



# Lions Tales

**DISTRICT 25-G**

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## A Message from District Governor Marlyn Fast

Time goes "Fast" when you're having fun! I was able to visit eight clubs in the month of April. What an encouragement to see every club serving their community. One club had 90% membership in attendance at the meeting. I have scheduled nine more clubs to visit in the month of May and I'm looking forward to it.



By the time the newsletter goes to print, we will be on our way to the State Convention. I look forward to this event and hope to give you a report in the next newsletter.

The 4th District Meeting is scheduled for May 14th and will be hosted by the Culver Lions Club. Please plan to attend to review the accomplishments of District 25-G. Please see the flyer in this newsletter for registration and deadlines.

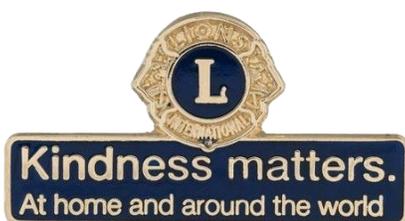
LCIF Campaign 100 has a goal of \$300,000,000 and has now reached \$281,669,421. The goal is reachable. Let's finish strong. For District 25-G, 28 clubs have contributed \$35,766. Has your club contributed this year? If you haven't, it's not too late. The goal is always 100% of all 48 clubs participating in this worthy cause.

As of today, membership in District 25-G has a net gain of 5 members since last July. We need only 15 more new members to reach my goal of a net gain of 20. We have gained 85 new members in our District this year, but we have lost 80 members. Let's make a concerted effort to bring in new members and keep the current members. I believe there are three reasons to be a Lions Club member: 1) Friendships you make with members, 2) Being recognized in your community as a Lion, 3) The team work you experience as a Lions Club member.

Our grant from LCIF for \$4,500 has arrived and will be distributed during May to Cultivate Food Rescue. This will provide backpacks to 10 elementary grade students for the entire 2022-2023 school year (6 backpack meals every weekend). There is additional money available for the next Lions year, so put on your thinking caps and give any suggestions to Governor-Elect Brian Thomas for the 2022-2023 year.

We Serve with Kindness in Action!

Yours in Lionism,  
Lion Marlyn Fast, District Governor



## A Message from District Governor Elect Brian Thomas



This month, no profound pronouncements, no pithy comments, no pearls of wisdom, and no rah-rah speech to the masses, just a plea for involvement in District 25-G leadership this coming year. Look over the following list to see if there is a spot for you to serve. These positions are the ones that have not been filled or are waiting for a return call from someone as of today—April 24th.

A District Governor can only be as good as their team

Open positions as of April 24th:

- 2nd Vice Governor—We need a committed Lion with time to spend visiting some clubs, attending District and State meetings, and going thru training from LCI to move up to 1st Vice District Governor and then District Governor
- Treasurer—This individual will keep track of District funds, help prepare the year's budget, and present reports at District meetings
- Zone Chairperson for R3Z1—Akron, Argos, Culver, Mentone and Rochester
- Zone Chairperson for R3Z3—Claypool, Laketon, N. Manchester, Pierceton, and Sydney
- Global Membership—We need a leader who can help the district continue the positive growth in membership that we have achieved this year, inform clubs continuously about LCI suggested recruitment ideas, and promote original out of the box thinking for membership growth.

District Committees—open as of April 24th:

- Emergency Preparedness
- International Relations
- Reading Action Program
- Women's Development and Participation
- Parliamentarian
- Sergeant at Arms
- Public Relations
- Diabetes—This one is important to me. Diabetes will be the Lions initiative I want to focus on. I would like to set a goal of three Strides Walks for fund raising—one each in the North, Central, and South portions of the district. We also need to keep clubs active by encouraging Diabetic programs at their meetings and hosting local testing.

As your clubs elect officers for the 2022-23 year, please report them to LCI and also send your President and Secretary names and contact information to either DGE Brian Thomas or District Secretary PDG Marty Juel for inclusion in the district directory.

Speaking of the directory—Every year we sell ads in the directory to offset the printing cost or even make some money to put into the district treasury. These ads can be used to highlight your club's main project and/or to wish the incoming Governor a successful year. If you are inclined to participate, again let DGE Brian or PDG Marty know.

I hope to see you at the final District meeting in Culver.

Making our lives better by making other lives better.

PDG Brian Thomas, District Governor Elect

### Thought for the Month

**Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.**

Time is running out! Have you scheduled the District Governor's visit to your club? District Governor Marlyn Fast would like to attend one of your club meetings, share his vision for our district, and hear your concerns. Check his calendar on page 16 of this newsletter, then give him a call at 574-875-5963 (home) or 574-538-1090 (cell), or send an email message to mafast1107@gmail.com.

July 1 will be here before we know it. It's not too early to schedule the 2022-2023 District Governor's visit to your club. Check your club calendar, then contact DGE Brian Thomas by phone (574-596-7411) or email (brian10k@aol.com) to schedule his visit.

## A Message from 2nd Vice District Governor Jason Smith



My fellow Lions,

It's been an amazing year! I love hearing, reading, watching all the great things that you've all done this year. "We Serve" definitely describes what we do. Keep the enthusiasm going for the rest of the year. The more active and in front of our communities you are, the easier it will be to attract new members. Keep asking your friends, neighbors, co-workers, and others to visit your club, learn about it, and then invite them to join and participate. Brag to them about all the great things that Lions do, and what great projects your club does for your community!

I'm still available to visit your club for a meeting or an event. It's a joy to get to meet new Lions Club members from around our great district and state.

Lion Jason Smith, 2nd Vice District Governor

## A Message from Cabinet Treasurer Lion Ron Guth



Greetings Fellow Lions,

LCI will be sending dues invoices in July based on your club's member count as of 6/30/2022. Please have your club's membership up to date with the June MMR filed before the end of the month so you are not charged for members no longer with your club.

We will have some new club secretaries and club treasurers effective 7/1/2022, and I ask that you get your new officer information listed on LCI website so I can update my records prior to the next dues cycle.

You can expect an invoice for district and state dues via e-mail in early July, after we receive the member count from LCI. Invoices are sent to the club treasurer and/or club secretary email address on record with LCI. If none is listed or your treasurer has contacted me with changes, it is sent via postal mail.

In the recent past, some clubs did not receive an invoice or dues notice from LCI in a timely matter due to short staffing at LCI and/or slow postal mail delivery. If you need to know your dues amount or have any other LCI invoice questions, please feel free to contact me and I will help you find them online, or I can send a copy to you.

We Serve,

Lion Ron Guth, District Cabinet Treasurer  
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## Promote Your Club and Support the District

Use an ad in the 2022-2023 District Directory to promote your club's activities, recognize an outstanding member, or show your support for club or district officers. Ad revenue is used to offset the cost of printing the directory.

1/4 page	\$25
1/2 page	\$50
Full page	\$100

Send your ad as a Word document or PDF file by email to PDG Marty Juel at [marty@martyjuel.com](mailto:marty@martyjuel.com). Send a check payable to "District 25-G" to Lion Ron Guth, 2386 W. Broadway, Bunker Hill, IN 46914. Be sure to note that it is for an ad in the District Directory. Ads and checks must be received by Tuesday, May 31, 2022

## A Message from Cabinet Secretary PDG Marty Juel



# Prepare now for your club's year-end awards

If you are submitting \$1000 for a Melvin Jones Fellowship or \$500 for a W. P. Woods Fellowship or Dr. Richard T. Miyamoto Fellowship, **BE SURE YOU INCLUDE THE PROPER FORM.** The W. P. Woods Fellowship form can be downloaded at [https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/WP-Woods-Application\\_10-27-2020.pdf](https://indianalionsfoundationmd25.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/WP-Woods-Application_10-27-2020.pdf). A Melvin Jones Fellowship form can be downloaded at [https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md\\_QHkWdKNUqy23.jpg.pdf](https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md_QHkWdKNUqy23.jpg.pdf). For a Miyamoto Fellowship application contact Speech and Hearing Trustee PDG Mary Klempay or Lions Jerry Wright or Gary Chastain. That \$500 donation can be paid over a two-year period of time.

Mail your applications and checks direct to the addresses on the forms to insure receiving your awards quickly. REMEMBER, it sometimes takes a month or longer, so be sure to apply in plenty of time so your award can be received by your planned presentation date.

LCIF guidelines state that clubs can accumulate donations toward Melvin Jones Awards. You can check with District 25-G LCIF Coordinator DG Marlyn Fast to see if you have enough credits to use and present a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

The Indiana Lions Foundation has similar guidelines. If your club feels it can accumulate \$500 within a reasonable period of time you need to indicate with each payment your club's intention with a note stating you will supply a designee at a later date. To learn how much your club has on deposit with the Indiana Lions Foundation, contact a trustee or Lion Mary Ann Mast, 4699 E. Fall Creek Dr., Bloomington, IN 47401. Lions can earn a \$50 credit toward a W. P. Woods Fellowship for themselves, another Lion, or their club by working a shift for the Indiana Lions Foundation at the State Fair. To work at the fair this summer you can sign up directly on the Indiana Lions Foundation website at [www.indianalions.org](http://www.indianalions.org).

These are great opportunities for your club to support our Foundation, the Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing project, and the Lions Clubs International Foundation, and honor outstanding Lions for their service at the same time.

By the time you receive this newsletter, I hope you have reported your club's officers for 2022-2023 on the MyLCI website and submitted that report to 1st Vice District Governor Brian Thomas. This is urgently needed so that his district directory can be completed and to the printer in June.

If you have questions about any of the above or other topics, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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## Global Leadership Team Report

### Random Thoughts From A Cluttered Mind



I couldn't really think of a single topic I wanted to address, so I thought I'd share a few of the things bouncing around in my head.

First, for you avid readers of THE LAKES magazine, the April, 2022 issue contains a story about the Hoffman Outdoor Power Equipment Company, co-owned by Etna Green Lions Club

Secretary Jeff Hoffman. He is shown preparing to duel with chainsaws in one of the article's pictures. This compares quite favorably with story on Etna Green Lion Jeff Klinefelter, cover guy of the Spring 2020 issue of LION Magazine, posing with paint brush clenched between his teeth. Way to go, Etna Green Lions! You are rapidly catching up with Madison Township Lion Al Beehler for the number of times he gets his picture in print.

Club election results should be sent to DGE Brian Thomas as quickly as possible for his new District Directory. Please be sure that your names for his directory are correct along with meeting place, time, email addresses, etc. It saves us all a lot of embarrassment later.

Zone Chairs: If you still have the white Zone Chair Leadership binders, please let me know. We once had a surplus of the binders, and now we are lacking some. Someone must be hoarding them somewhere, even though they aren't really collectors' items yet. Former Zone Chairs: If you still have one, please let me know.

Don't forget to keep up with your membership and service reports. The end of March report still shows far too many Clubs which haven't been reporting regularly or recently. Please help DG Marlyn and Lions Clubs International by keeping these reports up to date.

I'm sure DGE Brian is still looking for people to be Committee Chairs and fill other positions. Think about it carefully, then step up and offer to help. I'm sure we'll hear more about this at the May 14th District Meeting at the Culver Lions Club, so volunteer now and avoid the rush. What do you mean you haven't registered to attend yet?

For anyone who says they don't know how to be a leader, just google "leadership." You will get 54,500,000 entries. If that intimidates you, just try "leadership" on the Lions Clubs International website. Or ask Lion Jeff Hoffman and his chainsaw.

PCC Dave Eisen, Global Leadership Team

*Don't feel bad if people remember you only when they need you. Feel privileged that you are like a candle that comes to their mind when there is darkness. -- Anonymous*

## Global Service Team Report



As we go into the final two months of this Lions year, there are still many projects to be completed within our District. With the nice spring weather, we can get out and help clean up fallen limbs in our parks and the yards of the elderly and shut-ins as a club project. I'm sure there are many other nice-weather projects your clubs can think of doing as acts of kindness which go beyond your normal activities. Let's get out there and end this year with a bang.

All service activities should be reported to your Club Secretary, President, Service Chairperson, or Club Administrator so they can be reported on MyLion, so everyone can see the great work your club is doing. So far this year, clubs in our district have reported serving 88,251 people while completing 1,153 activities with a total of 17,745 volunteer hours. These accomplishments are with only half of the District's clubs reporting. What would the numbers look like if all 48 District clubs reported their service?

Lion Alan Beehler, Global Service Team

## Global Membership Team Report



Well, it's almost that time when May is here which brings beautiful flowers and amazing warm and sunny days just around the corner from us.

Some of you may have noticed that I have not been available during my GMT year. I have been dealing with some major health issues for my husband and myself.

I hope everyone is back to having their monthly meetings and your club is welcoming new members into your club and the world's largest service organization. As we continue to grow our membership, we gain new people to work on fundraisers and help those in need.

We must make sure our members don't slip away. Take attendance at all projects and meetings. Have a club officer note all members who are present at projects and meetings. Make sure your roster is current. We need to recognize who is absent. If a member has missed 4-6 weeks call them. Ask if everything is OK and can we be of assistance. If you leave a message CALL BACK. We need to pursue those who are absent. If a missing member is contacted they will immediately recognize they have been missed. They are part of our family and must know their absence is noticed. You need a membership retention committee to follow up inactive members. The committee needs to receive reports from the club officer who is taking attendance at each event. Using this information, they will know who they need to contact. The retention committee needs to be persistent. If there is no response to phone calls, visit the member. This way the member knows that they are truly missed and a part of the family.

If you need a GMT visit, please give me a call. I would enjoy visiting your club.

Thank you,  
PDG Mary Klempay, Global Membership Team  
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"Flowers don't worry about how they're going to bloom. They just open up and turn toward the light and that makes them beautiful."- Jim Carrey

## News From Around the District

### Akron Lions Club Supports Local Food Pantry



The Akron Lions Club recently donated \$1,200 to the United Ministries food pantry in Akron. The United Ministries group consists of several local churches in the Akron area that jointly support those in need of food on a weekly basis. Local residents are free to come every Thursday afternoon to get what is necessary for their household. The donation was provided to continue to ensure the pantry's shelves stay stocked up to best serve the needs of the community.

Pictured here (l. to r.) Lion Ron Dittman, Club Treasurer; Lion Josh Manns, Club President; Lion Faith Kamp, Club Vice President; Carol Graham, Food Pantry Volunteer; and George Graham, Food Pantry Volunteer

*Submitted by Lion Faith Kamp, Akron Lions Club*

### Dunlap Lions Club Presents Miyamoto Fellowship to Concord Schools Speech Pathologist

Tobi Price (center) a speech pathologist at Concord Schools gave an interesting program on her field of expertise. After her program, DG Marlyn Fast and Lion Amanda Fast presented her with a Dr. Richard T. Miyamoto Fellowship from the Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing project. The Miyamoto Fellowship recognizes exceptional dedication and service to others in accord with the mission of the Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing project.

In the 1980's, a grant from the Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing project enabled Riley Hospital for Children and Dr. Richard T. Miyamoto to expand the use of cochlear implants for children. Dr. Miyamoto's pioneering work has been recognized around the world, and he continues his close relationship with the Lions of Indiana.



*Submitted by Lion Kori Fortunato, Dunlap Lions Club*

### Dunlap Lions Club Members Work at District Eyeglass Recycling Center



On March 22nd, Lions from three clubs worked together to complete one of the important steps in eyeglass recycling—cleaning the glasses. An ultra-sound machine washes about 150 pairs of eyeglasses in 10 minutes, then the Lions dry and inspect them. In this two-hour work session, over 1,000 pairs of used eyeglasses were cleaned and inspected.

Pictured here, left to right: Lion Judy Grable, Lion Jan Robinson, Lion Kathy Livings, and Lion Kori Fortunato, all of the Dunlap Lions Club, Lion John Krzyzanowski of the Clay-Granger Lions

Club, and Lion Marlin Culp of the Elkhart Lions Club.

*Submitted by Lion Kori Fortunato, Dunlap Lions Club*

## News From Around the District

### Lakeville Lions Club Food Booth Upgrade



The Lakeville Lions Club food booth at the St. Joseph County 4-H Fairgrounds is getting a major upgrade this spring. Lakeville resident Marge Newton Skaggs donated a used walk-in cooler valued at approximately \$20,000 to replace the aging walk-in cooler that has been in the booth for many years—so many that even some of our oldest members don't know how long.

Marge Newton Skaggs is the daughter of the late Bob Newton, founder of Hoosier Tire and a long-time member of the Lakeville Lions Club.

Left: Lions Club members carefully disassemble the “new” cooler, marking each piece so the cooler can be re-assembled correctly in its new home.

Below left: Lion J.D. Ort (left) and Lion Max Feitz (right) take a short break from tearing out the insulation for the old cooler.

Below right: Cleaning up the debris.



*Originally reported in the Lakeville Lions Club newsletter and edited for this newsletter*

### Lakeville Lions Club Partners with Lakeville Fire Department for Fundraiser

The Lakeville Lions Club and the Lakeville Volunteer Fire Department joined forces to hold a drive-through fish fry at the Lakeville Fire Station on Friday, April 15th.



## News From Around the District

### LaPaz Lions Club Members Learn about LVH1 Broadcasting

The LaPaz Lions Club met on Monday, March 7th at Cornerstone Community Fellowship for its monthly meeting. The guest speaker for the evening was LaVille Jr.-Sr. High School social studies teacher and director of LVH1 Broadcasting Matt Florian. He spoke about the broadcasting club and its recent accomplishments, including the 2022 Bi-County Basketball Tourney when Max 98.3 equipment was not working properly, and the student-produced trailer for the current student production of "Ranked." Mr. Florian indicated that the broadcasting studio and equipment will need upgrading in future years. His goal for LVH1 is to highlight the good work of LaVille Elementary and Jr.-Sr. High School students in areas of school life, other than just athletics. Matt's broadcasting background includes working with the South Bend Cubs at Four Winds Field and with Notre Dame sports. These endeavors will hopefully provide opportunities for LaVille students.

*Submitted by Lion Don Balka, LaPaz Lions Club*



Shown in the photo accepting a donation from the LaPaz Lions are LaVille HS teacher Matt Florian (left) and Lion Tom Smith (right), a school board member.

### LaPaz Lions Club Members Learn about the LaVille DECA Club



Continuing its series of spring meetings featuring the outstanding success of LaVille High School students and their organizations, the LaPaz Lions Club hosted members of the LaVille DECA Club and its sponsor, LaVille teacher Wayne Thomas. Mr. Thomas spoke about how Distributive Education Clubs of America, now known as DECA, has evolved over the years into an organization that gets students involved in real-world problems in a variety of settings. DECA state competitions include 27 categories, from agriculture to sports to travel. LaVille students participated in the recent state meeting and garnered several medals. Lauren Edison is now a state officer representing Region 1 and will be attending a national DECA meeting in Atlanta.

*Submitted by Lion Don Balka, LaPaz Lions Club*

### Peru Lions Club Presents Melvin Jones Fellowship

Peru Lions Club President Lion Ken Magers (left) presented Lion Tom Casper (right) with a Melvin Jones Fellowship during the club meeting on April 5th. Lion Tom also received a 10-year membership chevron during the meeting.

*Submitted by Lion Ron Guth, Peru Lions Club*



## News From Around the District

### Madison Township Lions Club Blood Drive



The Madison Township Lions Club will host a Blood Drive on Saturday, May 7th from 8:00 am to Noon, at our club building, 15660 Woodland Ave., Wyatt, Indiana. We will also be serving an all-you-can-eat breakfast during this event. Sign up to donate at [www.GiveBloodNow.com](http://www.GiveBloodNow.com).

*Submitted by Lion Alan Beehler, Madison Township Lions Club*

### Candid Shots from the District Convention



## LCIF Committee Report

Some of you may have noticed that I have not been available during my LCIF year. I have been dealing with some major health issues for my husband and myself. I hope to get back to work on LCIF in May.

I have not received much information on the Coins in the Bottle fundraiser for Childhood Cancer. I did receive a report from the FULTON LIBERTY LIONS CLUB and a picture showing how much they have collected in QUARTERS. Their total at this time is 2092 QUARTERS ... \$523.00 towards a MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP. And it looks like they are continuing this fundraiser. If you have sent in your Coins in the Bottle fundraiser for Childhood Cancer, please let me know. I will be handing out the following awards for the most Quarters and the most Dimes & Nickels collected by the end of June of 2022.



The club with the Most Quarters collected will receive a pizza party along with a plaque, and the club with the most Dimes and Nickels collected will receive a donut party. All funds collected will count towards a Melvin Jones Fellowship that can be presented by your club.

**If your club is participating in the Coins in a Bottle fundraiser, please contact me or DG Marlyn Fast and let us know. If you will bring your bottles of coins to the District Meeting on May 14th, we will count the money and turn it in for you.**

I have also received information from the Wakarusa Lions Club. I had the pleasure of meeting with them on March 1st and inducting 2 new members. They had presented Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion John Beck and Lion Troy Schwartz on February 1st.

Thank you,

PDG Mary Klempay, LCIF Coordinator  
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# 4th District 25-G MEETING

## Saturday

## May 14, 2022

### 9:30 am - Noon (Breakfast 9 am)

Hosted by  
Culver Lions Club  
Vandalia RR Station  
615 Lake Shore Dr.  
Culver, IN

**\$8 \***  
Per Person  
for Breakfast

**Great location for this meeting.  
If you haven't been to Culver's  
historic railroad station, it's  
worth the trip.**

50/50 drawing  
will support LCIF



**\*Breakfast includes breakfast pizza, as-  
sorted pastries (muffins, breads, & scones),  
fruit, beverages.**

#### 4th DISTRICT MEETING RESERVATIONS

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ reservations at \$8 each.

**DEADLINE: May 6** Mail this reservation and your check payable to District 25-G to:

CT Ron Guth  
2386 W. Broadway  
Bunker Hill, IN 46914



Fundraiser for:

Reins of Life

Date:

May 27, 2022

Time:

11 AM - 3 PM  
or sold out!

Location:

J.T. Auto  
4443 WESTERN AVE

NelsonsBBQ.com  
Wakarusa, IN - (574) 862-2184

# LYDICK LIONS PORT-A-PIT CHICKEN SALE

Chicken \$8.00

Pit-tatoes \$4.00



For more information, contact  
Lion Mike Lane 574-309-8843

## Madison Township Lions Club Pork Chop Sale



Saturday, May 21, 2022

11 am to 2 pm

Madison Township Fire Station  
66341 SR 331, Wyatt, Indiana

\* One location only \*

Chops \$7.00 each

10 or more \$6.50 each

**Carry-Out Only**





# Memorial Day Weekend 2022

*Display your honor and dedication with a 3' x 5' U.S. Flag*

Each flag will include your message to honor an individual, group, or organization, or memorialize someone who has passed. Flags will be displayed over the 2022 Memorial Day weekend in downtown Elkhart's



## Lundquist-Bicentennial Park

Noon Saturday, May 28th to Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>

\$30 per new dedicated American flag

The flag is yours to keep after the weekend, or we can keep your flag to be displayed in next year's Flags project.

\$15 to display any previous "Flags from the Heart" flag

Call Brian Thomas at (574) 596-7411 for further details

Your Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Flags: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$30.00 for new American = total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Flags: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 to re-display 2008 to 2021 flags = total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dedication: (one per flag please) \_\_\_\_\_

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Make checks payable to: **Elkhart Lions Club**

Mail to: **P.O. Box 81, Elkhart, IN 46515**

**Flags should be picked up on 5/30/22 by 5 pm at the flag display area unless prior arrangements are made. Flags are made in the USA.**

## Indiana Lions Foundation Indiana State Fair Project Information



The 2022 Indiana State Fair begins July 29th and runs through August 21st. As last year, the Fair will be closed on Mondays and Tuesdays. State Fair management has decided to close gate 18, so we will have only gates 12 and 1W this year, but we have added a new position of "stamper" at each gate.

The website is available for you to begin signing up. To register, please visit the State Fair signup page on the Indiana Lions Foundation website at [IndianaLionsFoundationMD25.org](http://IndianaLionsFoundationMD25.org).

If you did not work last year, there are several changes that include our new parking situation. You may now enter gate 10 (northeast corner of the fairgrounds) and park as close to the large white maintenance building as possible. You will find our check-in booth on the west side of the maintenance building in one of five small buildings. Our banner will hang above our booth. The bank is located in that same group of buildings.

We will start our day a ½ hour later at 8:00 am. Please check the schedule for starting and ending times. The first two Fridays, we have a few positions that begin at 5:00 am. If you choose to work that shift, the Foundation will offer two WP Woods credits for the shift rather than the usual one.

Here are descriptions of the positions so you will know what to expect.

**Seller:** This position is inside the air conditioned buildings and is selling tickets.

**Monitor:** Watches over the automated ticket machines and helps people use the machine when needed and directs their attention to those machines if they want to use credit cards. The monitor will check out money from the bank and keep it in the sellers building. On rare occasions the monitor might be asked to sell tickets from outside. This does not happen very often. This position is outside, but the Fair promised we would have shade this year.

**Scanner:** Works outside under a tent with several large fans to help keep it cool. As customers present tickets the scanner needs to use the hand-held machines to verify the tickets.

**Stamper:** The stamper is positioned at the exit and stamps the hands of those wishing to be re-admitted to the fair. This is a sitting outside position. The Fair assured me there would be shade.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

I look forward to seeing you at the Fair.

Lion Rose Russell  
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574-250-0125



# May 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 DG Visit: Milford LC	3	4 DG Visit: South Bend LC	5 DG Visit: Clay-Granger LC	6	7
8	9 DG Visit: Lydick LC	10 DG Visit: Akron LC	11 DG Visit: N Manchester LC	12 DG Visit: Richvalley LC	13	14 District Meeting, Culver
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 DG Visit: Bristol LC	24 DG Visit: Denver LC	25	26 DG Visit: Greene Twp LC	27	28
29	30	31				

# June 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 Install Officers: Baugo Twp LC	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

### District Global Action Team

#### Global Leadership Team (GLT)

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#### Global Membership Team (GMT)

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### Mark Your Calendar

Apr 29—May 1, 2022 State Convention  
Wyndham Indianapolis West, Indianapolis

Sat, May 14, 2022 District Cabinet Meeting #4  
Vandalia Railroad Station, Culver

Jun 24-28, 2022 International Convention  
Montreal, Quebec, Canada



As of April 26, 2022:

Fundraising: US\$\$281,669,421  
Model Clubs: 4,520

Thank you for pushing hard to reach our Campaign 100 goal and encouraging applications for LCIF grants.

[Learn more](#)



## Check your club's eyeglass collection locations

Lions Clubs with used eyeglass collection boxes are reminded that our work to process glasses doesn't take time off just because of COVID-19. Whether your club is meeting or not, we are still working to reprocess used glasses and prepare them for our next mission next fall. If you have used eyeglasses, contact the Lions Eyeglass project and we'll make arrangements to pick up the glasses. Please contact PDG Marty Juel at [marty@martyjuel.com](mailto:marty@martyjuel.com) or 574-322-1660.



**There is still time to register for the biggest event of the Lion year—the 104th Lions Clubs International Convention in Montreal.** Canada, our host nation, has opened its borders and is ready to keep visitors safe while enjoying the beauty of this historic city.

I am looking forward to visiting the many beautiful churches—including Notre-Dame Basilica, touring Montmorency Falls—they are higher than the Niagara Falls, and tasting the wonderful food.

So go to <https://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/> to **Register** and find out more information about **Entry Requirements** and other travel information.

There will be sessions with great opportunities to learn more about Lions — ideas to take home to your clubs and communities. There will also be multiple service events to do what we do best—Serve. Then there will be the International Show with Smokey Robinson and my favorite — the Parade of Nations.

Make sure to purchase your new **BLUE** Indiana Lions parade shirt if you plan to attend.

Will be sending out more information as it becomes available concerning the Indiana Lions Dinner and the Midwest Breakfast.

See you in Montreal!

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# Lions Clubs International

## Dues Adjustment Resolution Will Be Voted on at 2022 International Convention

Dear Lion Leader,

Lions Clubs International supports clubs and members around the world so we can advance our global mission of service together. Our international support and the work of Lions Clubs International is fueled by the international dues of our incredible members.

In recent years, it has become increasingly clear that the services Lions Clubs International has been able to provide to members with the available budget is no longer in line with what Lions need and expect.

The International Board of Directors voted in October 2019 to approve an international dues adjustment resolution that would be voted on at the 2020 International Convention, but it was postponed due to the cancellation of our 2020 convention and the move to a virtual convention in 2021 as we adapted to the pandemic. *The new dues adjustment model will be voted on at the 2022 International Convention.*

The Board of Directors undertook an extensive review of Lions Clubs International's financials, including the implementation of substantial budget reductions. After much consideration, the board proposed to adjust dues \$7 over a three-year period.

Under the proposal, international dues would be adjusted according to the following schedule:

- \$3 increase on July 1, 2023
- \$2 increase on July 1, 2024
- \$2 increase on July 1, 2025

### ***Why an international dues adjustment is needed***

We realize the association has been reluctant to adjust dues over the years, and we have not adjusted international dues since 2011. The proposed adjustment will help cover our costs and allow us to suitably serve our members' needs. With that said, the Board of Directors did not take this issue lightly, nor are we minimizing the value of each dollar that our members contribute.

As we consider this dues adjustment, it is essential that we keep in mind that our global efforts and initiatives support more than 1.4 million members in 50,000 clubs around the world. Through the support of staff, we are able to serve globally on the level that we do, keeping members and clubs fully supported with service resources, training events and software, club operational support, hybrid convention, international meetings, language services, technology, Foundation support, leadership support, and everything else we have come to expect as Lions.

A dues adjustment will allow Lions Clubs International to provide improved support to Lions and to continue to invest in improving programs and digital products such as our website and MyLion. It will also allow us to invest in new programs such as the Learning Management System (LMS), development of new curriculum such as digital literacy, training videos, global advertising, marketing automation, digital and video storytelling and other tools and initiatives that will enhance our impact, our brand, and our membership.

### ***Why your help is needed***

Essentially, we have to decide whether or not we want Lions Clubs International to continue to grow and thrive. Lions is more than a way of life. It's also an investment of money, time, energy and passion. As with any good investment, the more we put in, the more returns we see.

We need you to help our members and leaders understand why this adjustment is needed. We have developed an [international dues adjustment FAQ and PPT](#) to help you present it to your Lions. If you have any questions on the dues adjustment resolution, please contact LCI Executive Administrator Sanjeev Ahuja.

I hope that you will see this adjustment as we do: as an investment in the future of Lions. Through your support, we can ensure that Lions are positioned for success in the future.

Yours in Service,

Douglas X. Alexander  
International President