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# Lion Pride

## Ohio Lions District I3-B

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## The Best Gift ... Ever!

Twenty-Five years ago, I was given a gift by my friend Don Shumaker that I cherish everyday. This gift changed my life, opened new worlds for me, and has led to literally hundreds of new friends.

The gift was an invitation to join the Lions Club.

It was in December of 1989 that I submitted an application to join our great Association with no notion, that 25 years later, my life would be fundamentally changed. Up until that point in my life, I felt that something was missing, but I did not know what it was. It soon became apparent to me that what I had been missing was contained in the motto, **WE SERVE**.

Now is the time for you to change the life of someone you know. Invite a friend, family member, or co-worker to become a Lion. Give them the gift of service, friendship and the satisfaction that can only come with a Lions Club membership.

It is our time to grow and thrive!

Joy and I wish you a very Happy Holiday Season!

#### DG Jeff's "Invite 35" Scorecard

Members Asked to date <u>- 21</u>

Members joined to date <u>- 3</u>

**District Governor Jeff** 

#### DG leff

#### Join the Lions Worldwide Week of Service in January



The Lions Worldwide Week of Service is a special Centennial Service Challenge event that brings Lions around the world It's been a busy November for all the together for a week of celebration and service. It's a great opportunity to showcase your club and celebrate the birthday drives, and Holiday baskets for the Christof our founder, Melvin lones.

1) Plan your project - Host a service project that benefits youth, vision, hunger or the environment during the week of January 10-16.

2) Share your project – Invite your community to serve with you to showcase your club and the power of

3) Report your project - Report your service on the MyLCI Service Activity Report trict Governor. I'm proud to serve all of to earn a Centennial Banner Patch for your club.

#### Ist VDG Carolyn

Hoping that everyone had a great Thanksgiving and is now getting ready for Christmas.

I have visited all of the Zone meetings in Region II and had a very good time. The Lions

good work for their communities.

Many clubs have increased their membership which will allow them to do bigger and better things for their communities. With new members the clubs will be able follows: to have new and fresh ideas. I congratulate the clubs for working so hard to bring in District 13 B Hearing and Speech new members. Without new members we Lion Patty Moorman can not grow.

I will be visiting the Jeromesville Lions, Ashland Noon Lions, Mohawk Lioness and

the Loudonville Lions in December. Bill and I will also be attending the Ashland Evening's Christmas Party.

Bill and I wish everyone a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR. IstVDG Carolyn

#### 2ndVDG Steve

Hello Lions of District 13 B !!!!!! Clubs and an even busier for December. Most of you will be ringing bells, or toy mas Season. Keep track of all your service hours and remember to put it on your reports to International.

It's nice to see and hear of all the service projects and fundraisers happening around the District. Keep up the great work and keep searching for those new Lions!!

se I like to take this time and thank all the Zones in Region I for supporting my venture to become District 13 B 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Disyou and will be attending all of Region 2 Zone Meetings later in the year. Look forward to visiting all of you and again "THANK YOU" For your support.

> I wish all of you a Happy and Safe Holiday Season!!!

See you soon!!!

**2VDG Steve Cochie** 

#### Hearing and Speech

Fellow District 13-B Cabinet Members:

clubs in our district are very busy doing Governor PCC Jeff Hillis is happy and proud to announce that the District 13-B Hearing & Speech position has been filled by Lion Patty Moorman accepting the appointment. Please change your District Directories as

> 4705 Tiro Road Tiro, OH 44887

419-545-1025

#### pattymoorman@yahoo.com

Lion Patty is a member of the Crestline Lions Club. Please send contributions and used hearing aids to her.

Governor Jeff and the Cabinet extends a big THANK YOU to Lion Carol Shaffer for an excellent job.

PDG Myron Amstutz. **Cabinet Secretary** 



#### **Future** Conventions

38th Forum

San Juan, Puerto

Rico

September 11-13,

2014

39th Forum

Grand Rapids, MI

September 17-19,

2015

40th Forum

Omaha. Nebraska

2016

98th Convention Honolulu, Hawaii June 26-30, 2015

99th Convention Fukuoka, lapan June 24-28, 2016

100th Convention Chicago, Illinois June 30-July4 2017

101st Convention Las Vegas, Nevada June 29-July 3, 2018



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#### Dear Lion,

Thank you for joining us on this journey to Lions Clubs International's Centennial in 2017. As we approach 100 years of service as an association, Lions around the world are celebrating by coming together to meet our Centennial goal of serving 100 million people. Every club can play a part in this historic event that will showcase the strength of Lions and the power of service to the world.

To honor the legacy of our founder, we're kicking off the Lions Worldwide Week of Service in January to celebrate the birthday of Melvin Jones. Lions all over the world will be participating, and we want you to be a part of it! It's a great way to get involved in the Centennial celebration and show your friends and family what it means to be a Lion.

Visit the Lions Worldwide Week of Service website and start planning your project today. Remember, when Lions join together in service, we can change the world!

Together in service,

Joe Preston Your International President



#### Gifts for Gibsonburg

The new Gibsonburg Lions Club will hold its Charter Celebration on January 10, 2015.

To show our friendship with the newest club in District 13-B, we hope that every club in the district will attend the celebration.

It has long been a tradition that when we charter a new club that our existing clubs make a cash gift to assist the new clubs treasury, and help the new Lions get off to a good start.

If your club wishes to help our new club, bring your gift to the Charter Night, or please send your check to

Guiding Lion: P.C.C. Horst Herzog 1876 Lakewood Port Clinton, OH 44827

Your generosity will be deeply appreciated by our new Lions.

#### Year End Gifts

As the old year winds down, and we approach 2015; our minds naturally turn to ... taxes?

Are you in need of deductions to lessen your tax burden? Might we suggest that you consider a deductible donation to one of our outstanding Lions Foundations. These foundations provide you with the assurance that your dollars are used for causes that you as a Lion support, and that the dollars you are giving will be used properly.

Here are the addresses where you can direct your donations:

Lions Clubs International Foundation LCIF Lion John Donley 608 TWP Rd. 700 Polk, OH 44866

Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation OLERF PDG Myron Amstutz 827 Country Club Lane Ashland, OH 44805

**Ohio Lions Foundation** OLF PCC Stan Kopp 984 TWP Rd. 2654 Ashland, OH 44805

**Pilot Dogs** PDG Sonny Barker 789 SR 181 Crestline, OH 44827

(Please make sure that the name of the Foundation appears on the pay line of the check.)

Happy Holidays From your District 13-B Cabinet PDG Myron Amstutz



## **2015 OHIO LIONS WINTER RETREAT**

Salt Fork State Park Lodge, Cambridge, OH January 16 - 18, 2015











#### Games \* Entertainment \* Fellowship General Sessions \* Lion Sessions \* Fun/Educational Sessions AND MORE!

The 2015 Ohio Lions Winter Retreat information and Registration Forms are available on line at <u>www.ohiolions.org</u>.

#### **Hotel Reservations**

Hotel reservations must be made through the hotel at <u>http://www.saltforkstateparklodge.com</u> or by phone 1-740-435-9000. Room reservations prior to November 30, 2014 may be made by requesting the Ohio Lions group rate of \$80.00\*/night plus tax <u>with 1 to 4 persons per room</u>. After November 30<sup>th</sup> the room rate <u>may</u> increase. The State Office will not accept hotel reservations or room deposits. \*Price includes a \$2.00 technology fee.

#### \*\*SAVE \$15.00 PER PERSON BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2014\*\*MAKE IT A FAMILY WEEKEND!

10/2014



## **Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation, Inc.**

In 1925, Helen Keller challenged the Lions to be "Knights of the Blind". As part of her speech she stated, "... help me hasten the day when there shall be no preventable blindness." OLERF was created in 1951 by Ohio Lions to support research that will one day meet Helen Keller's challenge. Do you and your club support OLERF?

OLERF supports the following centers of eye research in Ohio: Nationwide Children's Hospital Ohio State University Department of Ophthalmology Ohio State University Department of Optometry University of Cincinnati Wright State University Case Western University

Please consider a donation to OLERF. You may support the cure, which will save the sight of the friend not yet met, or a family member not yet born.

#### **Research Today** • Vision Tomorrow

#### Send your Donation to:

*PDG Myron Amstutz, Trustee 827 Country Club Lane Ashland, OH 44805* 

#### **Cultural and Community Activities**

Joy Hillis

The club with the best project in the area of promoting cultural and community activities will receive an award at the district convention. Here are some ideas for projects:

- Sponsor a trip to a professional dance event for student dancers.
- Ideas include arranging public art exhibits, sponsoring photography contests, providing support for local artists/art leagues, commissioning new public art for the community and arranging art auctions as club fundraisers.
- Adapt a dance, music or theatre project idea to the specific needs of your own community.
- Provide encouragement and financial support for local music groups, including bands, orchestras, choirs, vocalists, etc.
- Be sure that the community knows that the Lions Club is sponsoring the event.

Please send evidence of your activity to me at joylee3434@gmail.com

## **Ohio Lions District 13-B**

2014-15 District 13-B Bowling Tournament

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SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8, 2015

11:00 AM

**REBMAN RECREATION, INC.** 

5300 Oberlin Avenue Lorain, Ohio 44053 440-282-6761

#### FOUR PERSON TEAMS

Great Membership Tool - come for fellowship and fun!

**50/50 DRAWING & RAFFLES** 

Cost: \$15.00 per person (\$17.00 per person after Jan. 25, 2015) Make checks payable to Lorain Harbor Lions Club

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4	4
CAPTAIN:	CAPTAIN:
PHONE:	PHONE:

Mail entries by January 25, 2015 to:

PCC SHARON PARKER 121 Brookvalley Drive Elyria, Ohio 44035 440-670-6251 (cell contact) s\_parker121@msn.com

#### Ashland Evening

At the November 20, 2014 regular meeting of the Ashland Evening Lions, Diane Hammontree and her therapy dog Mary presented the program. Diane and her dog Mary visit Hospice, nursing homes, and assisted living facilities providing friendship and comfort to the residents..



The Ashland County Project Lifesaver currently has 14 active clients - 7 with Autism and 7 with Alzheimer's/dementia. Enough donations have come in from County Lions Clubs and other organizations to allow us to order an additional four transmitter units.

#### Ashland Noon

Ashland Noon club completed another successful rose sale with 1,200 dozen de- marry a soldier when "they got older!"

livered on 11/21/14. Many thanks to all of those who purchased roses this year. The The American Legion Post 211 in Avon proceeds will fund our projects for the Lake was the main drop point and with next 12 months. Thanks to our chairman, the help of Pam Sikora and Carol Bennett inspector, was sponsored by Lion Jim Lion Larry Norris, his crew and all the the cards were sorted and boxed. The Park. Welcome to Lionism, Joe, and members who sold and delivered the Legion and its members contributed cards thanks to Lion Jim for bringing in a new roses for their hard work. I am sure we and donations to help purchase cards and member. made many wives happy and got more allowed the Lions to set up an information than a few men out of the dog house!

#### Avon

The Avon Lions have just wrapped up our 4th annual Holiday Mail for Heroes Christmas Card drive. We hit a new record high of just over 5,000 cards! The cards were sent to the 3rd Regiment at

called in when something needs to be new year. done quickly and efficiently. The distribution of the cards at Fort Benning was han- The Lions would like to extend a big dled by Chaplain (Capt) Chad Cottle and thanks to everyone who made this year's his staff under the supervision of Chaplain card count exceed last years! (Major) Hutsell.

Cards were received from all over Northeast Ohio from Bedford Primary School, to a church group in Huron, and our own Leo club t here at Avon High.

The cards were all kinds from pricey boutique cards, to beautiful handmade cards, to crayon picture, but all conveyed the same message of gratitude and Christmas greetings. Messages in the cards ranged from quick notes long letters and first grade girls who mentioned their plans to



table at their club. OE Connection paid for all the shipping of the cards to Fort Benning and has been handling our shipping for our cards since the programs start.

The most important people in this program are all the individuals and groups that took time out of their busy holiday schedule to remember those who will not

Fort Benning, Georgia. The 3rd is known be home at Christmas and will be looking as the "sledgehammer" because they are at being deployed to a war zone in the

#### Bascom

Even the weather was a bit "spooky" for the annual Halloween Trick/Treat Night, sponsored by the Bascom Lions. The damp streets, around sunset, added to the festivities. Judging and prizes, along with cider and donuts, were provided by the club. The Hopewell-Loudon Band added the music to make the evening complete. A good time was had by both the trickers and the treaters.

Lion Duane King introduced his friend, Wayne Smith, a retired Ohio patrolman, who had served for 25 years. Officer Smith is originally from Wayne County, but has become very acquainted with the Seneca County roads during the past twenty-five years. He told of many interesting highlights during his career. At the close of the program, Officer Smith asked for questions. Lion Dallas was brave enough to ask, "Do you remember me?" Officer Smith didn't recall all of the details of Dallas' road stop/road race. Perhaps you can give us the whole story, Dallas.

The Bascom Lions welcomed loe Kovach, their fortieth member, at the October 7 meeting. Joe and his wife, Paula, reside in Bascom. Joe, employed by the USDA as an

#### Bellville

The Club inducted five new members in the last three months. The process of "asking just one " is working.

We transported one person to an eye exam, purchased the glasses and transported him to pick up the glasses.

#### **Bellville** continued

Thanksgiving Dinner.

school student as the "Lion Student of the Month" with a certificate and a gift card teacher and own her own dance school. from McDonalds.

The Club had their annual "Family Thanksgiving Dinner" again this year.

The club members will be ringing the bell for the Clear Fork Salvation Army again this year and also collecting toys for Toy Time.

#### **Bucyrus**

The Bucyrus Lions again brought another District F award to District B. On November 23<sup>rd</sup>, Terry and Linda Speigel and Jeff and Joy Hillis traveled into District F to the Tri-Village Lions trivia contest. Terry, Jeff and Joy made up the Bucyrus Team while Linda helped her son Darin, a member of Tri-Village Lions, administer the contest. This three-person team went up against teams of 4 and even 5 members to answer 12-question rounds that included audio musical items. After five rounds were completed, the Bucyrus team ended up in first place.

This triumph followed the September golf outing where the District B team of Terry, leff, Bill Harner and Doug Reynolds captured the District F golf trophy.

#### Clyde

Clyde Lions are continuing to prepare for our Big Project, building a Skate Park for local youth's . Along with a few fund raisers and possible future donations and grants, construction should begin in the Spring of 2015.

Another new member was welcomed into Clyde Lions in November.

#### Fremont

The Club furnished one family with Our two Ross High School senior students were Maeve Elder and Grant McConnell. Both are outstanding in their The Club honored one Clear Fork Middle academic, sports, leadership and volunteer work. Maeve wants to become a dance She is also one of the girls that we helped send to Ohio Buckeye Girls State.

> Grant is going to Capital University to study Math Engineering and follow that with Accounting at Baldwin Wallace.

> John Derry a former schoolteacher who became blind was a speaker at the Zone Advisory meeting. He started a Program named "Good" (going on or defeated).

> The concept is to recognize young people who are not necessarily the straight A student or top athlete. Instead, the GOOD Program is for students who work hard and exhibit good citizenship and good personal and study habits. This program is now also in West Virginia and Kentucky.

> Lions clubs purchase a kit for each participating school. The kit includes award certificates and T-shirts for eight student award winners. Clubs work with schoolteachers and administrators to select student honorees based on criteria set by the GOOD program. Once winners are selected, Lions work with the school officials to arrange a suitable award ceremony.

Dr. McCaudy was enthusiastic when she Please see flyer for Hayesville Lions Follies was given a copy of how this program April 10, 11, 12, 2015 on another page in works.

The Superintendent of the Fremont School System, Dr. Traci McCaudy, was our speaker. She passed out the annual report of the Fremont City Schools and gave us an overall view of the accomplishments, where the money comes from and goes to along with future changes within the system. The Ohio School Facilities System Commission came out to evaluate our schools last fall and made several recommendations. As per Dr. McCaudy, they are not starting any preliminary conversations as yet. This will take time.

The old middle school property will be going to Birchard Library...to be finalized at the end of next month. It will be kept as green space for now. The agreement also states that it cannot be used as a fully paved parking lot. It must be kept mostly green.

The Fremont Lions were out in the neighborhood collecting for White Cane Days. Lots of fun and interaction with residents. This was the first time we tried this and since we had such a good reponse we will be doing it again. Thanks to Rural King and Walmart for allowing us to use their stores.

We recently had the Dr. McCaudy, superintendent of schools, speak to our club. President Chris Mollis apprised her of the GOOD program and with her help our club hopefully will be starting that after the new year.

With our fourteen new gung-ho members our club looks to be going strong and getting more involved with the community.

The Fremont Lions are looking forward to the New Year with new opportunities for the club.

#### Hayesville

The Hayesville Lions will hold their Christmas party on December 18, 7 pm at Hayesville UMC and the will be a WHITE ELEPHANT EXCHANGE.

this newsletter.

#### Lorain

Lorain Lions will be transporting Lorain and Clearview schools so they can be fitted for glasses.

Lion Ben Norton (left), sponsored Tom Sigman (right) of Lorain National Bank as a new member at the induction ceremony conducted by Lion Bruce Meadows (center) at our November 6<sup>th</sup> evenina meeting. Tom is an eager and active new member who should do Lorain Lions proud.



## HAYESVILLE LIONS FOLLIES April 10,11,12, 2015

Practice for the 2015 Follies will begin Sunday, January 11th at 2:00pm. We will be practicing at Hillsdale High School in the band room.

This year's theme is "*Ready for the Big Screen*", featuring musicals, mysteries, and FUN!

We will need chorus members, dancers, stage crew,

and general helpers!

Your talents are NEEDED!

## Have a MERRY CHRISTMAS!

See you on the 11th! Tresa Hess. Director

#### Lorain continued

(center) at our November 6<sup>th</sup> evenina meeting. Tom is an eager and active new member who should do Lorain proud. Lorain Lions are again manning the Salvation Army kettles at the north and south entrances at SuperKmart, 5330 Leavitt Road, Saturday, December 13, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Lion Dave Burns is again chairing this worthwhile Lions project

We look forward to meeting our fellow Lions, friends and family on Thursday evening for the Lorain Lions Christmas party at Rebman's On the Avenue



Lucas

In recent months, the Lucas Lions have conducted several events for the benefit of the Lucas Community. First, in August, we held our Annual Community Picnic and Duck Race.

We cook and serve hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks to the community. This is a no charge event and our way of giving back in a small way to the caring and sharing community that supports us through the year.

We typically serve from 125 to 200 members of the community. The Duck Race is a fundraising and fun event (each plastic duck is sold for \$5) and the entrants are dumped in the creek and the crowd cheers for their favorite while the ducks 'race' downstream to the finish line. Various prizes are awarded for the top finishers.

Our next event is the community Halloween Parade and Costume & Float Judging event held in late October. We jointly sponsor this with the Village. In addition to prizes given to parade participants in five different age groups and three floats, we also treat all parade marchers and their families to donuts, cider and hot

#### chocolate.

day of December. In addition to carols by contact Lion Rick Gunder at 419-774appropriate message from a local clergy- further information. man, Santa visits and distributes candy canes to the kids, and the Lions serve hot We will be having our club Christmas for the event.

As all three of these are outdoor events, weather has a way of controlling the size of the crowds, but we Lions persist regardless.

Charles Mill Lake Park. Registration will be at 8AM, race will start at 9AM. Pre-The last event of the year is the annual register by December 6<sup>th</sup> for \$15.00. Af-Village Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony ter this date registration is \$20.00. If you held in the village center on the first Mon- would like to register or be a sponsor the school music department, we have an 9038 or email rgunder@neo.rr.com for

chocolate and cookies to those gathered Party on December 18<sup>th</sup> at the Sons of Herman.

> Our Thirteenth Annual Lions Awareness Dance will be held at the Richland County Fairgrounds on February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Phil Dirt and Dozers will provide the dance music. Please contact Lion Bob Pompei at 419 -566-3775 or email rgpompei@madisonlions.org



## Ontario

Our annual Lions Peace Poster contest was held. The top three winners out of 5 entries were:

· I<sup>st</sup> \$50 Morgan Heilman – daughter of Marc and Misty

 $\cdot 2^{nd}$  \$30 Carson Steyer – son of loe and

3<sup>rd</sup> \$20 Devin Stacy – son of Eran

On December 20th we will be meeting at 8:00am at the Fort Seneca Church to PACK and DELIVER fruit baskets for the sick, needy, homebound or ones who have lost a spouse or child in our school district.

Board of Directors voted to

donate up to \$150 for Eric Bell's Eagle Scout project

donate half of Boy Scout charter \$344.



#### Madison Township

The club had a busy fall working our concession trailer at all the Madison boys and girls soccer matches.

We continue to do battery changes for the project lifesaver bracelets and holding monthly bingo games at Dayspring.

Money raised from the concession trailer allowed us to make donations to the Madison High School boy and girl soccer teams and the Madison High School Music Club.

We have also donated to the food banks at St. Timothy Lutheran Church and the Ridgeway Church of Christ.

On November 6<sup>th</sup> we held our Peace Poster judging. Students and families from Madison Middle School and St Mary's participated. The winners were Wyatt Stanfield and Lucia Mancha.

We are helping the district this year with a 5K/10K run to support Project Lifesaver. This run will be held on December 13th at

#### Ontario

see all who turned out at the Zone 6 advi- vision screenings at the local presory meeting that the club hosted.

money by collecting money or a toy as a fast and it is so much fun with the childonation at the door of The Ontario Craft dren. Show held at the Richland County Fairgrounds on Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> from We donated to the community Thanksgiv-8:30am- 4:00pm.

We also will be having our Annual Christmas Party which will be held at the Ontario Senior Center on Tuesday December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

Hope all have a wonderful Holiday Season.

#### Plymouth

Plymouth Lions approved one eyeglass case and made donations to the following at our November meeting: The 8-10 year old basket program, Project Life Saver 5K/10K; and Lions State & International Funds.

Members will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at two locations this year. The Community Market in Plymouth and the Sportsmen's Den in Shelby. We will also travel to Tiffin to help make popcorn balls ~ one of our favorite activities!

Our November Bloodmobile produced 21 viable units.



Lions Ann F., Pat J., and PDG Stan at the November Bloodmobile

#### Port Clinton

The Ontario Lion's Club was excited to Port Clinton Lions have finished doing schools. We will be doing them again next Fall. If your club is not sure about The Club will be helping "Toytime" raise doing screenings, we can tell you it goes

> ing Dinner and they had a full house at the Church. Our club will be donating to the Holiday Bureau, and the Ruth Ann House this month. We have donated to loyful Connection also this month. This is a place that provides a safe place for Court Ordered visitation between children and their parents or other family members.

> A few of our members will be traveling to Tiffin to make and buy popcorn balls. Six of our members rang "the bell" for the Salvation Army on Saturday after Thanksgiving.

Lions will take time to enjoy our Christmas Party on December 18th.

Plans are getting on the way to hold a "Mystery Theater Dinner" on March 14th. Circle this date on your 2015 calendar. We think it will be great fun!

I hope everyone had a good and Blessed Thanksgiving! Lion Secretary Patti Howell

#### Republic

Pop corn balls were made at the Town Hall on Sunday, December 7. Corn will be popped on Friday December 5. The price of this delicious treat is \$ 4.99 per dozen.

President Tom N informed the Club of the Zone advisory meeting, the GOOD Program, to benefit students that try to do their best and Project Life Saver.

#### Sandusky

Each year we shop for groceries for six needy families, buying them a Thanksgiving dinner with all the fixings. The baskets are then given to our local Volunteer Center who distributes them to the families.



Getting ready for Santa is fun! For about ten years now, along with other non-profit organizations in Erie County, we set up decorations at Sawmill Creek's Festival of Lights, for the community to enjoy as they drive through the grounds. Along with decorating, we gather items from local businesses for a Silent Auction, which rings in the season. Our club was able to acquire items such as; a liquor cabinet, Great Wolf and Rain Water Park passes, tickets to an Ohio State football game, and many other great items. The proceeds go to our Lions Park projects.

For many, many years, the Volunteer Center has given us the names of ten needy children in our area. With the kids wish list in hand, our members brave the weather and crowds to buy the kids the presents they want. We buy things like bikes, scooters, shoes, coats, trendy toys for kids from three to fifteen, giving them the Christmas they might not otherwise have.

#### Sycamore

At our meeting on Oct. 13, Carl Erbland, Director of Seneca County Board of Elections, presented a meeting on absentee balloting for the election.

The joint Lions/Lioness Christmas Party will be on Dec. 16 at Wyandot County Home,

Peace Posters have been judged for this year Shown is the first place winner. . Many thanks to Abby Gottfried for working with the students. and to Harry Melroy and Becky Price for judging them.

#### Sycamore continued



Sycamore Peace Poster 1<sup>st</sup> place winner

#### Sycamore Lioness

We sold 244 dozen donuts at the Halloween Donuts on November I at the Firehouse.

The Mohawk Craft Show will be on November 15 and the Upper Sandusky Craft Show will be on November 29.

In February we will again make Valentine Fruit baskets at the board meeting.

Spring Donuts at the Fire House will be on March 21.

December 16 is our joint Lions/Lioness Christmas Party. This year we will be at the Wyandot County Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

#### Vermilion

We had a speaker from the Erie County Historical Society at our meeting. He had some great information for us.

The next meeting featured Richard Tarrant speaking about the Vermilion News Museum. Very interesting!

Joe McDonald spoke about the Salvation Army. This year has really taken its toll on families. He said that they are always in need of donations and volunteers.

A new program is to go into effect starting in January 2015, It will be called the Back Pack program and will give the less fortunate students food for the weekend.

Every first meeting of the month we receive donations for our food pantry. We have collected \$1220 so far this year.

Our Student of the Month was Mellisa Rindfleisch from Vermilion High School.

Our french fries went over big at the home high school football games.

We donated \$600 to state projects, mas and a Prosperous New Year! \$1000 to L.C.I.F. for a Melvin Jones, \$1000 to the Vermilion Lions Foundation and about \$9900 to local Vermilion programs, projects/services and eye cases.

We continue with our bingo at two local nursing homes. our coming our welcomed.

Our 2nd Vice District Governor Steve Cochie came to our meeting and installed two new members, Kris Horton and Dave Urdsic Then PDG Jim Jeavons installed Ryan Green in to our club. PDG lim presented an award to Steve Holovacs for his 15 year of service and to Andy Valacek for years of service. his 40

On Thursday, Dec. 11, we will give out hot chocolate for the downtown lighting.

Our annual Christmas dinner and auction will be on Tuesday, Dec. 16. at thr Nest.

We helped with Three eye glass cases this month.

Operation Christmas Joy, a big community project is coming up. The unloading of the food will be on Wednesday, December 7 at the YMCA, followed on December 18 with the packing of the food. Distribution will be on December 20.

We wish everyone a Very Merry Christ-

#### PEACE POSTER DISTRICT 13 B WINNER 2014 "OAK HARBOR" II Year old Alexandria Rohloff

Judging took place in Bucyrus on a cold freezing rain morning Saturday November 22, 2014. D-13 B Governor Jeff Hillis, Bucyrus President Terry Spiegel and Peace Poster Chairperson Jim Pickering were present while two non Lions that were in the art world did the judging. Congratulations to Alexandria Rohloff representing the Oak Harbor Lions took the honors. We had ten clubs and 14 entries this year competing in the International event with other clubs from 208 countries around the world. Alexandria's poster will be sent on to state level judging By December 1<sup>st</sup>. The clubs and students participating are as follows: Bellevue (2) Collin Gilbert and Libby Cloud, Polk (2) Shay Ladina and Tori Leibolt, Lorain Harbor (2) Samone Bodiford and Ariana Morales, Madison Twp. (2) Lucia Mancha and Wyatt



Stanfield, Savannah-Jessica Brown, Old Fort-Morgan Heilman, colonel Crawford-Cedric Kemery, Bascom-Bryanne Counts, Sycamore-Alayna Kindle and Oak Harbor Alexandria Rohloff. Congratulations to all participating clubs and there winners. Attached photo from left to right is Bill Laupply (judge), Jeff Hillis(holding winner poster depicting Peace-Love-Understanding) and Sandy Laupply (judge).

#### Colonel Crawford

Two Students of the Month, Jordan Studer and Clay Martin, and parents were dinner guests of the Colonel Crawford Lions.

Six new Lions and one transferred Lion are now part of the Colonel Crawford Lions.

In recent projects were:

- Donation of \$95.00 to Crawford County "Help Me Grow" program
- Donation of \$500.00 to Crawford County Guard Unit FRG-family trip to the Columbus Zoo
- Donation of \$300.00 to sponsor an area boy to Boy's State
- Donation of \$500.00 to St. Paul's and kitchen equipment was purchased, also
- Over 1050 pair of eye glasses were delivered to Columbus Optometry.

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Dear District Governor:

International President Joe Preston requests your assistance in promoting the 37th Annual Lions Day with the United Nations (LDUN) on Saturday, March 7, 2015, at the iconic United Nations Headquarters in New York City.

LDUN program highlights include presentations from President Preston and key UN speakers, along with engaging panel discussions focusing on this year's theme of "Children in Need". Be amongst the first to find out and celebrate this year's winners of the International Peace Poster and Essay Contests. Inspiring and informative, LDUN recognizes the impact of LCI's volunteer efforts in supporting the shared vision with the UN of improving our local and global communities. LDUN attendees also have the option to attend the popular Lions-UN Luncheon inside the UN's signature Delegates Dining Room with invited ambassadors. Seating is limited and offered on a first come basis.

For the first time we will be offering early registration material pick-up on Friday, March 6, at the One UN New York Hotel, located directly across from the UN Headquarters, where attendees can conveniently pick up their event badges, program and more. Cash bars will be set for an afternoon hospitality from 4:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. where you can meet and mingle with fellow attendees and staff at the Registration Area. LDUN attendees will receive one complimentary drink ticket redeemable from 4:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. on March 6 only.

For attendees that need hotel accommodations, the One UN New York Hotel has a limited number of guest rooms available at a special LDUN rate offered on a first come basis. Guest rooms can be requested when registering online.

To register and learn more about this event, please direct Lions and guests to the Lions Day with the UN page on the LCI Web site for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Natalie Brain at (630) 468-6893 or via email.

Yours in Lionism,

Al Brandel Past International President and UN Representative

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