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The 94<sup>th</sup> Lions Club International Convention that was held in Seattle is history. And it was an experience that I will remember forever. Jill, Zachary and I had a nice flight there. The return trip home had some bumps in the road but we made the best of it and overall it was enjoyable. The event was exceptionally well organized and we were treated as royals. But, “it’s- great-to-be-back-home-in-Indiana”.

Our experience in Seattle began when we arrived at the airport where we were greeted by the Seattle Lions and escorted to a chartered bus and taken to our hotel. The next day we registered for the convention at the Washington State Convention Center and had the rest of the day to settle-in and get to know the area a little (and recover from jet-lag).

The next day began with an impressive opening ceremony welcoming the District Governor Elects from around the world and their companions. Our new International President Wing-Kun Tam from Hong Kong, China made a magnificent performance and then addressed the group. He spoke about his theme “I Believe”; he also spoke about “Night Dreamers and Day Dreamers” and to make things happen, it takes Courage...Commitment...Action. He also spoke of “My Club, My Family”. He challenged Lions to plant 1,000,000 trees. As District Governor I pledged our clubs would plant two trees each. Please help me fulfill that pledge. Then District Governor training started. My group of 26 included the Instructor from England, class mates from Australia, North Carolina, Texas, New Mexico and three of us from Indiana. Lunch was assigned in groups and my group of Lions was predominately from Germany. The others were from North Carolina, Texas, Canada and me from Indiana.

The following week the official opening of the convention started. There were world class ceremonies, seminars, and speakers. I heard about the wonderful things Lions do such as the prevention and almost eradication of river blindness, disaster relief, etc.

Condoleezza Rice, Former President George W. Bush’s Secretary of State was the key note speaker the last day of the convention. Leaving politics out of it (and she didn’t mention politics) she is truly a remarkable person and speaker. If you ever have the chance to hear her speak do yourself a favor and do so.

I left wondering.... with the international corporation and understanding demonstrated in Seattle....what if... just one international conflict was averted because of Lions (maybe it has happened and we just don’t know what it was)? Lions Club International is truly a world class organization and each of us can truly be proud to be part of the Lion’s family. You can be comfortable knowing we have competent leadership at the international level. Plan to make that visitation you’ve been putting-off, attend that Cabinet Meeting or other Lions function you’ve never attended before. You will be pleased you did.

***Please contact me for your official visitation.*** I am looking forward to seeing you.

Yours in Lionism.....DG David



**News from Vice- District Governor Brenda:**

The International Convention is over, the new officers are in place and we are ready for a brand new Lions year. Again thanks to PDG Sara Provines and PDG Vernon for the effort they put forth in serving District E-1. I am looking forward to working with our new DG Dave Parker and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Glynn Wills as we strive to make our District strong in every way, especially in leadership, membership and service.

Our challenge as always is to invite those who will be quality members, eager to provide quality service and quality leadership. That’s what being a Lion is all about. Blessings to all of you as we ride along with DG Dave and carry out this challenge. Let’s make District E1---- one of the best .

**News from 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Glynn:**



Congratulations District Governor Dave Parker!

Time is going by fast. DG Dave is back from International Convention at Seattle and busy already. As 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG I will make an effort to go with the DG on his visits to the different clubs as time permits. I have been doing a lot of reading and planning to prepare myself for the duties ahead.

Time is drawing nearer for our District Banner Night at Terry’s Restaurant in Bloomington on August 6<sup>th</sup>. I want to challenge all the Clubs to attend Banner Night. It gives the Club Officers and members a chance to meet and fellowship with other Clubs in the District. Be sure your Club Officers get the new District Directory at the Banquet.

School will be starting soon so check for Vision Screening. Sullivan Lions Club has two Optic 5000 machines and would be more than happy to loan out the machine to any Club needing assistance on Vision Screening.

Membership-Membership-Membership this is our priority for the coming Lions year. Talk to your friends and neighbors and encourage them to become a member of your Club.

Good Luck and if you need any assistance please let us know.....2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Glynn

**Note: You may see abbreviations in the Newsletter you are not familiar with. They are approved Lions International abbreviations. For your convenience we have listed the abbreviations most often used.**

<b>DG - District Governor;</b>	<b>VDG - Vice District Governor;</b>	<b>DGE – Dist. Governor Elect</b>
<b>VDG-E – Vice District Governor Elect;</b>		<b>PDG – Past District Governor;</b>
<b>CC - Council Chair;</b>	<b>PCC - Past Council Chair;</b>	<b>IP - International President</b>
<b>ID - International Director;</b>	<b>PID- Past International Director;</b>	<b>MD 25 - Multiple District 25</b>
<b>INLETTB - Indiana Lions Eye &amp; Tissue Bank</b>		<b>LCI – Lions Club International</b>

**“The Lion Traveler” and District Governor Dave Parker are ready to travel to your Club...** So let’s get the little blue truck on the road...

Be one of the first to schedule DG Dave in for his Official Visit...If You do so before Dec 31, 2011 your club will earn 200 points.

Just fill out the form and send to DG Dave at  
3408 Wenzel Dr., Terre Haute, In 47803



Club \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone or Number where someone can be reached at the time of the meeting \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting time \_\_\_\_\_ Is this a Dinner Meeting? YES NO (circle one)

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Advise if any special presentations will be made or new members to be inducted \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHEDULED VISITATIONS**

- Nashville, August 16, 2011
- Bloomfield, August 25
- Shoals, September 12
- Sullivan, September 20
- Bloomington, September 27
- Prairie Creek, October 3
- Riley, October 6
- Brownstown, October 25
- Carlisle, November 15
- Odon, January 3, 2012
- Pierson, January 16

Be sure to buy one of District Governor Dave’s Pins for \$2.00 when he comes to visit your club!





**August 6, 2011**

**District Governor Dave's Banner Night**

Hosted by Riley Township Lions Club

Home Club of District Governor David Parker

**Terry's Banquet & Catering**

**3124 Canterbury Drive Bloomington, IN 47404**

**Social Hour 5:30 p.m.**

**District Governor Uniform, PDG Jackets, or Business Casual Dress**

**Dinner 6:00**

**Deadline for RSVP August 2, 2011**

**Guest Speaker --Immediate Past Council Chair Richard Halladay**

**Cost: \$20 per person**

Menu: English Pot Roast, Baked Ham, broccoli w/cheese sauce, Green Beans,  
Rosemary roasted potatoes, Garden salad, fresh bake rolls, Iced Tea or Coffee  
Assorted pies

Please send your check payable to District 25-E1 to PCC Vernon Provines, Cabinet Treasurer,  
306 W. Market St. Spencer, IN 47460 or email: [vprovines@sbcglobal.net](mailto:vprovines@sbcglobal.net)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Dist. \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20.00= \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed



**DG Dave's First Cabinet Meeting**

will be Held

Saturday, August 20, 2011

Riley Township Lions Club

SR 46 & the Blinker Light, Riley, IN

PDG Meeting – 10:00 – 10:30

Cabinet Meeting convenes at 11:00 a.m.

Lunch: 11:30 p.m.

Cost \$5.00

Grilled Chicken Breasts or Hamburgers, potato salad,

chips & dessert tea/lemonade



RSVP to PCC Linda Tincher, [vtincher@ma.rr.com](mailto:vtincher@ma.rr.com) Or call 812-894-2750

# Marching to Graduation 2011....

## Lions Indiana State Police Law Camp.



Camp Director Sgt. Eric Dunn listens to a student read his award winning essay about his camp



Trooper Lion Dana Miller, Shoals Lions Club presents an award to a student.



(Far right) PDG Paul Schoonmaker, a member of Sons of American Revolution, was part of the honor guard.



Bloomington West Lion Traci Dunn checks registration forms.



Martinsville Noon provided a great Saturday Noon Meal!



Lion Mike Roberts, Riley Twp & PDG Gary Lawson, Eminence vision screened the students.



Sgt. Lion Eric Dunn, Bloomington West – having a good time with the kids at the Mr. Gatties Pizza party. Sgt. Eric we think you really do need a bigger police car.



State Law Camp Chair Linda Tincher spoke to the graduates and parents at graduation.

Riley Lions Provided the Wed night meal. They were assisted in serving by Lions from 25-E2.



**2011 Lions Law Camp** is now history, but the memories of fun times will always be there. 118 seventh and eighth graders spent time getting to know what it's like to be a police officer. They marched, did pushups, said "Yes, Sir" and "No, Sir" when spoken to, wrote essays about their experience, heard numerous speakers and had a lot of fun in between.

They met not only police officers, but a lot of Lions. Lions registered them; vision screened them and prepared many of the meals. The kids learned what volunteerism is all about. Some students earned medals, and others earned scholarships to return next year, but they all learned to show respect and that by giving respect they earned respect.

Make plans now to send a child to Lions Law Camp next year, you will be glad you did. If you would like a speaker, call me PCC Linda Tincher, Lions Law Camp State Chair at 812-894-2750 or by email at [vtincher@ma.rr.com](mailto:vtincher@ma.rr.com)



Pierson Township Lions Club Officers for 2011-12



Bloomington President Jeff Siefers is sworn in by DG Dave while other officers and members watch.



Brazil Lions Doug Simonson, President Nellye Schopmeer, Secretary Suellen Wegner & Lion Delores Johnson prepare for a vision screening at the YMCA summer camp .

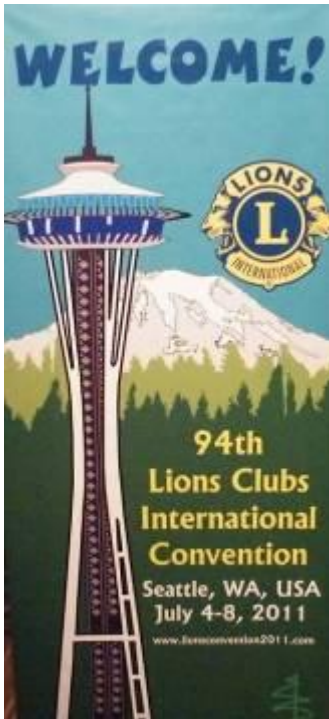


Brown County Lion Pierre Detarnowsky received not only his 25 year attendance award, but he also received a plaque for serving as the clubs Tail Twister for 22 years... Congratulations Lion Pierre!

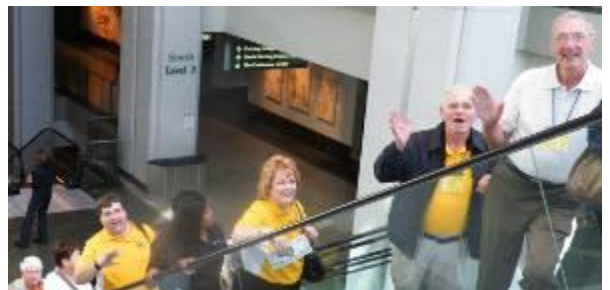


Brown County Lion Bob Gilmore thanks PDG Ray Collins for the Eye Bank Program he presented at their meeting.

94<sup>th</sup> International Lions Club Convention - Seattle, WA.... 2011



Lion Jill Parker, International President Wing-Kun Tam, Hong Kong, and DG Dave Parker. The President's theme is "I BELIEVE."



Above: Indiana Lions Ross & Jennifer Drapalik, Martinsville Noon, PDG Richard Halladay, & PDG Vern Tincher ride the escalator to the Convention Registration.

(left) Westin employees presented the Lions with a basket of eyeglasses they collected upon learning the IN Lions were staying at the Westin hotel holding the IN Breakfast there. Lions from OH, IL, MI & WI attended. (below)



## **The Indiana Lions were well represented at the 94<sup>th</sup> International Lions Convention in Seattle, WA.**

Thousands cheered as International President Wing-Kun Tam, Hong Kong was sworn in and IN outdid themselves cheering as our own Wayne Madden was sworn in as Vice-President.

The parade was the biggest parade Seattle ever had in their history and was given excellent coverage on their television stations.

The speakers were good as well. Bill Gates, Sr. spoke about the work being done to eradicate measles around the world. Condoleeza Rice praised the Lions for their humanitarian efforts

President Tam encouraged all clubs to plant a tree this year to promote growth and a better environment. Each District Governor planted a tree during their week training prior to the convention. There were also many seminars available to Lions that attended the convention.

The Global Leadership & Global Membership programs (which replaces MERL – membership, extension, retention & leadership - were explained in full and Team Leaders will soon be implementing those programs in our district.

Everyone attending took time out visiting the exhibition center, the plenary sessions and Pike Place a wonderful fresh vegetable and fish market, as well as having a cup of Starbucks coffee –at the home of Starbucks!

Indiana also had their own hospitality room at the Westin Hotel where everyone gathered to talk, relax and play cards...except for one special event when we honored PDG Carl Goss the Multiple District's Administrative Secretary who was retiring at the end of the convention. It was a big surprise to Lion Carl and everyone enjoyed the cake! Our best to PDG Carl! Our new administrative secretary will be PDG Bill Chastain, from District C.

This year's convention is over, but International Convention Chairman PDG Vern Tincher is already working on the 95<sup>th</sup> convention at Bussan, Korea...Information will be forthcoming. In the meantime thank you PDG Lee Flower, 2011 Convention Chair and your committee for a great time!



## **Trees Planted: 13,147**

2011-2012 International President Wing-Kun Tam is challenging Lions around the world to plant one million trees this year to demonstrate the strength of our global network. Be sure to report on your Activity Report if your club has planted a tree!

## What's New in Lionism...

### The Global Leadership Team

In 25-E1 the Global Leadership Team is chaired by PCC Linda Tincher, but it is a team consisting of the District Governor, the Vice-district governors and many others who have expressed interest in training, educating and mentoring Lions.

The GLT as it is referred to, makes sure Lions are given orientation programs and that officers receive training....Things change....If you have been an officer for several years and have not had a training

– it's time! Things have changed and everyone needs to be up to date.

There are resources available to guide our zone chairs and to motivate our members to ask people to join our clubs...There are ways to mentor new members to assure they will want to stay in your clubs. There are ways to establish a leadership procession in your club. If our district is to survive we must look at some of these new methods to not only attract new members but keep the members what we have!

GLT does not throw MERL (membership, extension, retention, leadership) out--- it just creates a new approach to assisting clubs in an effective manner.



### The Other new program is GMT.....

(No it's not Greenwich Mean time) it stands for Global Membership Team and it is chaired by PDG Gary Lawson...

The GLT & GMT teams will work together to identify leaders, strengthen clubs and expand our membership. In the near future, they will be visiting clubs and explaining about some of the new ideas and programs that are available. This team also works with the district governor, vice –district governors and a team composed of district Lions that are interested in developing extension and club development.

Many Lions have had trouble identifying new members, this method addresses that problem by promoting service and what a Lions Club can do for a community. Methods to identify needs and how to implement a plan to address those needs work hand-in-hand with the Global Leadership Team.

**Training – Education – Mentoring - Motivating-  
.....Working Together.....WE SERVE!**

## 25-E1 Points Contest Result for 2010-20111

Club	June	Year Total
<b><u>Less than 25 Members</u></b>		
1. Eminence	5118	59,576
2. New Goshen/W.Vigo	3200	38,519
3. Pierson Twp.	400	32,405
<b><u>25-45 Members</u></b>		
1. Bloomington West	9,495	75,164
2. Odon	100	26,312
3. Bloomfield	363	24,556
<b><u>46 or more Members</u></b>		
1. Brown County	11,475	112,234
2. Riley Twp.	20,484	111,411
3. Martinsville Noon	18,456	110,071

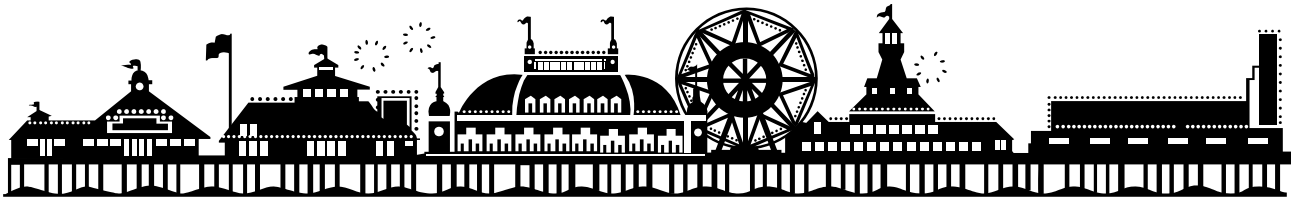


### 35<sup>th</sup> USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum September 22-24, 2011 Anchorage, Alaska

64 Seminars & Workshop will attract 2,400 Lions to  
Anchorage, Alaska this fall  
Will you be one?



Plan now – all motels are in walking distance of the convention Center  
In addition, Four Great Motivational Speakers will charge up your Lion Batteries  
**For more information visit [www.usacandalionsforum.org](http://www.usacandalionsforum.org)**



### The Indiana State Fair August 5-21, 2011

**Contact one of our 25-E1 Trustees & Volunteer to Work a Day to earn  
Credit for a W.P. Woods!**

**PDG Gary Lawson Monday August 8  
Lion Mollie Brown Friday August 19  
Lion Sandy Ruane Sunday August 21**

**25-E1 TO DO LIST:**

1. Be sure to **Volunteer** to Work the Indiana State Fair
2. **RSVP** for DG Dave's Banner Night by August 2
3. Plan to **attend** 25-E1 Cabinet Meeting – Riley Lions Club August 20 – **RSVP for lunch** – Cost \$5.00



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