

Scores for Service

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The Official Newsletter
of Lions District 25-F

May, 2020



Thank You

District Governor Don Mullen

Well, it is mid-April and I'm writing my next to last Newsletter article. With all the issues we are having with Covid-19, and since there has obviously been very little going on, thought I'd take this opportunity to write the first of what will be two thank you articles. This one is being directed to the clubs. To the 56 clubs I've had the pleasure to visit, thank you so very much for your hospitality and fellowship. Because I had the opportunity to visit all of our clubs as PDG Bill Uhrig's District Secretary, I felt I had a pretty good handle on what to expect. However, once I decided on the message I wanted to leave, I must admit that going into each visit left me with a little concern about how that message would be received. Once the visits were concluded, I felt for the most part that you were engaged and receptive to the message. Of course, since getting more people and getting younger is a process that needs to be constantly pursued, it will take a while before we really know if each of our clubs actually realize the importance of growing and took active steps to do so. I am optimistically hopeful that our clubs will do just that. I also hope that you found our visits to be refreshing, energizing and informative.

Obviously, the goal of having 1600 total Lions by end of June will not happen at this point, through no fault of our own, but as of this writing, we are a plus-7 for the year. I do not know if this includes those Lions we have very recently lost, but I'm still hopeful we will end our year on the plus side of the ledger. I also believe we had a real opportunity to achieve the goal. That is totally because of the efforts you were making in recruiting more people. For those efforts, thank you for all the effort you have done and continue to do to grow and strengthen your clubs. Take pride in the new people you have brought into your clubs, keep putting together new plans, keep recognizing the importance of change in moving forward, and realize that all that effort will result in the ability to provide more service to more people more of the time.

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Throughout the year, I've sent notes of thanks to clubs during the month they celebrated the anniversaries of their club's beginnings. Since we have several clubs that have anniversaries in April, May and June, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of them for the legacy of service they have brought to their communities. It is one in which you all should be very proud and proud to continue. Those clubs are: for April: Greater Greenwood-7 years; Fairland-Triton-33 years; Vevay-Switzerland-34 years; Osgood-55 years; Milan-60 years; Economy-61 years; Everton-64 years; Lawrenceburg-74 years; Columbus-76 years; and Austin-81 years. For May: Ben Davis-69 years; and Lawrence-76 years. For June: North Vernon-5 years; Nettle Creek-15 years; Indianapolis Warren Township-45 years; Indianapolis Franklin Township-49 years; Rising Sun-74 years; New Paalestine-77 years; and Carthage-78 years. To each and everyone of these clubs, thank you for your Lions service to the people in your communities.

To the 5 clubs I still need to visit, Ben Davis, Hope, Carthage, Lawrenceburg and Blue River, should we not be able to make those visits, I know each of you provide needed service to your communities as well. As the other clubs, you should also be proud of this service and proud to continue it. You have made an impact. Even though we do not know what we are or are not going to be able to do moving forward, it is my hope we will be able to conduct our visits with you by the end of June. It is something I'm looking forward to doing. Once we know what we can do, I will contact each of you about a date.

It has been an interesting year to say the least. We have done things differently to some degree than have been done in the past. It was our goal to put together a leadership team that we could involve in the operation of the District. We were able to do this by forming an Executive Committee that did provide valuable guidance throughout the year. It was also our goal to have meetings of substance as opposed to the same old routine of business as usual. While some found this to be concerning, it is my hope that the roundtable discussions, the getting more people seminar and the leadership seminar provided you with meetings and information you found helpful and able to use in your individual clubs. To Osgood, Richmond and Clermont/Ben Davis, thank you so much for hosting and organizing these meetings. You all did a wonderful job. I am very grateful for you doing this. You truly added to the success of these meetings.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you for the fun, fellowship, attention and some really great food. It has been enjoyable; and completely my pleasure.

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Changes...

VDG Ken Faulkner

Changes happen quickly and sometimes without notice.

By the time you read this, hopefully, you'll have entered your elected officers and they're looking forward to the next Lion's Year.

How will your new officers serve your club starting on July 1? Tell us as we want to know...

What new service activity or fundraiser will your club be doing? Officers let's start planning, but I bet most of you have already started. I'd like all clubs to do one new and out of your comfort zone service activity next year. Partner with a neighboring club, but don't forget to report that!!!!

I know that this has been a challenge and many of you are concerned about the VIRUS. Lion Cheri & I are also concerned as well but if you do what the State & Federal Government instructs us, wear a mask when in public, wash or sanitize your hands for 20 seconds, we shall be fine. If you are sick, STAY HOME!

As of the writing of this, we're still in a shelter in place in Indianapolis, with many local businesses closed. Lion Cheri & I are doing our best to visit local restaurants when do go out! Remember local businesses are the ones that donate to our Clubs.

Please go to the Indiana Lions Foundation & sign up to work at the State Fair. <https://indionalionsfoundationmd25.org/> They are still saying that this is going to proceed as normal..

Let's just take it day by day and we will get through this as we are all in this together.

Be Safe, wear a mask when in public, & wash your hands.

Respectfully Yours in Service, VDG Ken Faulkner

Moving Forward

2nd VDG Jeff Locke

Greetings, I hope all our 25F Lions and their families are doing great during this health crisis throughout our country.

The Covid-19 virus has caused cancellations and postponements in our personal lives and with our Lions Club. Fortunately 25F was able to have our District Convention at the Clermont Lions Club building on very short notice. Thanks Clermont Lions for all your work to make it a special day!

I want to congratulate DG Elect Ken Faulkner and 2nd VDG Elect Linda Scott on their elections. I look forward to working with them. but we still have time during the current Lions year with DG Don Mullen to accomplish wonderful things in 25F.

I look forward to visiting clubs once this is all over and hope everyone will be able to attend the 25F Organizational Day at Camp Woodsmoke on July 11th. Let's have a party.

Stay safe, wash your hands often and wear a mask if possible. We'll get through this together!



Law Camp Cancellation

The Indiana State Police Superintendent made the decision to cancel ISP summer camps which of course includes ISP/ Lions Law Camps. We are sorry to not have Law Camp this year but for the safety of all involved it is for the best.

The 2021 camp season is only a year away and we can plan on how the Indiana Lions can be of help by saving items for the “Welcome bags”, be ready to donate water and snacks, be ready to sponsor such things as a Taco Party, a cook-out, an ice cream social, transportation, eye screening, Leaderdog

presentations, etc. And of course, to get the information out to 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students and parents about Law Camp.

Thank you,

Lion Toni L. McDonald
25F Law Camp Chair

Club Activities

June 20, 2020; 11AM - 1PM

Behind the Scenes at the Leader Dogs for the Blind.
See Ad later in this newsletter.

September 13, 2020

Indiana Lions For the ISBVI’s Brian’s Trike Race at the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

January 22 - 23, 2021

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

Back in Indy !!

The 2021 Mid-Winter Conference returns to the Crowne Plaza at the Indianapolis Airport.



Everything under one roof!
It’s a ‘One-stop’ environment for Indiana’s premier conference.

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

January 22-23
2021

**Mid-Winter
Conference**



2021



Dear Constitutional Area I Lion,

I am excited to share LCIF – your foundation – has launched a text-to-donate program. For now, the text-to-donate program is only available for Constitutional Area I. We are exploring a text-to-donate program for other Constitutional Areas (CA) where possible.

We see communities are in need and caring Lions are ready to change it. But the reality is this: comfort and compassion alone cannot heal those suffering through disease, disaster, and other devastation. It takes funding. It takes *Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service*. While Lions are doing *and* giving, we need your help to make our efforts go even further!

Here are the ways you can text-to-donate:

- Text **LCIF** to **243725**.
- Make a donation online at <https://donate.onecause.com/lcif>.

If every Lion in CA I donated \$5, we would fund more:

- Lions Quest programs for classrooms
- Immediate relief to victims of natural disaster
- Diabetes screenings
- Equipment for young cancer patients
- Access to food for chronically hungry people
- Access to clean water

Thank you for your contribution and don't forget to share our text-to-donate program with your family, friends, and fellow Lions in CA I. Your donation will support the efforts of Lions clubs and partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and grants.

In friendship,

Gudrun Yngvadottir
Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



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

www.indianalions25f.org/calendar.html



2019-2020 CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

Club must be chartered prior to January 1 of the fiscal year to qualify.

Application Date _____

Club Number _____

Club Name _____

Member Number _____

2019-2020 Club President's Name _____

2019-2020 Club President's Email Address _____

<p>1. MEMBERSHIP</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Achieved a Net Growth of: _____ *</p> <p>OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Chartered new Lions club, Leo Club or Club Branch: Name of club, or branch: _____</p> <p>AND</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Supported member retention by increasing member satisfaction</p> <p>Outline strategy: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>*Based on June 30 cumulative membership report</i></p>	<p>2. SERVICE</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Started a new service project. <i>Consider one of our Global Causes!</i></p> <p>1. _____</p> <p>2. _____</p> <p>3. _____</p> <p>AND</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Contributed to LCIF</p>
<p>3. ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Club is in Good Standing: Not in Status Quo or Financial Suspension. District dues paid and no unpaid balance with LCI greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more.</p> <p>AND</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Key Officers participate in one or more of the following leadership training events:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple District</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International <input type="checkbox"/> Webinars</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lions Learning Center</p> <p>AND</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Improved club operations. Use the Club Quality Initiative to identify opportunities for improving your club.</p> <p>Improvements include: _____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>4. MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The club has publicized its service activities through local media or social media</p> <p>Choose all that apply:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Facebook <input type="checkbox"/> Local Paper</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Instagram <input type="checkbox"/> Radio</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Twitter <input type="checkbox"/> Club Website</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Billboards <input type="checkbox"/> Posted or</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Presentations to Groups <input type="checkbox"/> Distributed Flyers</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p>

Date _____

2019-2020 District Governor's Signature* _____

District _____

Member Number _____

Due by: August 31, 2020

Send to: clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org or fax to (630) 468-6828

Awards Mailed to: 2020-2021 District Governors

*If sent from district governor's registered email, it qualifies as signature on applications submitted electronically.

Disqualified clubs have 12 months from original due date to request a review.

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*Lions
& guests
are invited*
to a special Lions
behind-the-scenes
event at
Leader Dogs
for the Blind



Saturday, June 20, 2020

Drop in anytime between 11AM and 1PM

In appreciation of Lions' support, your club, family and guests are invited to an exclusive "Lions behind-the-scenes" event at Leader Dogs for the Blind. Experience an activity under blindfold, meet a Leader Dog client, visit the gift shop, take a VIP tour of our canine development center and meet a puppy!

Please **RSVP** by June 15, 2020 to LionsSupport@leaderdog.org or call **248.218.6407**.

~ If you will be utilizing your service dog, please let us know at the time of your RSVP.



Leader Dogs for the Blind | 1039 S. Rochester Rd. | Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115

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
\$

VISION FIRST & OPERATION KIDS SIGHT
\$

INDIANA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED
\$

SPEECH AND HEARING
\$

ADDITIONAL

DIABETES
\$

LAW CAMP
\$

YOUTH EXCHANGE
\$

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\$

LIONS FOUNDATIONS

INDIANA LIONS FOUNDATION
\$

\$

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION
\$

MAIL TO:
Lion Patricia Bigham
1840 Randall Court
Indianapolis, IN 46240-3133

TOTAL DONATION: _____

CHECK NO: _____



“Where There’s a Need, There’s a Lion.”
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