

DISTRICT 25F NEWSLETTER

October 2011

“MAKE A DIFFERENCE”

Volume 2 Issue 4



DG Stephen Winegardner

I would like to begin this newsletter by thanking everyone who attended the District 25F Banner Night. “THANK YOU”. I was pleasantly surprised by the numbers of Lions and wives who attended and certainly hope that everyone enjoyed the evening as much as I did. There were twenty one Lions Clubs represented and eleven of them brought their banners. It was a great evening to meet new Lions and to visit with Lions I have known for years, in short, the food, fellowship, and organization was great. We will be back in that facility for the District 25F Convention on March 11, 2012.

Last month I mentioned Club Secretaries should be submitting activities reports for their Club to LCI when they submit the WMMR's. We are still very lax on making that happen as there are a number of Clubs that have not submitted a report yet this year and I know your Club has had activities. “I BELIEVE” we can make that happen and if you need help there are plenty of Club Secretaries available to help, please just give one of them a call. If you don't know which one to call, contact me and I can help give you a secretary's name that would love to help. This all goes along with the fact that we as Lions Clubs don't do a very good job of promoting ourselves.

Schools are back in session and Vision Screenings are being conducted almost every day somewhere in our District or the State. For those Clubs who are already Vision Screening, keep up the good work and for those who aren't Vision Screening, this may be the additional Community Service Project you are looking to add this year. Remember one of my six goals is for each Club to add a new Community Service Project.

Most Fall Activities are in the book or rapidly approaching as the first day of fall has passed and you know what season comes next. I hope your Clubs Activities, either projects or fund raisers, have been very successful. We just witnessed a great fund raising activity this past weekend with Camp Woodsmoke “The Best” hosting its annual Pork Chop Day. A big thank you to everyone who helped with this effort, from pork chop grillers, potato bakers, servers, drink providers, entertainment, and all Camp Woodsmoke Trustees for making this a successful event.

On the District 25F level, is your Club Secretary sending points for participation to the Cabinet Secretary, Malynda Clevenger? We reconfigured the membership guidelines this year in an effort to entice more clubs to participate. If this is all new to you, please refer to page 15 in the District 25F Directory for events awarded point and the points associated with these activities. Take a look to see if some of the activities your club participates in are awarded points then report them to CS Malynda.

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District Governor's Message Continued

Have you scheduled your District Governor's Official Visit with Malynda yet? She is the keeper of the District calendar. Remember I asked you two months ago to get these visits scheduled in an effort to have 40 to 45 Clubs completed by Thanksgiving. To date only 21 clubs have scheduled their visit.

Remember the District 25F Fall Cabinet meeting is being hosted by the Scottsburg Lions Club on Sunday October 16th, see the registration form in this new letter, be sure to send it to them so you will be assured of something to eat.

A thought starter for this month! As President of your Lions Club, Do you have a copy of your Constitution and By-Laws? Has your Board of Directors reviewed them lately to determine if the Club is being operated in accordance with them?

My contact information is telephone (317)293-6107 or by email sew_law@msn.com



FRANKLIN

Member David Echterling
Sponsor Steven Harmon

Member Heather Grantham
Sponsor Macie Martin

BLUE RIVER

Member John Barnes
Sponsor Mike Mills

INDY CENTER TWP.
Member Geraldine White
Sponsor Brenda Wilson

Member Suzanne Blake
Sponsor Joe Ralston

LAWRENCEBURG
Member Andrew Bandendistel
Member Steve LeCount
Sponsor William Miller

CLERMONT

Member Donn Brace
Sponsor Samuel Goldsberry

MIDDLETOWN
Member Elizabeth Taylor
Sponsor Robert Hayes

Member Reid Miller
Sponsor Susan Topf

NEW PALESTINE
Member Gary Cooper
Member Krista Cooper
Sponsor Jeffrey Bell
Member Jay Moan

DECATUR CENTRAL
Member Suzanne Price
Sponsor Linda Scott

SPEEDWAY
Member Tammie Dyke
Member Anne Trobaugh



The newest member of the Milan Lions Club, Melissa Merse and her sponsor, Gladys Moody.

New member Bruce Fahnstock of the Morristown Lions Club. Show with sponsor Doug Parker and Pres. Matt Gross. Photo was provided by R3 Zone A Chair Betty Whittemore.



DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP

	THIS MONTH	THIS YEAR
OPENING BALANCE	1,830	1,829
ADDED MEMBERS	5	34
DROPPED MEMBERS	11	39
CLOSING BALANCE	1,824	1,824
NET GAIN/LOSS	-6	-5
WORLDWIDE		
1,368,259		

TO SCHEDULE YOUR CLUBS OFFICIAL VISIT CONTACT ME AT MJDC61@AOL.COM. ALSO A REMINDER THAT DG STEVE IS ENCOURAGING EITHER REGION WIDE OR ZONE WIDE VISITS THIS YEAR DUE TO THE HIGH COST OF GAS. THERE ARE SEVERAL CLUBS THAT ARE DELINQUENT WITH THEIR MMR's. IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF HELP PLEASE CONTACT ME SO WE CAN GET THESE REPORTS BROUGHT UP TO DATE.

Message from 1st Vice District Governor

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Sue Topf

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" at his side.

I have battled drug abuse,
And conquered River Blindness.
I have helped the elderly
With simple acts of kindness.

Last week, Region 1 held its first meeting of the year. During the course of that meeting, members of clubs stood up and told us something about the projects that they do. The list was long, lengthy, and showed that we do a variety of projects to include many of the things listed in that poem. I saw the pride in the faces of the Lions who spoke, and usually when they were done several other Lions added things that were forgotten. It was impressive. Lions in District 25F truly make a difference in the lives of people in their communities, and that is where each club should start.

Please take the time to do an assessment of your community's needs. Is there something else that can be done or needs to be done. Could your club host a work day to get things done? If you are not doing Vision Screening, take the time to contact the school nurses and find out if there are children who need glasses, and cannot afford them. The "Gift of Sight" sets Lions apart from other service groups.

Promote your Lions Club at community events. There are so many people out there that do not know what Lions Clubs do. Those people will never know unless we take the time to tell them. At that point in time, you just might get a new member or two.

You know, I have lived in the same house in the same town for 37 years. My next door neighbor was a Lion, other neighbors were Lions. I had friends and co-workers who were Lions, but I was never asked to join until 2005. I think of the years of service that I could have given had I only been asked. My perception of the group was that it was like a small clique, and I wasn't good enough to join. Their perception of me was that I never showed any interest in the club, so they didn't ask me to join. Communication.

Thank you Lions, for helping a child to see, feeding the hungry, helping someone hear, giving gifts at Christmas, and all of those unsolicited acts of kindness that you do. It means more than you will ever know to someone!

If I could see in every face
A pair of eyes that shine,
It will be enough for me
You see, I am a LION.

And when my life is over
And I can do no more
I'll leave behind some younger Cub
I've brought 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."

It is my hope that, after you read this poem, you will see that this means YOU! Did you see yourself in this poem? I did! I also saw 1800+ Lions in District 25F!



Please join us as the

Scottsburg Lions Club

Hosts

The District 25F Fall Cabinet Meeting

October 16th at 8:00 a.m.

At the

Mid-America Science Park
821 South Lake Rd. South
Scottsburg, IN 47170

Lunch will be served with buffet choices of Fried chicken, Baked ham or Salisbury steak. Includes salad, drink and dessert

For more information call Steve Meyer (812) 278-6958 or
Scott Murphy (812) 820-0771

Fall Cabinet Meeting Registration Form

Cost: **Before October 1, 2011: \$15.00 per person**
After October 1, 2001: \$18.00 per person

Mail check made out to "Scottsburg Lions Club"
PO Box 144
Scottsburg, In 47170

Name & Club _____

Number attending: _____ Total enclosed: \$ _____



Milan Lions Club members Eugene Pitts, President Harold Coleman, DG Steve, and Secretary Melissa Baker.



Batesville Lions Club Secretary Dave Clashman, DG Steve, and President Gary Dudgeon during the Governor's Official visit.



New Palestine Lions Club President Jeffery Galilher presents a check to Lion Randy Faunce for the Southern Hancock Education Foundation to be used for Scholarships



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Osgood President Larry McCoy and DG Steve during the Governor's Official visit to the Osgood Lions Club.



Region 6, Zone A Chairperson Allen Dillman, Columbus Lions Club President Kathy Amos, DG Steve, Hope Lions Club President Mike Crull receiving their DG Pin and the International Presidents "I BELIEVE" pins.

Below and below left are pictures from Pork Chop Day at Camp Woodsmoke.



PORK
CHOP
DAY
At
CAMP
WOOD-
SMOKE



WE SERVE



Pike Township Lion Cindi Winegardner Vision Screening 3rd grade students in the Anderson School system.

Pike Township Lion Ed Harper Vision Screening 3rd grade students in the Anderson school system.



The Greenfield Lions Club on August 13 took 119 campers with their staff to Camp Woodsmoke. The club provided two meals, entertainment, crafts, hiking, games and a dance for the very appreciative campers.



BANNER NIGHT

Left: Lion 1st VP Wayne Beck of the Greenfield Lions Club passing the banner on to Lion Sarah Getts of the Pike Township Lions Club



District Governor Steve Winegardner addressing those attending Banner Night.



HOTEL INFORMATION FOR THE MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

Following is the reservation booking link for Lions to make arrangements for the Mid-Winter Conference hotel rooms. The conference will be held Saturday, Jan. 7, with the banquet slated for Friday night, Jan. 6.

Drury Inn & Suites Indianapolis NE

8180 North Shadeland Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46250

Telephone: (317) 849-8900

Rooms are being held for the Lions. To make reservations, please click on the link below. Rooms are king beds or double queens for \$94.95 per night plus applicable state and hotel tax.

<http://www.druryhotels.com/Reservations.aspx?groupno=2124906>

As you might have heard, ***The Extra's Aren't Extra*** at Drury Hotels! In addition to this great rate, here are some of the amenities <http://www.druryhotels.com/about_spserv.cfm> the Lions will enjoy:

FREE HOT QUIKSTART® Breakfast – At Drury, “hot” means Belgian waffles, scrambled eggs, biscuits & gravy, sausage and more.

FREE 5:30 KICKBACK® - From 5:30-7:00 pm each evening, kick back, relax and enjoy a rotating menu of free hot food and cold beverages.

FREE Free Long Distance - One hour every room every night.

FREE Wireless Internet Access – High speed Internet in all rooms and the lobby.

FREE Soda and Popcorn – From 3:00 pm to 10:00 pm every night in the lobby.

Plus much more!!

Please make your reservations by **Tuesday, December 6, 2011** to receive the Lions' rate. Reservations made after this date will be subject to prevailing rate and availability.

CLUB FUNDING

I have been getting some questions about club funds. What goes where and what is Project funds vs. Administrative funds. I will try to address these in this article:

PROJECT funds are funds that are given to your club and come from any outside (non-Lion) source. For example, someone walks up to you, says she/he would like to make a donation for “the cause”. That money is Project money (any project your club may choose, unless she/he designates a specific project, i.e. Eye care, Cancer control, etc.). Generally, any funds from any outside source are Project funds and that is basically the law of the jungle.

ADMIN funds are the funds to run your club, help pay dues, purchase equipment, give awards, etc. These are funds that do not come from the general population, but come from Lions themselves. Let’s take an example: you are having a fundraiser, i.e. fruit sales. Lions from nearby or even from your club buy these fruits. Their purchases can be used for Admin funds because the monies came from Lions.

Be very careful how you keep your books, you do keep books don’t you? These sales should be shown as separate entries, sold to Lions.

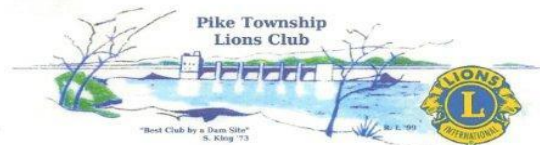
Lets’ say a non-lion makes you a donation and says “Use it for your club to help defray expenses. Project or Admin? I say it could go either way unless they specifically say a certain project and do say use it for your club.

Your club needs to increase its Admin fund: Have a yard sale. Four-family, block, etc, *Do not advertise it as a Lions Club function.* What you make can be used in your Admin fund.

I know this is as clear as mud, but it is a very touchy subject. You have a Cabinet Treasurer, he can answer any questions you have. Just remember “Funds” are tricky and some good clubs have had to answer some hard questions over little errors.

PDG Jack Salsbery

**Indianapolis Chapel Hill
Lions Club:
Annual
Christmas Treasures
Sale
Thursday & Friday
November 3rd & 4th
9:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M.
Saturday
November 5th
9:00 - 12:00
240 N. High School Rd.**



Pike Lions Club Breakfast Schedule

Pike High School Cafeteria
5401 W. 71st Street (Also can enter from
Zionsville Road)

2011-2012

September 17

October 8, November 12, December 10, January 14

Our Menu

1. Pancakes and Sausage
2. Biscuits and Gravy
3. Breakfast Combo / Consisting of
Panoakes, Biscuits and Gravy
4. Lion Carl Stewart's Famous Scrambled Eggs
5. All you can EAT!!
6. All Breakfasts include: Applesauce, Juice,
Coffee or Milk
7. By special request French Toast

Price - \$5.00

Time - 7:30 AM to 10:00 AM

OCTOBER 2011

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District Governors Points Contest
Standings as of
September 29, 2011

Division 1 (1-15)

Fountain City 3525
Hope 1800
Indy Warren 1400

Division 2 (16-35)

Indy Center 3750
Franklin 3700
Greensburg 3500
Beech Grove 2925
Ben Davis 2900
Indy Franklin 2300
Southport 1725
Greenfield 1650
Batesville 800
Lawrence 700

Division 3 (36+)

Pike 5400
Clermont 2450
Decatur Central 1275
Connersville 1100
Richmond 900

CAN YOU HELP? LIONS COMMEMORATIVE COIN

After seeing the article about the possibility of LCIF getting a coin minted in honor of our 100th anniversary in 2017, I followed up with our Indiana Senator and my local Indiana Representative. Senator Lugar actually co-sponsored the bill (S. 1299) to make this happen. I sent him a Thank You email and received the email response I've attached below.

This only took me about two minutes to accomplish so I'd like to pass this information on to the Lions in our District and the rest of Indiana.

I sent a supporting email to CCAC as Sen. Lugar suggested. I would like to ask that as many Indiana Lions as can also send a supporting email to their legislators and to CCAC.

Here is my email that anyone can use as a sample:

"Dear members of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee -

I would like to express my support to you of S. 1299, the Lions Clubs International Century of Service Commemorative Coin Act which would allow the minting of this coin for 2017 issuance.

As a current member of the Lions I know the work firsthand that we do worldwide. The opportunity to bring Lions more public attention is always something we appreciate.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration -"

Thanks!

Lion Melissa Baker

Indiana Speech and Hearing Trustee for 25F

<http://www.indylionsspeechhearing.org/>

Secretary, Milan Lions Club

PO Box 711

Milan, IN 47031

812-654-1873

Dear Mrs. Baker:

Thank you for your kind email recognizing my recent co-sponsorship of S. 1299, the Lions Clubs International Century of Service Commemorative Coin Act. I share your admiration for the work of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1299 would create a silver dollar commemorative coin to celebrate the Centennial of the Lions Clubs International in 2017. Each of the coins authorized by this legislation would carry surcharges that would be reserved for the Lions Clubs International Foundation.

While it takes an act of Congress to direct the United States Mint to produce a commemorative coin, Congress generally assigns considerable weight to the recommendations of the eleven-member Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC). Congress created the CCAC in 2003 to advise the Secretary of the Treasury and Congress on the selection of subjects and designs for commemorative coins.

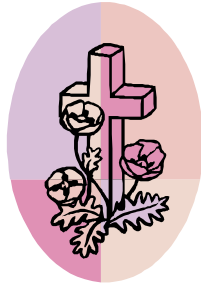
You may be interested to know that the CCAC generally recommends only two coin programs per calendar year. The CCAC recommends these new commemorative coins based on a wide variety of criteria, most notably national interest and historical significance. It also welcomes suggestions and input from the general public. Accordingly, I urge you to share your support for the issuance of this commemorative coin series directly with the CCAC. The CCAC can be reached by e-mail at info@ccac.gov, by fax at 202-756-6525, or by post at 801 9th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20220.

Again, thank you for contacting me. I appreciate your important service and wish you every continuing success in your duties as Secretary of the Milan Lions Club.

Sincerely,

Richard G. Lugar
United States Senator

LIONS COMPLETING SERVICE



BLUE RIVER
Edwin Eberhart

LAWRENCEBURG
H Lyndon Moon
William Romines

You Are Invited
to help Marion Lions
Celebrate **90 Years of Serving**
Featuring



Saturday, October 22, 2011
Reception: 6:00 p.m.
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.
in McCarthy Hall
Behind St. Paul's School
1009 West Kem Road, Marion
Cost: \$22.00

PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR DOUG LOZIER—Guest Speaker
RACHAEL PHILLIPS — Author, humorist and "Coffee Corner" columnist
Recipient of numerous awards including winner of the Erma Bombeck Global Humor Award
MUSIC by RON WOODMANSEE

**Bring an Item for
Silent Auction**

MENU

Roast Beef w/horseradish	and	Baked Chicken	Seven Layer Salad
Twice Baked Potatoes		Green Beans w/ Almonds	Rolls Cake
Iced Tea	Lemonade	Coffee	Water



To help the goals of our International President
Wing-Tun Tam and our District Governor Fran
Shaul - Marion Lions will plant one 5-6 foot
flowering tree for each of the first 90 paid
reservations (paid from Club's Project Account)



DIRECTIONS: Entering Marion from east or west on St. Road 18— On West side of town Turn north on Highway 9.
Entering Marion from south on St. Road 9, continue north on 9 past St. Road 18.
Everyone: Turn right on Kem Road (Casey's Convenience Store is on left, 5 Points Mall behind Casey's) On the right just past the first stop light on Kem Road is the Catholic Church and then the Catholic School. McCarthy Hall is behind the school.
INVITE YOUR LIONS AND OTHER FRIENDS—Send your reservations early as Seating is Limited

RESERVATION DEADLINE October 12th! No refunds after Oct. 15th!

Name: _____ Club: _____ Title: _____

Name: _____ Club: _____ Title: _____

\$22 x _____ = \$ _____ Please make check to: Marion Lions Club

Mail to PDG Sandra Price, 1741 West 32nd Street, Marion, IN 46953-3435

Questions? Contact Sandy at 765-661-1356 or e-mail: sunshine4u@indy.rr.com

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Our 2011-2012 international president's theme, **'I Believe'**, expresses the thought that the Lions of the world have created a culture organized around a belief in the value of giving back...and a belief that one person truly can make a difference.

Peace Poster Contest

To learn more about the Lions International Peace Poster Contest, please view their brochure, contest rules and deadlines. Call 630-571-5466 or contact the LCI Public Relations Department.

All information can be found on the LCI website www.lionsclubs.org
Type in "Peace Poster Contest" in the search bar.



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