

# E-AMPLIFIER

## The Official Newsletter of Richmond IN Lions Club

### Upcoming Events

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15th:** Meeting at the office of Tony Talbert 404 W. Main Centerville Tony is providing lunch, so if you have not yet made a reservation notify Lion Dick Lehman by Monday May 13th

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5th:** Monthly Board Meeting 12 noon.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19th:** 3rd Wednesday meeting, 12 noon. Annual Awards plus a little extra???

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12th:** 100th Anniversary Celebration— Mark your calendars now

All meetings are at Golden Corral beginning at 12 noon

### News from the May Board of Directors Meeting

Following a discussion, the Board approved a letter to be sent to the Richmond Parks Department to rename the West Side Lions Park on Ridge Street to the:



### Richmond Lions Club J. Edsel Reeves Memorial Park

New signage was requested both on the entrance to the park and on the rafters inside the shelter. This will be a fitting honor to “Doc” Reeves for his 50 years of service to the Richmond Lions Club both financially and active participation in the Club’s activities.

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## News from the State Convention



Lions Ron and Idris Smith represented the Richmond Club at the Indiana Lions State Convention on May 4th and 5th. As you have probably already heard, but in case you have not, PCC Reed Fish was elected to be Indiana's candidate for International Director. All that remains is for PCC Reed to be approved by the International Board. Because of the late date of the Indiana Lions State Convention, this will not occur until 2025. Congratulations PCC Reed and Lion Janet. We look forward to your representation of Indiana Lions and District 25F at the International level.

Other interesting notes from the State Convention: Indiana Lions Cancer Control presented a check to Riley Hospital for Children for \$100,00 for continued research and treatment of childhood cancers. The \$100,000 will be matched by an additional \$100,000 for a total of \$200,000. Way to go Indiana Lions!! **“Where There’s a Need There’s a Lion!!!”**

Congratulations to PDG of District 25F Merle Goldman who received the Indiana Lion of the year award. A well-deserved award for PDG Merle who can be seen at almost all Lion events both in the District and State.

### Did you know:

- There are now more LEOS than Lions. From the appearance of those of us at the State Convention, this will be the future of Lions.
- There are 919 Leader Dogs in the United States
- There are 65 active Leader Dogs in Indiana

Keynote speaker at the Saturday Noon Luncheon was Katie Stam-Irk, Miss America of 2009. The only Miss America from Indiana. She presented both a humorous and inspirational message. Her final thought was “Every person has an impact on this world.” What is your impact?

Lions also heard from PIP J. Frank Moore from Alabama. PIP Moore noted that the United States has dropped to 3rd in the number of Lions members. This emphasizes the need to recruit more Lions to continue the work Lions do across the country.

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**Enjoy Memorial Day as we remember those who sacrificed so we can be free.**



*Save The Date*  
*October 12th 2024*  
*Richmond Lions Club*  
*100th Anniversary*  
*Elks Country Club*  
*2100 US Hwy 27*

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