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## **DG COLUMN**

I can't believe how fast this first month has flown by. It seems like I only just got back from Detroit, and now it is almost time for my Banner Night. I hope that everyone will take advantage and be there with their Club's Banner. I have included a Banner Night sign-up sheet in this newsletter for what I promise will be the very last time. Please note that the snacks and socializing will begin at 6:00pm and the meal will start at 7:00pm. (Of course the golf outing will begin around noon. All we have to do is show up and tell them who we are. The green fees will be collected at the golf course for those of us who choose to play.) Another question that seems to be recurring is the attire. My fellow District Governors, and myself, will wear our white "monkey suits" and everyone else will be free to wear whatever they will feel comfortable in. I am anticipating that most of the men will wear sports jackets and ties or suits, but it is not required. Ladies should feel free to dress up (or down) as they wish as well.

Speaking of sign-up sheets, it is already time to start thinking about our Fall Cabinet meeting. We have a truly unique one planned for this year. I hope that everyone will also pre-register for this event as well. Lion Cliff Yancey of the Shelbyville Lions Club and I have been working on a special agenda for you. I think you will all like what we have planned. I have also included a tentative pre-registration form for our October Cabinet Meeting that you should complete and return to Lion Cliff as soon as possible. (He is still negotiating with the race track on some of the pricing. If we get enough Lions signed up to go, he thinks they will include our breakfast for free. If we don't get enough signed up to go, some of us may have to help subsidize the cost of the facility.)

I would like to thank everyone who attended our Organizational Day (actually my first Cabinet Meeting of the year) at Camp Woodsmoke on July 18. I hope everyone had a great time and came away with a little more knowledge than when they arrived. We had a pretty full day, but I think it was a very productive one.

During that recent meeting, PCC Tom Flack gave a brief report on our Vision Van screenings. In his report, he indicated that the District 25-F Vision Van Program is truly on the move. Even though it has only been on the road since the end of March, our Vision Van is already "getting up to speed." So far, it has traveled nearly 4,000 miles in just its first 3 ½ months of operations. Supported by the Lions Clubs of "F", helping one another, this project has screened 333 children and 752 adults, as of July 18.

Out of the more than 1,000 individuals that were screened, 455 were referred on for professional eye exams/care. Of that number, 42 adults and 87 children had their exams and eyeglasses provided free of charge, due to their financial needs status, by PBI (Prevent Blindness Indiana) in partnership with the Lions of District 25-F.

The Vision Van has provided vision screening at day care centers, senior citizens' centers, and community health fairs among other events. As one Lion in our District termed it last winter, it provides service to an audience from "Diapers to Depends."

Our Vision Van Program works because local Lions Clubs recruit members to be trained as certified vision screeners by PBI. Once trained, these certified vision screeners assist their own clubs as well as helping neighboring clubs with their screening. The Vision Van Program provides us with an opportunity for Lions to help other Lions (which is something that I consider to be very important this year).

It is equally important that, when our local communities see us working on a project such as our Vision Screening Program, they also need to see local Lions. That way they will realize that it is local Lions helping their local communities. It will help them to better understand what "WE SERVE" is all about. Remember: Together Everyone Achieves More (T.E.A.M.).

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I also announced a special "GRINCH that stole Christmas program," at our recent President's training down at Camp Woodsmoke last month. I am asking each of us, as Lions, to adopt a new "GRINCH" attitude in our Clubs. GRINCH is actually another of my acronyms.

It stands for:

**G**reet everyone  
**R**emind everyone  
**I**nvolve everyone  
**N**ame Tags  
**C**ommunity Service  
**H**ave Fun!

**G** – Greet members and guests as they arrive to make them feel welcome.

**R** – Remind members of meeting dates and times; we all forget things.

**I** – Involve everyone in our Club activities.

**N** – Name Tags help us remember one another's names. Issue and wear them at all meetings for members and guests alike. Make the print large enough that they can be read at a glance from at least 3 or 4 feet away.

**C** – Community Service is the cornerstone upon which our organization is based. Do something worthwhile for our local communities.

**H** – Have fun! We should all have fun at our Club meetings and activities.

If we adopt this program, I strongly believe that we will all have better membership retention and more importantly, we will all more fully enjoy being Lions!

Speaking of having fun as Lions, I have been having a great time visiting Lions from all around our district. My travels have taken me from Williamsburg in the North one night, to Versailles (sort of in the south) the next. Each visitation has given me the opportunity to share my goals for our District with each Club and a chance to tell just a little about what we are currently doing as Lions in this district. It really makes me proud to be part of such a great organization. And what makes it great? You all do! We, collectively, are the District. If it were not for each of us, and what we do as Lions, the district would be a pretty dull and unproductive nothing. However, that is not the case. We are doing great things in this District, because each Lion is giving unselfishly of his or her time to help others. I know that most of you have already been looking at my new points contest this year. (It is published on page 15 of my District Directory.) If you will pay special attention to the items that generate the most points, they correlate very heavily to doing things in the District that make a difference, and sharing what we are doing with our fellow Lions. I feel that is the way the points should be awarded. When we do something that truly makes a difference (even if it is only in our own attitudes), those are the things that should receive the highest rewards. Ironically, we will each get a much better reward than anything that I can offer, when we do these things; because it is a reward that is felt in the heart. I hope that every Club in our District will achieve the 2,000 point goal that I have set for you. Not only do I think that you will like the special award you will get from me, I'm

certain that you will truly appreciate the rewards that you will feel inside from the things that it took to get those points. Thanks for all you do.

*DG Carl*

**VDG Column**

How time does fly. It seems only a few days ago that I wrote my first newsletter and here, it's time to do it again. So two down and ten to go.

This should be a short one since I'm a man of few words!! Do you really believe that?

For those who were unable to attend the Camp Woodsmoke family picnic and Cabinet meeting, you missed a great meal and fellowship. The weather was perfect, you couldn't ask for more than that.

Lion Roy Cudworth treated anyone who wanted to a hayride, to show off all the work that had been done so far to beautify the camp. It was a very enjoyable ride, so hats off and a "Big Thanks" to Lion Roy.

Just a reminder for those who wish to walk the red brick road, contact your Camp Woodsmoke Trustee. Depending on how many lines, you can purchase a brick for \$35.40. These can be for you, your Club, or in memory of a loved one. Also, for only \$3.00 you can purchase a beautiful Camp Woodsmoke pin to wear. All proceeds go to camp projects.

We have been to the International Convention in Detroit-Windsor. Again God blessed us with a safe trip and beautiful weather. Cobo Hall and Joe Lewis Arena were awesome, along with the scheduled shows and flag ceremony, not to forget the "Detroit People Mover" (monorail) to Greektown, where the food was fabulous.

It was really great to see so many Lions from all over the world, to see old friends and meet new ones. "A smile is universal" for those we were unable to understand their language.

Well, so much for that!!

I'd like to take this time to invite you to the Connersville Fair on Monday Aug. 2 from 4pm to ---- where the Lions and your new V.D.G. will be grilling chicken breasts and butterfly pork chop dinners at the fairgrounds in Roberts Park. Really, really good.

Also, your Foundation Trustees will need to know if you can work the Brickyard 400, August 6, 7 and the State Fair coming up. They need your help.

Lion Judy and I are looking forward to visiting your club and your activities, meeting new and old friends, so send us the dates and places for Zone meetings, Club projects, etc. and we will try to attend.

Quote!! Do it now- today will be yesterday tomorrow.

*VDG Earl (The Whip)*

**Region/Zone Training**

Region and Zone Chair training will be at the Lawrence Lions Club Building, 4745 N. Richardt, Lawrence on the 29th of August starting at 1:30PM. Training will be approx 4 hrs. You will receive your training materials at the door. Special training will be given to Vision Van and Emergency Response duties.

Lawrence Lions building Directions: From I-465 exit at the 56th street exit, go East on 56th Street to Richardt Ave

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(Richardt Ave is in front of Lawrence Central High School, at the East End of the Building). Turn south and follow street until you come to the building. Clubhouse on East side of street. White Building. Lions Logo on the outside.

### Photo Screeners Needed

" The Operation Kid Site Program" (Photo-Screening) Chairman for the MD has asked me to solicit the assistance of clubs in 25-F to participate in the photo-screening of approximately 5,000 children in Marion County. For clubs to participate they would.

(1) Need to furnish at least 4 teams of 4 LIONS each (total of 16 LIONS) to be trained in photo-screening.

(2) Provide the financial support to provide the screening (latest figures I have is approximately \$3-4.00 PER child).

Total cost could be approximately \$20,000.00.

Any club or clubs that are interested should contact the Program Chairperson: PDG (District G) Charles Haffner at: ahaffner@kconline.com or phone (547) 457-3054

### Fall Cabinet Meeting:

Please plan to attend our second Cabinet Meeting of the year at Indiana Downs in Shelbyville, on Sunday, October 17th. Listed below is a rough agenda of our activities so that you can plan accordingly.

### October 17<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting

**At**

**Indiana Downs in Shelbyville**

<b>8:00 AM - 8:30 AM</b>	Church Service - in Second Floor Conference Room
<b>8:00 AM - 9:00 AM</b>	Registration and Breakfast (Coffee/Juice/Danish?) - Second Floor Family Pavilion
<b>9:00 AM - 9:50 AM</b>	DG Business Meeting - on Second Floor Family Pavilion
<b>9:50 AM - 10:00 AM</b>	Break
<b>10:00 AM - 10:40 AM</b>	Guest Speaker - Second Floor Family Pavilion
<b>10:40 AM - 10:50 AM</b>	Break
<b>10:50 AM - 11:20 AM</b>	Training - In 3rd Floor Suites
<b>Choice of:</b>	New Member Training Program Retention Program Leader dog Program
<b>11:20 AM - 11:30 AM</b>	Break
<b>11:30 AM - 12:00 PM</b>	Training - In 3rd Floor Suites
<b>Choice of:</b>	Membership Recruiting Program Club Extension Program Leadership Development Program
<b>12:00 PM - 3:30 PM</b>	Buffet Lunch, Horse Racing, and Social time - Second Floor
<b>3:30 PM - 4:10 PM</b>	Committee Reports - in tent next to track
<b>4:10 PM - 5:00 PM</b>	Closing Comments by Guest Speaker and DG, followed by 50/50 Drawing - in tent next to track
<b>5:00 PM</b>	Dismiss

\*Please note that these times are approximate, and subject to change.

### Corrections To District Directory

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## *Eye Glass Recycling*

The Lions Clubs of District 25F have been very diligent about picking up used EYE GLASSES. We want to make it easier! We are going to purchase a single axel covered trailer. When we have this trailer we will travel around the District and hopefully other District's as well, picking up these glasses. This way Clubs will not have to store or transport glasses to District Functions. The cost of this trailer and Lions logo's will be right at \$3,000.00. We have \$400.00 so far. Any individual or Club that makes a \$1,000.00 donation will have their name displayed on this trailer! The trailer will be the property of District 25F.

We are also in the planning stages to have an Eyeglass Mission to Mexico from District 25F. This 1<sup>st</sup> Mission would go in Jan/Feb of 2006. If you would like more information about this, contact PDG Tom Slattery, [tgslats@netzero.net](mailto:tgslats@netzero.net).

PDG Tom

**DO MORE THAN EXIST,  
LIVE**

**DO MORE THAN TOUCH,  
FEEL**

**DO MORE THAN LOOK,  
OBSERVE**

**DO MORE THAN READ,  
ABSORB**

**DO MORE THAN HEAR,  
LISTEN**

**DO MORE THAN LISTEN,  
UNDERSTAND**

**DO MORE THAN THINK,  
PONDER**

**DO MORE THAN TALK,  
SAY SOMETHING**

# BANNER NIGHT

For

District 25F Governor Carl Sharp

Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2004

Union County Middle School

488 E State Road 44

Liberty, IN 47353

## 25F Banner Night Dinner - \$15 (All inclusive)

Reservations should be ASAP sent to:

Lion Duane Nickels  
4362 W. Dunlapville Rd.  
Liberty, IN 47353  
765-458-5301  
[dnickels@yahoo.com](mailto:dnickels@yahoo.com)

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed (Number of attendees x \$15.00): \_\_\_\_\_

*(Note: All reservations should be received by August 13<sup>th</sup> to allow for meal planning.)*

25F Banner Night Golf Event (Estimated cost of \$30 per golfer)

- Be there by about Noon.

Number of Golfers: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Do not prepay the golf event – it is a “pay at the clubhouse event” at Buck Point Golf Course on Brookville Lake – 7376 S. Fairfield Ramp Road, Liberty, IN 47353 - (765) 458-6800. However, we do need a rough head count to determine final pricing. So please let Lion Duane know if you plan to participate.

*Please remember to bring your Club Banner to display at my Banner Night.*

# Fall Cabinet Meeting

Hosted by the Shelbyville Lions Club

## Sunday, October 17th, 2004

Indiana Downs

4200 N Michigan Road

Shelbyville, IN 46176

317-421-0000

### \$15/Person

Registrations should be sent to:

Lion Cliff Yancey  
P.O. Box 801  
Shelbyville, IN 46176  
317-398-8233 (H)  
317-392-9500 (W)  
[yanceybigc@aol.com](mailto:yanceybigc@aol.com)

Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed (Number of attendees x \$15.00): \_\_\_\_\_

Please send all registrations by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004.

# Indy-Warren Lions Club Golf Outing

## River Glen Country Club Fishers Indiana

### August 26, 2004

Registration: 11:00 A.M.

Start: 12:00 Noon

\$85 per person (foursomes)

Contest holes, Prizes, Chance to win a Car or Boat. Free Snacks on course, Dinner after Golf.

Basic Sponsorship \$400.00: Includes small plaque, foursome and advertising @ hole of your choice, Dinner for four, Name of your company on honor roll. \$200.00 w/o foursome

Major Sponsorship: \$1,000.00 Includes all of the above plus Large wall plaque commemorating your support. \$600.00 without a foursome.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please send check and completed form to Lion, Leroy Wheeler 613 Hickory Court, Greenfield, Indiana 46140.

