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To the Lions of District 13 OH-2

Well it's great to be back from Japan! The International Convention in Fukuoka was an outstanding experience and I'm so happy to be your new District Governor. As we roar into our 100th year of service, I want share the theme of our new International President Bob Corlew. His theme is "New Mountains to Climb".

During his convention presentation, President Bob shared his personal belief that as we need to grow, we need to provide more service to those that need us and that we provide this service working together. Always remember that "Where there's a Need...There's a Lion." I will share more on the Japan trip as I travel the District.

As I pondered the President's theme for this year, I want to share my theme for the District. "Launching new Visions" is a theme based on past experiences and venturing into the future! What we do together in the District will shape the future of Lions in the following 100 years of Lions International. Together we can make our District the strongest in the State of Ohio. Let's join together this year in climbing new mountains and launching new visions!

The excitement in service of Lions sometimes gets the best of me, and some may say I get out of control, but I think being excited is better than no service at all. We must continue to grow so we can provide all those the service we provide. President Bob reminded us that there are still millions who need our service and that is what we do best...SERVE!

Please climb aboard and join me in Service to others!

I'm looking forward to visiting all the clubs in the District and following your projects throughout the year. Your outstanding service will not go unnoticed and please remember to account for your service hours. Your Club reports are very important, and yes they are reviewed! As soon as LCI gets updated I will be spending most of my time on-line. Those that need to be included in LCI reporting should be forthcoming soon.

Let's share the excitement and have the most fun ever this year!

Governor Steve

1st VD Greg

Lions of the NEW OH 2

It's FUN to be a Lion. It's Great to be a Lion.

Let's start with a update on our vision screening project. We have been AP-PROVED for funding. It is now just a matter of when the funds are released from LCI. Our contact says within two weeks of convention ending.

Once we have the new screeners we will set up a training day for all who are interested. I can't wait to get these in action---The Elyria club, using a borrowed machine from another District, were able to screen a 7 month old child---Incredible.

With the new Lions year starting, now is the time think about what your vision is for your club. The officers especially should be thinking about:

- * Do you want more members?
- * Time to start another project?
- * Does your community need something specific done that is a need Lions can fill?
- * How do we promote better harmony in the club?

These are just a very few things to consider as you plan and think about where you want your club to be at this time next year.

The great thing about Lions is an unbelievable amount of support for questions you have and help. The LCI website has an incredible amount of information. We also have Zone chairs, GMT/GLT people and all of the other District officers as well. Consider the PDG's, all of them are very dedicated and for the most part a resource that is not used enough---PUT yourself and all of us to work!!!!

I'm looking forward to visiting the Region 2 clubs and start in July with Plymouth July 13
Lucas July 21
Upper Sandusky July 27

Hope to see you somewhere soon----
GREG

2nd VD Keith

Welcome, Lions of District 13-OH-2:

I hope you Lions, Lionesses, and Leos are having a great summer. My visitations with you will start in August, and I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Remember: Lions Keep Vision on the Right Track!

Keith

Friends, Lions and Golfers Everywhere

So it is summer, and I have been playing golf with several of my Lion friends. Some are very good players, some not so good, but most are just average. Golf is a lot like life that way; that dreaded *bell-shaped curve* is always there to compare our skill and ability with everyone else. I'll let you in on a little secret ... it matters not one bit.

You and I are mostly average. We have average intelligence, we live average lives; yes, we are even average golfers. Don't believe it for a minute! Each of us excels at the things that matter.

1. We excel at getting things that need to be done, done.
2. We excel at assisting those who need a helping hand.
3. We excel at understanding how blindness, poverty, disaster and illiteracy hurt every one.
4. We excel at building community.
5. We excel at being volunteers.

Why do we excel, because we are Lions!

Everyone has something to give, but the thing that separates those of us who call ourselves Lions, is that we give the most precious resource in the universe. We give our time.

So the next time you are feeling a bit average, just remind yourself that you are Lion. It makes all of us stand tall!

P.C.C. Jeff Hillis

Zone Chair Picnic

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2016

MEADOWBROOK PARK,
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ALL ZONE CHAIRS/
ASSISTANTS, GMT'S AND
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RIGHT!

Past, Present and Future

Avon

Members of the Avon Lions Club collected toys and donated over \$1,500.00 to the Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital Christmas in July campaign.

Coordinated by Lion Jim Harley, the Avon Lions made donations via a GoFundMe page (www.gofundme.com/lions-rainbow), collected toys and donations at the Avon Walmart and collected toys for the children who are patients of the Oncology Department at Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital.



Funds collected will be used to purchase gifts for the patients and Avon Lions Club members, including, John "Santa Claus" Aunspaw will visit the children and their families to distribute the gifts in

July.

Members of the Avon Lions Club donated a new park bench commemorating the Centennial of Lions Clubs International. This Legacy Project was the hand-made creation of Lion Bob Hill and was installed by members of the Avon Lions Club at the Lions Community Center at Northgate Park. A bronze plaque high-



lighting the Lions was also installed.

The Avon Lions hosted their 24th Annual Fishing Derby at Northgate Park in Avon. Over 400 children and their parent's participated in the event. Prizes were awarded to the children who caught the largest

fish in various categories. All children received a goodie bag and were eligible



for raffle prizes including fishing gear, tee shirts and the use of a loge for a Lake Erie Crushers game at All Pro Stadium.

Bascom

Twenty-six Lions and spouses witnessed this important meeting. Bascom's own, Zone Chairman Bob Swartzmiller, proudly inducted two members into the Bascom Club. Dave Alvarado, recently appointed Superintendent of Hopewell-Loudon School, was sponsored by Bob Swartzmiller. Rick Osterwalder recently rejoined the club after a several year break in membership. Rick was sponsored by Lion Dan Pelton.

At the May 3, 2016 meeting, Lion President Duane King awarded Bascom Lion/Zone 2 Chairman, Robert Swartzmiller, the distinguished Melvin Jones Fellow Award. This award, given in honor of Melvin Jones, the founder of Lions Club International, is the highest form of recognition conferred by the foundation.

The Bascom Club presently has ten Melvin Jones recipients: Don Bouillon, Jim Burns, Larry Cobb, Dallas Heck, Dennis Hohman, Duane King, Alvin Lang, Jim Park, Wayne Posey, and Bob Swartzmiller.

A year ago, Zone Chairman Bob was awarded the "District Governor's Excellence Award". This award is the highest award possible from District 13-B. Bob is a past president of the Bascom Club and is serving a second term as Zone Chairman of Zone 2, 13-B. Congratulations, Lion Bob Swartzmiller!

Bucyrus

The Bucyrus Lions met on June 14th for the yearly picnic and installation of officers. This year it was held at President-elect Cheryl Luidhardt's home. PCC PDG Jeff Hillis installed the officers.

The book committee has been working toward donating children's books to be handed out at the summer feeding program. Bookmarks have been prepared and enough books have been processed for every child who comes to Lions Park to receive a picture book or magazine. These will be donated through the Bucyrus School's summer lunch program.

The Bucyrus Public Library contacted Lion Joy Hillis to reset the video magnifier (CCTV) that was donated to the library by Bucyrus and Colonel Crawford Lions in partnership with Ohio Lions Foundation. Lion Joy will train the library staff on setting and using the machine.

A member of the local vision problems support group received a talking blood pressure device. A blind child was referred to the Crestline Lions for further assistance.

In the picture, 2nd Vice-District Governor Keith Kaufman is shown at training with 5 of the other incoming 2nd vice-district



governors of Ohio.

Castalia

Thanks to Past District Governor Horst Herzog for conducting the Installation of Officers at our recent banquet at Cold Creek Café and to all the members who attended.

Thanks to all who worked or participated in the Golf Scramble. We had 34 teams

Past, Present and Future

Castalia continued

Challenge) saw 82 golfers donate a \$5.00 fee each for the chance to collect prize money and electronics. Golfing was complete shortly after noon with the Barnum Team taking top honors and the Mike Cullen Team taking second place. The steak dinner was excellent and much enjoyed by all.

The Ohio Bike Week Beer Booth in Downtown Sandusky was a good project thanks to Lions Jack Coffman and Tim Riesterer, along with all the workers that showed to man the booth.

The Castalia Lions 2016 Scholarship Recipients and their families were at the June 7 Meeting for dinner and introductions.

Lion Dennis Davie will be the Membership Chairman for 2016 - 2017.

Castalia Lions Traci and Keith Weyer flew from their home in Shanghai, China to Fukuoka, Japan to attend the 2016 International Lions Convention. Lion Traci has loads of photos from their convention experience and the local attractions / visit her on Facebook.



Fremont

The Installation Dinner was held at the Fremont Country Club. We had a tasty meal of chicken, pork, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad and the cake Susie McGilton brought in for dessert.

After a "short" speech thanking everyone for their help during his term Tim presented Secretary Nora Mollis with a gift thanking her for all the help.

At that point Ann West swore in all the new officers to their respective jobs with lots of raucous comments from the members and spoke a little of the Lions commitment.

Next year will be the 100th anniversary of the Lions and there will be lots of festivities. She reminded us to go out into the community, be involved, and follow through getting new members and to keep up with the good job we are already doing. New President Harry Sargeant then took the podium and thanked Tim and his officers for their good work and asked Tim to take on the job of Chaplain. Harry pledged to do his best for the club during his tenure and reminded everyone of the events coming up this summer. members at that event.

Secretary Nora Mollis then came to the podium to present Harry with his President Pin and to give Tim Cullen his Past President patch and pin along with a gift of a desk clock from the membership for the 2015-2016 year. On a personal note Lion Nora Mollis thanked everyone for their support during her four years as Lion Secretary.

Hayesville

The Hayesville Lions Club met at Shank's Pavillion for Installation of Officers. Past District Governor Terry Spiegel installed President-Mike Kelly; First Vice Pres. - Carl Fulmer; Second Vice Pres. - Dean Whitcomb; Third Vice Pres. - Jim Tugend; Secretary - William Harner; Assistant Sec. - Deb Kyle; Treas. - Betty

Harner; Assistant Treas. - Dick Dilgard; Tail Twister - Gene Yeater; Assistant Tail Twister - Michael Schuck; Two year Directors - Don Herr & Linda Fulmer; One year Directors - Duane Dole & Marc Morgan; Bulletin Editor - Andy Anderson; Lion Tamers - Kenny & Darlene Schuck; Publicity - Shirley Slater; Membership - Jim Tugend; Nominating - Carl Fulmer, Dean Whitcomb, & Jim Tugend.

Kenny Schuck received a membership pin for sponsoring five new members from Lions Clubs International.

The President's pin was presented to Mike Kelly by Tresa Hess. A Past President's pin was presented to Tresa Hess by Mike Kelly.

Our Hayesville Lions Club Scholarship was given to Hannah Rose, a devoted Leo member.

Secretary Bill Harner presented Perfect Attendance chevrons to Don Herr - 1 year, Carl Fulmer, Linda Fulmer, & Stephanie Schuck - 4 years. Michael Schuck - 5 years.; Deb Kyle & Jim Slater - 8 years.; Tresa Hess - 9 years.; Darlene & Kenny Schuck - 10 years.; Jim Tugend - 13 years.; Greg Hess - 14 years.; Mike Kelly - 15 years.; Shirley Slater - 16 years.; Robin Bowman - 17 years.; Betty Harner - 20 years.; Andy Anderson - 47 years.; Bill Harner - 54 years.; Don Ritchie 56 years.; and Gene Yeater - 62 years.

Our Club will do road cleanup Tues., the 21st at 6:00.

Anyone who wants to help with Mifflin's Parade, Call Tresa Hess or Bill Harner and meet at 11:30a.m. on the 25th.

Past, Present and Future

Norwalk

brooms since we are out of three models.

The board voted to fund the request from the Huron County Health Department for Tee Shirts to give out at the fair to teenagers who visit their booth.

We donated the \$1500 budgeted for fireworks and returned \$1475 we held for the city since last year.

The board heard about a request from a Monroeville resident (Bill Beier's sister) who is a cancer survivor. A group of women make quilts and raffle them to raise money to fund mammograms for patients unable to afford them. We will donate \$500 to this worthy cause.

The board received a request to purchase a defibrillator to be placed at Summit Motorsport Park. The board voted to fund this project up to \$1500.

Old Fort

Project Lifesaver Fundraiser Wednesday August 17, 2016

Please support Project Lifesaver. Take a test-drive and Ford Motor Company will donate \$20 per test-drive up to \$6,000 to Project Lifesaver. The event will take place on Wednesday August 17th from 3:30 to 7 pm at Tiffin's Reineke Ford Lincoln 2020 W ST RT 18, Tiffin, OH.

You don't have to drive. You can ride along as a passenger and still make \$20 for the fundraiser.

Each participant must have a different address. There is no need to speak with a salesperson.

Drinks and hot dogs will be provided. Contact **Carl Miller** or **Dan Schatzinger** with questions.

Perrysville

Car Show was held on South Bridge

Street in Perrysville. Weather was what I would call great for a Car show Sunny with a little breeze.

There were 59 cars that participated in the show. We presented 22 trophies. One car in particular was owned by Loudonville LEO Advisor Jeff Frankford who was the DJ For the show.

Perrysville Fire Department Association had a food stand with Hotdogs, Brats, chips and soft drinks for a Donation. The Pack 551 Cub scouts had a stand selling beef sticks for a fund raiser, selling Water and other drinks was the School band and their money was going towards their trip to Disney World in Florida.



Plymouth

Plymouth Lions were busy during June. We conducted a highway pickup, cooked food for the PDG's golf outing at Woody Ridge, and put up flags around town for Flag Day. In addition, we conducted a pre-school eye screening in conjunction with Safety Town. Twenty-one children were screened.



PDG Sonny Barker installed our officers for the coming year. A big "Thanks" to President Mindy for

her dedication and leadership this past year, and a warm welcome to President Jill as she again serves as our President.

Plans are underway for our annual Silver King Festival on Aug. 3, 4, 5 & 6. Stop over and enjoy our Swiss steak sandwiches and corn on the cob!

Polk

The spring months kept us busy with the organization of our 58th Annual Polk Lions Club Community Birthday Calendar. The calendars were ordered, printed and have now been delivered to the community. These unique calendars begin on July 1st and end on June 30th and are sold for \$5 each.



The scholarship committee awarded two Mapleton High School seniors with \$250 scholarships at the school's awards assembly on May 20th. This year's winners were Mark Gorsuch and Tecca Ringler.

During our last regular meeting of the year (May 24th), PDG Dana Zody conducted our 2016-17 officer installation. Our



Past, Present and Future

Polk continued

During our last regular meeting of the year (May 24th), PDG Dana Zody conducted our 2016-17 officer installation. Our youngest member, Tyler Donley, will be the President next year.

On Saturday June 18th, we hosted the Polk Strawberry Festival in downtown Polk. Thanks to chairman Lion Courtney Hartzler for all her hard work getting everyone and everything coordinated. We provided strawberry desserts, homemade ice cream, summer-time food and brought in some fun for the kids: a petting zoo, inflatable slide, bounce house, carnival games, berry cart rides, laser tag and more.



Republic

July 10 was the Chicken BBQ. The money raised will help pay for dugouts on the fields.

The I-beams for the new score boards are to be set July 1st. AEP and Mike Theis Construction are assisting with the project.

President Matt M handed out anniversary pins. Lions Jason B and Mike B received 10 year pins. Lion Matt M received 20 year pin, Lion Jerry N received 25 year pin, and Lion Denny R received a 40 year awards.

Lion Jerry B informed the Club that the floor tile for the kitchen in the Town Hall has been purchased and is in the Town Hall, to be installed.

Matt Lambert, sponsored by Lion Scott M was inducted into the Club.

The Melvin Jones Award, the top award given out by our Club, was next. Lion Jim Freis was this year's honoree. He works behind the scene in most projects. Lion Jim F does our advertising. He has led the downstairs raffle sales at the gun raffles. He has gotten his family to help with pop corn ball making.

Lion Vernon B next installed the offices for 2016 - 2017 and then read their duties

President - Scott Meade, First Vice President - Jeremy Owens, Second Vice President - Roger Burkholder, Third Vice President - Curt Mancuso, Secretary - Calvin Rohrbacher II, Treasurer - James Fries, Lion Tamer - Nick Hampshire, Tail Twister - Matt Lambert, Two Year Directors - Tom Nagel and Denny Breyman, One Year Directors - Dave Kagy and Mike Theis, Past President - Matt Miller, Membership Chairman - Vernon Burkholder

Sandusky

Our club kicked off the month of June working Ohio Bike Week in Sandusky. We parked cars in three different parking lots in and around downtown Sandusky on June 2-4. It was another busy weekend for the Sandusky Lions Club as the weather cooperated for another good turnout for Bike Week.

Our annual Officer Installation Banquet was held on June 15th at Berardi's in Sandusky. Everyone in attendance enjoyed delicious food, wonderful fellowship and many laughs. A special thank you to District Governor-Elect Steve Cochie for joining us and taking part in this fun evening. Congratulations to our officers for 2016-2017 – thank you for volunteering your time to the Sandusky Lions Club.

We look forward to great things from you!!

Project Lifesaver had an extremely successful fundraiser at Chipotle in Sandusky on June 16th. A big thank you to Chipotle for generously donating 50% of the proceeds from that evening to Project Lifesaver. Project Lifesaver received almost \$600 from this event. Not bad for only 4 hours! Our other fundraiser was on June 29th at Panera Bread in Sandusky – we are still awaiting the good news on that particular event.

We ended the month of June with our Tail Twister Party on June 28th. We couldn't have asked for a more perfect evening as we enjoyed fantastic weather, a delicious dinner catered by Messenberg's and plenty of fun and laughter. Many thanks to Lions Phil and Diane Bauer for hosting this event once again this year.

Savannah

At its annual fish fry on June 2nd, Larry Messmore was installed as the Savannah Lions Club President for the 2016-2017 year. Zone chairperson, Mark Rafeld, was in attendance to do the honors.

Other officers for 2016-2017 installed were Rod Estep, 1st Vice President; Marj Pond, 2nd Vice President; Steve Bailey, 3rd Vice President; Katie Willeke, Tail Twister; Lion Tamer, John Calhoun; Treasurer, Kevin Reidy; Secretary, Steve Willeke; and, Membership Chairperson, Jim Bernhard. 1-year Directors installed were Debbie Reidy and Linda Bailey; 2-year Directors were Dave Pond and Patrick Miller.

Lion Mark also installed Rusty Radcliffe as a new member to the club. His sponsor was Mark Carey.

Tiffin

The Tiffin Lions contributed to the refurbishing of the "Lions Court" at Hedges Boyer Park by donating \$3,000.00 toward the purchase of new basketball backboards and hoops.



Assorted brooms and brushes were for sale at the fourth of ten "Farmers Markets" in Tiffin.



The Clyde Lions are inviting everyone to the Clyde Green Hills Golf Club on Sunday August 28th to participate in the District Golf Outing starting at 9 AM. This fun 4 person golf scramble is open to the public (men, women and youth) and Lions. Cost is \$50.00 per person which includes golf and cart fees, food and prizes. There will be an optional 1/2 + 1/2 drawing, mulligans and skins game also for an additional donation. Hole and Green sponsorships are available for \$75.00 each with all monies received going to local charities in the Clyde, Ohio area. To enter send a check payable to the "Clyde Lions Club" (memo line District OH2 Golf) send to; Pete DiCesare, 1033 Kennedy Ln. Fostoria, OH.44830

Deadline for golf team entries is Friday Aug. 19th 2016

TEAM _____ Cost: \$50.00/Golfer or
\$200.00/Team

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____



Hole & Green Sponsorship Cost: \$75.00/Sponsor Sign

Please send any art work (Business Card) or What message you want printed on your sign. Deadline for sign info is Friday Aug. 12th 2016.

Any questions please call Pete DiCesare at 419-348-5686 or email afire-chf@gmail.com or Dick & Bev O'Donnell at 419-547-8913 or rloblo@woh.rr.com

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