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Convention News

I want to thank all of District 13-B Lions that attended the last 13-B Convention. I had a great time at the Convention. The Convention Committee did a great job and I thank the Committee.

International Director Ed Farrington and Lion Elaine were a joy. ID Ed had a great message for us at the Grand Banquet.

Our Leo Convention was well attended by 149 Leo's from nine schools. ID Ed presented a Presidential Certificate to Jordan Westfield from the Lucas Leos as the outstanding Leo of the year.

Council of Governor Medals were presented to Lions Nikki Traxler, Andy Brook, Ray Kasper, Brent Parker and the Council Chair Medal was presented to Lion Julianne Zody.

PDG Doug Reynolds, PDG Dana Zody, Zone Chair Glen Barker, Lion Greg Swartz and Lion Dennis Henkle received the honor of going into District 13-B Hall of Fame.

ID Ed presented President of Appreciation Certificates to PCC/CS Stan Kopp, CT Dave Omlor, 1st VDG Steve Cochie, 2nd VDG Greg Hess and PCC Horst Herzog.

Certificates and Council of Governor Banners were presented to the Zone Chairs Glen Baker, Jim Pickering, Bob Swartzmiller, Jim Ruffing, Ken Cromer, Dave Schwenning, Gene Berrier, Dan Stotts, Mark Rafeld, and JJ Bitteringer. Lion Darlene Schuck and Leo Advisor Marianne Parker also received a certificate and a Banner.

Convention Chair Kenny Schuck received a special award from the Governor. 2nd VDG Greg Hess presented the "Driving Miss Daisy Award" to Lion Bill for driving me to all of my club meetings the past three years.

In Lionism
Governor Carolyn

DG Carolyn

Although the convention is over, our work is not done. As of this date, our District is down 43 members. We need to work getting new members. If each club gets two new member and keep the drops down we can end the year in a plus members. I have asked each club to hold a membership event by the end of May. I know some clubs have held membership events already and I thank them.



I have completed all of my club visits and I have had a great time visiting the clubs in this great District. Learning about all the services that each club does for their community warmed my heart. We truly do believe in Dignity, Harmony, and Humanity.

Governor Carolyn

DGE Steve

What a great Convention!!! To those that participated in the District 13B Convention in Westlake, I sincerely thank you all. The Lions of 13B made this one the best ever! Governor Carolyn must be proud of all the District Lions. Thank You Lions for electing me to run this District in 2016-2017. I still think the votes were close!!



The year is still going great for Governor Carolyn and we still have a few months to make it even better. Please keep doing the great things that you do and we will all prosper from your results. I know many of the Clubs are busy with their spring projects and I wish you the best. Officers should have been selected by now and youth scholarships will be awarded soon.

Continue to include your communities in all that you do, it's the main source for your new members!

See you in Ashland this weekend!
DGE Steve

1stVDGE Greg

First off, congratulations to Governor Carolyn and team on a OUTSTANDING convention!!!

Also congratulations to Governor elect Steve and new second vice elect Keith---oh by the way since I also got the vote CONGRATS you are stuck with me, too, as first vice elect.

It was good seeing so many of you there--One of the best parts of traveling and meeting new Lions is that at events like convention you know a lot more of the faces. The first convention my wife and I went to we knew almost no one outside of other club members and a few people from our zone.

Now I can actually say I know about half of the people by their name and a very high percentage of the rest at least by face or to talk to. Lions are as a whole very friendly people so I encourage you to make your Lions world larger you will find it very rewarding.

Next---Leadership school is May 7th in Ashland While many clubs are registered there are still several that are not---please try to make sure that your club is represented. The training seminars are very valuable and have great information. Lunch is included and is another great way to make your Lions World bigger!!

All of my official club visits were done prior to convention and I'm now working on next Lions Year schedule which I will put in the presidents packets at leadership school. I'm looking very forward to meeting with all of the region 2 clubs this coming Lions Year

The Plus Optixs seminar went fairly well, thank you to all who turned out for it. It was nice after working on this to actually get to hold a few of the machines. (Loaned to us for the day by another district) Also I'm very excited that we now have enough pledged to begin the Grant application

process.

We will have these available ASAP the grant process takes anywhere from 6 weeks to 4 months depending on who you talk to. Donations are still needed and go to cabinet secretary Dave Omler MUST HAVE Plus Optix or vision screeners in memo line.

Thank You to YOU for all you do to help our great organization and hope to see you somewhere soon

Thank You for the opportunity to serve---GREG

2ndVDGE Keith

To the Delegates and Lions Members of District 13OH-2:

Thank you for your support in my recent election as 2nd Vice District Governor of District 13OH-2. My wife and I look forward to meeting you and your Club members in the coming year. Hearing about your Clubs, your projects, and your support for your communities and for LCIF is exciting. Thanks again, and see you soon.

May 20-21 - State Convention at Embassy Suites, Dublin

June 24-28, 2016 – International Convention in Fukuoka, Japan



Leo Convention 2016



Governor Carolyn and CS Stan Kopp receiving the Progressive Melvin Jones award.



District 13 B Convention

2016



2016 Ohio Lions State Convention Call to the Convention

All Lions, Lioness, Leos and Guests,

On behalf of MD-13 and District 13-H, convention co-hosts, you are cordially invited to attend the 2016 Ohio Lions State Convention. We are expecting a great turnout as MD-13 Districts A – K turn 50!!! As we look forward to a change in our district designations, we want to take time to honor our many accomplishments and service activities that we have shared over the last half century.

The convention will take place May 20 – 22, 2016 at the Em-

Dear Fellow Lions,

With our Capital Campaign in mind we have decided to offer a few tokens for all to purchase. All proceeds will go to our building fund and the Lions get to select which token of appreciation they would like to receive. If you would be so kind to share it with the Lions of your district in your next newsletter it would be appreciated.

Thank You

PCC Jay Gray

Ornament Order Form

1st in a series of 7!



Ornament=\$25 donation to the Four Paws, Two Feet, One Team, One Campus campaign

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Credit Card Number _____

Expiration _____

Please return to Pilot Dogs, Inc., 625 West Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215

Check, credit card or cash accepted

One Campus Pin Order Form



Pin=\$25 donation to the Four Paws, Two Feet, One Team, One Campus campaign

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Credit Card Number _____

Expiration _____

Please return to Pilot Dogs, Inc., 625 West Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215

bassy Suites Hotel in Dublin. Our LCI guest this year is Past International President James Ervin and his wife Lion Sharon. They hail from Albany, Georgia and we will welcome them to the great state of Ohio!!

Activities begin on Friday with an opening dinner. Our entertainment that night will be provided by the Past District Governor's Association, and we're sure it will be great. Right after the entertainment, we'll have our hospitality in just 2 places this year, OLERF will sponsor a room (#315) and the other spot will be in the ballroom. Saturday's activities begin at 9:00 a.m. with an opening business session followed by leadership seminars, business luncheon, afternoon business session, district caucuses and voting. Dinner will be on your own, then back to the hotel for hospitality in the ballroom. Activities are being planned for a fun night, along with celebrating our 50th Anniversary with cake. Sunday will have our memorial service and Grand Banquet.

Sound like fun?? Want to join us in helping behind the scenes to ensure this is a great event? If you'd like to volunteer to help, we're using VolunteerSpot (the leading online Sign-up and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming Sign-ups for the State convention.

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1) On the internet, enter this link to see our Sign-up on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/s2c7R1>

2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.

3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on VolunteerSpot.

Note: VolunteerSpot does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

We hope you will come for the whole weekend and enjoy the fun and fellowship of being with your friends in service. The registration form, with hotel information, is attached and on the Ohio Lions website.

We look forward to seeing you in May.

PDG Deborah Luttrell

MD-13 Multiple District Secretary

5100 Upper Metro Place, Dublin, OH 43017

Sunday – Memorial Service, Grand Banquet

B) Braised Pot Roast Beef

FIRST 200 FULL REGISTRATION ATTENDEES WILL RECEIVE A 2016 MD-13 STATE CONVENTION PIN

MD13 – OHIO LIONS, INC. STATE CONVENTION CLUB CREDENTIALS FORM

District 13 _____ Date: _____ Club: _____

Membership Status as of April 1, 2016: Members: _____ Living PDG's _____

CERTIFICATION OF DELEGATES TO THE MD13 STATE CONVENTION

Articles XI Section 5 of the MD13 – Ohio Lions, Inc. Constitution states the following:

Each chartered Club in good standing on the first day of any convention of Multiple District 13- Ohio Lions, Inc. shall be entitled to one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate for every ten (10) of its members who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club, or a major fraction thereof, five (5) being considered a major fraction. Membership shall be shown by records of the International Association Office as of the first day of the month last proceeding the month during which the convention is held. Any club which is newly chartered, and any other chartered club which takes in new members prior to the convening of any such convention, shall have its delegate quota determined on the basis of members who have been enrolled in the club for at least one year and a day as shown on such record date in the records of the international office. In all cases each club in good standing shall be entitled to at least one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate. Selection of each Delegate or Alternate shall be evidenced by certificate signed by the President or Secretary of each Club.

Additionally, Article XI Section 7 of the MD13 – Ohio Lions, Inc. Constitution states:

All Past District Governors who on the date of any Convention of the Organization are members in good standing of any Club belonging to Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc., shall be considered a Delegate-At-Large, irrespective and exclusive of any Delegate quota of their club. Nothing herein shall be construed to allow any person more than one (1) vote upon occasion or in connection with any question before the Convention of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc.

Accordingly, we the undersigned officers of the above named Lions Club do hereby certify the above Club Membership information is accurate and the Lions listed below are the officially recognized Delegates, Delegates-At-Large and Alternates chosen to represent our club at the MD13 – Ohio Lions 2016 State Convention, in all relevant matters.

Signed this Day _____, 2016 by: _____ Signed this Day _____, 2016 by: _____
OR
(Club President) (Club Secretary)

DELEGATES: (Please Print)

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____
7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____

PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS: (Delegates-At-Large)

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

ALTERNATES: (Please Print)

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

**PLEASE MAIL THE SIGNED FORM TO: "OHIO LIONS, INC., 4074 HOOVER RD., GROVE CITY, OH, 43123"
PRIOR TO MAY 1, 2016 OR BRING TO STATE CONVENTION.**

ALTERNATE CERTIFICATION: In the event that this form cannot be signed by the Club President and Secretary, the District Governor must verify the Club Delegates. Every attempt however, should be made to ensure Club Officer verification.

District Governor District 13 _____ : _____
(Signature)

North American Membership Initiative

International Director Ed Farrington spoke about the new Membership Initiative that is being rolled out by Lions Clubs International at our District Convention. This is a process that encourages clubs to integrate their membership activities with service, and sets goals for every new member. Please preview the description below. As you go about seeking new members and retaining the members you have, these guidelines will be helpful to your Lions Club. It is a description of common sense ideas that every club should consider adopting.

PCC Jeff Hillis



TALKING POINTS - Growing to Greater Service

☐ Lead through Service

Note the pressing needs:

- Low Vision, Blindness and Children's Vision Screening
- Illiteracy and Reading Promotion
- Diabetes
- Youth Development needs
- Hunger and Anti-Poverty
- Environment (E-recycling)
- 100 million people served by 2018 through the Centennial Service Challenge

☐ Invite for Impact

- Help serve 50 people in need annually through each new member
- Host a Membership Growth Event every six months
- Involve new members in hands-on service as soon as possible

☐ Connect with the Community

- Assess needs within your community
- Identify communities with needs not currently serviced by a Lions club
- Build your legacy with a Centennial Community Legacy project

NORTH AMERICA CLUB AND DISTRICT GOALS FOR 2015-18

- Each Lion has the opportunity to serve hands-on 4 times per year
- Each Club ends the year with membership growth of +1
- Each District charts a new club of 20+ members into 1 new community annually

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How can my club engage members in our meetings and service projects?

First, you must determine what interests each member. Use the "Your Club, Your Way!" guide to survey your club.

What is a Membership Growth Event?

A Membership Growth Event is an organized membership campaign which engages each member in the process of identifying prospective members, and hosting an informational meeting.

Who can help me form a new club?

Start by requesting a New Club Extension Kit. It includes a step-by-step guide to assist with chartering a new club. Reach out to your Global Membership Team to receive help forming a new club via the New Club Consultant Workshop.

If you have influence and contacts in the proposed community, consider serving as the Guiding Lion for the new club.

My club is small and has limited resources.

How can we afford to do four projects per year?

Partner with local organizations to double your resources and focus on "Highly Visible, High Impact, and Low Cost" projects. Some ideas include:

- Partnering with your local library to provide books and read to children living in homeless shelters
- Organizing a series of talks on aging and health at a local nursing home in partnership with local health care providers
- Organizing a "Community Clean Up Day" in partnership with your local park service



Resources available at Lionsclubs.org

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LAGRANGE LIONS CLUB
Reverse Raffle

\$500 MAIN PRIZE!

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2016

5:30PM - 10:00PM



LaGrange Lions Club
240 Glendale St.
LaGrange, OH 44050

**TICKET INCLUDES
STEAK DINNER**

\$25.00 per person
Only 100 Tickets Sold

Sideboards • 50/50 • Chinese Raffle

Questions? Contact Jerry 440-785-1996 or Tim 440-371-2350

***Ohio Lions RLLI *2016
is coming!
September 30, October 1 & 2
@Deer Creek Lodge***

***Regional Lions Leadership Institute**

A weekend for our Ohio Lions to focus on the importance of "Leadership" within their clubs and districts. (More details will follow.)

Please *"talk-up"* this special training within your newsletters/bulletins, zone meetings, upcoming conventions, and general emails. Check the Ohio Lions GLT web site for more specifics to promote this special training.

**Yours In Lions Service,
Ohio Lions MD 13
GLT (Global Leadership Team)
State Executive Committee**



You Are Cordially Invited to the
Plymouth Area Lions Club
40th Anniversary Celebration Dinner

When ~ Saturday, May 14, 2016
Where ~ Willard Moose Lodge 2153
220 E. Walton (St. Rt. 224), Willard, OH
Time ~ Cocktail Hour 6:30 p.m.
w/Appetizers & Cash Bar
Dinner 7:00 p.m.

MENU

Choice of Steak ~ \$15.50
or Chicken ~ \$13.00
Entrées served with Baked Potato, Salad, Rolls & Dessert

PROGRAM

To Be Announced

Please Join Us for an Evening of Fun and Fellowship!

Questions?

Please call Don 419-687-9115 or Lawrence 419-566-7501

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Please R.S.V.P. by May 1, 2016

Name(s): _____

Club: _____

Entrée Choice: _____ Steak _____ Chicken

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Mail to: Sheryl Garrett, 6246 Rome South Rd., Shiloh 44878

Bloomville Lions Golf Scramble



**Saturday June 4, 2016
8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start
Clinton Heights Golf Course**

\$50 per golfer includes:
Game of golf, cart, hot dog at the turn,
lunch, hole prizes, and great fun!

Call or text Brad Scheiber at
419-934-1383
to enter your team.

**DISTRICT 13-B
PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION**



**ANNUAL
ALL-CHARITY GOLF SCRAMBLE
JUNE 05 2016 (SUNDAY)**

Where: Woody Ridge Golf Course
6263 OH-598
Shelby, OH 44875

Cost: \$50.00 / Golfer \$200.00/ 4-Man Team

Tee Times: Shotgun Start 9:00 a. m.

Deadline: Please register by May 30th 2016

Mail your registration to:
P.D.G. Terry Spiegel
1109 Hillcrest
Bucyrus, OH 44820
Ph. 419-562-0749

Cell 419-834-2013
Fax 419-562-7826

Email: tspiegel01@columbus.rr.com

All proceeds benefit **LCIF**

(Please detach and mail with check payable to: District 13-B PDG Association)

Please! Mail with payment:

Required information

Player 1 _____ **\$50.00** **Captain:** _____

Player 2 _____ **\$50.00** **Phone #:** _____

Player 3 _____ **\$50.00** **Email:** _____

Player 4 _____ **\$50.00**

PDG All-Charity Golf Scramble **Total: \$200.00** **Club:** _____ **Lions**



BELLEVUE LIONS CLUB

10TH .. ANNUAL “UNIQUE PAR 3” GOLF TOURNAMENT

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**Friday – June 10, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.
Person Scramble**

**Sleepy Hollow Golf Course
60129 E. St.Rt.#101 Clyde, Ohio
\$50.00 per Person**

NEW THIS YEAR-TWO DIVISIONS-MEN’S AND MIXED

**1ST. PLACE EACH DIVISION \$150 – Steak Dinner – Different Hole Prizes – Putting
Contest**

TEAM _____

**DEADLINE June 4, 2016 Payable to: Bellevue Lions Club/C/O Jim
Pickering 214 Yorkshire Pl. Bellevue, Oh. 44811 419 483 4992**

Past, Present and Future

Ashland Evening

A Disney book and Mickey Mouse doll sat atop each of the 95 oak bookcases for Head Start children presented by the Ashland Bookcase Project at Trinity Lutheran Church. Each bookcase was personalized with the child's name on a brass plate on the front. Each bookcase was filled with reading books. This is the fifth year for the project, and over 200 children enrolled in Head Start have received bookcases.

Ashland Evening provided a sizable donation for materials, and carpenter Lion Clarence Hofer helped build 25 of the 95 bookcases. This is the second year that Lion Clarence has made bookcases.



Bellville

Our club had a basket in the Silent Auction, made by Lion Barbara Pieker. The club also gave a door prize for the District 13 B Convention.

President Bill and Kris Henderson, Lions Ron Shinabarker, Edward Brook, Andy and Kristina Brook, Sarah Brook, Donna Schroeder, Joseph Gribbin, Donald and Nikki Traxler attended the Grand Banquet on Saturday night.



The LEO convention Club of the Year was held on April 15 at the Hillsdale High

School. 149 LEO's attended. Nine Schools were represented.

Outstanding LEO was Jordon Westfield from Lucas LEOs. She received a Presidential Certificate from LCI President Yamada. The certificate was presented by International Director Ed Farrington. The Lexington LEOs received the Runner UP award for the LEO Club of the Year.

Bucyrus

Club member Keith Kaufman was elected 2nd vice-district governor at the district convention. Six club members attended the convention, going to seminars, meeting with the international director and manning a hospitality table.

The club received three banner patches and a certificate. Two members went with International Director Ed and Lion Elaine Farrington to the Leo Convention and also visited Lorain County Health and Dentistry, looking at the eye examination facility there.



Lt. Annie Buckles of the Bucyrus Salvation Army explained their programs and told that money to buy from the 2nd Harvest helps the most. PCC Jeff Hillis, 2nd VDG-elect Keith Kaufman and Lion Connie Sue Kaufman visited the 2nd Harvest Food Bank of North Central Ohio in Lorain and toured its facility, before visiting the Lorain Lions Club noon meeting.

The book committee of Cheryl Luidhardt, Joy Hillis, Connie Sue Kaufman and Linda Spiegel met. They will be supplying children's books to the sheriff's office for use in domestic violence calls and when children come to visit family members who are incarcerated.

Lion Dr. Dave Black picked up the first donated bicycle from Walmart. Lion Linda Spiegel moved to donate \$200.00 to purchase bicycle helmets for children at Safety Town. Lion Dr. Christina Fox took 300 pairs of glasses to Pandora to be readied for reusing in other countries.

There will be a drive thru chicken BBQ on Tuesday, May 24th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The price is set at \$8.50. Lion Christi Crall distributed tickets to sell. Tickets should be purchased in advance.

Bascom

April 5 - Nineteen Lions and three guests "heard" an interesting program from the Ohio Hearing Professionals of Tiffin. Andrea Young, representing the hearing group, spoke about leading the way to better hearing. Her theme was "Your Hearing Matters, Hear Better, Live Better".

The club discussed some details pertaining to the annual Memorial Parade and Bar-B-Q scheduled for the first Sunday in June, June 5, 2016.

The club decided to proceed with our largest fundraiser, Gun Raffle #10. Club members are being asked to put forth extra effort in selling tickets as previous high sellers are limited in their ability to sell due to health reasons. Tickets are to be available at the next meeting.

The club welcomed Rick Osterwalder, who will be rejoining the club as a member. Welcome back, Rick!

Zone Chairman Bob Swartzmiller commented on the fundraiser, held at Attica, on April 2. He thanked everyone who assisted and/or attended this successful project.

Castalia

Lion Tim will have the annual Spring Cleanup at the Lions Center May 3 about 3:00 p.m. / please help.

The Castalia Lions Student of the Month for April was Austin Emmons.

Castalia continued

Lion Jack reports that Ohio Bike Week will be June 2-3-4 downtown Sandusky.

Elyria



The Elyria Evening Lions Club cordially invites you to our 75th Charter Anniversary Night. Wednesday, May 11, 2016 Social Hour 6:00 p.m. with Dinner at 7:00 p.m. Cost \$30 Includes

Roast beef and Chicken Cordon Bleu Entrees served with Twice Baked Potato, Broccoli and Pasta with Spring Salad, Rolls and Dessert.

Questions, contact Lion Kerry at 440-670-7746 or Lion Brent at 440-670-6250

Mail to Kerry Parker, 121 Brookvalley Dr. Elyria, OH 44035

All checks should be made payable to Elyria Evening Lions.

Hayesville

Recently at the District Convention the Hayesville Lions received four awards: Best Scrapbook Cover, Humanitarian Award, Club Service Award, and Governor's Excellence Award. Greg Hess was installed as First Vice District Governor at the Convention.

Lion Marge Patterson reminded everyone of Arbor Day and about planting a tree. Trees increase the value of your home, cut down on cooling and heating costs, and a tree filled scene relieves stress.

Lion Gene Yeater introduced Lion Robert Killey who spoke on working at the Salt Mine under Lake Erie and the Ea

gle Mine in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. A salt basin surrounds the

Great Lakes with five layers of salt. Canadian salt is 150 feet thick and formed at different times.

April 28 will be road cleanup 6 PM.

May 5 will be the business meeting at Lion Robin Bowman's. May 19 will be the dinner meeting at Stone Lutheran Church.

Mohawk Lioness

Many thank you notes were received for recent fruit trays.

Eleven scholarship applications were received. Three seniors will be awarded \$250 scholarships. One will be in the memory of Doris Shellhouse.

Kindergarten vision screening took place April 7th and 8th. Forty-nine were screened with three referrals.

A donut machine repair/replacement fund was established with \$200 from the Project Fund. We earmarked \$100 for the Sycamore Community Fun Day and Car Show at Veterans Park on June 4. The "No One Stands Alone" BBQ and Library 5K Color Run will be part of this event.

We donated \$100 to the Mohawk Community Library for tee-shirts for the 5K Color Run. The Mohawk Lioness name will appear on the back of the shirt with other sponsors.

\$100 was given to the village of Sycamore for use on the Firehouse meeting room and for meetings and donut projects.

\$120 was given to MCI for annual rent of the storage room for our donut supplies and appliances.

The May 17 General Meeting will be our Installation of Officers for the 2016-17 club year. DGE Steve Cochie will be the installing officer. The program will be on Raised Garden Beds, just in time for spring planting.

Norwalk

Programs on First Books, Stuff the Bus and Weekends Without Hunger were presented by Rita Stark. Since 2008 124,800 books have been presented by First Books. This year Stuff the Bus filled 333 book bags for needy children.

Weekends Without Hunger can feed a child for the weekend for \$100 per child per school year. Currently 215 children are enrolled.

The board voted to donate \$200 to send a student to the HOBY Leadership meeting, to donate \$100 to the Salvation Army golf scramble to be a hole sponsor. The board also voted to donate \$500 each to the Salvation Army kids summer meal program and the Kinder Casa and also put it in next years budget as a line item.

The Policeman's Memorial was discussed and the club plans to investigate and decide at future meeting to what level we will contribute.

April 9th of 2016 marked the 70th Anniversary of our Club's founding in Norwalk, Ohio. Plans are underway to celebrate our 75th Anniversary with a different event than the typical dinner.

Old Fort

Old Fort Lions Board of Directors voted to donate \$200 towards the P.M. Gillmor Park 5K Kader Krawl Mud Run and Park Fest and \$100 for the "Paint the Snow Plow" Junior art III project.

Bio of an Old Fort High School graduate:

Kathy Cleveland Bull is a highly regarded professional speaker, trainer, author and consultant. Her company, **N~Compass Consulting**, helps clients on four continents "Navigate the Art and Science of Change." Professional highlights include: Keynoting an international medical conference in Rotterdam, The Netherlands inspiring professionals, caregivers and family members to successfully adapt to the diagnosis of dementia in a loved one. Presenting a 2 day seminar on change for African business leaders in Nairobi, Kenya.

Old Fort continued

Appearing on stage with "Dr. Phil" at *The Power Within* Live Event touring cities in the US and Canada

Co-authoring with Dr. Stephen Covey the book, *Success Simplified – Simple Solutions Measurable Results*

Authoring an illustrated children's book entitled, *Seed of God*

Visiting Dubai in the United Arab Emirates where she presented her successful change seminar to the Middle East executives of Ernst & Young Accounting Firm.

Kathy conducts personal and professional development keynote speeches and seminars for Fortune 500 companies, educational institutions, government agencies, non profit organizations and religious institutions. She also consults with colleges and universities in the US and Canada and designs and facilitates retreats, staff development seminars and off-sites.

Prior to forming her own consulting firm in 2001, Kathy was the Director of Training and Organizational Development at The Ohio State University. Over her 17 year career in higher education she held various leadership positions in student affairs administration, admissions, leadership development, student activities, event planning, and residence life at Bowling Green State University, North Carolina State University, and Ohio State.

A 1983 Phi Beta Kappa psychology graduate of Bowling Green State University, Kathy also holds two Master's degrees also from BGSU. She has served her alma mater as a member of the university's Alumni Board of Trustees and chaired the Arts and Sciences Board of Advocates. She received the Outstanding Recent Graduate Award from the BGSU Alumni Association and was honored to deliver the May 2006 Commencement Address at BGSU.

She is a proud 1979 graduate of Old Fort High School!

May 3 Regular Meeting 7 pm at Ex-Hi Bldg – Discussion on committees

May 16 Achievement Banquet 6:30

pm at OFHS – Speaker **Kathy Cleveland Bull** a 1979 graduate of Old Fort HS and Lion Ray Cleveland daughter. Check out Old Fort Lions on Facebook!

Perrysville

Perrysville Lions Member of the Month is Melissa (Mel) Eggerton. She is one of the most recent members. She has worked at UH Samaritan Medical Center for twenty years and leads a busy life in the community and service organization.



The Perrysville Fair parade will be held May 14. Perrysville Lions Club will sponsor the parade. We will do the lineup, judge and buy the trophies. The Theme will be Spring to the Fair. PDG Dana suggested we have some type of entry in the parade.

Republic

President Matt M reported on the Bloomville Lions Club 50th Anniversary. We were their sponsoring Club.

He also reported on Project Lifesaver's Raffle. We had five baskets that were raffled. Fat Heads, Smokeys, Republic Banking Co., Tiffin NAPA, MC Insurance Co., Republic Elevator, Cole Lumber, Aaron Cole, Republic Lions' Club all donated to the baskets to be auctioned off.

Lion Denny B reported on the Hunter Safety Course. there were 32 people who attended the class. Lion Denny B was assisted by Ron Roush.

the next topic discussed was the May 1, 2016 chicken BBQ. The profit is to be used to make improvements to the Town Hall.

President Matt M announced that Jim Fries is this year's Melvin Jones Award winner. He also announced that the board of

directors accepted Matt Lambert as the newest member.

Lion Mike B informed the Club that the Party in the Park is August 6, 2016.

A membership night was discussed for May 9, 2016 at the Park.

Sandusky

Close to 300 people enjoyed pancakes and sausage at the April 23rd, annual Sandusky Lions Club Pancake Breakfast was held at Sandusky High School. In addition, attendees had the opportunity to purchase delicious baked goods at our bake sale and pick up some treasures at our garage sale. Another fun and successful event!

John Mears was honored by The Volunteer Center of



Erie County as one of this year's "Men and Women of Excellence." John was nominated for this honor by the Sandusky Lions Club. Not only has John served 48 years with the Lions Club, he has found the time to serve in other areas of his community. Also honored at the event was Lion Joe Hayberger. To have two Men of Excellence in our club is truly an honor!

Our Students of the Month, Megan Schweinfurth and Mitchell Bruner, seniors at Perkins High School, joined us for our club meeting on April 27. Both students have been very active throughout their high school careers in academic clubs as well as in athletics. Megan plans to attend Ohio University and major in Education while Mitchell plans to attend Purdue University and major in Tourism & Hospitality.

The Sandusky Lions Club celebrated Arbor Day on April 29th with our 4th Grade Forestry Program. Deliveries of small

Past, Present and Future

Sanduskycontinued

Norway spruce trees were made to all 4th graders in the Sandusky, Perkins and St. Mary's school districts for planting wherever they choose. Our club distributed close to 500 trees this year.

April 29th was a busy day for our club as we also planted a tree in downtown Sandusky in honor of the late George Mylander. Mr. Mylander was a local philanthropist who was dedicated to Sandusky and the surrounding communities. The Sandusky Lions Club has received numerous grants over the years for our Blind Fund from the Mylander Foundation.

Project Lifesaver has a few events on tap in the coming months. On May 17th, we are participating in a Health Fair at the Erie County Senior Center, we are holding a fundraiser at Chipotle on June 16th and another fundraiser at Panera on June 29th.

Lion Craig Hecht informed us that things are moving along nicely for our club's Running with Lions 10K which is being held on May 28th during Ohio Bike Week. In addition to the 10K run, our club will also be parking cars during Bike Week, May 27th through June 5th.

Savannah

May 5th, our guests will be members of the Rowsburg Lions Club. So certainly we want to have a good showing of our membership. Stan Crist will be our speaker for the evening updating us on Town Hall improvements.

This is also membership night; so bring a friend, a prospective member.

And finally, thanks to Lion Jim Bernhard who has volunteered to be next year's membership chairperson. Thank you, Lion Jim.

The club still needs a 1st Vice President and a 1-year director. So, how about it? How about helping the club out this year.

Sycamore

At our March meeting, Secretary Larry Bennett took us on a tour down memory lane, revisiting the year our club was chartered. We were honored to have Blanche Ohl and Paula Roberts attend our meeting as well. March is our charter month and we should honor this every year.

The Community Calendars project is coming up. Now is the time to start reminding your customers about it and confirming that they want to renew their orders for calendars.

Lion Albert Ohl has agreed to coordinate our club's fair gates on July 31. Lion Ruth Ann Weininger will again organize the workers for both clubs. Thank you to both of these members for their dedication.

Scholarship applications have been picked up from the high school. The senior awards program will be May 16 at Mohawk High School.

Tiffin

Fifteen Tiffin Lions met to clean two miles of highway just outside of Tiffin on State Route 18

Seventeen Tiffin Lions and spouses attended the April 15, 16, 17 District 13 B Convention. The club was awarded the Cultural and Community Activities Award, Humanitarian Award, Governor's Excellence Award and Club Service Award.

New Member night was attended by two prospective members. The program for the evening was Committee chairs and members presenting a brief summary of various Tiffin projects.

Two Tiffin Lions worked at the Dinner and Super Raffle fundraiser on April 2 at Attica Fairgrounds. Eight of the fifty three raffle baskets were donations from Tiffin businesses.

Check us out on Facebook.

Vermilion

Vermilion Student of the Month for April was Savannah Hiltan. She is a senior at Vermilion High School. Student of the Month for May is Garrett Rangel who also is a senior at Vermilion High School. Scholarships will be chosen soon to be awarded to 2016 Soon to be Graduates at the Vermilion High School Awards

Vermilion Lions and Leos helped with bingo at our two local nursing homes. May is our last month of bingo until the fall.

Our 25th Annual Reverse Raffle went over very well this year.

The District 13B Convention was represented by our Vermilion Lions. Seven of us had a great time. The convention was very interesting and fun for all. Our club received the Humanitarian award, Excellence award and the Service Award. Twenty-one Leos participated in the Leos Convention. Between our Leos and our Lions Club we collected approximately 80 stuffed animals which were taken to the Leo Convention to be given to the Akron Children's Hospital.

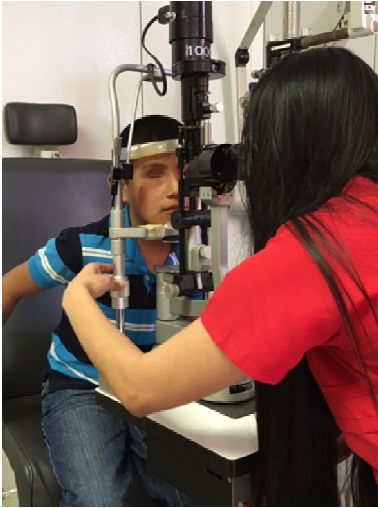
Pride Day will be on Saturday, May 21. We supply doughnuts and coffee, milk or juice for the volunteers. Then we go to work.

Our upcoming Vermilion Fish Festival is June 17 - 19.

Annual Woollybear Sunday has been publicized as taking place on Sunday, October 2.

Avon

Avon Lions Making a Difference in Central America



Members of the Avon Lions Club, Drs. John Novak O.D. and Jennifer McNamara O.D. make annual trips with Eye Care International to Central America to provide eye care, eye glasses and provide eye surgery to local residents. Many of the used eye glasses the Avon Lions collect are cleaned, refurbished and sorted for their annual trip.

In the past Dr. Novak had a young Honduran patient named Jairo who was in need of a prosthetic eye. Working with the Hope for Honduran Fund, Dr. Novak arranged a fund raising campaign to provide the prosthetic eye for Jairo. He is now going through the process of evaluation. The hope is that the process will be complete and Jairo will have his prosthetic eye later this year.

CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT ISSUE 1:

Title: Date and Place of Convention

Identification of the Constitution Articles and Sections to be added/modified:

Amend Article XI – STATE CONVENTION, Section 1 Date and Place of Convention

Old Language:

ARTICLE XI - STATE CONVENTION

Section 1 Date and Place of Convention

A Convention of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc. shall be held on the third full weekend in May of each year consisting of a Friday, Saturday and/or Sunday. All Convention arrangements, including, but not limited to, location and length of the Convention, are to be made by the Multiple District Secretary two or more years in advance and approved by the sitting Council of Governors. Adjustments to Convention activities, consistent with the approved arrangements, may be made by the Multiple District Secretary and approved by the sitting Council of Governors at any time prior to issuance of the Official Call referenced in Section 3 of this Article.

New Language:

ARTICLE XI - STATE CONVENTION

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Rationale for approval:

Quality speakers are critical as a part of a successful state convention. Flexibility is needed in the date of the state convention to accommodate the availability of convention facilities, International Guest's schedules, and featured speaker's/awardee's schedules. In years past, MD13 Ohio Lions have honored Ohio leaders and have considered honoring individuals such as Coach Woody Hayes, Jack Nicklaus, Coach Thad Matta and others. This type of honor has not occurred in recent years primarily due to schedul-

ing conflicts. This amendment may allow for future honorees to be recognized by the Lions and to speak to the convention.

The New Language is in BOLD print.

Approval of these Amendments shall be by two-thirds (2/3) vote of registered delegates present and voting at the Multiple District 13 Convention at which the Amendments are presented.

CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT ISSUE 2:

Title: Preferential Voting - MD13 Constitution

Identification of the Constitution Articles and Sections to be added/modified:

Add Appendix B – Voting Options

Old Language:

New Language:

APPENDIX B – VOTING OPTIONS

For any vote at any MD13 convention or any MD13 sub-district convention that calls for three or more choices to be made by the delegate, the presiding officer may choose to use Preferential voting as an alternative to multiple ballots when no person/choice receives a majority vote.

In the event of a tie vote on any issue, the issue fails. In the event of a tie between two Lion candidates, a revote occurs ~~between the two candidates. In the event of another tie, a coin toss shall determine the winner.~~

Rationale for approval:

LCI approves the use of Preferential voting by multiple districts and sub-districts. However, this is not explicitly listed in the MD13 Constitution.

Preferential voting allows conventions to vote on needed topics without the time burden of multiple ballots. This improves the convention experience of the delegates by not burdening them with extended periods of voting, counting ballots, then voting.

An example is presented below for clarification.

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The voting is added to the first round and when totaled becomes

A - 6 B – 5 In this case, Lion A wins

Three Lions A, B, and C are running for a position. There are 11 delegates. Using preferential voting the delegates voted first choice, second choice, and third choice as follows

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 ballots

**C C C A B A B A B A B 1st choice
A B A C A B C B A B A 2nd choice
B A B B C C A C C C C 3rd choice**

After the first “round” the vote is

A – 4 B – 4 C – 3

with no Lions receiving a majority

Rather than holding a second vote, the ballots that selected “C” (which are ballots 1, 2, 3 above) are used with the second choice.

These three ballots select A - 2 and B – 1.

Adding these totals to round one, we see

A - 6 B – 5

In this case, Lion A wins

Preferential voting does not change the outcome of the voting, but merely allows it to proceed more quickly.

CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT ISSUE 3:

Title: Preferential Voting - MD13 ByLaws

Identification of the Constitution Articles and Sections to be added/modified:

Add Appendix A – Voting Options

Old Language:

New Language:

APPENDIX A – VOTING OPTIONS

For any vote at any MD13 convention or any MD13 sub-district convention that calls for three or more choices to be made by the delegate, the presiding officer may choose to use Preferential voting as an alternative to multiple ballots when no person/choice receives a majority vote.

In the event of a tie vote on any issue, the issue fails. In the event of a tie between two Lion candidates, a revote occurs between the two candidates. In the event of another tie, a coin toss shall determine the winner.

Rationale for approval:

LCI approves the use of Preferential voting by multiple districts and sub-districts. However, this is not explicitly listed in the MD13 ByLaws.

Preferential voting allows conventions to vote on needed topics without the time burden of multiple ballots. This improves the convention experience of the delegates by not burdening them with extended periods of voting, counting ballots, then voting.

An example of preferential voting is shown below.

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These three ballots select A - 2 and B – 1.

Adding these totals to round one, we see
A - 6 B – 5 In this case, Lion A wins
Preferential voting does not change the outcome of the voting, but merely allows it to proceed more quickly.

ISSUE 4:

Title: Approval for an Ohio Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation

Shall the MD13 Ohio Lions approve the MD13 Sight & Hearing Committee to establish the MD13 Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation, Inc., an incorporated 501(c)(3) charitable branch of the Sight and Hearing Committee, to meet the needs of MD13 clubs and districts in meeting the public’s needs for sight and hearing services

Approval of this issue shall be by a majority vote of registered delegates present and voting at the Multiple District 13 Convention.

Rationale for approval:

Ohio Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation

Frequently Asked Questions

What motion did the Council of Governors pass at their November, 2015 meeting?

The motion made, seconded and passed at the November CoG meeting was:

“Ohio Lions MD 13 Council of Governors gives their full approval and support for the MD13 Sight & Hearing Committee to establish the MD13 Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation, Inc., an incorporated 501(c)(3) charitable branch of the Sight and Hearing Committee, to meet the needs of MD13 clubs and districts in meeting the public’s needs for sight and hearing services.”

If the Council of Governors approved the creation of the Foundation, then why does it need to go to the State Convention for a vote by the Lions of Ohio?

Lions Club International has strict criteria that must be met if a foundation wishes to use the Lions name and/or emblem including: use a geographical area or other local designation in the name of a foundation; and provide a copy of the minutes or

resolution of the club/district (in this case Multiple District) indicating their support in the formation of the said Ohio Lions Foundation.

While the Council of Governors has provided their approval and support, based upon the advice of the MD13 legal advisor and the consensus of the stakeholders involved, this motion will go before the delegates at the state convention, as they will reflect the wishes of the Lions Clubs of Ohio. This is also consistent with the process used when the three current Ohio foundations were initially created: Pilot Dogs, Inc., OLERF and OLF.

The language currently being considered for this vote is:

The Lions Clubs of Ohio fully support the creation of the Ohio Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation to serve as a resource to the Lions Clubs of Ohio to help their communities by helping individuals save their vision and hearing through needed medical care, screenings, and service activities.

Is this Foundation really ready to move forward?

All of the governing documents have been drafted and are being reviewed by the MD13 Sight and Hearing Committee as well as the Chair of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee for MD13;

i.e. Articles of Incorporation, Code of Regulations, Conflict of Interest Policy, Conflict of Interest Annual Statement, and the Confidentiality Policy. The steps to follow after these documents are finalized are:

Gain approval and support of the Lions Clubs of Ohio for the creation of the Ohio Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation

Apply to LCI for the written consent and license to use the Lions name and emblem

Initial meeting of the Foundation Operating Board to approve the Articles of Incorporation and all governing documents. Begin/continue creation of processes for the Foundation.

Complete all required filings with the State of Ohio: name and incorporation with the Secretary of State and registration with the Attorney General

Complete required filings with the IRS: EIN and declaration letter for 501(c) (3) status

With the re-organization of the Districts of MD13, representatives for the MD13 Sight and Hearing Committee have been elected at the sub-district re-organization conventions. These seven individuals will serve as the original members of the Operating Board of the Foundation. Work has already begun to identify volunteers to serve as the Medical Director, Legal Director and Financial Director of the Foundation. Commitments for donations to help

with the costs of establishing this Foundation have already begun coming in. A request for a budget from Finance and Planning will be prepared and submitted in the near future, subject to passage of the resolution at the MD13 state convention.

Why has it taken so long to get to this point?

While the Sight and Hearing Committee identified the need for this committee long ago, it does take time to gain buy-in from leaders and fellow Lions within MD13. While this may seem like an obvious next step to some, others want to make sure time and resources are not misspent when so many needs go unmet. It has taken the committee many months to get the appropriate people on board and perform the proper due diligence to ensure when this Foundation is created, it really will improve the Lions Clubs of Ohio's ability to serve their communities.

Will MD13 still have a Sight and Hearing Committee?

Yes. The Sight and Hearing Chairs of each sub-district will still be elected by the sub-district delegates at the annual conventions. They will be the State Committee. However, their scope will be expanded. In addition to serving on the Pilot Dogs, Inc. Operating Board, they will also serve on the Ohio Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation Operating Board. For the Foundation, they will comprise a majority of the 12 member Board. These Chairs, in addition to the Operating Board of the new Foundation will serve as advisory bodies to MD13, coordinate and promote the approved programs of MD13, and continue to serve as a resource for receiving and disseminating information and donations from Lions Clubs in MD13 in support of the charitable organizations promoted by MD13.

Who is working on this effort?

The current Sight and Hearing Committee is working on this project, in coordination and cooperation with the Chair of the MD13 Constitution and By-Laws Committee, PDG Dave Luttrell, Council Chair Don Robinette, who is keeping the Governors informed, and other advisors as the Council Chair identifies the need. Within the Sight and Hearing Committee, a sub-committee has been organized to handle the details, chaired by Lion Lilane Fox, 13-K, and members Lion Robert Medley, 13-E and chair of the MD13 Sight and Hearing Committee, and Lion Ray Dellmore, 13-C

Where will this Foundation get its revenues?

The Sight and Hearing Committee members will continue to be the point of contact for Lions Clubs donations to Pilot Dogs, Inc. and the Sight and Hearing fund. It is proposed that the Sight and Hearing donations run through the Foundation, instead of the Ohio Lions. However, 100% of the donations will continue to go to the five charities promoted by MD13, in the proportions currently adopted by the

Sight and Hearing Committee. Any designation for a donation by a Lions Club will be honored by the Foundation.

An additional benefit of the donations running through the Foundation, which is a 501(c)(3), is that it will help Lions clubs achieve their required donations to 501(c)(3) per state and IRS guidelines. For example, if your club holds raffles, even if just for club members, 50% of the profits must be donated to a 501(c)(3).

If the current Lions Clubs donations will continue to be used to support the five agencies approved by MD13, how will the Foundation get the funds to help Lions Clubs help individuals in their communities pay for costly eye surgeries, vision therapy, hearing aids, etc.?

As a 501(c)(3), the Foundation will be able to apply for grants that Lions Clubs cannot access due to their status as a 501(c)(4). These are funds that are available and not currently being applied for by any other Lions club or foundation within MD13. Also, because donations to the new Foundation will be fully tax deductible for individuals and corporations, this will also open new doors for solicitation of donations well beyond Lions Clubs. The Foundation also intends to work cooperatively with charitable organizations related to Lions Clubs International, MD13 and Lions Clubs within sub-districts of MD13 to harmonize and make more efficient the work of all as it pertains to helping Lions Clubs serve their communities.

Why can't the Ohio Lions Foundation be used for to accomplish the same purposes?

There are a number of reasons the Sight and Hearing Committee cannot efficiently or effectively use the Ohio Lions Foundation to accomplish their stated purposes.

OLF does not have a stated purpose to help the indigent and financially distressed obtain individual hearing care such as hearing aids.

While a restricted fund could be established by OLF to accomplish some of the stated purposes of the Sight and Hearing Foundation, it would not be a timely or efficient way to provide financial aid to the indigent and financially stressed to obtain needed and sometimes urgent eye and hear surgeries or treatments.

The Sight and Hearing Foundation will also ensure the Ohio Vision Screening Program continues, which will entail taking ownership of the vision screeners currently in the custody of the sub-district Sight and Hearing Chairs. OLF cannot own equip-

equipment nor allow the Sight and Hearing Chairs to have custody of the equipment for use within the sub-districts of MD13. With the new Foundation, the sub-district Sight and Hearing Chairs will retain custody of the vision screeners assigned to their districts. The Foundation will take over the maintenance of the screeners from the MD13 Sight and Hearing Fund. The new Foundation will also be responsible for ensuring the Ohio Lions Vision Screening Program has the equipment and trained volunteers needed to continue. The MD13 manual for the Vision Screening Program will continue to be the guidelines and process used for the program.

OLF cannot enter into alliances with medical providers, or medical appliance corporations or distributors, etc. to help make vision and hearing services more easily available and affordable.

What are the stated purposes of the Ohio Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation?

According to the proposed Articles of Incorporation, the purposes are:

- To solicit, collect, and otherwise raise money for the charitable purpose of helping the indigent and financially distressed with costs arising from the care and treatment of disorders and diseases of the eyes and ears;
- To expend, contribute, disburse and otherwise handle and dispose of the same for such purpose either directly, or by contributions to other agencies, organizations, or institutions organized for the same or similar purposes;
- To develop strategic alliances with, but not limited to, medical providers or systems, optometrists and audiologists, vision and hearing appliance companies or distributors, non-profit organizations, or governmental agencies to help deliver services for sight and hearing needs of residents within Ohio more efficiently and affordably;
- To acquire and maintain proper equipment for the screening of eyes and ears to aid in the fight to prevent blindness and deafness;
- To conduct said screenings for pre-school children, or any such group recommended by the Ohio Department of Health, or other such governmental agency or charitable organization concerned with vision and hearing health of all Ohio citizens;
- To advocate measures and engage in community service activities that shall lead to the control and/or elimination of the causes, whether direct

or indirect, that may result in blindness or impaired vision, and/or deafness or hearing loss;

To serve as an advisory body to Multiple District 13 - Ohio Lions, as constituted under the authority of Lions Clubs International, aka International Association of Lions Clubs, in coordinating and promoting the approved programs for the sight and hearing impaired, and activities throughout the State of Ohio, and to serve as a resource for receiving and disseminating information and donations from Lions Clubs within the organization of Multiple District 13 - Ohio Lions;

To support the following charitable organizations promoted by Multiple District 13 - Ohio Lions:

Pilot Dogs, Inc.

Prevent Blindness Ohio

VOICEcorps® reading service

Columbus Speech & Hearing Center

Newsreel, Inc.;

Any charitable organization approved by Multiple District 13 - Ohio Lions as a sponsored program shall be included herein;

To assist in harmonizing and making more efficient the work of charitable organizations related to Lions Clubs International, Multiple District 13 - Ohio Lions and Lions clubs within the sub-districts of Multiple District 13 - Ohio Lions.

CENTENNIAL MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

LCI's three fiscal year (2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18) Centennial Celebration includes special centennial membership awards for members and for clubs.

CENTENNIAL MEMBERSHIP AWARDS FOR MEMBERS

Sponsor a new member. Be immediately recognized as a **Centennial Sponsor** and receive a *Limited Edition* pin and certificate. Your new Lion will receive a special Centennial member pin rather than the one usually given to new members.

Earn the **Silver Centennial Lion** award when your new member remains in good standing for 1 year and a day. Silver Centennial Lions will be recognized by a *Limited Edition* Silver Centennial pin and certificate, and by having your name featured on the LCI Centennial website.

It gets better! Earn the **Gold Centennial Lion** award once your new member remains in good standing for 2 years and a day. In addition to previous recognition, you will be recognized by a *Limited Edition* Gold Centennial pin and certificate, and with recognition at area forums and district conventions.

AND, when your new member remains active for 3 years and a day, you earn the **Diamond Centennial Lion** award. In addition to previous recognition, you will receive a *Limited Edition* Diamond Centennial pin and certificate, featured with fellow achievers in LION Magazine, photo on LCI Centennial website, and recognition at LCI's International Convention and area forums and district conventions.

The same award progression happens if you help to organize a new club.

CENTENNIAL MEMBERSHIP AWARDS FOR CLUBS

Clubs can become **Premier Centennial Lions Clubs** either by:

- Inducting at least 3 new members during one of the 3 fiscal years of the Centennial Celebration and having those members remain active for 2 years and a day - OR
- Sponsoring a new Lions club during any one of the 3 fiscal years with that club remaining active and in good standing for 2 years and a day

Premier Centennial Lions Clubs will be recognized with:

- A *Limited Edition* banner patch
- Club name on the LCI Centennial website
- Recognition at International convention, area forums and district conventions

Should your club induct at least 3 new members in each of the 3 fiscal years of the Centennial Celebration with those new members remaining active throughout the Centennial Celebration,

-- AND -- Sponsor a new club during one of the 3 fiscal years with that club remaining active and in good standing for at least a year and a day, --THEN --your club becomes a **World Class Centennial Lions Club** and will be honored accordingly.

Lion Ann Miller, I3B GLT Coordinator

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