



“REMEMBER, DO IT NOW, FOR TODAY WILL BE YESTERDAY, TOMMORROW”



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DG COLUMN

Hello fellow Lions of District 25-F. I have a lot of important news items to tell you about in this letter. I was proud to have our winter cabinet meeting at the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired. If you were not able to attend it was a time to visit the school and to have a tour of the facility where you could see first hand what the blind go through and how they have made the school a great learning environment for them. At the meeting we had Leo R.J. Crace president of the newly formed Leo Club at the school, During lunch we had music provided by Josh York an ISB alumnus. A big thanks to the Indianapolis Washington Township Lions Club and PDG'S Dennis & Fran Shaul for the good winter meeting.

On to other business. Now is the time for many of you to be buying your vehicle license plates. Please keep in mind that you can show your support of the Indiana Lions Foundation by requesting a Lions plate. Pictured to the right is a copy of what it will look like. The Foundation also has many grants that you as Lions Clubs can apply for. All you need to do is go on-line to www.Indianalions.org and download applications. Fill them out and send to the grant committee for their consideration or contact any of your Foundation Trustees they are DG Earl Whipple, PCC Robert Booher or Lion Gene Wagoner.



We have started another new project with the new year and it is SightFirst II. Our coordinator for this project is our own PDG Carl Sharp JR. he will be coming around to tell all the Clubs about the project and how it will be working. If you would like him to come to your Club and tell you about this new and exciting project give him a call. If you would like to see more information about this project look on our District Web Site.

As many of you know our President Ashok Mehta has asked all of the Lion District Governors to grow plus one, we in our District have had a challenge trying to achieve this goal he set. But at my last joint region/zone meeting held in Lawrence for region 2/ zones A & B. We had 5 Lions Clubs that had positive growth. Thank you to the Lawrence Lions Club for hosting the meeting and to PDG Jack Salsbery Region Chair, Lion Debra Keith R 2 Zone A Chair and Lion Jerry Hannigan R 2 Zone B Chair.

Everyone also keep in mind we have the District Convention and the State Conventions coming up. Make plans to attend these great forums. You will come away with more knowledge to help you and your Lions Club to be better Lions. You will find more on these in the newsletter.

I have been given the prefect picture to be the mystery picture for the month, hope that many of you can tell be where this picture was taken and what it is? If you have your answer either e-mail or snail mail PR Lion Marc Clevenger with your answers.

“Remember, Do it Now, For Today, Will Be Yesterday, Tomorrow.”



DG Earl “The Whip” Whipple

ATTENTION ALL LIONS! ! !

Do you know about the new (January 2006) conflict of interest policy the IRS requires your Club to have, use, and certify annually? Learn more at the “Lions and the IRS’ Session” at the District Convention. Plan now to attend March 5, 2006.

VDG COLUMN

I don't mean to repeat myself, but some things are worth repeating. Like getting your Club Nominating Committee appointed by March 1st, having Club Elections by April 15th, and election results reported to the Cabinet Secretary, Malynda Clevenger (mcleve1117@aol.com) NO later than May 1st!

In case you have fallen behind over the holidays, now is the time to get your MMR's up to date. Also, catch up any dues that are behind, and start 2006 off with a clean slate. Remember your membership goals and keep working on them. Contact our District 25F Membership Chairperson, Betty Whittemore (mjwhitte@ix.netcom.com), if you need help.

A big **Thank You** to all Region and Zone Chairs and District 25F Committee Chairs for your willingness to serve for the 2006-2007 Lion Year. You have been a tremendous help to me and the Lions of 25F. Thanks again!

February 14, PDG Tom Slattery and his group of Lion volunteers, will leave for the Eyeglass Mission trip to Mexico. Let's keep them in our prayers for a **Successful Mission** and a **safe trip**. Invite some of them to your Club after they return, to share their experiences with your club. Maybe some one from your club will want to go next year. Dates to remember:

March 5th District Spring Convention in Aurora
April 28 – 30 State Convention in Evansville

Alone, we can do very little, working together, we can accomplish much! "Yes I will" - the three most positive and powerful words in the English language. Many of you have said these words to me this past month and you know who you are. My thanks to each and every one of you.

VDG Carlos

DISTRICT CANDIDATES NEEDED

District 25F needs willing Lions to volunteer for the following positions.

Vice District Governor: Candidate must be Lion in good standing of a Chartered Lions Club. Must have served as president of a Lions Club for a year. Must have served as a member of the District Cabinet for a year. Must have the approval of their Lions Club.

Eye & Tissue Bank Trustee: Must be a member in good standing of a Chartered Lions Club and have the approval of their Lions Club.

Leader Dog Trustee: Must be a member in good standing of a Chartered Lions Club and have the approval of their Lions Club.

If you would be willing to volunteer for any of the above positions, please contact:

PDG Bud Lowery
6014 Elaine Drive
Speedway, IN 46224
(317) 291-6084

pnutbud@iquest.net

CONVENTIONS

Contained later in this Newsletter you will find a registration form for the International Convention, the Indiana State Convention, and the District 25F Convention. Please use all of these forms that would apply to you and your needs.

Here is a list of hotels close to the District Convention Site. Choose the one that meets your needs. You must call and make your own registration.

Holiday Inn Express- 765 E. Eads Parkway (US 50)
Lawrenceburg, (812) 537-2552

Quality Inn- 1000 E. Eads Parkway (US 50),
Lawrenceburg
(812) 539-4770

Riverside Inn- 515 E Eads Parkway (US 50)
Lawrenceburg
(812) 537-4441

CONVENTION NEEDS

Dear Committee Chair,

Are you are planning a display for the District 25-F Spring Convention? If so, the Aurora Lions Club needs to know what your needs are!

Do you need a table? What size? Do you want chairs? How many? Will you need electric at the table?

Do you need to be next to another display because you are covering both? Which one?

Will you need assistance getting your display in and out? What type of help is needed? Cart? Two wheeler? Manpower?

Thanks for letting us know your needs in a timely manner.

Aurora Lions

Club

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Metamora Lions Club Secretary:

Lion Charolette O'Rourke

19140 Pennington Road

Metamora, Indiana 47030

Phone # (765) 647-2780

Lewisville Lions Club Treasurer:

Lion Rich Warner

201 North 1st Street Box 11

Lewisville, Indiana 47352

VISION SCREENING UP-DATE

For those of you who were at the January Cabinet Meeting, you heard me announce that we had surpassed the 20,000 mark in vision screenings since we started the Vision Van Program. This is a remarkable feat, THANKS to ALL who have made this program so successful. I have more great news: In the year 2005, thru our affiliation with Prevent Blindness Indiana (PBI), and their "Sight for Students" Program over 940 Indiana Children have had needed vision service provided to them. This included Exams, Lens and Frames. Total cost of this needed service: \$163,471.09. Total Cost to LIONS "\$ 0". District 25F provided 747 children with needed vision care at a cost of \$133,079.12. This is something every LION should be proud of. Through hard work, but still having fun, we have made a giant step forward in preventing eye problems in Indiana.

Jack R Salsbery, PDG, President, Vision Van Board

CONSTITUTION CHANGES

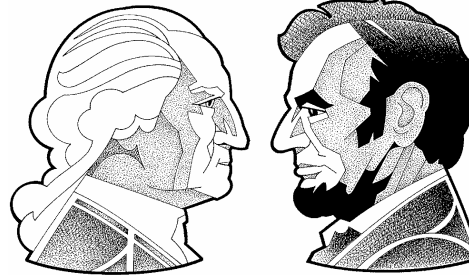
This is to notify all the Lions of District 25F that a special District Convention has been called to be held at the Saturday Morning Caucus at the Indiana State Convention on April 29, 2006. The purpose is to vote on changes to the Vision Van Constitution and By-Laws. A copy of those changes are contained later in this Newsletter. Please read them and be prepared to vote on them. Thank You

FEBRUARY 2006

DISTRICT 25F CALENDAR



We Serve



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<u>1</u> Indianapolis Chapel Hill Lions Club "OV"	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> Fountain City Ham & Bean Supper
<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u> New Salem Lions Club "OV"	<u>8</u> Middletown Lions Club "OV"	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>
<u>12</u>	<u>13</u> Manilla Lions Club "OV"	<u>14</u> Mexico Trip 	<u>15</u> Mexico Trip Butler Lions Club "OV"	<u>16</u> Mexico Trip	<u>17</u> Mexico Trip	<u>18</u> Mexico Trip
<u>19</u> Mexico Trip	<u>20</u> Mexico Trip PRESIDENT'S DAY	<u>21</u> Mexico Trip	<u>22</u> Charlottesville Lions Club "OV"	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>
<u>26</u>	<u>27</u> Williamsburg Lions Club "OV"	<u>28</u>	<u>1-Mar-2006</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> District 25F Convention Aurora
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District 25-F Spring Convention
Sunday, March 5, 2006
South Dearborn Middle School
S.R. 350
Aurora, Indiana

Cost is \$15 when pre-paid and pre-registered,
\$18.00 for all others

Schedule

7:30	Registration opens
7:30 – 9:00	Breakfast Table
7:45 – 8:45	PDG Meeting
8:40 – 9:00	Worship Service
9:10 – 10:30	Business Meeting
10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45 – 11:20	First Session Meetings
11:25 – 12:00	Second Session Meetings
12:10 – 1:15	Buffet
1:15 – 2:00	International Director & District Governor
2:00 -	Convention Adjourns Tour Aurora Lions Building

Reservations are due by: February 24th

Checks payable to: Aurora Lions Club

Send to: Lion Larry Heffelmire
7048 Sherman Drive
Aurora, IN 47001

lghefler@suscom.net
(812) 926-4954



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Proposed Amendment to District 25-F Constitution:

Current wording:

ARTICLE IX
District Program

SECTION 1. Lions District 25-F Inc. Vision Van, hereinafter referred to as the Vision Van, shall be a District Program.

SECTION 2. The District Governor shall promote the Vision Van as a District Program.

SECTION 3. The Board of Directors shall be the governing and directing body of the organization. The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than three (3) nor more than twenty-one (21) chosen as follows:

- a. (1) Member from the Indianapolis Downtown Lions Club
- b. (1) Member from the Prevent Blindness Indiana organization
- c. (1) The current District Governor of District 25-F in Indiana
- d. (1) The current Vice District Governor of District 25-F in Indiana
- e. (1) The current Immediate Past District Governor of District 25-F in Indiana
- f. (8) Each of the Region Chairs in District 25-F in Indiana
- g. (3) Physicians to advise with Sight, Hearing, and Diabetes (non-voting position).
- h. (2) At-Large members from District 25-F Lions of Indiana
- i. (3) Appointees one each from the Indiana Lions Eye and Tissue Bank Inc., Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing Inc., and the Indiana Lions Diabetes committee.

SECTION 4. Each Director shall be elected/or appointed for a 1 to 3 year term as specified by position. The two At-Large members from District 25-F Lions of Indiana shall be appointed by the District Governor and Vice District Governor for a two year term, neither to expire within the same year.

SECTION 5. The Vision Van, as a District Program, operates under Articles of Incorporation as an Indiana Not-For-Profit Corporation and By-Laws adopted by the Delegates at a District Convention held November 16, 2003.

SECTION 6. All Lions Clubs in the District are encouraged to give financial support to the Vision Van each year.

Proposed change:

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- j. (1) Member from the Indianapolis Downtown Lions Club
- k. (1) Member from the Prevent Blindness Indiana organization
- l. (1) The current District Governor of District 25-F in Indiana
- m. (1) The current Vice District Governor of District 25-F in Indiana
- n. (1) The current Immediate Past District Governor of District 25-F in Indiana
- o. **(8) One from each of the Regions of District 25-F in Indiana as appointed by the District Governor to serve a one-year term.**
- p. (3) Physicians to advise with Sight, Hearing, and Diabetes (non-voting position).
- q. **(4) At-Large members from District 25-F Lions of Indiana to serve a two-year term.**
- r. (3) Appointees one each from the Indiana Lions Eye and Tissue Bank Inc., Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing Inc., and the Indiana Lions Diabetes committee.

SECTION 4. Each Director shall be elected/or appointed for a 1 to 3 year term as specified by position.

The four At-Large members from District 25-F Lions of Indiana shall be appointed by the District Governor for a two year term, half of which will expire each year. The District Governor will appoint two of these each year, and will carry two from the prior District Governor for the balance of their term. Should an opening occur, it will be filled by appointment from the District Governor to complete the balance of the term of the "At-Large" director that is replaced.

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**Indiana Lions Multiple District 25 State Convention
Executive Inn Convention Center, Evansville IN – April 27 – 30, 2006
Registration Form**

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION)

One registration form per person.

First Time Lion Guest Date: _____

Name: _____ Name on Badge: _____
Lion Title First Name Last Name

Address: _____
Street City/State Zip

Phone: () _____ E-mail: _____

Club: _____ District: _____

Special Needs Accommodations, please describe: _____

Special Dietary Requirements, please list: _____

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR OWN LODGING BY MARCH 24, 2006

Convention Hotel: **Executive Inn** Rate: **\$89.00 per night**
600 Walnut St.
Phone: (812) 424-8000

Alternate Hotel: **Casino Aztar Hotel** Rate: **\$89.00 per night**
421 N. Riverside Dr.
Phone: (812) 433-4000

Rates and rooms cannot be guaranteed after March 24, 2006

MEALS / SPECIAL EVENTS / CONVENTION MERCHANDISE

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2006

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Friday Night at Casino Aztar Events Plaza	_____	@ \$18.00	_____
Saturday W.P. Woods Breakfast	_____	@ \$12.00	_____
Saturday Melvin Jones Luncheon	_____	@ \$15.00	_____
Saturday Banquet (Choose one)			
Pork Loin Madeira	_____	@ \$20.00	_____
Apricot Chicken	_____	@ \$20.00	_____
Sunday Brunch (one mug included with meal)	_____	@ \$18.00	_____
Additional Mug	_____	@ \$4.00	_____
State Convention Pin	_____	@ \$3.00	_____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Make all checks payable to: INDIANA LIONS 2006 STATE CONVENTION

Send completed form with remittance to: **Lion Richard Kaiser, Treasurer**
2006 State Convention
1510 Red Leaf Dr.
Evansville, IN 47712-8844

Indiana Lions Multiple District 25 State Convention

Executive Inn Convention Center, Evansville IN – April 27 – 30, 2006

EMERGENCY CONTACT (PRINT):

Name

Daytime Phone

Evening Phone

SEMINARS: SELECT ONE SEMINAR YOU WISH TO ATTEND

(ALL TIMES CENTRAL DAYLIGHT TIME. ALL TIMES AND SEMINARS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.)

SATURDAY, 3:15 – 4:15 PM

_____ Liberty Day Indiana

_____ International Convention

_____ Indiana Lions Cancer Control Fund, Inc.

_____ Lions – State Police Law Camp

_____ L. C. I. F.

_____ Preventive Blindness Indiana

_____ Kids Sight

_____ Membership

_____ Indiana Telephone Relay Access

_____ Leader Dog

for the Hearing Impaired

MEALS & ACTIVITIES:

FRIDAY NIGHT (5:30 – 7:30 PM) - CASINO AZTAR PAVILION:

Barbeque Pork and Barbeque Chicken, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Pickle & Onion, Cookies & Brownies, Iced Tea, Lemonade, and Coffee. Entertainment provided by the band *Deja Vu* for your dancing and listening enjoyment.

SATURDAY BREAKFAST (7:00 – 8:15 AM) - FEATURED SPEAKER: EVANSVILLE MAYOR JONATHON WEINZAPFEL

Fruit Juices; Scrambled Eggs; Bacon, Sausage, & Ham; Breakfast Potatoes, Grits, Biscuits & Gravy, and Assorted Danish; Coffee, Tea, and Milk.

SATURDAY LUNCHEON (12:00 – 1:30 PM) - FEATURED SPEAKER: LST-325 CAPTAIN ROBERT JOURNLIN

Deli-style Luncheon Menu: Sliced Roast Beef, Turkey, Ham, and Assorted Cheeses; Fresh Breads, and Toppings (tomatoes, lettuce, onion, mustard, mayonnaise, ketchup), Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Potato Chips, and Fresh Baked Cookies, Iced Tea and Coffee.

SATURDAY BANQUET (7:00 – 9:00 PM) – KEYNOTE SPEAKER: PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT AUSTIN JENNINGS

Choice 1: Tossed Garden Salad with Ranch & French Dressings; Pork Loin Madeira, roasted with fresh herbs then sliced and topped with a rich Madeira sauce, Mushrooms and Shallots; Garlic Mashed Potatoes; Baby Carrots; Warm Rolls with Butter; Iced Tea and Coffee.

Choice 2: Tossed Garden Salad with Ranch & French Dressings; Apricot Chicken – a sauteed breast of chicken, topped with a Honey-Apricot Glaze; Rice Pilaf; Vegetable Melange; Warm Rolls with Butter; Iced Tea and Coffee.

SUNDAY BRUNCH (10:00 – 11:30 AM)

Fruit Juices, Assorted Danish Pastries; Scrambled Eggs; Bacon; Biscuits and Sausage Gravy; Home Fried Potatoes; Fried Chicken; Green Beans; Peach Cobbler; Iced Tea and Coffee.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Golf Scramble (\$40.00) - Friday 10:00 AM at Eagle Valley Country Club (meal included). Please indicate if you plan to participate. _____

Parade - Everyone loves a parade! From 10:00 – 11:30 on Saturday Morning, watch area bands and civic and social organizations strut their stuff along the riverfront. See the program for the final parade route.

100 Years of Fashion - Take a whimsical and stylish stroll down memory lane in a review of the fashions and fads of the 20th Century in this memorable style show presented by Goodwill Industries. Begins at 2:00 PM, Saturday, in the Crystal Room. (No Charge.)



89th Annual Lions Clubs International Convention
FRIDAY, JUNE 30 – TUESDAY, JULY 4, 2006
BOSTON, Massachusetts, USA

Convention Registration and Hotel Reservation Form

Deadline for Advance Registration is May 1, 2006. See http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/news_conv_register.shtml for details.

REGISTRANT INFORMATION. Please type or print.

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Nickname for Badge _____

Address _____ City _____ State/Province _____

Postal Code _____ Country _____

Daytime Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Lion: Club No. _____ Club Name _____ District _____ Title _____ Leo Lioness

SPOUSE: First Name _____ Last Name _____ Nickname for badge _____

Lion: Club No. _____ Club Name _____ District _____ Title _____ Lioness Non-Lion

CHILD: First Name _____ Last Name _____ Nickname for badge _____

CHILD: First Name _____ Last Name _____ Nickname for badge _____

Club Delegate Alternate Delegate

This is my/our first LCI convention. Not my first convention, I've attended _____

Letter of Invitation (If a visa is required for your country of origin) [Club number must be provided above to verify membership]

The plenary sessions are presented in English with simultaneous translation Will you require a headset? No Yes

PACKAGE A: Includes convention registration for each registrant listed above plus one (1) hotel room serviced by shuttle buses during convention.

Before January 31: Reservation in delegation hotel

After January 31: I prefer my delegation hotel

Prefer hotel based on: room rate of _____ location near convention center

Arrival date _____ Departure date _____

Number of Guests in Room: _____ Number of Beds Needed 1 2

Special Requirements Non-smoking Wheelchair Accessible Other _____

Indicate special needs _____ Subject to hotel availability.

• Hotel deposit is not the rate but reserves the room. Deposit will be credited to hotel bill at checkout.

PACKAGE B: REGISTRATION ONLY. Includes convention registration for each person listed above.

NO ROOM REQUIRED. I am staying at _____

OPTIONAL TICKETED EVENTS I/we plan to attend the following events (Must be registered to attend)

EVENT	DATE/TIME	FEE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT DUE
Key Award Breakfast	July 2 / 07:00 – 08:30	\$25	_____	\$ _____
Academy Awards Banquet	July 2 / 19:00 – 23:00	\$100	_____	\$ _____
Melvin Jones Fellow Luncheon	July 3 / 13:00 – 15:00	\$35	_____	\$ _____
Meal Preference: <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/> Indian Vegetarian				

PAYMENT • Full payment is required with this form. • US currency only. Checks and money orders must be drawn on US banks. • Only Visa and MasterCard accepted. Credit card **must** be in the name of the registrant. • Contact LCI for wire transfer instructions.

REGISTRATION FEES

	Adult	Child (17 and under)
Early (before 31/Jan/2006)	US\$100	US\$10
Regular (1/Feb - 31/March/2006)	US\$115	US\$20
Late (1/April/2006 – onsite)	US\$130	US\$30

Package A:

Registrations: US\$ _____

Ticketed Events: US\$ _____

Hotel Deposit: US\$ 150.00

Total Due: US\$ _____

OR

Package B:

Registrations: US\$ _____

Ticketed Events: US\$ _____

Total Due: US\$ _____

Check Bank transfer/deposit (copy must be attached to this form)

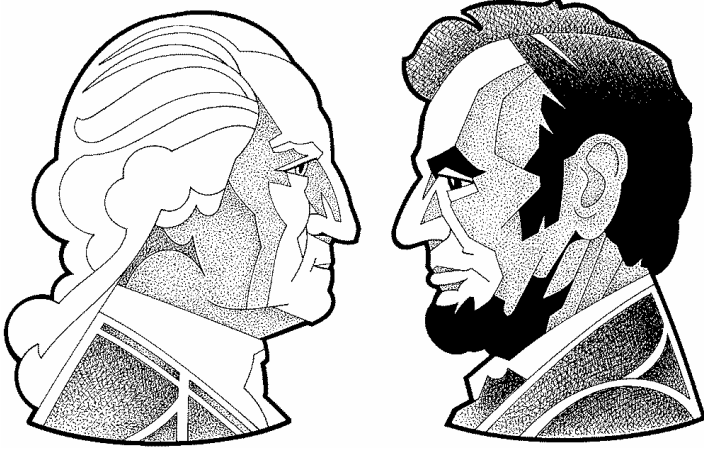
Visa MasterCard Your name as it appears on the card _____

Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

Mail form and payment to: Attn: Convention Division • Lions Clubs International • 300 West 22nd Street • Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842 USA
 Credit Card and Bank Transfer Payments can be faxed to: (1-630) 571-1689 [If you fax, please do not mail original]

• Allow 4 weeks for processing and mail delivery of your confirmation.



**PRESIDENT'S DAY
FEBRUARY 20, 2006**



**VALENTINES DAY
FEBRUARY 14, 2006**

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