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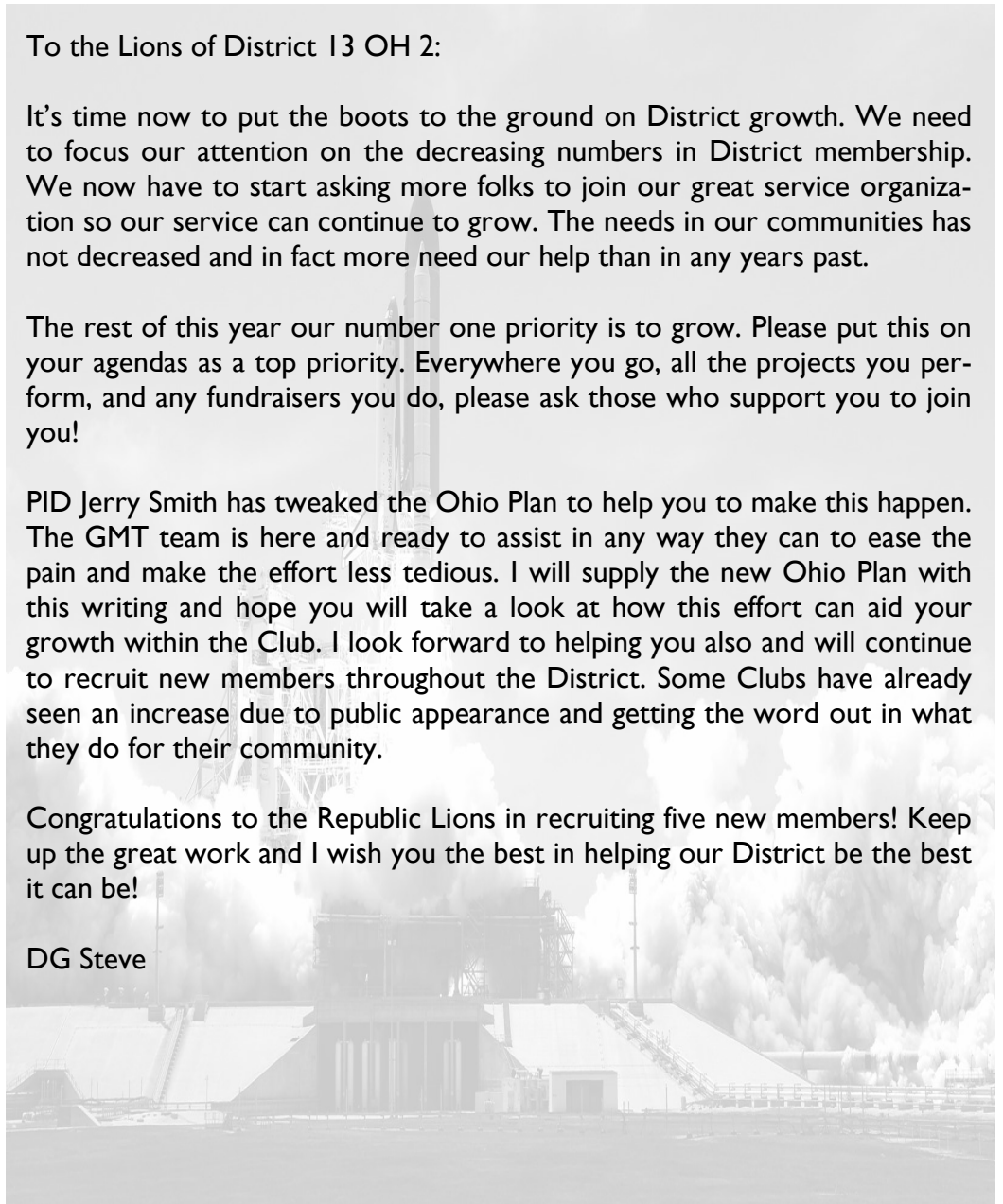
It's time now to put the boots to the ground on District growth. We need to focus our attention on the decreasing numbers in District membership. We now have to start asking more folks to join our great service organization so our service can continue to grow. The needs in our communities has not decreased and in fact more need our help than in any years past.

The rest of this year our number one priority is to grow. Please put this on your agendas as a top priority. Everywhere you go, all the projects you perform, and any fundraisers you do, please ask those who support you to join you!

PID Jerry Smith has tweaked the Ohio Plan to help you to make this happen. The GMT team is here and ready to assist in any way they can to ease the pain and make the effort less tedious. I will supply the new Ohio Plan with this writing and hope you will take a look at how this effort can aid your growth within the Club. I look forward to helping you also and will continue to recruit new members throughout the District. Some Clubs have already seen an increase due to public appearance and getting the word out in what they do for their community.

Congratulations to the Republic Lions in recruiting five new members! Keep up the great work and I wish you the best in helping our District be the best it can be!

DG Steve



The Ohio Plan *for the* Second Century of Lionism



A Structured Method for Recruiting New Lions.

This Plan Works Every Time it is Used, if the Procedures are Carefully Followed.

Summary:

This document provides a turnkey, step-by-step procedure that can be used by Lion Clubs to recruit new members. The Plan is definitive, highly detailed and targets individuals and couples that have a good chance of becoming excellent Lions.

In short, follow the plan carefully and you will be successful. There is, however, little room for creativity. We do not recommend anyone "doing their own thing!"

The Membership Chairman and his/her assistants will normally require a more detailed explanation of the Plan. The following information is available at: www.ohiolions.org/ohio_plan.htm

A number of supporting documents and forms that are required to run the program: letters, time schedules, meeting agendas, advertising material, new member package, etc.

KEY FACTORS **for a Successful New Member Night**

General Guidelines:

- Always remember the old saying "*You only get one chance to make a good First Impression.*" Think about this every time you are about to make a decision. Prospective members are your guests, and you must show them every possible consideration! Put yourself in their shoes and ask how you would respond to any and all situations.
- Recruiting new members cannot be undertaken in a haphazard manner. Recruiting is a **PROJECT**, just like fund raising or community service activities. There must be a Project Chairman, assistants, and really

and really good planning.

- Many Lions are reluctant to recommend friends or associates as new Lions. This is usually for fear of embarrassment or failure. However, you can normally get the support of these people by assuring them they will not have to personally make any approaches or phone calls.
- There are numerous places where the text reads “the committee” These are critical tasks that are best performed by the Membership Committee.

Before the Meeting: 4 to 6 weeks before the New Member Event, which is best done in March or September.

GATHER NAMES:

- Each member submits names of potential members at a meeting.
- Suggested categories are listed on the LCI Membership Wheel (RS).
- A really “hot category” are couples whose last child just graduated from high school. Many of these people have been active in sports, band boosters and other activities. They are accustomed to attending meetings during the week and will now have some empty evenings. The Lions can help them fill this void.
- Review the suggested names with your members. Reconsider anyone who might be controversial or could cause disunity. This process must be performed “delicately.”
- The Committee fills in any gaps in the addresses and phone numbers.

LETTER OF INTRODUCTION (see addendum page 7):

- The Committee sends the Letter of Introduction to the prospects.
- A club advertising flier may accompany the letter or reference the club website
- There is a sample letter as an addendum on page 7 of this document.
- Make sure the details about time, place, dress code etc are all correct!
- Since the Ohio Plan was written, the move to email and internet has changed the way many folks communicate. But *NOT* for everyone. You need to think about who you are reaching out to in deciding whether to send snail mail or email to your prospective member. The fact that they have an email address does not mean that is the best way to contact them. For many retirees, they have an email address and use the internet regularly – but are still going to appreciate an outreach in a more formal and traditional way. On the other hand, when you ask your members for names and contact information regarding their prospects, some of them may have only an email address to offer (especially true of people they work with). We suggest that when taking names from your members, you ask them whether they think the individual should be contacted by snail mail or email. See Addendum, page 8, for suggested wording and process for doing the initial outreach by email.

TELEPHONE CALLS (see addendum page 9):

- Call each Prospect about one week after the Letter is mailed to clarify any issues and answer any questions.
- The Committee should make this call, but it is essential that the call be made. If the sponsor wants to make the call allow them to do it.
- It is very important to ask the Prospect to commit to attending the meeting!
- The committee should call again a few days before the meeting and offer to give the Prospect a ride to the meeting or the sponsor may do so.
- You may want to send a reminder post card a week before
- For those that you reached out to via email, an alternative is needed. The whole idea of this step is to make PERSONAL contact with the prospect – something that cannot be done through email. In our experience, if the letter of introduction is sent via email (at a Lion’s suggestion) then that sponsoring Lion WILL need to be the one to reach out to the prospect with a personal conversation or phone call, to follow through (note – as shown in Addendum A, page 8, if you are sending your Letter of Introduction by email, we recommend that you send an open copy of that letter to the sponsoring Lion, so it will

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Once the prospect has accepted the invitation to attend your meeting, the further follow up (the “week out reminders,” etc.) can be done by email from a member of the committee. But the face-to-face contact (or a phone call) from a known person is critical to any outreach you do for folks via email. It is too easy to either ignore or delete emails – don’t give them the chance to ignore or delete *you*!

PLANNING THE MEETING:

- **Venue:** Best choice is a restaurant with a private room. Public rooms at Libraries, Community Centers, etc. are acceptable if you can serve food and the background noise level is acceptable. If you don’t have to change from your typical meeting venue (that is, if you can hold the meeting where you normally do and still make appropriate arrangements for a quiet place with good seating/lighting/meal options), think long and hard about moving away from that to someplace different (special) for this activity. You are trying to show your recruits who you are and what they can expect if they join you. It may be important to let them see the “real” you.
- **Menu:** Best choice is a buffet because it is the easier to provide a wide variety of foods, including vegetarian. If using a sit-down meal, pick something simple and light.
- Schedule speakers and their topics. Get agreement on the time limit.
- From start to finish, *the meeting should never exceed an hour and a half and the speaker portion after the meal should not exceed thirty minutes.*
- Decorate the room with Lions flags, banners, scrapbooks, etc.
- Prepare name tags, agenda and New Member Packets. Double check all the information and spelling.

Rehearsal and Preparation

Perhaps the most important strategy for making the Ohio Plan work is to REHEARSE everything in advance. The general meeting before the night of the recruitment event can be given over to talking about what will happen the night of the event. Suggest talking points for the Lions to bring up in their talk with recruits, and give them the names of folks who will be there (if they are confirmed). Ask the person who submitted that name to give a quick rundown on the person and tell something that might be useful in making conversation (e.g., “He is a huge Cleveland Browns fan” or “She is an attorney and has lived in this area all her life”).

Have the people you are planning to have speak rehearse those speeches (see listing of presentations, below). Have them get up in front of the Lions and give their speech. This gives them experience in talking in front of a group, makes sure they stay within the time limit allotted, and (if they *aren’t* within the time limit) it gives a chance to suggest what they could cut out of their presentation so that they WILL stay within the time limits.

Review the agenda and the seating arrangements, talk to the Lions about what information will be in the packets that recruits are handed, and make sure that you have a good system worked out for how to dismiss folks to get in line for the buffet so that you don’t have people tripping over one another. The rehearsal makes a HUGE difference in insuring the evening runs smoothly.

Have a packet of materials ready for each recruit. Consider a two-pocket folder with materials tucked in on each side, and the potential member’s nametag clipped to the front. You want to make sure to include a brochure or flier that is specific to your club, and a membership application. This is your chance to share both some professionally produced materials from LCI that talk about the impact of Lions worldwide and about personal satisfaction. It is also a chance to brag a little about what your club is all about. Consider including copies of recent news articles about your club, or flyers promoting recent or upcoming activities, or even a picture page showing your Lions in action.

The Meeting Format:

GREETING:

- Put a “glad hander” on the door to greet the guests. That first friendly handshake and smile are invaluable.
- Remember, make a *good first impression*.
- Your members should arrive early and be on their feet moving around the room.
- Everyone should have a name tag.
- Sponsors should be on the lookout for their guests. Each recruit should get individual attention from their personal host. That means that if you get more than one recruit from the same “sponsor” (that is, someone gives you more than one name), you may need to assign hosting duties to someone else. You can sit them at the same table with the person who sponsored them, but you want them to feel individually welcomed and courted. Ask the sponsor to identify another Lion who would get along well with that recruit.
- **NO GUEST CAN BE LEFT STANDING ALONE!**

SEATING:

- Encourage the sponsors to sit with their potential members so they can guide them through the proceedings during the evening.
- **MAKE SURE** there are no tables with just guests sitting there!
- Leave **NOTHING** to chance. Number the tables, and give everyone a table assignment (whether or not they are actively hosting a recruit). In considering seat assignments, you want to: (a) make sure that no recruit is separated from their assigned host/sponsor, (b) whenever possible, assure that you have assigned other Lions to sit at the table with the new recruits who will have something in common with them (kids the same age, recently retired, matched by occupation, etc.), and (c) make sure each new recruit has every chance of taking away a good impression of the people they meet. You know who your members are who are likely to either be too shy to speak up and interact comfortably with strangers, or to bend their ear with stories of “the good old days.” Balance those folks, at each table, with at least one of your best recruiters – someone you know is a great listener and good at keeping the conversation going.
- Have agendas, New Member Packets and (perhaps) some of the glossy LCI recruitment literature for each Guest on the tables.

PROGRAM:

Gear the program to the potential members. Aside from a favorable first impression, the factor that will most determine whether a prospect joins your club is how much good you do for your local community!

President starts the meeting with pledge, invocation, and introduces MC (if it will be different from President).

You may wish to consider having the Director of Membership do the honors.

Everyone knows how to eat, so get to it!

1st Speaker. An enthusiastic Lion who can talk about how much good your club does, how strongly your members feel about your efforts and how much fun you have. (5 minutes)

2nd & 3rd speakers. Two Project Chairmen; one fund raising and one community service. Tell the guests what you do and why you do it. (5 minutes each)

- **Treasurer:** Talk about how the club money is spent. You don’t need to discuss the administrative vs project funds. Instead, you want the focus on how much money your Club has raised over the last few years, how it has been given away or spent, and how many folks have been helped through the Club’s money. (5 minutes)

- Invite a representative from one of your regular philanthropies to be present to accept a check and to thank the Lions for their ONGOING support. You want it to be clear that this check isn’t something being given as a one-time donation. This is a cause you support on an ongoing basis. (5 minutes)

Last, have someone who from your club speak for just a few minutes about “When I Became a Lion” – not the date of their installation, but the moment in time when they looked around and were struck by what they were a part of.

Close the deal –ask for questions and provide a membership application to each guest attending

Think about the **TONE** of the presentations you make that evening. You want to present a positive image of your club and of your plans for the future. Don’t talk about how your membership numbers are down (if they are!) – talk about what exciting plans you have for expanding your service agenda when you bring in some new members. Don’t talk about what you *used to do* (when you had more members), talk about what you **ARE** doing and what you hope to do in the future with their help. You want your recruits to join you, not save you!

After the Meeting:

FOLLOW UP:

- Send follow-up letters to those who joined (**see addendum page 10**), those who attended (**see addendum page 10**), and those that said they would attend but didn’t. Send the follow up letters in the same manner you sent the initial outreach letter – whether that be by snail mail or email. If you are sending by email, you can send a copy of the appli-

membership application as an attachment for them to download.

- The committee must keep in contact with the Prospects.

* Keep after **Every Prospect** until they either join or definitively tell you “I have no interest.”

CLEANUP:

- Give a big “Atta-Lion” to everyone who helped make the New Member Night a success. Praising your members is always warranted for work well done.
- Make sure your Club starts working on Inducting, Orienting and Involving the new members. If your Club fails to perform these three steps the new members will not remain Lions for very long.
- Keep accurate records of the New Member Night. They have long term value. Setting up a database or spreadsheet is the key to a good records system.

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Addendum

(Sample - Invitation Letter)



Anytown Lions Club
Anytown, Ohio

Date _____

Dear _____,

At a recent meeting of our Lions Club, your name was recommended for possible membership. To let you know a little bit about us, we are members of the largest service club organization in the world... Lions Clubs International. Our membership is made up of community minded men and women like you who are interested in making our community a better place to live.

Our club was organized in _____ and we have served the community with pride and with the knowledge that we made a difference for the past ____ years. You have probably seen us in the community working to raise money for our projects or know of one of the many service activities we complete every year. But do you know that besides the hard work we have lots of fun and fellowship? As a Lion you will make friendships that will last a lifetime.

We are proud of our club and all we do, and we could do more if we had more members like you. We are extending an invitation to you to be our guest for dinner at our NEW MEMBER NIGHT on _____, (date) at ____ (place) ____ at ____ (time). Following dinner we will spend time explaining in more detail our club service and fund raising activities. We will complete our meeting no later than _____ p.m. Between now and ____ (date noted above) ____ a Lions Club member will be calling to talk to you about this event. We hope that you will accept our invitation. In the meantime, if you have any questions please feel free to call me or any other Lion that you may know for more information.

Thank you for taking the time to consider Lions, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Name _____
Title, _____ Lions Club

Phone number _____

(Sample - Electronic Invitation Letter)

If you are going to send your outreach letter by email, we suggest you try this, sent in the BODY of the email. Don't send it in an attachment in order to get it on Letterhead – people are hesitant to open attachments from people they don't know. We also suggest that you put the recommending Lions first name in the subject line of the email.

(Prospective Member),

_____ is a member of the _____ Lions Club, and has suggested that you would be a great addition to our club. **We are reaching out to invite you to come and meet our Lions.** Our membership is made up of community minded men and women like you who are interested in making our community a better place to live.

We are proud of our club and all we do, and we could do more if we had more members like you. **We are extending an invitation to you to be our guest for dinner at our NEW MEMBER NIGHT on (date), at (place), at (time).** Following dinner we will spend some time explaining what we do for our community.

Between now and (date noted above), we will be contacting you to talk about this event. We hope that you will accept our invitation. In the meantime, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me or check out our website at (Website address) or our Facebook page at (Facebook address).

Thank you for taking the time to consider Lions, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Name and Title

_____ Lions Club

Phone number

Email Address

(Reminder Call)

Hello (Candidate's Name). This is (Your Name) from the _____ Lions Club. You recently received a letter from our membership chairperson inviting you to our membership meeting on ____(date)____ at ____(time)____ at ____(location)____.

I'm just calling to make sure you received the letter. The attire for the evening is casual and we anticipate an evening of good fellowship mixed with an opportunity for you to learn a little bit about Lionism. We promise to have you out of there no later than ____(time)____.

We are required to give the restaurant reservations so we'd like to know how many guests to expect. Can we count on your attendance? Do you need directions or a ride to the restaurant?

Thank you.

Sample - Thank You for Attending Letter
(to be sent either on letterhead or through email)



Anytown Lions Club
Anytown, Ohio

Date

Dear ----

On behalf of the _____ Lions Club, I sincerely want to thank you for attending our New Member Night on _____

As you discovered at the meeting, we have a very active club. We are therefore always looking for good people so we can expand our services to our community and beyond. The more good people we have, the more we can do.

The members who met you at the recent event are convinced that you would be a terrific addition to our membership! I am certain you would find Lionism a rewarding and enjoyable experience. Not only will you help us fulfill our motto, "We Serve," but you will quickly begin developing many new friendships, many of which will last a lifetime.

I am therefore encouraging you to take a few minutes right now and fill out the Membership Application. You can return the completed application at one of our regularly scheduled meetings. Your sponsor, Lion will also be contacting you in the near future.

To keep you informed of when we meet and what we are doing, we will add your name to the distribution list for our club newsletter. The newsletter is published monthly and provides important information about the happenings within our Lions Club and our future events. (and/or refer them to club website but make sure it's up to date and contains the club calendar)

Once again, I want to encourage you to join the Lions Club. I'll be looking forward to seeing you at a future meeting.

Sincerely,

Title, _____ Lions Club

(Sample - Thank You for Joining Letter)

NOTE: Even if the rest of your outreach was done by email, by this time you will have their street address (as they filled out a membership application). We recommend this letter be sent formally, on letterhead stationary.)



Anytown Lions Club
Anytown, Ohio

Date

Dear _____,

On behalf of the _____ Lions Club, I sincerely want to thank you for deciding to join our organization.

As you discovered by visiting our club meetings, we have a very active club. We are therefore always searching for good people to enable us to expand our services to our community and beyond. The more good people we have, the more we can do, and we believe you will be a terrific addition to our club!

I am certain you will find our Lions Club a rewarding and enjoyable experience. Not only will you help us fulfill our motto, "We Serve," but you will quickly begin developing new friendships, many of which will last a lifetime.

Typically our club meets ___dates & time___. Our next meeting will be _____. A Lion will call you prior to the meeting to secure reservations for dinner. The cost of the meal is \$_____.

You will also begin receiving Lion Clubs International's publication "The Lion" in the near future. It typically takes LCI about six weeks to process a new member application. If you don't start seeing "The Lion" within two months, please let me know.

Once again, I want to welcome you to the _____ Lions Club. I'll be looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Sincerely,

Title, _____ Lions Club

1st VD Greg

ITS GREAT TO BE A LION its FUN TO BE A LION

Great news!!!!!!!!!!

We finally have our new vision machines in!!!!

We are doing a train the trainers session Nov 19th at 11 AM at the Tiffin Moose in Tiffin

If you want to participate please RSVP to me at 419-685-1547

If your clubs are currently screening we would like a representative from your club there

Club visits are going great and its fantastic to hear about all of the great work our clubs are doing

Just completed the second round of training and attended the second COG meeting

Lions around the state are very active and all looking forward to the centennial celebration at next Years State Convention WHICH OUR DISTRICT IS HOSTING in Sandusky

That's going to be a good time with a lot of activities so save that weekend.

2nd VD Keith

Lions Members of District 13 OH2

Five months into the new Lions year of District 13 OH2, and I am enjoying my Club visitations throughout the District. I like meeting the Lions in each Club: they make me feel welcome and are enthusiastic about their projects in the communities they serve as well as their contributions to Lionism in general. Keep it up! Bite 'em!!

In November, I will be attending a number of Zone meetings to hear about both past and future Club projects as we gear up for our Centennial Celebration. The long-term and short-term projects you gear up for become YOUR legacy to future Lions and their communities.

Also, remember the Deer Creek Winter Retreat and the District 13 OH2 Convention are rapidly approaching--two great ways to learn about and share with Lions in other clubs and districts. One of the joint projects for the convention is the annual Silent Auction; clubs are asked to contribute auction items that are of good quality that other Lions might want to buy. This fund-raiser supports various District projects.

Finally, keep working on membership; invite your prospects to help at a fund-raiser for your club. That might be a "spark" to turn young and old into Members of Lions.

Have a safe and happy holiday. See you soon.

2nd VDG Keith Kaufman

A Sense of Your Place



If you were to ask one who has served as a District Governor what he or she enjoyed the most about their year in office, they will unanimously tell you that it was, "visiting the clubs." There are many reasons for this; seeing friends, having the opportunity to speak about their year, inducting new Lions; but I think the one thing that really impresses is hearing clubs talk about their projects, fundraisers and activities. The work of Lions is mostly local. Certainly; our Association has foundations and projects working all over the world, but fundamentally it is the local club that makes the biggest difference. It is those local Lions who have the "sense of place" who make a difference. Local Lions know what their community's needs are all about. Local Lions provide assistance to the individuals who need help. They lead by doing. In short, it is your club and your service that provide the biggest impact of our Association. Lions believe in something that seems to be quickly vanishing, it is the notion that we all are responsible for our own place; whether it be a city, town or village. There was a time when this sentiment was common, but it is becoming largely lost. When you couple the notion of local responsibility with the virtue of charity to those less fortunate you have a powerful agent for good. There are 46,000 Lions Clubs around the world with 1.4 million individual Lions, each of whom became members to work unselfishly for the good of their community, and you and your District Governor are just two of them. Your District Governor (the guy in the red coat) understands and appreciates how important you and your club is to your town. It is his wish to assist you with the many programs and ideas that he as a Lion Leader has at his disposal. Your DG is on your side; in fact, he is your biggest booster. He wants to see you and your Lions Club grow and thrive.

CC Jeff Hillis

From District OH-2 Global Membership Team...

Fellow Lions,

As we enter the holiday seasons of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day, what better way for you and your fellow club members to celebrate the Lions Centennial year by inviting members of your community to attend a local Lions meeting or meetings with you!

If your club meeting includes a meal, then treat them to a breakfast/lunch/dinner and have them learn first-hand, from you, about the GREAT things that you do in and around your town and area in the name of Lionism.

Membership is a responsibility of ALL Lions, not just your membership chairperson and/or committee. Lions who sponsor new member(s) will receive not only a Centennial Sponsor Pin, but also a personal pin from DG Steve as a new member sponsor. Let's roll up our sleeves, get out into your community, partner with prospective members to join in your projects, and share that Lions' Spirit in this Centennial Year of Lions Clubs International.

The Governor and Cabinet are counting on us all to increase our membership locally in order to obtain a net INCREASE of all clubs in District OH-2. The GMT is available to assist you in your membership efforts. Remember, membership is ongoing, and follow up with your prospects is vital. Once a new member joins your club, orient them to Lionism; sponsors are a valuable resource for new Lions as they learn about your club.

Clubs and their respective Zones continue to be in competition, now through the end of January, for the highest percentage increase of membership from January, 2016 through January, 2017 in the District's Lion Catcher Incentive Program!

As I travel through the district, learning about the GREAT and FUN activities that we as OH-2 Lions do in our club coverage areas, I am reminded of that old adage of TEAM: **Together Everyone Achieves More**. The more members of any team, the stronger the "depth chart" of talents and services that your club can provide to your Lions Club community! Launch New Visions for your Club through member recruitment and retention!

Lion Kevin Reidy,
District OH-2 Global Membership Team

HAYESVILLE LIONS CLUB

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

NOVEMBER 19th at 6 p.m.

STONE LUTHERAN CHURCH

\$5 donation

PRIZES AWARDED

A Request for the Ohio State Blind Band

Lions Club's of District 13-OH2

As your representative to the Ohio Lions State Band Committee, I am pleased to announce that the committee has chosen to send the Ohio State School for the Blind Marching band to the Lions Club's International 100th anniversary convention in Chicago, Illinois. They will be representing the Lion's of Ohio in the International parade and convention activities.

The cost of sending the band to Chicago needs your club donations to make this trip possible. The band committee is asking each club to donate \$50.00 to \$100.00 dollars in order to raise the needed \$19,000.00 state wide. I have made Zone presentations at 5 (Five) of the zones. Clubs are sending in their donations. The one problem being encountered is the check must be made out to Ohio Lions with band on the memo line. I have received checks totaling \$1,000.00. \$500.00 dollars worth of checks have been returned because they are made out to a payee other than Ohio Lions with band on the memo line. I thank the 16 clubs that have already made their donation. To the club treasurers of the clubs that have yet to make their donations please make check payable to Ohio Lions with band on memo line.

The club donations need to be made if possible by years end. The State Band Committee must be able to show the Council of Governors that the trip can be financed at the committee's February 11, 2017 meeting. This date allows the required advance planning to be done for the trip to Chicago.

Thanks in advance to the clubs that have yet to make their donation.

Lion Francis O. Hensel

2016 District 13 OH-2 Poinsettia Sale

Information:

To receive Lion's pricing, ALL orders must be placed through a Lions, Lioness, or Leo Club. A club may place several orders designating different pick up dates. Forward orders either by mail or email to Lion Ann Miller. She will forward copies to Pinehaven Garden Center and to CT Dave Omlor. Place all orders by December 4 to allow Pinehaven time to set aside sufficient flowers to fill all of our requests.

To prevent delivery mix-ups, Club must take an order copy when making the flower pick-up, else the order cannot be filled until someone from the club emails one. Lion Ann Miller should also be able to forward information in an emergency.

No money is to be taken when flowers are picked up as no money is to be paid directly to Pinehaven. They will bill the District for total sales. CT Dave will have a copy of all club orders. Make club checks to DISTRICT 13 OH-2 POINSETTIA SALE. Send check to Lion Ann with your club order – or if paying

after delivery, send check and a copy of club order to CT Dave. Lion Ann will coordinate all club orders with Pinehaven and will forward all checks received to CT Dave.

Clubs are to forward to District 13 OH-2 \$8.50 for each 6-1/2" poinsettia sold and \$16.50 for each 8-1/2" poinsettia sold. Money goes into the Poinsettia Sale Account from which a number of District projects and activities are funded.

Clubs may schedule flower pick-ups beginning November 28. Bruce and Chris at Pinehaven will have a copy of your club order. Your club needs to coordinate the pick-up time with them. If your club is making several pick-ups, you will need to have a completed order form for each one. It is too confusing for everyone to attempt to pick up "split" orders.

Pinehaven is willing to schedule a delivery to your club if your order totals a minimum of \$250. Delivery cost is extra and this money IS the direct responsibility of the club to Pinehaven Garden Center and is to be paid with the delivery.

If your club is also using this poinsettia sale as a fund raising activity, you may want to create your own order form using the pricing you have established.

Poinsettia Sale Chair

Ann Miller

Project Lifesaver

Old Fort Lion Carl Miller and Bloomville Lion and Seneca County Project Lifesaver President Cindy Beat accept a donation from Reineke Family Dealerships at the November 7th Zone 2 Advisory meeting in Bloomville. The donation came after the August 17th "Drive 4 Your Community" fundraiser. The Ford Motor through the Reineke dealership donated \$20.00 per test drive.



2016 District 13 OH-2 Lions, Lioness & Leos Holiday Poinsettia Sale Order Form

Club Name:

Pot size	Color	Qty Sold	Cost Each	QxC= Total	Order total

•6-1/2" pots with 5-7 blooms cost **\$8.50** each Colors: **red, white, pink, marbled**

•8-1/2" pots as above and also **tri-color** with 3 of the 4 above colors for **\$16.50** each.

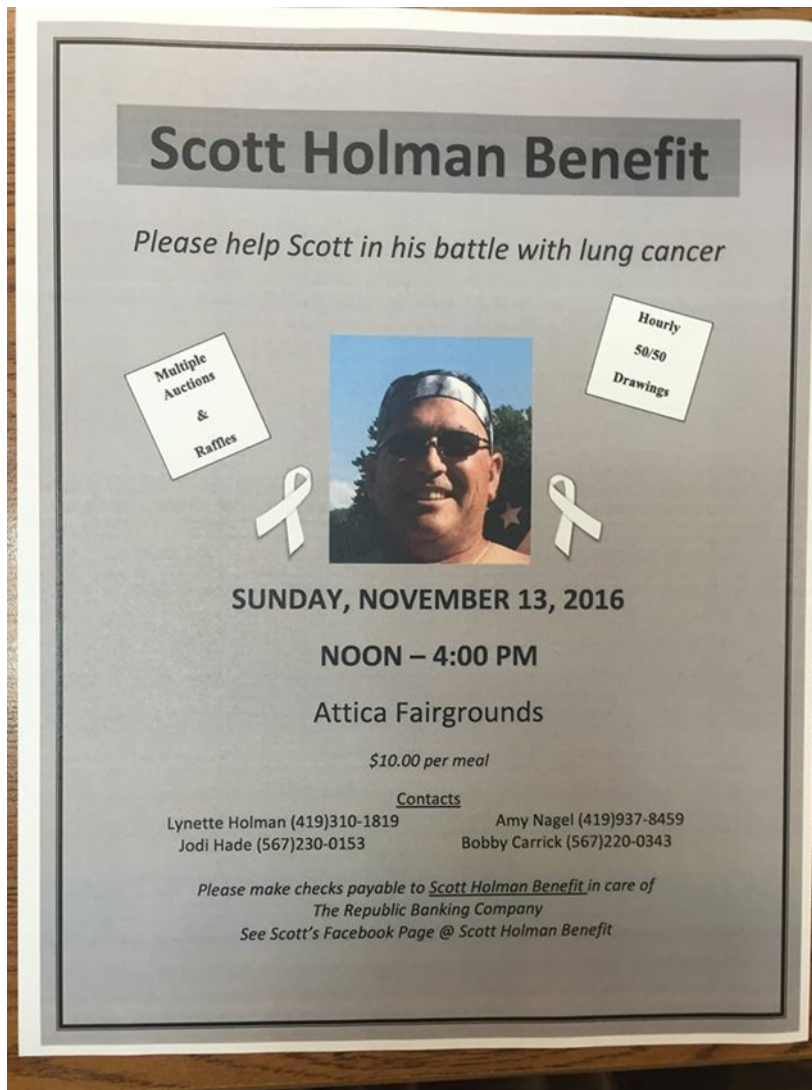
(Additional 8-1/2" colors need to be confirmed by Chris or Bruce at Pinehaven @ 440-934-5948)

Checks should be made out to **District 13 OH-2 Poinsettia Sale** and sent along with a copy of the order to Lion Ann Miller (District Sale Chair) at the address below. **No orders are to be placed directly with Pinehaven.** Miller will forward order copies to Pinehaven Garden Center and checks to Cabinet Treasurer Dave Omlor. No money is to be paid directly to the greenhouse. Pick-ups may be scheduled beginning November 28. You **MUST** bring along a copy of club order when picking up. All orders need to be entered by **Dec. 4** Contact Lion Ann with any questions.

**Pinehaven Garden Center
Attn: Bruce
39424 Detroit Road
Avon, Ohio 44011**

**Lion Ann Miller
1514 Twp. Rd. 1173
Ashland, Oh 44805
Home 419-289-0638 Cell 419-651-6470
babba4ajm@gmail.com**

District 13 OH-2 Lions, Lioness & Leos



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Ashland

The October 20, 2016 meeting was called to order by Lion President Bill Snyder. Following the singing of the first verse of "America," the guests were introduced at the Lion/Son meeting. There were several sons, grand sons and great-grand sons present. Guests included four members from the Ashland Model Railroaders & Rail Fans. The Ashland Model Railroaders & Rail Fans demonstrated several scaled working model railroad trains and a model steel mill. The smallest working model train was an "N" gage.

The Assistant Tail Twister, Lion Denny Hiner, asked everyone to sing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game." The table that sang the loudest went first to eat. Lion Denny said all Club members attending the second meeting in November (November 17) should wear some form of Cleveland Indians memorabilia or be "HEAVILY FINED!!"

The drawing for the Dash for Food winner will be at the November 3 meeting. The Dash for Food collection will be at Buehler's on November 12 at 8 a.m. PR chairman Lion Carol Dickson will check with the Times-Gazette and see if they can have their photographer there.

A sign-up sheet was available to help sell tickets at Buehler's on Saturday, October 22 between 11 a.m and 3:30 p.m., and also, if you can help sell at the Ashland H.S. football game on Friday October 28, we need your help. (You can watch the game for free if you help..smile).

Lion Ann Miller handed out sale forms for poinsettias. Deliveries will be December 5 and 11.

The sign-up sheet was passed around for the Christmas bell ringing. We will be inside Buehler's this year on Fridays from November 25th to December 23rd. The Holiday Parade sign-up was available for the members to volunteer. 3rd VP Lion Ed Krakora said the peanut brittle and cashew crunch sale is going well. He has brittle on

hand to fill orders. The Zone 7 Meeting will be November 2 at Rowsburg Lions Club.

Zone 7 Chairman Lion Glen McClure gave the Benediction.

Bascom

Thirteen Lions met at the Oak Shelter at Meadowbrook Park for the bimonthly business meeting. Bill McAllister, Co-Chair of the Seneca County Parks Levy Committee, spoke about the ten-year 0.5 mill park levy on the November 8th ballot. The district encompasses ten nature preserves totaling more than 700 acres. Operating funds are presently received through donations, farm rental, and grants. Seneca County residents are fortunate to have so many parks close to home.

Lion President Denny Hohman informed the club that Hopewell Township/ Meadowbrook Park is proposing installing 582 foot walkway in the park from the pool to the ballroom. The eight foot wide above ground concrete walkway is estimated to cost \$70,000. The township has received a federal grant for partial cost. Discussed a donation to project undertaken by District Governor Steve Cochie's wife, Ginny. It will be received at the March District Convention for the benefit of the Lorain Vision Clinic.

A donation of \$100 was approved to the Diabetes Foundation to benefit a local resident. A request was made to have volunteers to act as judges for the 2016 Peace Poster Contest. A donation to the Ohio Lions Blind Band for the 2017 International Convention in Chicago was discussed.

Remembering the late Lion Ray Valentine
Ray joined the Bascom Club December 1972, and was an active member for 44 years. He served two years as President and was a recipient of The Humanitarian Service Award. He led the Lions Memorial Parade for many years. Ray faced a serious accident and lived with adverse health conditions for many years. In September 2010, his only son, Herm, serving as club president, was killed in a motorcycle acci-

dent. Ray attended many club meetings and functions with the assistance of family members. He continued to show us an example of living and serving despite adversities. Ray passed away on October 11, 2016. He is survived by two daughters, in-laws, grand- and great grandchildren, along with many friends in the Bascom and Hopewell-Loudon School community. We'll never forget his positive attitude and friendly smile.

Bellevue

September Broom/White Cane days saw our annual sale off to a good start at Ace Hardware and Hogues IGA. Besides brooms we had a new sign advertising White Cane Days with a five gallon water jug for donations. We also had help on the first week from Harry Sargeant (Fremont Club) and Dick and Bev O'Donnell (Clyde Club). We have also had Industry broom orders from American Baler for 12 HD and Janotta Herner for 24 HD.

Lions Jim and David met with High School Principal Nate Artino on September 28th to talk about a LEO's club.

Lion Mark Motley had one eye case approved. Donation of \$100 to Ohio Lions for the Ohio School for the Blind to the International Convention.

On October 3rd Lion Ann talked about the District Governor's wives project "Partners in Education." Jinny Cochie would like all the clubs to donate items for the Lorain Eye Clinic. Items will be assembled into health kits for children who are patients. We are working on tooth brushes and tooth paste from local dentists for this project.

October 15th the Trash Pickup day found four Lions working.

October 17th was Spouses night, Speakers were LaRose Meadows and Sue Thompson from the new candy store in town. The topic was learning the chocolate candy making process. Our Lions got to sample ten different flavors. They are located in the middle of the block close to Strayers Insurance on Main Street.

Past, Present and Future

Castalia

Lion John Cullen reported the 2016 Golf Scramble had 34 teams and 53 sponsors this year.

Lion Mike Cullen and his group had a very good return on the 2016 Cold Creek Celebration this year, the best in recent memory for this event.

The Castalia Lions Family Picnic will be held August 16th, bring your family and the grandkids for a fun filled evening. Lion Joe and his family will have games and gifts for the children. The meal of hamburgers, hotdogs, corn, and ice cream will be enjoyed by all.

The Castalia Lions Chicken BBQ will be held August 21st at the Lions Center. Lions will be at your homes Monday morning installing signs to advertise this event.

Lion Dennis and his group are preparing for the Jimmy Bucket's Project August 26-28, sign up to work this event at the next two meetings.

The Castalia Lions made a \$500.00 donation to Matt Orshoski, a local man stricken with Multiple Sclerosis and confined to Bellevue Care Center.

Lorain

July 28, On the Avenue, Milan Festival Queen Jordan Davis and her mother, Robin Davis, a festival organizer, spoke on this remarkable annual festival held in Milan around Labor Day weekend.

August 4, 7 p.m., Lorain Lions attended Lake Erie Crushers game at All-Pro Freight Field in Avon with other Lorain County Lions and guests. This is a fundraiser for the Zone 4 Project Lifesaver.

The link for the Lorain Lions Club Facebook is now active. Please send, share and invite people you know on Facebook to like our page.

<https://www.facebook.com/Lorain-Lions-611619519001820/>

Old Fort

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 available for purchase. Contact Carl Miller or Dan Schatzinger with questions.

The Sandusky Co. Fair runs August 23rd to the 28th. Please contact your Day Captain if you need special consideration with regards to your work assignments. If you cannot work a shift trade with someone or get a sub and notify your day captain about whom you are sending. Whatever you do, avoid just not showing up.

Old Fort Lions Club 2nd Annual Gun Raffle President Derek Hunker has packets of 10 tickets to sell for the gun raffle. Please see him for your packet. The tickets are \$10 each. We want to sell at least 900.

Perrysville

Perrysville Lions held their 2016-2017 Officer installation and Picnic at the home of PDG Dana and Julianne Zody Saturday July 16 at 5:00. PCC, PDG Forrest Conrad of Ashland was the installing officer for this year's officers. Forrest had just returned from the 99th International convention in Fukuyoka, Japan.

After the Officer installation, all enjoyed a wonderful picnic with Home Made Ice-cream for desert. Following the meal, a short business meeting was held. The wrap up of the Car Show was given. We will plan to hold the show earlier in the day next year.

For the request of a donation for a paver brick for the Girl Scouts Silver Award (building an out door study area at Loudonville-Perrysville campus) Joe Brown moved that we buy a paver brick costing \$75.00 with the Lions logo and Perrysville Lions on it.

A thank you notes was received from the Hinkle girl that we sponsored for the HOBY program.

Sandusky

Thanks to all club members who worked our booth at the Sandusky 4th of July celebration. We had beautiful weather and a wonderful turnout. Along with our raffles, we gave away over 1,000 prizes that day. Amazing! All monies raised from our raffles will be divided between Victory Kitchen's Shower Project and Stein Hospice.

On Tuesday, August 2nd, the Sandusky Lions Club/Project Lifesaver will once again participate in the Touch-a-Truck event in downtown Sandusky. At no cost, children can climb on, play in and learn about several vehicles including a fire truck, dump truck, tow truck, SWAT vehicles, police cruisers and more. This is always a very well-attended event and we look forward to being a part of it again this year.

It's hard to believe it's that time already, but the Sandusky Lions Club will be assisting with the Sandusky Churches Adopt-A-School Partnership Back to School Rally on Saturday, August 6th. Members will help in all aspects of the event from set-up, to registration, to clean-up.

Approximately 1,500 children attend this event where they enjoy food, music, have the opportunity to participate in various learning activities and receive a free dental cleaning if needed. At the end of the day each child receives a back pack filled with school supplies. The Sandusky Lions Club is proud to participate in this wonderful event!

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Bellevue Continued

The Cheese Sale committee reports sale will run thru October 31st.

October 27th was Bellevue's annual Halloween Parade. Four scary Lions were in the Railroad Museum to pass out pencils and cookies and cleanup project.

Bellville

The Bellville Lions Club completed the painting of the Village Depot. This is our Centennial Service Project. This project took three months to complete. The



Club is very proud to be able to do this project for the village of Bellville.

The Club has one new member Lion Rich Osburn. He is on the Village Council and we are very happy to have him as a Lion.

Eight members worked at the club's food trailer during the Butler Apple Fest October 14th and 15th.

The Lexington LEOs delivered paper towels, bathroom tissue and Kleenex to the Bellville Neighborhood Outreach Center for their Food Bank. The BNOC advised the club they really needed those items.

The Club is still recycling pop cans, newspapers and plastic to help the environment.

Bloomville

The Bloomville Lions had a busy month of October, helping to cook 200 hot dogs and 600 bratwursts at the Oktoberfest at Garlo Park. The event is the main fundraiser for the Seneca County Park District each year.

The club provided a hayride, cider and doughnuts for the Bliss Memorial Library Halloween Party, serving a total of about 70 children and adults.

The club also did the last cleanup of State Route 19 for the year, with 9 members contributing a total of 20 hours for this environmental cleanup project.

A group of people from the Attica and Bloomville areas have teamed up to do a benefit for Lion Scott Holman from the Bloomville club as he continues his fight with cancer. It will be Sunday afternoon November 13th at the Attica Fairgrounds. The club will be serving beverages at the event and other groups will be preparing the food and running other fundraising activities. (Can also search Scott Holman benefit on Facebook).

Bucyrus

The Bucyrus Lions held a very successful Quarter Auction in October. This is the club's largest fundraiser. Christi Crall was in charge of the event and club members asked community businesses for donations for the auction. Debbi Gifford was in charge of the food for the supper preceding the event. Vendors and attendees alike had a good time. A donation was made to the church youth group for picking up and delivering items to individuals in the room.

The big service project for October was manning a shelter at the "Linda Friend Memorial Spooktacular" at Aumiller Park. See more information about this past Lion on the Bucyrus City website: www.cityofbucyrusoh.us/events.php. Three hundred colorful Halloween bags and donated candy were given out to children dressed as everything from drum

majors to Willy Wonka. The children could pick a book from a selection of 110 children's paperbacks and then they could



get a cup of popcorn to enjoy. PDG Terry and Linda Spiegel, 2nd VDG Keith and Connie Sue Kaufman and Joy Hillis worked at the decorated shelter.

The next fund-raiser is the drive-thru chicken dinner that will be on November 15th at the Council on Aging. Pre-sale tickets are available before Nov. 8th from any member for \$8.50 apiece. Call 419-563-8679 for more information.

Carol Iiams and Janet Harer process the eyeglass cases referred to the club and talk to people about the guidelines we have for approving the cases.

The Crawford County Low Vision Project placed a portable hand-held electronic magnifier with a lady who could not sit up long enough to use a regular CCTV.



Dr. Christina Fox will be taking about 500 pairs of eyeglasses to Pandora to be processed and reused in other countries. About 10 members will be attending the zone social in November.

Check our Facebook page for more pic-

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Castalia

The Castalia Lions Halloween Parade and Party was held October 26th. The hayride portion of the event had to be cancelled due to threatening weather conditions. We



had over 270 children show for the evening of costumes, candy, cider, and donuts. I'm sure the kids enjoyed the result of all your hard work to put this event together, year after year. Lion Joe Bias has headed this committee for years and continues to improve this event year after year. The Castalia Lions Club has put on this event for 50 plus years. Lion Joe would like to add a special thanks to the student judges and the Great Margaretta High Marching Band for entertaining the kids prior to the costume judging. Thanks to Lion President Kevin for doing his usual excellent job as master of ceremonies.

The Christmas Sign Group reports that the Christmas Sign will be hung across the

Duck Pond after Thanksgiving. They will schedule a work session to be announced at one of our November meetings.

The Castalia Lions Club donated ten cases of water to the Margaretta High School Dance.

The next regular meeting will be the perch dinner at the Lions Center.

Clyde

Once again Clyde Lions were present at the Clyde Downtown Market held on Railroad Street October 13th selling Brooms among other wares offered by area vendors.

White Cane Day was October 14th with Lions present at three local businesses. Donations are sent to the Lorain Eye Center.

November 28th the Lions will sponsor annual Bloodmobile at First United Methodist Church on Race and Maple Street.

The Club recently approved purchasing Lions signs to be located on the east and west bound Route 20 entrances to the city. By working with the city signs should be in place sometime in 2017.

Ten percent of the profit from the August 28th District 13 OH-I Golf Outing was donated to the District towards Jinny Cochie's project in Honor of Governor Cochie.

District Governor Cochie and Lion Greg Swartz visited with club members at the October meeting. He brought up to date information regarding the District Convention as well as the the International Convention in Chicago.

Colonel Crawford

Our annual Halloween kids' party will take place tonight, we hope for good weather and a good turnout. Thanks to Lion Marilyn for heading up the committee for this event.

Lion Ryan Noblet, a graduate of Colonel Crawford and Bowling Green State University has completed another graduation and realized a five year goal when he graduated from the Ohio State Patrol Academy on September 30th. He and his bride, Jen, live in Bucyrus. Ryan would like to thank all of the Colonel Crawford Lions for their support and prayers for him. He is still in a training period and does not have a set work shift. Once he does, he will be back with us on a regular basis.

Workers for the November 12th recycling day at Lowe/Volk park are: Lions Dave Schwenning, Joe Noblet, Doug Radner and April Bond.

Our club has had a very successful 2016 with many profitable projects, new members and lots and lots of great fellowship.

Elmore

The Elmore Lions will be having a Ladies Christmas dinner at the local Kiwanas Club on December 6th.

We will have Christmas dinner for the residents at the Elmore Retirement Center on December 13th with bingo following.

Santa Claus will will visit the Elmore community at the log cabin December 16th and 17th.



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Hayesville

Veteran's Appreciation Night. Lion Bob Brown told of his experience in Vietnam in 1968-1969 for 360 days.

He was with the 3rd Battalion 6th Artillery. His friend, Eddie, was killed along with over 58,000 others during Vietnam.

Jane Roland, Administrator for the Ashland County Veterans Service Commission, spoke about her father who was on the USS Davis when it was hit by a torpedo and caught fire. Her father and others went out and brought the injured and dead back. What is PTSD now was called "Shell Shock" then. Her father had shell shock and died of a heart attack at age 45. Jane has been with her job for 39 years. They transport veterans to their appointments in various cities.

Agent Orange was and still is a problem with Vietnam vets. The ground water [inland Vietnam] and blue water just off the coast carried agent orange. Many were injured with it. You may get VA health care, help with assisted living and nursing home care, and financial assistance.

Ashland County Veterans Service Commission is fully funded by Ashland County tax money, but they don't use as much as they are allotted.

Jane Roland presented a beautiful coin from her office to all the veterans in attendance who were: Gene Yeater, Don Herr, Don Ritchie, Jim Slater, Dick Dillgard, Bob Brown, Duane Dole, and Kim Walton and thanked all for their service.

The Zone 8 Cabinet meeting and dinner was held the October 19th at the Hayesville Elementary School and was hosted by the Hayesville Club.

Seven Hayesville Lions recently completed Vision Screening of pre-school students at the ACWH Career Center and at Hayesville Elementary School along with Kindergarten students. 96 were screened.

We also held a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast for Titus Elliott. About 100

attended and significant money was given to the Elliott family to help pay medical expenses for Titus' foot. Thanks to all who attended.

Trick or Treat was October 27th from 6-7 in Hayesville and we will be there.

November 3rd is the day when sausage orders are to be received. Call Jim Tugend at 419-908-3337 or Marc Morgan at 419-368-4241. November 12th, Sausage sales at Hillsdale High School during the Craft Show.

November 17th, Dinner Meeting, 6:30 pm, Hayesville UMC. The LEO CLUB will be represented.

November 19th, Euchre tournament, 6 pm, Stone Lutheran.

December 15th Christmas Dinner, 7 pm, Stone Lutheran, there will be a W H I T E E L E P H A N T gift exchange. SUGGESTION the gift should have value of \$10 or less and may be a regifted item. It is the thought that counts, get rid of some stuff.

Loudonville

In October, Loudonville Lions had their biggest and most lucrative project of the year, their food tent at the Loudonville Free Street Fair on October 4 thru 8. We transport all our tables, chairs, two refrigerators, our food trailer, roasters, and all pertinent equipment from our building to the tent which was erected on a downtown street. Truckloads of food-stuff are delivered from Stake's IGA. Soup and sandwiches are begun at 7 a.m. each of the five days, serving begins for the fairgoers at 11 a.m. and continues until closing at 8 p.m. Everything is made by the Lions including vegetable-beef, chicken noodle and chili soups, sloppy joes, chicken and hamburger sandwiches. Drinks are coffee, milk, pop and water. Around 70 Amish pies are served each day. Several local organizations and individuals volunteer their help. This is truly a case of community serving the community.

Also in October we had our monthly fish

fry for the public, and served our quarterly breakfast to the retirees of Mansfield Plumbing Products. The county flu clinic was held in our building on October 12.

1st Vice Governor Greg Hess gave a lively update on happenings in the district at our October 25 meeting. He stressed using the new eye testing machine. Entertainment for the evening was provided by retired teacher, Steve Kick, who spoke on the eight presidents from Ohio.

Lion Mike Baldner was awarded the Silver Centennial pin for sponsoring Mark Leslie who has been a member for a year and a day as required.

Dr. Dakota Zickefoose of Strive Chiropractic spoke at our September 27 meeting. He and his father are remodeling the historic Ullman Hotel in downtown Loudonville. He showed artifacts found in the building such as silverware, crockware, old newspapers, keys, etc. Structure-wise this project has been quite an undertaking. His office will be on the first floor, his residence on the second, and the third floor will be rented to vacationers in Mohican country.

Our October 11 meeting had County Wildlife Officer Ben Earick telling us about problems with chronic wasting disease in deer herds. During hunting season all deer taken are tested for this.

Lions made a donation to local Girl Scouts who are building an outdoor classroom near the high school.

Leo Advisor Jeff Frankford reported the club now has 37 members. They have been quite busy helping with the Fair, a benefit for a child, fall cleanup for citizens, a float in the Halloween parade, and taking over the Helping Hand food drive at the school. Lions will be sending a Leo to the Hugh O'Brien Leadership school.

Madison Township

The Madison Twp Lions have just complete another successful season of providing food concessions for the Madison High School home soccer

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Madison Township Cont

games. They sold food concessions for 16 home game plus a couple of playoff games. Their club was divided into four teams to work at the concession trailer. By doing this each Lion didn't have to work at more the four or maybe five games. The club was able to add a nice sum of money to their project fund.



Mohawk Lioness

Mohawk Lioness will donate \$50.00 toward sending the Ohio State Blind Band to the Lions International Convention in Chicago.

Approved NEW project for Seneca County Opportunity Center. They are collecting all kinds of plastic bottle caps and lids to be recycled into benches and picnic tables for the school. The Mohawk Lioness Club voted to join their effort. Just save your plastic caps and lids each month and bring to the meetings for recycling.

Request for Pre-School Screening has been received from Cheryl at Wenner-Galbreith and is scheduled for November 1. Hopefully the new Plus Optix equipment will be here.

Nov. 19—Mohawk Craft Show Donuts

Nov. 26—Upper Sandusky Craft Show Donuts

Norwalk

Fire Chief John Soisson spoke about the new Fire Station. He noted that seven architects submitted bids. Mark Shaffer and Norwalk Concrete have donated time

and materials for the site work. He reported the Department was busy with EMS calls and 68 structural fires this year. He noted working smoke detectors were the most important factor in preventing fire fatalities

The President decided to use the Norwalk Reservoir Clubhouse for this year's Christmas Party.

The magnifying machine that we purchased for the student has been delivered to the middle school. Clarence Poole was on the front page of the paper with the Miller Grocery Team photo.

The annual Christmas Party for the senior citizens will be held again this year December 25th at the Senior Center from 12 to 2 p.m. Lions Wayne, Carol Babcanec, Jon Ewell and Kevin Hipp will all work to make this happen. They will provide the \$25 Chamber gift certificates for all attending.

At the Board meeting it was decided to pay the registration for member to attend the District, State and Worldwide meetings. Any member committed to attendance at any of these conventions please contact Dick Boose for the necessary paperwork.

The Esteli clinic reported that in the last month they saw 89 patients. Twenty of those patients needed bifocals, thirty-six needed reading glasses and twelve were eye exams. Twenty-one patients had complicated prescriptions that had to be made in the lab in Managua. The club did two rural outreach clinics. The first saw 96 patients and provided 87 with readers or bifocals. Four patients needed surgery and six did not need glasses. The second outreach clinic, held in Pueblo Nuevo was a combined dental and vision. The vision part saw 130 patients.

Old Fort

We made a good profit on the Community Calendar Project.

Donated \$50 for half a page in the Old Fort High School sports program.

The Old Fort Lions Club 2nd Annual Gun Raffle is Saturday November 12th. President Derek Hunker has packets of 10 tickets to sell for the gun raffle. Please see him for your packets. The tickets are \$10 each. We want to sell at least 900.

November 12th. The Gun Raffle drawing at Green Springs VFW - Doors open at 6. Meal 6:30 to 8 pm.

November 5th **Pancake and Sausage Supper** 4:30 – 7:30 pm at the High School Commons

Perrysville

At the September 21st meeting the decision was made to get purple shirts with gold lettering. Members would have the choice of an open front shirt or a t-shirt.

Christmas Lighting: We discussed replacing the present bulbs with LED blubs and in the future perhaps replace the total ornament. Bernard suggested that we write letters to the families that originally donated an ornament in a loved one's memory and ask if they would donate again. For the present we will just replace the bulbs that we had left from last year. We will check and replace bulbs on October 30, 2016 at 2:30 p.m.

Car Show: Heimburger will be the DJ. We will furnish tables and chairs to eat. PDG Dana suggested we ask the Economic and Development Committee to use theirs as the ones in the Community Center are not to be removed.

Perrysville Lions will donate \$100.00 to First Lady Jenny Cochie's project for Youth.

October 29 we met at 3:30 p.m. to decorate for the Halloween Costume judging. Doors opened at 4:00 p.m. and judging was at 4:30 p.m.

November 10, 2016 will be the next Zone Advisory Meeting.

November 28, 2016 will First Vice Governor Greg's visitation. We will meet at Brian's Buffet in Ashland at 6:00 p.m.

We can help Loudonville Lions in their

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Perrysville Continued

cook tent Tuesday or Wednesday shifts.

PDG Dana and Julianne spoke about the USA/Canada Forum that they attended in Omaha.

Plymouth

Plymouth Lions hosted a Bloodmobile in September and conducted a highway pick-up in October. With the help of 17 Plymouth High School Student Council members the clean-up was conducted in record time.

Our Student of the Month Program has resumed and we hosted P.H.S. seniors P.H.S. Students of the Month Jared Reed, Logan Myers, Autumn Moore, Janet Arnold P.H.S. Student Council Members with their Advisor, Lion Janelle Grube Autumn Moore, Jared Reed, Janet Arnold and Logan Myers and their families at our October dinner meeting. The students received a certificate and a Lions Student of the Month shirt.

Members approved donations of \$100 to the Ohio Blind Marching Band for their trip to the 2017 International Convention and \$500 for the Community Christmas Food Basket Program.

Our annual Sweetest Day Rose Sale was a success and plans are being made for our Subs-for-Sight sale
P.H.S. Students of the Month



Jared Reed, Logan Myers, Autumn Moore, Janet Arnold



P.H.S. Student Council Members with their Advisor, Lion Janelle Grube

Republic

November 7, 2016.

Governor Steve Cochie thanked the Club for what we do for Republic. He also thanked the Club for getting five new members. He informed us that the District was doing alright, but we are down 30 members.

Republic Lions will donate \$100 to the goody bag project and \$100 to the School for the Blind Marching Band trip. They will donate \$ 25.00 to Zack Young for his Eagle Scout Project.

President Scot M called the Republic Lions' Club October 24th meeting to order at 8:00 PM in the Town Hall.

Lion Carleton W made a motion to purchase five tickets to Upper Sandusky Elk's gun raffle. Motion carried.

The "People Fund" granted the Republic Lions \$3,000.00 to be used for lighting at the Park's ball fields.

November 13th, is the date set for a benefit to help Lion Scott Holman of Bloomville, who has lung cancer. Republic Lions will also donate \$100.00 to the benefit.

Sandusky



The Sandusky Lions Club lost one of our long-standing members in September, Past District Governor Andrew Kraus.

Andy was 86 when he passed away on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2016.

Andy was born April 27, 1930, in Sandusky to Andrew J. and Nellie (Carnegie) Kraus. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army who proudly served during the Korean War. He retired as a steel purchaser from Industrial Nut in 1995 after 46 years of service.

Andy was a member of Grace Episcopal Church. He was a passionate member of the Lions Club for 55 years and served as past president and district governor. He was a past commodore for the Sandusky Yacht Club, Sandusky Power Squadron and also a member of the AMVETS No. 29, American Legion Post 83, Sandusky Elks No. 285 and the VFW No. 2529. Andy was a supporter of the Sandusky State Theatre, the Harlequins Theatre, Sandusky Choral Society and the Firelands Symphony. Singing was his passion; he started with the choir at Grace Church, Sandusky Singers Club and did many weddings and was also the cantor for the Jewish Temple, Oheb Shelom, for 50 years.

Andy's Lions Club legacy is being carried on by his daughter-in-law, Debbie Kraus, who has been a member of our club for 6 years and is currently serving as President of the Sandusky Lions Club.

Words cannot express our thanks to Lion Andy for all of his contributions to the Sandusky Lions Club over the years. We will all miss his quick smile, friendship and beautiful singing voice.

Tiffin

Four Lions attended the "Quint" meeting with members of four other service clubs for a meal, motivational speaker and sharing of projects and networking.

Past, Present and Future

Tiffin Continued

Tiffin Lions received a gift of two "new" Low Vision Readers. Lions Sue and Gene Waltz, Al Karcher and Mark Miller have twelve machines in use and two ready to be used.

Popcorn ball schedule is November 14, 17, 21, 28 and December 1, 5, 8, 12, 15, 19. A light meal at 6:00 with work beginning at 6:30 at MJ Brown Company at 220 Wall Street, Tiffin, OH.

Vermillion

Robin Terschak was Student of the Month from Vermilion High School.

Lion Kellie Lunn received a certificate from Lions International for bringing in many new members to our club.

Our rose sale went very well. We sold 114 dozen roses. We did very well selling our French fries at the Woollybear Festival. Nice weather brought a huge crowd.

Bingo continues at two local nursing homes. Residents and Lions are so happy to have the help from our Leos.

We have been selling homemade french fries at the home high school football games. This project was a huge success. The profit was a little over \$5000 this year which will be split with the Vermillion Athletic Boosters. This is the most that we have ever made.

One guest joined us for Membership Night October 18th.

Our new Leo advisor, Mike Palm, attended our meeting and explained what activities the Leos are planning and are doing. The Leos had a Halloween fund raiser with students in costume at the high school. They are planning their Cookies and Crafts which will be held in December in the high school cafeteria. Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus will be there for pictures with the little ones. The Leos are signing up to help with the ringing of the bell for the Salvation Army during the holidays. We are sorry to say that we lost a fine

hard working Lions member recently, William (Bill) Brown.

On Wednesday, November 23 our Lions, Leo advisor and Leos will be decorating the gazebo in the park in town for Christmas. Hot chocolate will be served to all who are there.

Our annual Reverse Raffle is to be Saturday, April 8.

Peace Posters at the US/Canadian Forum

More photos to follow next month.





District 13-OH2 Lions Convention March 24th - 26th 2017

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