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To the Lions of District OH 2:

What a great time at our District Convention!! Thank you's go out to a lot of folks who made our convention a wonderful success. To the convention committee, Tiffin Lions, Sandusky Lions, Hayesville Lions, and the Bucyrus Lions, thank you for your contributions towards the convention. Thanks go out to IPDG Carolyn and Bill Brook for hosting our International quests PID Neil and Jacquie Spencer from Florida. Thanks to all who supported our Partners in Education at the Spouse's session. We are looking to improve already for next year! Thanks again to all who participated and will see you there next year.

As far as the business side of things, the Constitution and Bylaws alignment was approved as was the Per Capital Tax increase for the District. This was much needed and will improve our District in the future. The Credential Committee and Election Committee are greatly appreciated for their fine work. Congrats to all those who won their individual races for next year's officers.

With only 90 some days left, I will be out and about finishing my visitations and promoting retention/ growth. All the clubs should be finalizing their slate of officers for next year, and should send in their PU101 when complete. See you all at the Officers Training the first Saturday of May!

I'll close for now, but look forward to seeing you soon! Remember: OHIO LIONS DON'T QUIT !!

Governor Steve Cochie

DGE Greg

Lions of 13 OH 2

It's GREAT to be a Lion it's FUN to be a Lion

Thank You to all who attended the district convention in Sandusky at Castaway Bay. Congratulations to the Tiffin Club and especially convention chair Greg Swartz and his wife Connie for the fantastic job they did as host club.

Thank You also to all for the vote of confidence in making me governor elect. Myself and my team are looking forward to the challenge of the up coming Lions Year, but first let's finish DG Steve's year off on a grand note. There is still time for a membership night or to induct new members for this Lions Year. If you see Governor Steve out and about make sure to congratulate him on his great year and the fact that our district led the state in both Legacy and Centennial projects.

Last please make sure that your club is signed up for our fantastic membership school. Lion Ann Miller and Team are working at a feverish pace to make sure this year's school is as great as it always is. New this year is a plus optix class for those who are spouses of officers or just want to come and check out how easy these machines are to use or want pointers on how YOUR club can also get involved in this important project.

Hope to see you soon-----GREG

1st VDGE Keith

WOW!! What a great District Convention OH-2 Governor Steve Cochie had. A big "thank-you" to all the Convention Chairs and Committee Members!

Lions hold good membership nights in the Spring, and we are already seeing improving results in our Club memberships. For example, on March 28, I inducted 4 new members at the Lagrange Lions Club, and several other individuals there have indicated their interest in also becoming a part of that club. Additional Lions Clubs, too, in the District have had a number of

new members since January. Way to go, Lions!

The Plus-Optix screeners saw a "full house" at the recent Convention session with many there amazed/surprised by the ease, speed, and accuracy with which vision screening can be completed. We currently have four of the screeners available in our District, available for Club use. Soon these screeners will be distributed to the four quarters of the District for greater accessibility. Contact Sight and Hearing Chair Sonny Barker or Governor-elect Greg Hess if you have questions, need training, need to borrow equipment, etc. There will be additional training sessions at the Leadership Training School to be held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Ashland on May 6.

I had the pleasure of attending the Leo Convention held at Amherst High School during our Lions Convention. What an enthusiastic group of students were there—approximately 100 in number! Each Club discussed their varied projects—keep up the good work and encourage your friends to become a part of the Leos, too!

One of the next big events is the Multiple District 13 State Convention at Kalahari the weekend of May 12-14. See you there for a great weekend including appearances by Helen Keller and Melvin Jones.

Thank you again for the hospitality shared with Lion Connie Sue and I as we journeyed throughout the District in Club visitations and District Conventions. The service projects and legacy projects and contributions to State projects and communities have been impressive.

And a special "thank you" goes out to all the District 13 OH-2 Clubs that supported me throughout the year and supported by election as 1st VDG for the coming year. It's GREAT to be a LION!!

MD 13 Convention news

Fellow Lions,

For the MD13 State Convention this May, we plan to have a continually running

slideshow highlighting all of the Ohio Lions clubs. At the moment, each Lions, Lioness and LEO club has a title screen with the club name, location and charter date. Ideally, each title slide will be followed by a short series of photos that show off that club's projects, members or legacy project. The idea is to recognize our clubs and to share ideas for projects and fundraisers with other attending clubs. The club presidents and secretaries will also be contacted for their help in this, but, in my experience, you are more familiar with using digital images and uploading than some of our clubs' officers.

As your district's newsletter editor, I am asking your help in collecting images for this recognition. If you have received images that you can submit for the slideshow, please share them with me and I will put them in the presentation. I know some of the clubs around Ohio, but not nearly all of them. When you send images, please let me know what club is pictured. I can contact the individual club presidents to find out the name/title of the event to put on the slides.

I will also be going through the various district Facebook pages to find images.

If you have a gmail account, I can share a google drive folder with you for directly uploading images.

Before the presentation is run at State Convention, each club president will receive a confirmation of the information and images that will represent their club. Any club that cannot be contacted by email will have their information sent to the District Governor for confirmation.

If you have any ideas or suggestions for making this a better presentation, I would love to have them!

You put a tremendous amount of work into what you do for your districts. Anything you can send me to help with what will require an enormous amount of time in research, is greatly appreciated.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Kerry Parker
District OH2

Congratulations to our New District Officers

District 13-OH2 has completed another very successful convention. There was (as usual) lots of food, fun and friendship. We ate; we snacked; we saw old friends and we caught up on this year's happenings. We attended seminars, we heard reports from our Project Chairs, we amended our constitution, we heard a stirring Lion's speech, and we said good-bye to some old friends.

The conclusion of our convention was the election of our district officers for next year.

We again have three selfless Lions who have chosen to give a year of their life to make District OH2 stronger. These Lions have chosen to lead. They have chosen to give of their time and energy to make our Association better.

Congratulations to District Governor Elect Greg Hess, First Vice District Governor Elect Keith Kaufman and Second Vice District Governor Elect Kenny Shuck. We all thank you for stepping forward as the leaders who you are.

Challenge the Lions of District OH-2, they are able and up to any task. We pledge our support and efforts to assist you in making next year a success. Together you will lead us to more service, more members and a year we will all remember.

PCC Jeff Hillis

CALLING ALL OHIO LIONS

MD13 State Convention

will be here soon!

May 12-14, 2017
Kalahari Resort, Sandusky

Registration is now available online
<http://ohiolions.org/index.php/31-events/70-ohio-lions-state-convention>

NOTE: Convention Registration DOES NOT include registration for the
Centennial Event at Cedar Point.

JOIN US FOR...

State Convention
\$100

Friday May 12 – Sunday May 14

Sessions & Speakers
Trivia Competitions
Hospitality and Fellowship
Displays and Pin Traders
Friday Banquet
Saturday Luncheon
Sunday Grand Banquet

Cedar Point Centennial Event
\$30

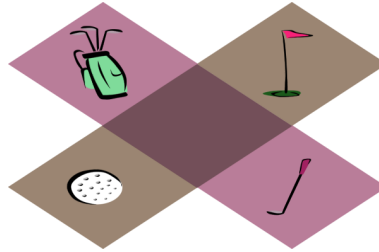
Saturday, May 13 at 6pm

Saturday Dinner
Helen Keller & Melvin Jones Speeches
Tour to Helen Keller Memorial marker
Transportation to and from Cedar Point
* No Cedar Point ticket needed for event admission.
** Anyone who purchases an event ticket is entitled to park at Kalahari and ride to CP on the bus.

*\$7 optional Pancake Breakfast for Saturday morning can be purchased at the time of registration.

Hotel accommodation information can be found at <http://md13convention2017.org/lodging/>

**DISTRICT OH2
PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION**



**ANNUAL
ALL-CHARITY GOLF TWO MAN SCRAMBLE
JUNE 04 2017 (SUNDAY)**

New Format
1st Nine Best Ball
2nd Nine Alternate Shot

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

Cost: \$50.00 / Golfer \$100.00/Team

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

Deadline: Please register by May 30th 2017

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: OH2 District Vice Governor Fund

(Please detach and mail with check payable to: District 13- OH2 PDG Association)

Clubs can register Two Teams on One Sheet

Please! Mail with payment:

Required information

Player 1 _____ \$50.00 Player 2 _____ \$50.00

Player 1 _____ \$50.00 Player 2 _____ \$50.00

Total: Club: _____ Lions

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

**HOLE SPONSOR
OH2 LIONS CLUBS
ANNUAL ALL-CHARITY GOLF
SCRAMBLE
JUNE 4, 2017 (SUNDAY)**

**Woody Ridge Golf Course
6263 OH-598
Shelby, OH 44875**

The District OH2 Past District Governors is hosting their annual All Charity Golf Scramble
The cost is only \$30.00.

All proceeds benefit: OH2 District Vice Governor Fund

Amount: \$ _____ Check #: _____

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ OHIO ZIP: _____

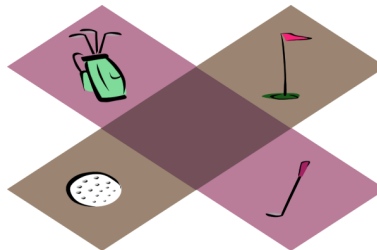
Telephone: _____

Amount: \$30.00 Check #: _____

(Make check payable to (District OH2 PDG Association))

Mail to:

**PDG Terry Spiegel
1109 Hillcrest Drive
Bucyrus, OH 44820
Ph. 419-562-0749**



**Bloomville Lions
Golf Scramble**

Saturday June 3, 2017



**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.



Project Lifesaver



Super Raffle

April 22, 2017 at Attica Fairgrounds

Hosted by the Seneca County Lions Clubs

Pork Chop or Chicken Dinner

Door Prizes

50/50 Drawing

Special Auction Items

30+ Super Raffle Baskets



Tickets only \$20!

Please contact Cindy Beat at

419-937-7543 to purchase tickets.

Project Lifesaver
Bringing Loved Ones Home



Ohio Lions Pin Traders Club Third Annual Millersport Pin Trade

Please come and join us for the third annual Ohio Lions Pin Trade in Millersport. Do you have pins you are looking for, pins you want to get rid of or if you are just learning about the hobby this event is for you. Pins will be available to buy, sell or trade.

**July 29, 2017
Millersport Lions Clubhouse
2900 Chautauqua Blvd
Millersport, Oh 43046
9:00AM to 3:00PM**

**Free Admission
Free Coffee
Millersport Lions Lunch Stand**

Pin Traders who wish to set up can register for a table at no cost. Coffee and donuts will be provided in the morning and a light lunch will be available. Table setup is at 8:00AM and the pin trade opens at 9:00. Extra tables may be available.

For a table please contact PID Steven Sherer, 1090 Thomas Drive SW, New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663 or npssteve@roadrunner.com

Come and learn everything you always wanted to know about Lions Pins



2017 DISTRICT 13-OH2 GOLF OUTING

MOHICAN HILLS GOLF CLUB
25 County Road 1950, Jeromesville, OH 44840

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2017

Host: Hayesville Lions

Entry Fee: \$55 per person (includes 18 holes of golf, ½ cart, and a meal)

Shotgun start at 8:00 a.m.

Entry Deadline: August 15, 2017

No cancellations after August 19

Only 13 teams will be accepted.

SEND ENTRIES, ALONG WITH CHECK PAYABLE TO **HAYESVILLE LIONS** (THIS IS A MUST), TO:

Lion William Harner, 849 County Road 1904, Ashland, OH 44805

Questions: William Harner - 419-368-4137 (ewhar2@gmail.com)

Name of Club _____ No. of Golfers _____ No. of Carts _____

Team One

Team Two

Team Three

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Additional teams may be listed on the back of this form.

Amount of money enclosed: No. of Entries _____ @ \$55 = _____

Person to contact.

Name: _____

e-mail: _____

Phone: _____



BELLEVUE LION'S CLUB 35TH ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

April 24, 2017

Seybert United Methodist Church

442 West Main Street, Bellevue – next to Wendy's

4:45pm – 7:00 pm

Spaghetti, salad and dessert

Adults \$7.00 Seniors (over 64) and kids
(under 13) \$6.00

**Proceeds go to Sight and Hearing cases
in Bellevue**

DISTRICT 13 OH-2 GOLF OUTING

Host club – Hayesville Lions

March 22, 2017

Dear Lions Club President & Secretary,

On August 27, 2017, Hayesville will be hosting the District 13 OH-2 Golf outing. We are asking for your help. There are two ways for your club to help raise money for the worthy cause of Lions charities.

1. Encourage your club to enter one or more teams. The price is \$55.00 per man so that many Lions can participate in the golf, fun, and fellowship.

2. BE A HOLE SPONSOR. For only \$25.00 your Lions Club can show its pride in Lionism, and have your club's name added to the list of sponsors. We also hope that some of your members will consider having their businesses sponsor a hole.

The event is being held at Mohican Hills Golf Club, Jeromesville, Ohio.

We hope you will join us to have fun and do a lot of good. Thank you for your support and consideration.

Your is Lionism,

William Harner
Mike Kelly
Co-Chairpersons

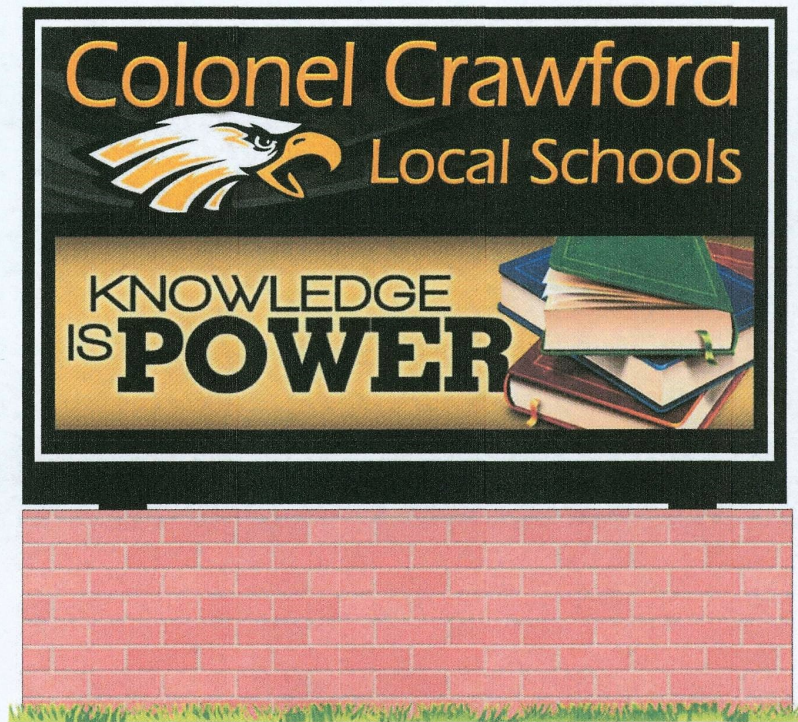
PLEASE MAIL YOUR \$25.00 checks, payable to HAYESVILLE LIONS, to:

Hayesville Lions
William Harner, Sec.
849 County Road 1904
Ashland, Ohio 44805

Yes. We would like to be a hole sponsor for the District 13 OH-2 Golf outing. Enclosed is a check for \$25.00.

Club Name: _____ Phone: _____

Legacy Project Fundraiser Luncheon
Supporting New Electronic School Sign
Sunday April 30, 2017 11 AM - 2 PM



Cost

\$10.00 Adult
\$5.00 8 and Under
Free - 3 and Under

Menu

Swiss Steak
Mashed Potatoes/Gravy
Green Beans
Salad/ Rolls
Cookies
Beverage
Kids Chicken Nuggets

The Legacy Project is Sponsored by the Colonel Crawford Lions Club
and the Colonel Crawford Classes of 2008, 2009, 2013, 2014 & 2016



Huron Lions Club

Wine Tasting Poker Run

Saturday, April 29, 2017

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm

**Cost: \$20.00 per adult or \$35.00 per couple
(\$15.00 for Lion Members and spouses)**

Registration is held at:

D & D Smith Winery

401 West Main Street, Norwalk, OH 44857.

The other participating wineries are:

**Gar-Nay's, Quarry Hill, Vermilion Valley, Matus, and
Paper Moon.**

**You must arrive at Paper Moon by 6:00 pm
to draw your hand and be eligible to win.**

Food will be provided and 50/50 drawings will be held.

For details and reservations, please contact

Chuck Bille at 419-602-3667,

or email Dawn Bauman at: Tygermom924@hotmail.com

Past, Present and Future

Ashland Evening

The Ashland Evening Lions picked up the following eyeglasses and one pair hearing aids from Goodwill.

July 17, 2016 & cases	436 pair glasses, frames
Aug 8 cases	318 pair glasses, lens and
Sept. 23 cases	278 pair glasses, lens and
Oct 2 hearing aids	86 pair glasses,cases,1 pr
Nov 11 es	942 pair glasses and cas-
Nov 15 es	618 pair glasses and cas-
Feb 5, 2017 and cases	1,387 pair glasses, lens
March 8 and cases	1,311 pair glasses, lens
Total	5,376 pair glasses, cases, and lens and one pair of hearing aids.

Ashland Noon

Due to lagging attendance and participation in club activities, a special meeting was called to discuss future direction of the club. The following will serve as a record of business at the meeting.

Vice President Jim Cutright called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. He also led a prayer asking for guidance and fellowship in the club's endeavors. In attendance were 24 of 41 club members. Also proposed member Gene Kopp, and facilitator Ginny Telego.

Ginny opened with a quote from Lions founder Melvin Jones: "What if people put their talents to work improving their communities?" With this in mind, she organized round table discussions of questions

under the topics of Club Operations, Service, Leadership development, and Membership. She then listed comments and ideas from each group. The following is a brief summary of the results:

Club operations- most felt the club was well organized and had good leadership. Problems mentioned were the "lack of atmosphere at the large current meeting room". An ad hoc committee of Larry Norris, Bill Harvey, and Dan Scott volunteered to research alternate sites. Also suggested was that the board meet during a regular meeting time so members are more aware of what the club is doing and funding, or perhaps having committee reports after the speakers each week to better inform the members.

Service : most agreed we are not organizing enough projects, and are not letting the community know about those we are doing. While the club funds many local projects and charities, we have not done many volunteer projects recently. The service/projects committee was tasked with seeking input into more "hands on" projects. The publicity committee needs to find more ways to communicate our achievements to the public and will be seeking member input on new ideas for publicity submissions.

Leadership development: Most agreed our club is strong in this, with 96 consecutive new first time presidents. However, nominations have been hampered by the lack of new members in recent years. A majority of current members have served a term in office. The nominating committee will be contacting members and meeting soon to develop a slate of officers for next year.

Membership: Much discussion centered on recruiting new members, retaining present ones, and encouraging attendance at meetings. Primary option was seeking more diversity in age, gender, etc. to add diversity and energy to the club. The membership committee led by Stan Kopp will be meeting and developing new ideas and contacting members who have not been attending meetings regularly.

To keep the energy and momentum going, the committees will give progress reports

at future meetings and encourage member input and support.

In our report at the zone 7 advisory meeting, we were able to report \$9,550 in donations dispersed in January from our projects fund, including \$1500 to pilot dogs, \$1700 to Ohio Lions research, \$200 to LCIF, \$200 to Ohio Lions foundation, \$2000 to the Brethren Care community building fund, \$1200 in college scholarships, and \$750 to United Way. The rest supported many smaller local organizations.

Bascom

March 7 - Sixteen Lions and two guests attended our first meeting in March. Nomination of officers was read by Secretary Larry Cobb and approved. We were honored to have District 13-B's Senior Vice-Governor Keith Kaufman and his wife, Connie, visit at this meeting. Gov. Keith was generous with favorable remarks to the Bascom Club. He complimented the club in general on membership and in particular the new member secured by Lion Rick Osterwalder.

April 15 is the Vision Screening Training.

Bellevue

Bellevue's Spaghetti Dinner was changed from April 17th to April 24th. It was felt the Monday after Easter was not the best time.

March 24/26 was the District OH 2 Convention at Castaway Bay Resort in Sandusky. We had 7 Lions in attendance. Lion Jim introduced the District Peace Poster family and winner-Hanna Wyman sponsor by Bascom Lions Club. She told a little bit about her poster and was presented a plaque for winning District..

Past, Present and Future

Bellville

Election of Officers for 2017-2018 was held. IstVP Ed advised the officers of Officers Leadership Training on May 6. Treasurer Joe stated that we are able to send \$400 to the Honor Flight program.

At the Preschool Vision Screening on March 20, we screened 48 children and referred 8 children.

Lion Carolyn, Membership Chair will be presenting the program April 27th on Lions and why it is important to be part of this organization.

Honor Flight Dinner Article by Lion Bill Henderson: Veterans say they are grateful for the powerful experience. Ken Hayes is an Army veteran, who was stationed in Okinawa and Japan in 1945-46, just after the Japanese surrender. He was a transportation coordinator for a small fleet of trucks, but would have been guiding landing craft ashore if the war had not ended when it did.

Hayes stopped in to support Saturday's Honor Flight benefit. In 2014, Hayes participated in an Honor Flight visit to Washington, D.C. He reflected on his trip to see the memorials. "It was very nice," Hayes said, especially seeing the Korean War memorial. He also said he was glad for the attendants who assisted wheel chair bound veterans because of the amount of walking involved.

President Bill Brook said the club and Country Meadows enjoy working together to honor this area's veterans. The two organizations have worked together on several projects that benefit the community.

The two organizations received help again this year from the Boy Scout Troop 126. The local scouting group bussed tables and assisted with clean up after the dinner. Four members of the Lexington High School Leos, a junior Lion's Club, also helped this year. The St. Paul Lutheran church provided the meeting place and

many of the desserts.

Lion's Club Treasurer Joseph Gribbin indicated about 40 people attended the dinner. He said many patrons made additional donations in support of the Honor Flight Program.

Bucyrus

Bucyrus Lion Christi Crall worked on securing a \$4500 grant from the Crawford County Community Foundation to help fund the start-up equipment for the Crawford County Lifesaver Project.

The club is also planning a Centennial Legacy Project at Lions Park.

The club is having a fund-raising drive-thru chicken barbecue in May.

Club officers have been elected and will be attending the officers training on May 6th.

Six Bucyrus Lions attended the District 13 -OH2 Convention at Castaway Bay in Sandusky. Member Keith Kaufman was elected 1st Vice District Governor there. PDG Terry and Linda Spiegel decorated Keith's hospitality room at the convention in a birthday theme in honor of Lions 100 year anniversary.



Members continue to serve at a local soup kitchen and transport visually impaired people to the low vision support group.

Colonel Crawford

Numerous lions attended the annual district convention in Sandusky last weekend and brought awards back to the club for their hard work during the past year. The awards are as follows: Service Award,

Humanitarian Award, Governor's Excellence Award, First Place for adding the most new members on a percentage basis.

Two of our great lions were remembered at the Neurology service. Lions Belle Shumaker and Marge Gledhill. Several members of Belle's family were in attendance also for the service.

LED Sign Project: The club has pledged \$8,000.00 toward the new LED sign that will be erected at the entrance along County Road 35. This total project has a cost factor of over \$27,000.00. This is the largest commitment our club has ever made in our forty six years of existence.

Firelands

On March 8th the Firelands Lions Club hosted Mr. Steve Hoyt and a special guest from Ohio Pilot Dogs at Firelands High School for a discussion and demonstration of a working guide dog. Following the student program the Firelands Lions Club



President, Joe Siekeres, presented Ohio Pilot Dogs with a \$6,000 donation from the club.

Hayesville

The Hayesville Lions donated \$100 to the Hayesville Youth League, approved two prospective members and accepted Lion Dave McClure's transfer to the Mifflin Lions Club

Past, Present and Future

Hayesville continued



President Mike Kelly of the Hayesville Lions Club became a Key Lion March 16. Past District Governor Terry Speigel, Bill Harner, and Mike Kelly are pictured. Mike is Financial Officer of Ball, Bounce, and Sport, and serves on The Board for Economic Development for Ashland County and the Board for University Hospital-Samaritan. He became a Key Lion for getting two new members who stayed in good standing for one year and a day. Mike is married to Lion Sue Kelly and has three children Michael, Kory, and Liam.

The Hayesville Lions Club met March 16 at Hayesville United Methodist Church with ten guests present. New members night was successful with five new members inducted by Past District Governor Terry Speigel. They were: Dave Deschner and Dave Taylor sponsored by Greg Hess; Marie Taylor and Tammy Nalley sponsored by Tresa Hess; and Jackie Rose sponsored by Mike Kelly. They are now members of the largest service organization in the world.

Bill Harner gave a short history of the Hayesville Club which was chartered in 1949. They had three meetings a month then but now only have two. Many projects are done by the club. They are: collecting eyeglasses, hearing aids, ink jet printer cartridges and old cell phones; purchase new eyeglasses and eye exams for those in the community; give Thanksgiving baskets; hand out treats at Trick or Treat in Hayesville; serve meals to benefit someone in the area who is ill or had an injury; Peace Poster; Hayesville Follies; Sausage Sale; help the Leo Club; donate to Lions Clubs International for any deceased

member; and ending River Blindness. Case Western Reserve developed the drug that is used all over the world and has almost eliminated River Blindness.

District Governor Steve Cochie presented the following awards to the club: Years of service awards, 15 year Chevron to Lion Julianne Zody, 10 year chevron to Lion Carolyn Beck. A Bronze Legacy Project patch for the sign we put up in the Town Cemetery, A Silver Legacy Project patch for the 2 new signs on the edge of town. A Centennial Service Project patch with 4 diamonds this was for our participation in the 4 service projects, Youth, Vision, Hunger, and Environment.

Lorain

District Necrology Service Recognizes Lion Bill Evenchik



Lion Dan Smith (above left) stands solemnly with Zone 4 Chair Kerry Parker (2nd from left), and District Governor Steve Cochie as 1st Vice District Governor Greg Hess (at the podium) reads the memoriam for Lion Bill Evenchik and 2nd Vice District Governor Keith Kaufmann strikes a bell. This impressive ceremony and non-denominational religious service is conducted each year at the Ohio Lions District OH-2 annual convention to remember district Lions who have passed away in the previous 12 months. Thirty-four Lions were honored this year on Sunday, March 26, at the convention in Sandusky at the Castaway Bay Water Resort.

Loudonville

Loudonville Lions cooked and served 503 meals for the Equity Customer Appreciation Day on March 22 in our building. This project is held yearly and allows Equity personnel to meet with their customers while Lions take care of the food preparation and serving.

We welcomed three new members, Mike Nash and Georgia Kauffman by induction and Steve Glasgo via transfer from Madison Township Lions.

Our club paid registration fees for 28 members of Loudonville Leo Club to the Leo Convention in Amherst where they won Leo Club of the Year within Ohio District II. The April 1 Ashland Times Gazette published a photo of the 31 members and told of numerous community service projects, including installing a new outdoor basket ball court at the high-school. They worked with Lions Club members, basketball coaching staff and school maintenance staff to install the equipment. Funds were donated by Loudonville Lions and Loudonville Rotary.

Ron Lutz attended the District Convention to help with elections, and also participated in the Hayesville Lions Follies.

Club paid \$68 for ad for Loudonville Youth Association fast pitch tournaments. Also donated \$250 to sponsor a ball team this summer. We donated \$25 to the Post Prom Committee.

Pat Pearl attended Eagle Scout ceremony for Daniel Forbes and presented him with a pen from the Lions.

We purchased a case of Girl Scout cookies to be sent to troops overseas, and also donated to Girl Scout's building of an outdoor classroom at the high school.

Red Cross bloodmobile meets in our building. Lions supply setup help and furnish ham sandwiches for blood givers.

We cooked and served breakfast for Mansfield Plumbing retirees on April 2. This is an every 3 months event.

Past, Present and Future

Loudonville continued

On April 16 we will have our annual Easter Egg Hunt for children up through age 10 in Central Park. Three thousand eggs will be "laid" and Lions will provide 12 prizes for each of five age groups.

Two cruise-ins are planned this summer on May 12 and June 9 in the Lions parking lot.

Mohawk Lioness

Worksheet for April 14 and 15 donut project circulated.

Two travel books and two children's books on adoption were circulated and given to library in memory of Pauline and Charlie.

Received invitation to Butler Lioness Guest Night auction and voted to take a gift basket for their auction.

Kindergarten Vision Screening is to be May 4 and 5.

Agreed to help Lions with Seneca Co Fair Gates—takes 45 people.

Christy Long is our newest member and was initiated into membership on February 21.

Old Fort

Voted to buy a \$50 basket from Ed Molyet for the Project Lifesaver Super Raffle.

Voted to donate \$30 for a gift basket at the Old Fort Reverse Raffle.

On Saturday April 22nd starting at 6 pm there will be a Chicken/Pork Chop dinner at the Attica Fairgrounds special events hall. The event is hosted by the Lions Clubs of Seneca County. There will be door prizes, 50/50 drawing, and 50 plus Super Raffle Baskets valued at \$50 plus each. Old Fort will bring 4 baskets, help set-up, run entry door and sell raffle tickets. Please contact Pres. Pat Gyuras for a \$20 dinner ticket and or to offer your

assistance at the event. Contact Dave Omlor if you need a ride.

Republic

Lion Dave K moved to donate \$ 200.00 for Boys' State and Girls' State.

Work sessions are planned for the Park on Saturdays April 1 and April 8

The Club received a \$ 75.00 memorial from the estate of Marge Breyman. The money is going to purchase flags for the Park.

Lion Jerry B moved to purchase a banner for the Village.

The BBQ sold out before noon. We should consider adding another rack, next year. We also need to look at the date and other meals being served

The first reading of officers for 2017-2018 was read by Lion Vernon B.

Sandusky

Our club is happy to announce our Students of the Month for March: Allyson Smith from Sandusky High School, Britain Bennett from Perkins High School and Danny Miller from Sandusky St. Mary's High School. Congratulations to our Students of the Month and best wishes in your upcoming endeavors!

With the school year quickly drawing to a close, our Scholarship Committee is hard at work reviewing scholarship applications. Scholarship presentations will take place at the various schools in late April/early May.

In the hopes of spreading the word about Lions and increasing our club membership, the Sandusky Lions Club is hosting a Membership Night on Wednesday, April 19th from 6-8 pm at Sortino's Restaurant in Sandusky.

The Lions Club is looking forward to once again celebrating Arbor Day with our 4th Grade Forestry Program. Each year our club presents 4th graders in the Sandusky, Perkins and St. Mary's school districts with small trees for planting. This year we will be distributing close to 500

trees on Friday, April 28th to area 4th graders.

Club members continue to keep our Little Free Library at Lions Park going every month. Each month one of our members volunteer to oversee the library and make sure it is stocked with books for the children. With the weather warming up, the Little Free Library will be in high demand.

Lion Craig H. and the 5K Committee have been working hard on our upcoming Run with Lions Fundraiser to be held on Saturday, May 27th. More details to follow in the next month.

We look forward to seeing everyone in Sandusky for the State Convention in May at Kalahari. The Sandusky Lions Club will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast for all attendees and their families during the convention on Saturday, May 13th from 7 – 10 am at the New Life Church on Rt. 250, right across from Kalahari. Pre-sale tickets - \$7.00 (purchase when sending in convention registration); at the door - \$8.00. We look forward to having you join us!

Vermilion

Our past two Students of the Month are Kellie Innes and Sierra Whitman. They both attend Vermilion High School. They are involved in many activities in the school and in the community.

We continue our bingo at our two local nursing homes. The Leos come to help us with the residents.

We helped with the American Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, March 20, at Ritter Library. 26 units were donated. Two donors won prizes which we sent on to them.

We had a program presented by our Speech and Debate group from our high school. 4 of them came and performed for us. We do donate to them so that they can continue on with their meets. There are three who qualified to go to the Nationals in Alabama in June with their advisor.

Vermilion

There were eight Vermilion Lions who attended the District Convention at Castaway Bay in Sandusky. Everyone enjoyed listening and participating to the informative sessions. It was a great convention.

The State Convention will be coming up in May at Kalahari in Sandusky. We do have some members planning to attend there also.

Our Annual Reverse Raffle will be held on Saturday, April 8, at German's Villa in Vermilion. You have a chance to win \$1500, have a steak dinner for two, open bar, dancing with music by Minor Adjustment all for \$80. There will be sideboards also. Come and join us.

We are selling 3 digit tickets for the month of May. They are \$5 each for a chance to win \$100.

Ray Jirran is our new Sight and Hearing Chairman. He will take care of those in need of eye check ups and if needed glasses through our Lorain Vision Center. He will be collecting old glasses and old hearing aids.

Tiffin

Tiffin Lions assisted a seven year old girl in first grade by purchasing a communication app called Proloquo2go. It will help her with communication at home and be similar to the one owned by the school. This is the second student in the last five years Tiffin Lions have helped through augmented communication.