chair** (pg. 42), **Camp Woodsmoke Chair** (pg. 48),

Camp Woodsmoke Trustee (pg. 50)

William (Bill) McDonald - Home: 812-689-6699, E-mail: lionmcdonald53@gmail.com

Law Camp Committee Chair (pg. 40)

Toni McDonald – E-mail: tonimcdonald2855@gmail.com

Leader Dog Trustee (pg. 47)

Remove listing for Jill Moore

Camp Woodsmoke Caretaker (pg. 48)

Updated to include phone number, 812-527-2656

Camp Woodsmoke Officers (pg. 48)

Past District Governors & Current Governor should be reflected as *Trustees* not Officers

Camp Woodsmoke Trustees (pg. 49-50)

R4 Zone B – position should reflect empty

Region 5 Chair – PDG Earl Whipple (21), Connersville, PO Box 644, Connersville, IN 47331,
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R5 Zone B – Donna Kumli, Brookville, 10060 SR 252, Brookville, IN 47012, H: 765-647-2868,
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Milan Lions Club (pg. 21)

Secretary Judy Jordan, Phone: 317-709-1011, E-Mail: j.k.jordan@comcast.net

I-Center Township – Tindley Preparatory Academy (pg. 28)

Contact person should reflect Yvette Glenn, Phone: 317-491-3357, E-mail: yglenn87@gmail.com *AND* Chatel Bacon, Phone: 317-996-3619, E-mail: cbadonovr50@yahoo.com

Hope Lions Club (pg. 17)

President/Secretary Mike Crull, Address: PO Box 40, Hartsville, IN 47244

Ben Davis Lions Club (pg. 9)

Club Meetings take place the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at the Clermont Lions Club Building, 3201 Tansel Road @ 6pm

Lawrence Lions Club (pg. 19)

Address: PO Box 26143, Meeting Locations: TBA, contact President/Secretary, Meetings on the 4th Monday of the month

DISTRICT 25-F CLUB DONATION NOTIFICATION



Date: _____

The club of District 25-F: _____

would like to make the following donations to the projects so indicated:

DISTRICT 25-F PROJECT

CAMP WOODSMOKE
\$

DISTRICT 25-F COMMITTEE

EYEGASS RECYCLING
\$

DISTRICT 25-F PROGRAM

SPECIAL OLYMPICS
\$

VISION SCREENING
\$

MD 25 LIONS OF INDIANA STATE PROJECTS

CANCER CONTROL
\$

LEADER DOG
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VISION FIRST & OPERATION KIDS SIGHT
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INDIANA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED
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MAIL TO:
Lion Patricia Bigham
1840 Randall Court
Indianapolis, IN 46240-3133

TOTAL DONATION: _____

CHECK NO: _____



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