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News from 25-E1 DG Dave Parker:

The October Council of Governors Meeting was held at Spring Mill State Park. The fall air was clear, crisp and everyone was in good spirits. If you haven't visited Spring Mill you don't know what you are missing. Maybe I'm biased as it's my favorite state park. It's located in rural, hilly, wooded southern Indiana. One of the main attractions is Pioneer Village and the mill. Council Chair Mike Smith, the eight Governors, several Past Governors, Past International Directors, Trustees and others were in attendance. We heard great reports and the discussions made for an interactive meeting. And, the food at the Inn was great and reasonably priced.

While there we had time to visit. I found the other governors upbeat about their districts as I am with E1. We Lions have our problems but when we look at the overall picture, the good things being done far outweigh the problems and the future is bright.

By now most are aware we (E1) held a Special Cabinet Meeting in Spencer and voted to **redistrict** 25 C, E1 and E2 into two strong districts (25C and 25E). Districts C and E2 have voted to do so too. It is not "a-done-deal" as there are procedures to follow. This was discussed at Spring Mill and was received favorably.

When one sees the Lions Club International Logo some things come to mind: a proud, strong international organization, Helen Keller, eye glasses, community service, respect of its members, etc. Behind the scenes we see LCI supporting the clubs and districts through its name, insurance, training, LCIF grants, speakers at our conventions, Governor Training and a magnitude of other services. These services cost money and for LCI to provide them we must pay dues, submit reports, but the districts must maintain a minimum of 1,250 members, at least 35 clubs, etc. The only short-fall we have is historically our districts have been unable to consistently maintain 1,250 members. Nationally this is the trend and redistricting has been recommended. So we are not alone.

We all have feeling about this. I have stated many times the better we are informed the better we can deal with the issues. Please attend the upcoming cabinet meetings and conventions and help us work through this. We want and need your input and support. **Merry Christmas** and **Happy New Year** to all.

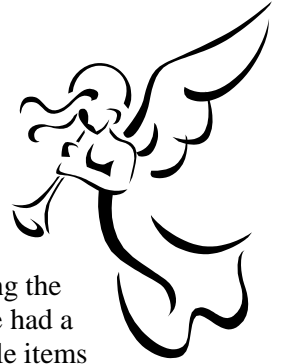


Yours in Lionism..... DG David, Lion Jill & Zack

News from vice District Governor Brenda:



This past month we have had a great time of fellowship with other Lions. We enjoyed a scenic drive to Spring Mill Park for a Council Meeting where we had great food and a good time sharing our ideas with other Lions from around the State. We also visited the Poland Community Lions and had a fun evening playing euchre. Delicious chili and chicken noodle soup were served before we played cards. Congratulations to PDG Vern Tincher and his partner Bob for being the winning team for the evening. It was a nice fund raiser for their community. We had a fun time while serving the community as well. Everyone brought non - perishable items for the local food pantry. This is what being a Lion is all about, having a good time while serving others.



My niece Linda Maynard joined the Clermont Lions Club recently and invited us to their Fish Fry on Veterans Day. We of course saw other Lions we knew plus it was fun to see Linda's enthusiasm as she did her part serving in the food line. And of course PDG Gary got to eat for free since he is a Veteran. Thanks to all Veterans for the service you have paid to our Country.

Being in Lions is a great way to do volunteer work and make new friends while together "We Serve."

Lions, have a very "Merry Christmas" and take time to have special times of fellowship with your loved ones. I send blessings to all of you. VDG Brenda

News from 2nd VDG Glynn Wills:

The training for 2ndVDG's was held at the Lions State Office and it was one of the best classes I have attended. The Instructors did an outstanding job sharing information that was very important to me as a candidate for 1st VDG and potential DG. Thank you

District meeting on re-organization have been ongoing and it is very encouraging to hear from others regarding the Long range plan for the growth of Lions in Multiple District 25. Please keep in mind that we are here to SERVE and sometimes changes scare us but we have to give it a chance.

Thank you for helping me out with the point system. Your information is easier to decipher when you state X number of Lions worked X number of hours at THIS PROJECT. Be sure to inform your Club Secretary of any updates to your personal information such as email address. The total points showing in this Newsletter is accumulated from information that your furnish us. If you feel it is incorrect contact me.

We can determine together, if the points are being calculated properly.

Be sure to attend Mid-Winter Conference this January. There are numerous informative Workshops and Seminars that will provide you with a wealth of hand-out materials to take back to your Clubs.

Most importantly, I WANT TO WISH EVERYONE A Very Merry Christmas! VDG Glynn





The Terre Haute Lions Club and District 25-E1 extends sincere sympathy to the friends and family of PDG Robert Smith who passed away November 8, 2011.

Past District Governor Robert Smith was a retired teacher/principal and very active in his community. He was a member of the Terre Haute Lions Club, where he served as secretary, vice president, and president. He also served the Indiana Lions District 25-E1 as cabinet secretary/treasurer and was elected District Governor in 1982.

His survivors include his brother and several nieces and nephews.



Lions Clubs International Foundation presentation was presented to the Riley Township Lions Club on November 17, 2011 by PDG Gary Ochs, our District 25-E1 Coordinator. The Information will help Lions understanding that LCIF is their foundation and how it provides for so many people worldwide.

Pictured above (L to R) are: local president, PDG Ray Collins; PDG Gary Ochs and DG Dave Parker. Schedule your club for a LCIF presentation by contacting PDG Gary at 812-275-7241 or e-mail gochs@lions.org.

Sign up for Mid Winter Conference before December 24th!

Application available on the

Indiana Lions Web Site – forms section! www.indianalions.org

If you can donate an item for the Auction – Bring something. The funds will benefit the Indiana Leos.



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.

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| DG - District Governor; | VDG - Vice District Governor; | DGE – Dist. Governor Elect |
| VDG-E – Vice District Governor Elect; | | PDG – Past District Governor; |
| CC - Council Chair; | PCC - Past Council Chair; | IP - International President |
| ID - International Director; | PID- Past International Director; | MD 25 - Multiple District 25 |
| INLETTB - Indiana Lions Eye & Tissue Transplant Bank | | LCI – Lions Club International |
| ZC – Zone Chair | RC – Region Chair | |



Lions Eye Bank Week

Lions Eye Bank Week is celebrated by Lions Clubs International during the first full week in December to provide a special opportunity for Lions to emphasize the valuable services provided by the 53 Lions eye banks located in eight countries around the world.

Founded in 1959, the Indiana Lions Eye Bank, Inc. has impacted over 23,000 lives by providing the gift of sight through corneal recovery and transplantation to the people of Indiana and beyond.

Special Announcement

The Indiana Lions Eye Bank, Inc. has renewed our partnership with the Indiana University Department of Ophthalmology by way of a grant totalling US \$185,000 to be applied towards the purchase of an Eyesi Surgical simulator to be housed in the new Eugene and Marilyn Glick Eye Institute on the Indiana University – Purdue University campus in Indianapolis. An initial donation of US \$100,000 was made to the university on August 1, 2011.

The Eyesi Surgical simulator is a high-fidelity, virtual-reality simulator which provides a highly realistic platform for residents to gain eye surgery experience without the risk of complications for patients.

In addition, the Board has authored a standard grant application through the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) which has the potential of increasing this donation by US \$75,000 for a total donation of US \$260,000.

This donation has been made by the Indiana Lions Eye Bank, Inc. on behalf of the Lions of Indiana. The January ILEBI Board Meeting will be held at the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Eye Institute in Indianapolis on Sunday, January 8, 2012, with an open house and tours to view the new equipment beginning at 1:00 pm.

Since 1959, the ILEBI and the Lions of Indiana have donated over US \$477,000 to the Department of Ophthalmology through various grants and fellowships.



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District 25-E1 --- 2nd Cabinet Meeting – December 3, 2011



Hosted by the Bedford Evening Lions Club
Location: S&L Creative Corner
(East corner of Bedford Square) Telephone # 812-279-0115

Lunch \$5.50----- RSVP for lunch by November 29, 2011

9:30-10:30 a.m. – Long Range Planning Meeting – PDGS

11:00 a.m. – Cabinet meeting

12:00 Lunch

Cabinet Meeting reconvenes at 12:30 p.m.

Send back this form or e-mail PDG Gary Ochs to make reservation for lunch by Nov. 29th.

Menu: vegetable or potato soup, sandwiches, vegetable tray, dessert, coffee, tea, lemonade

Name _____ Club _____

Number attending lunch _____ E-mail PDG Gary at: gochsinlions@att.net
or mail to 106 Edgewood Drive, Bedford, IN 47421 Telephone Number: 812-275-7241



25-E1 Re-Districting Update! by PDG Vern Tincher & PCC *Richard Halladay – Co-Chairs of 25-E1 Redistricting Committee.*

After a series of meetings with Districts 25-C, E1 and E2, an agreement has been reached on merging the three into two districts. Why do we need to consider this proposal? All three districts fail to meet the constitutional requirement of having 1,250 members and are placed in “transition” by Lions Clubs International. District C has 1,230 members, E1 has 1,193 and E2 has 1,192; all are well below the LCI requirement. The disadvantages of having districts in transition has prompted other states (Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia) to merge and create districts that meet the LCI standards.

The redistricting plan will divide the counties located in 25E-1 between C and E2 with four (4) counties (Vigo, Clay, Owen and Morgan) going north to District C and eight (8) counties (Sullivan, Greene, Monroe, Brown, Jackson, Lawrence, Martin and Daviess) going south to join 25-E2 and form a new District 25-E. All three districts have held a district cabinet meeting and approved the redistricting plan.

An amendment has been prepared for Article III Section 1 which will carry out the merger plan. The amendment must be passed at each district convention in March and then be placed on the ballot for the Lions State Convention in April. If all three districts and the state convention adopt the amendment, it must be submitted to the International Board of Directors for their approval, probably at their 2012 Fall Board Meeting. It will then become effective at the close of the Lions Clubs 2013 International Convention. Our local clubs will not be affected by this merger; they will continue to SERVE their communities as always. The friendships and working relationships formed in our district will remain untouched.





Indiana School for the Blind receives \$75,000 Grant! --- Merry Christmas!

E1 Lions,

I am very pleased to announce that at the Lions Club International Foundation Executive meeting in Hong Kong, China the Indiana Lions for **The Indiana School For The Blind & Visually Impaired** Project application for a \$75,000 matching grant to purchase Assistive Technology for the ISBVI was approved. This new equipment will provide years of modernization in the area for the students and staff.

The equipment that will make more miracles happen at the school consists of:

- * 8 BRAILLE NOTE APES: A laptop of sorts for students who are blind.
- * 10 BRAILLE 24 cell Refreshable Braille display: This is a device that produces Refreshable/reusable Braille in conjunction with laptops, desktops, and net books.
- * 28 ACER ASPIRE One 722 B2197: This is a Net Book that will be used by low vision and blind students to access Books and internet with the use of REFRESHABLE BRAILLE DISPLAYS.
- * 15 DELL LATITUDE: This is a laptop that will be assigned to students after assistive software is added.
- * 20 OPTI PLEX 790 Mini Tower Base, Standard PSU: This is a desktop that after loaded with assistive technology will be used by numerous students.
- * 35 DELL E1911 Flat Panel Monitors: Black Monitors that will be used with the laptops, net books, and desktops.
- * 18 APPLE IPAD 2- Black, 16GB, WIFI (802.11 a/B/G/N). IPAD to be used to access Books for low vision students.

There are also accessories in the grant to make the equipment more accessible for our students.

The Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and Trustees wish to thank Past International President Sid Scruggs, Chairman of the LCIF and Lions Club International 1st Vice President Wayne Madden for their support of this grant application. We would also like to thank all the clubs and Districts who made contributions to the ISBVI Project that will make the grand total spent for the modernization of the school electronic technology \$150,000. We know that the \$75,000 that has come from Indiana Lions is a great deal of money. We also realize how hard everyone works for these dollars. We truly appreciate all the efforts of those that raised these funds.

I would also like to pay special recognition to District Governor Fran Shaul who chairs our Grant Application Committee and to ISBVI Superintendent Jim Durst. We, the Board of Trustees, are truly thankful.

IT'S GREAT TO BE A LION!!!!

Yours In Lionism,
PDG Frank Ruane
ISBVI Board Chair



DG/PDG Fran Shaul & PDG Frank Ruane
Indiana School for the Blind and Visually
Impaired Trustees

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 _____

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 _____



DG Dave’s Official Visitation

Pershing Twp. , December 1

Medora, December 5

Monrovia, December 20

Odon, January 3, **2012**

Pierson, January 16

Harrodsburg, February 2



Buy one of DG Dave’s Pin for only \$2 when he visits your Club!

– District 25-E1 Points Contest Total for the year. July-Oct.

- As of October 31, 2011

Division 1 (1-25 members)	Division 2 (26-45 members)	Division 3 (46 or more)
1. Carlisle 30,000	1. Bloomington West 14,395	1. Martinsville Noon 64,975
2. Eminence 13,300	2. Bloomfield 12,400	2. Riley Twp 33,725
3. Paragon 11,450	3. New Goshen/W.Vigo 11,575	3.Fayetteville 19,150



Around the District.....



Sullivan Lions Club screened 126 children in Graysville, IN. Front L to R Leona Hoskins, Susie Pierce-School Administrator, Donna Gray, & Sharon Hollifield. Back row L to R Harry Hoskins, Glynn Wills & Bill Large.



Seymour Noon President Jim Potts presents DG Dave with a check to assist him with purchasing gasoline as he travels about the district.



Council Chair Mike Smith reads a proclamation to PCC Richard Halladay acknowledging his excellent service to the Lions of Indiana in 2010-11.



Martinsville Evening Lions (left to right): Robert Barger, Pat Roudebush, Mary Malone. Seated left to right: Nellie Howard and Brenda Curtis.



Carlisle President Azalia Barfield prepares to introduce DG Dave to the Carlisle club



Lion John Spurgeon, attended Joplin Host Lions Club 90th Anniversary, Nov. 12. Special speaker was Lion P.I.D. Ed McCormick. Lion John had joined the Joplin Rangeline Lions (no longer in existence) 1981. Sunday afternoon Lion Pat Deeds gave a guided tour of the E-5 Tornado damage to Joplin, and the Joplin Host LIONS DEN, including the Caboose



Poland Euchre Tournament....Brazil Lions Nellie Schopmeyer & Delores Johnson, & Dave Schopmeyer. Poland Secretary Shannon Tieken, Poland Lion Bob Dodson, Riley Lion Vern Tincher and VDG Brenda & Gary Lawson enjoyed good food and lots of fun Euchre games! **The Next Euchre Game will be 6p.m Dec 10 at the Poland Fire Dept.**

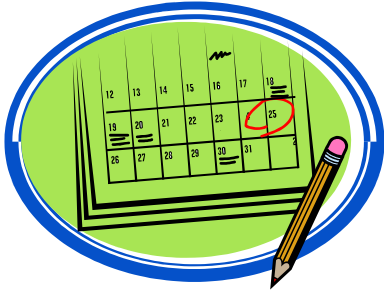


DG Dave visited with Mitchell Lions: L to R: Mitchell Lion Carol Roop, PDG Vern Tincher, (Riley), Mitchell Lions Ilene Hardman and Phyllis Fox. Center: President Stephen King and secretary Tonya Millis and far right Tail twister Marvin Bosjolie shows off his Tail Twister Horn Honking cup!



Happy Birthday To You, Happy Birthday To You. Happy Birthday Dear PID Dave & International First VP Wayne, Happy Birthday to YOU!!!!!!.....All of the golfers (and golfer supporters) joined together at Otis Park Golf Course in 25-E1 for a 25-E1 District Fundraiser to benefit our International 1st VP.....It just so happened that it was PID Dave's birthday and first International Vice President's Wayne's birthday was the day before.....While PID Dave got the "BIG" cake.....VP Wayne got the check in the mail.....really.....!!!!!!





Mark your calendars: District 25-E1 Convention will be Saturday, March 17th, 2012 --- St. Patrick's Day!

The District 25-E1 District Convention will be held at McCormick's Creek State Park. There will be an informal welcoming dinner on Friday night, March 16th at the Inn for those arriving early and to welcome the visiting International Director Ted Reivers and his wife Lion Ann from Wilmington, Delaware.

(agendas, registration and additional details will be forthcoming at a later date)

A reservation form follows this article for those that want to stay at the Canyon Inn at McCormick' Creek State Park that weekend. (prices include tax)

Most of all, District Governor Dave wants you to meet our guest speaker for the weekend, International Director Alan T. "Ted" Reiver, who was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 94th International Convention, held in Seattle, Washington, USA July 4-8, 2011.

Director Reiver is a floor and window coverings store merchant.

A member of the Talleyville-Naamans Lions Club since 1983, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chair, region chair, vice district governor, district governor, council secretary, LEHP Coordinator, Rebuilding Lions Coordinator and multiple district international convention chair. He also served as CSF II group coordinator, district chaplain, Kusiak Lions Youth Foundation board chairperson and treasurer, Delaware Lions Foundation grants and loans chairperson, Lions Vision Research Foundation board member and as a faculty member/presenter at numerous Lions Leadership Institutes.



In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including Club Lion of the Year, PID Gene Polgar Fellow, PIP Clem Kusiak Fellow, Dr. Arnall Patz Fellow, PID James A. McCarty Fellow, Ralph N. Helm Fellow, PID Darley Travers Fellow, an International President's Certificate of Achievement, a Presidential Leadership Medal, an International President's Certificate of Sponsorship, an International President's Certificate of Appreciation and an International President's Medal. He is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Reiver is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including the Penn-Rose Civic Association and the Board of Delaware Association of the Blind. He has served on several boards of directors, including the Claymont Community Center, Edgemoor Community Center, Sellers Senior Center and the Floor Covering Association of Greater Philadelphia.

Director Reiver and his wife, Ann, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have one daughter and three grandchildren.

Dates to Remember: Dec 1 – Pershing Twp Lions Club Official Visit

Dec. 5 Medora Lions Club Official Visit

Dec. 8 Poland Lions Club Official Visit

Dec. 20 Monrovia Lions Club Official Visit

Region III Zone Meeting Dec 7 at 7p.m. – Riley Lions Club

Poland Euchre Game – Dec 10 at 6p.m. Poland Fire Dept.

PDG Sara's Christmas Village is on display now at Owen County State Bank – Spencer- Stop IN!

Merry
Christmas



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