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GOVERNOR'S ARTICLE



Let's start where most things start, at the very beginning. We are going to track a Lion from start to finish in a very good and active Lions Club. Let's say that you are not a Lion yet and this article is tracking you into a Club and on to what that Club does. You are going about your business working, driving, shopping, and just doing what people do. One day a person comes up to you and lets say you know them, but not real well, you have seen them around. They are just a person to you. Well they ask you if you would like to join their Club. This Club is called a Lions Club. You say that you don't know. What is a Lion's Club, what do they do. They explain what they do, that through fund raisers they raise money to fund project to help not only their community, but all over the world. You say that that sounds like a noble cause and that you would like to but that you are just to busy. Well I have a flash for you. Everyone is to busy, you, me, and this Lion that just asked you to join and everyone. But through some miracle although this person that just asked you to join is to busy, they still have, or make the time for their Lions Club. They have realized that they will have a better life and a better community by helping this Club do its' job. So you listen to them and by a wonderful stroke of fate, you Join!! Oh, by the way in the future you just might help someone see, hear, walk, talk, or live. This is just one small fringe benefit of being a Lion. So you join and are invited to a Club meeting. You go. You get introduced to all of them, some you know, and some you don't. At this meeting you may have a nice meal or maybe just a meeting and no meal. (Some Clubs don't eat every time they meet!!) At this meeting they have a ceremony for you, for you because you are a very special person. You are a new member and this is your night. They bring you up to the front of the meeting and you are sworn in and take an oath. A special person to you or your sponsor pins a Lions Pin on your lapel and tells you to always wear it because you and they are proud that you are a Lion. They give you a real nice Certificate of Membership and some information on what being a new member entails. You are congratulated and they all stand and come up and shake your hand. You are now a part of a great unit, or movement, a cause. You are not just as you were before. You are now a Lion.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR ARTICLE CONT.....

From this point on you learn and help this Club to grow and be of help to your community and to the world. You too now can be the one doing the asking and the telling. You can be the one showing a new person what it means to be a Lion.

All new members should be sworn in. All new members should receive a Lion Pin. All new members should receive a Certificate of Membership. All new members should be shown what they are to expect and do. All new and current members should have a Lions Pin and wear it always, not just at meetings. All Lions members should have what I call the fire. That gut feeling that eats at them to do more, to help, to lead, to be a better person, to be a part of a greater cause than just going and coming, but stopping and seeing that they can make a difference in their life and in the lives of many others. They can do this by being a Lion.

DG Ron Spivey

Dates To Remember

- April 3 Logansport O.V.
- April 5 Michigantown Breakfast 6:30am-10:30 am
- April 8 Wolcott O.V.
- April 11-13 Leadership Workshop-Ramada Inn 7701 E 42nd St
- April 25-27 State Convention-Fort Wayne, In
- May 3 Danville Charter Night
- May 20 Crawfordsville Club Membership Drive

New Members

- Shari Pryor- Lebanon Club
- Rick Davis- Thorntown Club
- A. Naekel- Thorntown Club
- Kyle Germond- Delphi Club
- Scott Inskeep- Zionsville Club
- Matthew Tielker- Zionsville Club
- Sylvia Barbier- Frankfort Club
- Geanne Barbier- Frankfort Club

The Coming Lions Explosion in District C VDG Charlie Short

Sometimes you can see a big event coming from a long way off. Other times things happen like earthquakes and tidal waves, with little or no warning. Well, consider this the Lions Emergency Tornado Warning system . This is not a test. This is no drill. This is the real thing! **There's a big explosion that will happen in District C starting right now!**

Lions membership in District C is up for the year, and continues to grow. Congratulations on reducing the number of your members that are dropping by keeping busy. Congratulations on finding new projects for your club and community! Congratulations on building your clubs with new members. Take the time to give them a proper orientation to your club and to Lions! Because they will need to know the story for what's coming next.

Lions, we are on the threshold of an explosion of new clubs and new membership in C. In 2007-2008, we have started three new clubs with over a hundred new members. **But this is just the beginning.** We will form five to six new clubs over the next 15 months! **We aren't going to let the momentum drop! We're going to keep it going!**

Our District Committee structure next year will be one of the strongest in years. We are focusing on **programs**, because WE SERVE and **extension** because WE MUST GROW. But just as the infantry has to have the engineer team go ahead and prepare the roads and bridges, you **need to set up your club orientation officers and effort now. A proper orientation "inoculates" a new member and is proven to keep them in the club and productive. No orientation almost guarantees they leave the club within two years.** We will have a full staff for this committee at the district level, so talk to your Zone Chair now about when you want your club orientation. You just might have your new member session with new members from other clubs! What a great way to build connections and teamwork. What a great way to stop losses of hard-won new members.

We will be receiving massive recognition for our efforts all over the District, State, and the World. I am going to go out on a limb and predict that **Sightfirst II will reach \$200 MILLION DOLLARS by the International Convention.** You are a part of the most successful public health program in world history! **Awareness will help you recruit, so now's the time.**

There's a big explosion coming in C. It's going to be raining new clubs, new members, and new personnel to do the work that only we Lions do. And it's about time. BITE 'EM



**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE NEW DANVILLE LIONS
CLUB CHARTER NIGHT**

When: Saturday May 3, 2008

Where: 1201 Sycamore Lane
Danville, Indiana 46122

Time: 6:00 pm

Cost: \$12.00 per person

Guest Speaker: PDG Bill Penn

New Club members to be honored with pin and certificate presentation. Club to receive Banner, Gavel & Bell, presented by Sponsor Club, Plainfield Club.

Come and Let's Celebrate this new Lions Club and have a night of good Food, Fun, and live band!!

**RSVP: Bob Monroe
digimoo@yahoo.com
317-504-6203**

*****Reply no later than April 27, 2008 *****



ANNOUNCEMENT

ROSSVILLE LIONS CLUB GOLF OUTING

The Rossville Area Lions Club will be sponsoring a golf outing on June 7, 2008. The event will be a 4-Player Team Florida Scramble and will take place at the Angel Hill Golf Course in Rossville, Indiana. The purpose of the outing is to help finance the Rossville Area Lions Club Projects.

Anyone interested in playing in the outing or participating by sponsoring a hole, donating a gift to be given as a door prize or to make a financial donation to help with the expenses should contact Charles Whitlock at 765-379-2318 or Maury Oglesby at 765-379-2470.

Local Projects

Blood Drives
Rossville Student Scholarships
Rossville Voluntary Fire Department
Rossville Voluntary Ambulance Service
Eye Care for Children and Adults
Operation-Kid Sight
Boy & Girl Scouts
Summer Baseball, Softball & Soccer
Christmas for Children
Milner Craft Fund
Rossville Summer's End Festival Fireworks
Rossville Park Projects
Rossville Community Outreach



Lions Club International Projects

Indiana Lions Club Cancer Control Fund
Lions Eye Bank
Leader Dog For The Blind
School For The Blind
Speech & Hearing
Sight First Project

ROSSVILLE AREA LIONS CLUB GOLF OUTING 2008 -Application-



- What? Rossville Area Lions Club Golf Outing
4-Player Team Florida Scramble
- When? Saturday, June 7, 2008
- Where? Angel Hill Golf Course
- Cost? \$40 per player pays for Green Fees, Cart, Lunch,
Refreshments and Prizes....There will be a cash payout for top
three team scores, as well as other specials.



Come and join the Rossville Lions Club for a day of golfing "fun" and to help "support" the Rossville Area Lions Club's projects.

The number of players will be "limited" to 30 4-player teams, so get your team registered and your fees in ASAP, but no later than May 24, 2008.

- 7:00 A.M. Check-in & Refreshments
- 8:00 A.M. Shotgun Start
- 11:00-12:00 P.M. Lunch "on the move"
- 12:00 P.M. Prizes

Application and fees due by May 24, 2008.

MAIL application and Fees to Charles Whitlock, 36 Rainbow Dr., Rossville, IN 46065 or if you have questions, call Charles Whitlock (765-379-2318) or Maury Oglesby (765-379-2470).

Team Captain _____ Ph # _____

Player #2 _____

Player #3 _____

Player #4 _____ Total Fee \$ _____

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March 17, 2008

Ronald A. Spivey
District Governor, 25-C
Lions Clubs International

Dear District Governor Spivey:

Thank you for the final report that was recently submitted concerning the grant made to provide relief to flood victims in your district.

I was most pleased to read of the excellent results of this project and commend all those Lions who were involved in providing this very necessary and vital report. The grant application file is now considered complete.

Please keep in mind that through articles in THE LION Magazine, LCIF slide/video presentations and promotional literature, an opportunity exists to promote the work of the Lions of your district in conjunction with LCIF. Therefore, please be sure to send to the foundation reports on future activities with your district's project for possible use in these publications. We especially appreciate receiving photographs of individuals benefiting from the project.

On behalf of the LCIF Board of Trustees, may I extend our very best wishes for the continued success of your service programs.

Sincerely,

Jimmy M. Ross
Chairperson, LCIF Board of Trustees

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cc: Steven E. Cook, Council Chairperson, MD-25
Rebecca Teel Daou, LCIF Division Manager
KaSondra Byrd, Humanitarian Programs Department Manager



ATTENTION ALL LIONS:

**Workers needed at the Brickyard.
Come on down and join in at this
great fundraiser for the Indiana
Foundation. Call PDG John Eley @
765-654-6788.**

**Please visit our new website @:
www.indianalionsdistrict25c.org**