



P.O. Box 84 • Brownsburg, IN 46112



## April 2017 Newsletter

The attached photo is a reminder that Indiana Lions help to start the cochlear implant program program at Riley Hospital. As a benefactor of that program I would like to thank the Lions for a new lease on hearing Lion Ray Furner. The plaque is in the reception area of the Cochlear Implant Center at IU Medical Center. Please submit your nominee for the Richard T. Miyamoto Award. This award is for those who have "demonstrated exceptional dedication and service to others in accord with the mission of Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, Inc." Brownsburg Lions are qualified to nominate such an individual. Send recommendations to Lion Ray Furner.

## MEETINGS

**Apr 12 at 6:30:** Regular meeting; New members will be inducted at our April 12 meeting.

**Apr 19 at 6:00;** Board Meeting; this is a working/planning session and all members are welcome to attend.

"If it is to be, it's up to me."

[We are looking for a new Building Rental Person & a new Leo Advisor.](#)

## Sheltering Wings

We will be providing two meals for Sheltering Wings while they do a kitchen renovation. Our commitments are for April 5 and April 17. Start time for preparation is 4:30 PM with dinner at 5:00 PM. April 5 is in good shape and we need support for April 17. Contact Lion President Gretchen Zentz for additional details.

## Officer selection for 2017 - 2018

It is time to select our officers for next year. First call for the slate of officers will be April 12th. Second call will be May 10th with the vote at the May 10th meeting. Please consider helping our club your leadership skills. Talk with President Gretchen or any other Lion Officer. We need your help to SERVE Brownsburg even better.

## Easter, Eggs and Opportunity

Your help is needed in April for the Easter Egg Hunt. Lions will distribute eggs, serve hot chocolate and support the Easter Bunny from about 8:00am until 11:30am on April 8. This is always a fun event.

## Extravaganza Planning

Planning for the Extravaganza is underway. Attend the planning sessions, so you can be involved early. Don't forget to reserve time for it, because it is our major fundraising event.

The International Convention is in Chicago and conflicts with our Extravaganza. Since a number of our members plan to attend the Convention, that means we need EVERYONE to plan to help this year from June 30 through July 4, plus clean up on July 5. Our working meeting will be on April 26. This is an important event, since it will cover planning for the Extravaganza. **Plan** to be there.

### **Lion Paul**

Lion Paul Morrison is recovering from bi-lateral knee replacement. Please let him know that you are pulling for him.

### **John Fletcher**

Congratulations to Lion John Fletcher. He was elected as a trustee for the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Ask him how you can help.

### **State Convention**

State Convention is April 28-30, 2017 in Evansville. For registration forms contact Lion Ray Furner. This will be an especially important meeting for District C and the Brownsburg Club. **Our own PDG Nick Xinopoulos is running for International Director**, and we need to be there to vote for and support PDG Nick. We need all of our voting delegates at the State Convention in Evansville in April. Room rates are quite reasonable.

### **Officers of Brownsburg Lions Club**

President Gretchen Zentz  
1st VP Thomas Campbell  
2nd VP Steve Renzi  
3rd VP  
Secretary Gretchen Xinopoulos  
Treasurer Elaine Harrity  
Lion Tamer Joe Szentivanyi  
Board Member Paul Morrison  
Board Member Nick Xinopoulos  
Board Member Tammy Bray  
Immediate Past President Larry Whitmore  
Membership Chair Ray Furner

### **Club Information**

The brochure for the Brownsburg Lions Club is available. Use it to spread information about our club. If you have thoughts for improvements, make them known to Past President Larry or Lion Ray.

### **Brownsburg Website**

There is an events calendar on the Brownsburg Website. This allows members, and the general public to see what we have planned for the future. Check it out. Go to [www.brownsburglionsclub.org](http://www.brownsburglionsclub.org) and when the home page opens scroll down to the Brownsburg Lions' Calendar and click on it. New events will be added as they become available. If you have an event that should be noted, please send it to Ray Furner, [furner@ameritech.net](mailto:furner@ameritech.net).

### **Don Acton**

Lion Don Acton is at Manor Health Care in Avon. He now has a great granddaughter. His room is # 609, Phone 317- 386-6153. He enjoys hearing from you. Pay him a visit, and take along a package of M&Ms. You'll be glad you did.

### **Cell Phones/Eyeglasses/Hearing Aids**

Brownsburg Lions are still collecting cell phones, chargers and ear-buds. We have found a way to distribute the chargers and ear-buds to service members and to other persons and organizations who need them. The Lions are also sharing in the credit for this distribution. Bring your old phones to our next meeting—even if they are broken, they are still worth \$\$\$ to Lions. We are also collecting hearing aids. Contact Lion Ray Furner for details. Eyeglasses and hearing aids may be deposited in one of the many collection boxes in Brownsburg. Thanks for your help.

### **The following Brownsburg Lions hold district or state offices.**

Nick Xinopoulos, Chairman of the Board of the Indiana Lions Eye Bank, Inc.  
Gretchen Xinopoulos, District 25 C Secretary  
Paul Morrison, Sargent at Arms District C  
Billy Chastain, Lions Foundation Trustee and District Nominations and Elections chair.

John Fletcher, Trustee elect, Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Ray Furner, Speech and Hearing Trustee

Larry Whitmore, Reading Action Program Committee Chairman District 25C

John Sabol, Administrative Assistant to State Secretary

These Lions represent incredible diversity and commitment to service. All of Brownsburg should be proud.

### **Dues are Due and Quick Notes**

Please remember to pay your dues in a timely manner. Please remember to RSVP if you are going to attend a function requiring advanced seating and food ordering. Also check out the Brownsburg Lions Web site at [www.Brownsburglionsclub.org](http://www.Brownsburglionsclub.org). The web address for District 25C is [www.IndianaLionsDistrict25C.org](http://www.IndianaLionsDistrict25C.org).

### **The Leo Club**

Our club wants to expand our Alpha Leo Club which is for teens ages 12 to 18. It focuses on individual and social development, leadership skills and community service. We are looking for at least 2, preferably 3, advisors to run this club. As Advisor, you can set your meeting time, day, and coordinate with our Building Rental Manager to use the Clubhouse. Contact Gretchen Zentz for more information.

### **Mears Automotive**

Remember if you have auto repairs done at Mears, mention that you're a Lion. The club will get a 10% donation based on the cost of your repairs. I understand they do very good work, and it's guaranteed. We received \$1400.00 in donations last year.

### **In The News**

We would like to recognize our member's birthdays and anniversaries in the newsletter. No ages please, just the month or month and day. If you are having an anniversary and would like it mentioned here call John at 299-6205 with the information or send an email to [johns-sueco@sbcglobal.net](mailto:johns-sueco@sbcglobal.net).

In the case of an illness, surgery, accident or wedding we would like to send a card. This information will not be in the newsletter unless requested.

In the case of the death of a member or spouse, or extended hospital stay we will send flowers. Call Lion Angie at 858-8617. For deceased members "A Lions' Memorial Service" will be provided just contact Angie or the current Lions' president.

The Lions not only help others, we help each other. **WE ARE FAMILY.** If there is a need such as lawn mowing, snow shoveling, bringing in food due to illness, transportation or something else contact Lion Ray at 852-8087.

### **Bundy Lodge Rental**

Just a reminder, anyone interested in renting Bundy Lodge for a meeting or party should contact Lion Denise Mozingo 317-697-5671, or send an email to [lionsbundylodge@yahoo.com](mailto:lionsbundylodge@yahoo.com). Rates are \$100 for the first 4hrs then \$30 for each additional hour. \$300 for weddings. Security deposit required. Club members can rent the hall for a half day for \$50.

### **Birthdays**

John Sabol

Nick Xinopoulos

### **Anniversaries**

Gretchen & Nick Xinopoulos

Do you have information that should be included in the newsletter?

Contact John Sabol 299-6205 or E-Mail [Johns-sueco@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Johns-sueco@sbcglobal.net)