Strengthen the Pride

Joy and I are packing to leave for Toronto to attend the District Governor Elect Seminar and the International Convention. We are looking forward to learning new things about Lions; and of course, seeing old friends and making many new ones. We hope to see many District 13-B Lions there.

If you have never attended an International Convention, I encourage you to do so. You will get a sense of how large and diverse our Association really is. There are Lions from all around the globe attending to the business of Lions. There are Lions of every color, religion; and yet, in this diversity one sees a single purpose that is captured by our motto, WE SERVE.

Whenever I attend the Opening Flag Ceremony, and see more than two hundred flags representing the nations of Lionism, I am proud to say, “I am a Lion!”

Very soon I will be home, and attending meetings, making visitations and doing the job for which I was elected. To complete that job; I need your cooperation, skill and most of all your enthusiasm.

The opportunities for service were never greater, and we need to focus on the things that matter. We need to increase our service hours, seek new, relevant and contemporary projects that serve our communities as they are today, and we need to grow. Every Lions Club in District 13-B needs new members with new ideas and experiences for Lions to continue to be a vital force in our local communities.

That is my vision, and I hope it is yours. Let us together, Strengthen the Pride.

Jeff Hillis
District Governor

July Calendar

July 1 – 9 International Convention
July 13 – Joint GMT / GLT Meeting
July 20 – Youth Service Meeting
July 24 – District 13E OLERF Presentation
July 27 – Zone Chairperson Picnic
July 30 – Mini Cabinet Meeting
My year as governor has come to an end. I thank all the clubs for their hospitality shown to my Partner in Service Chris and me. The warm friendship from the District 13-B Clubs will last for a lifetime. Again thanks for a great year.

Your hard work and commitments were fantastic. The goals I had for the District were attained. The District membership decreased by –16 at the time I typed this newsletter article. I thank the clubs for their new member nights programs they gave the District a good boost in membership.

I’m planning on attending the Lions Clubs International Convention in Toronto. When I return, the job of District Governor will belong to PCC Jeff Hillis. I wish him well and urge you as Lions to give him your full support.

I have completed all club visits as of June 24th. This year has been a learning year for me. I have enjoyed visiting all of the clubs and hearing about all they do for their communities.

I want to encourage the clubs in our district to continue to invite prospective members to their meetings. The clubs need to invite more women to join Lions. I talk about women joining the clubs that I visit and most of the time I get good feedback.

I also encourage the clubs to have a membership night, afternoon tea, a dessert night or invite people to a special program you may be having. We must be creative to attract new members. We need to show that we are fun and a caring group. The key is just to ASK!!

1st VDG Carolyn

We had 13 teams competing plus one team from District 13 E, Marion Evening Lions. Ashland Evening Lions No 2 won with Fostoria Lions coming in second. The PDG Association will donate the profit of eight hundred dollars to LCIF.

The PDG Association would like to thank all who helped sponsor our outing. Hole Sponsors were: Madison Twp Lions, Polk Lions, Haysville Lions, Loudonville Lions, Bucyrus Lions, DGE Jeff, PDG Bill Wolford, 13 B Philanthropic and Ashland Tractor Sales.

We thank the Plymouth Lions Club for manning the grills during the golf outing. A fun time was had by all. After the outing, we all sat around and shared all the putts we missed that could have been.

Terry Spiegel

Future International Conventions

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2nd VDG Steve Cochie
District 13B Cabinet 2014-2015

Officers
District Governor Jeff Hillis
IVDG Carolyn Brook
2 VDG Steve Cochie
IPDG Francis Hensel
Cabinet Sec PDG Myron Amstutz
Cabinet Treas. Dave Omlor

Zone Chairpersons
ZC1 Jim Pickering
ZC2 Bob Swartzmiller
ZC3 John Straziuso
ZC4 Ken Cromer
ZC5 Dave Schwenning
ZC6 Gene Berrier
ZC7 Mark Rafeld
ZC8 Ken Schuck

Global Membership Team
Kevin Reidy / Coordinator
Greg Swartz / Zones 1 & 2
Doug Kayle / Zones 3 & 4
Don Arter / Zones 5 & 6
PDG Ron Lutz / Zones 7 & 8
Tresa Hess / Women & Family
Joe McDonald / Statistics
PDG Dana Zody / MD13 Coordinator

Global Leadership Team
Ann Miller / Coordinator
Julianne Zody
Mona DiCesare
Vera Gwirtz
Bob Moorman

Foundations
LCIF / John Donley
OLERF / PDG Myron Amstutz
OLF / PDG Stan Kopp
Hearing & Speech / Carol Shaffer
Philanthropic / PDG Ron Lutz
Ev Shonkewiler

Convention
PCC Sharon Parker / Chair
Brent Parker / Convention Advisor
Club Electronic Display/Tresa Hess

State Committee Representatives
PDG Dana Zody / C&BL
IPCC Woody Conrad / F&P
Ken Rufener / Int. Convention
Don Barnthouse / Int. Relations
IPDG Francis Hensel / Lions Band
PDG Pete DiCesare / Bldg. Trustee
Dan Smith / PRaM
PDG Sonny Barker / Sight & Hearing
PCC Horst Herzog /

Centennial Celebration Committee
Youth Projects Team
PDG Terry Spiegel / State Committee
PDG J.J. Jeavons / Quest
Marianne Parker / Leo Advisor

District Committees & Projects
ZC Mark Rafeld / Alert
PDG Myron Amstutz / Diabetes
Kerry Parker / Directory
J. Dennis Henkle / Chaplain
Dan Smith / I.T. Webmaster
Dave Hunter / Legal & Insurance
Linda Spiegel / Lion Tamer
Joyce Jeavons / Lioness Liaison
Keith Cole / Newsletter Editor
Ken Rufener / Pin Chairman
Greg Hess / Fund Raising
Greg Hess / Tail Twisting
IVDG Carolyn Brook / USA/Canada Forum Promotion
Dr. John Smith / Vision Clinic

Contest Chairpersons & Awards
Governor’s Excellence / Bill Harner
Newsletter Contest / Connie Cole
Peace Poster / Scrapbook Contest
Jim Pickering

Governor’s Advisory Committee
PCC Stan Kopp, Chair
IPCC Woody Conrad
PCC Horst Herzog
PCC Sharon Parker
PDG Terry Spiegel
PDG J.J. Jeavons
PDG Myron Amstutz
Bascom

Twenty-six members attended the June 6 meeting. An item of discussion was the recent Memorial Day Parade. A committee is to be formed to work on next year’s 50th Anniversary Parade.

The next meeting, June 17 was held at St. Patrick’s Church. This was the induction of new members and the installation of officers for the 2014-2015 Lion Year. All spouses and friends were encouraged to attend.

Bucyrus

The Bucyrus Lions had their end of year picnic and installation of officers at a member’s home on June 24th. The group is planning their 75th charter night celebration for Saturday, Oct. 18th. The Crawford County Low Vision Project is taking applications for used video magnifiers from anyone residing in Crawford County who has uncorrectable visual problems (low vision). People requesting applications can leave their name and address at 419-563-8679. Anyone wanting to try out a machine to see if it would help them can use one on the second floor of the Bucyrus Public Library.

Castalia

I wish to thank PDG Horst Herzog for conducting the Installation of Officers at our recent banquet at Studio 101, all members that attended and Past President Traci for her year of service to our club.

Thank you all that worked or participated in the Golf Scramble. We had 32 teams participate this year.

Hole #10 (Hole In One Challenge) saw 97 golfers donate $5.00 each for the chance to collect prize money and electronics.

The competition was complete shortly after noon with the Brian Bohn Team taking first place. The Lion Ed Cullen Team finished second, one stroke behind the winning score. The steak dinner was excellent and enjoyed by all.

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

Castalia Lions Scholarship winners for 2014 were Cynthia Nielsen and Christopher Lyons of Margaretta High School.

Please welcome new member Lion John Mulgrew.

Clyde

On June 2014/15, Officers were installed. New officers were President Ken Dick and 1st V.P. David Steensen. The remaining club officers remain in their previous positions. The installation was performed by PDG Pete DiCesare.

Clyde Lions has committed to installing a skate park for the youth. Clyde City Manager Paul Fiser and local youths were present to inform Club members and give direction for this project.

The Club has also added another new member to their roster.

Fostoria

Lion President Pete told members of the work that has been done for the Golf Tournament at Fostoria Country Club.

The fee for each golfer is $50 and includes golf, cart and lunch. Hole sponsorship is $75 per hole.

One membership invitation was approved. Cub Lion Terrence Hoening was inducted as a member of the Fostoria Lions Club by President PDG Pete DiCesare.

Lions Dee Clay, Floyd Lawless, Bill Piper and Ted Stombaugh have been working and weeding the onion patch. Plants are looking good, and should have plenty of nice LARGE onions.

At our June 19th meeting, Steve Garraubrant of Pilot Dogs brought a furry black friend that was the highlight of the meeting.

Barkley, an 18 month old standard Poodle, demonstrated his skills as a Pilot Dog by walking blindfolded Cub Lion Terrence Hoening up and down the sidewalk outside of Good Shepherd home. Fostoria Lions voted to make a $150 donation to Pilot Dogs.

Fremont

One guest in attendance, Nancy Souder, new member Tracy Overmyer was inducted into the club.

We gave out three scholarships to seniors from Ross High School and St. Joseph School. Joyce Garvey the director of “1st Call for Help” an affiliate of the United Way was our speaker. She has been with the United Way for 24 years. Their help phone line is available 24/7. Approximately 60-70% of the calls are for basic needs and they answer everything concerning aid for community residents. Joyce also works with the Sandusky County Cancer Care Fund. They help cancer patients with a variety of things and their highest request is for transportation. Their only requirements are that the person lives in Sandusky County, has cancer and is under treatment.
Past, Present and Future

Lorain

On June 28th the Lorain Lions and Rotarians teamed up to clean the city’s Elmwood Cemetery.

On June 29th the Lorain Lions marched in the Lorain International Parade.

July 10, 7 p.m., On the Avenue, evening, the “Eyes for Andy” campaign was created to help 15-year-old Andy Schworer of Henrietta Township. He is visually impaired due to a rare medical condition. Andy and his mother will be our guests at this meeting where they will be presented an oversized check representing the club’s donation to this worthy cause.

Mohawk Lioness

Cletabelle reported that the pork has been ordered for the Library Fun Fest on July 11. Some members have volunteered to help cook and serve the pulled pork.

Ruth Ann reported that the fair gates are set. There will also be a schedule posted at the fair gates.

Our club voted to plant another tree at Veterans Memorial Park.

The club voted to prepare the dinners for the Sycamore Lions Club. The price must be raised to offset the rising price of food.

On June 17, we will have a catered meal at Savory Sweet. At this time we will award scholarships and install our new officers for the 2014-2015 year.

Republic

Billy Diehm was introduced to the Club as a scholarship winner. He attends the University of Cincinnati, majoring in accounting.

Lion Matt M informed the Club that the Fathers’ Day golf Scramble is set for Clinton Lake.

July 19, 2014 is the Sons of the Legion’s “Party in the Park”. We are to have brats, corn on the cob, and beans for the meal.

Lion Matt M reported that Kayln Goshe and Melissa England were awarded this year’s scholarships.

A thank you note was read from Kayln Goshe for the scholarship she was awarded.

The club approved a motion to sponsor a hole in the Seneca East Athletic Boosters’ Golf Scramble.

Lion Matt M presented the 22nd Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Randal King. This award is the highest award given by the Lions. Lion Randy has been a member since 1989. He has been the go to person for our building projects. Lion Randy can be seen at most of our projects. He was brought into the club by his father Lion James K.

“Project Life Saver” is being set up with the sheriff’s department and the Lion Clubs in Seneca County to aid those who have shown problems wandering.

The club will be a sponsor of the Mick and Janet Reiter 5K Run.

Lion Denny B was contacted by Melinda Cory, about the Girl Scouts doing a community service project at the Park. He talked to her about working on a dugout. The club will purchase paint and supplies needed to work on the dugout.

Lion Matt R suggested we consider putting in a T-Ball diamond. This might help relieve some of the pressure on the other diamonds.

President Tom N showed the club a Certificate of Occupancy From the Department of Commerce for the new shelter/concession stand. It will be placed in the building.

We received thank you notes from Melissa England for a scholarship, and the American Legion and Auxiliary for our donation for Boys and Girls State.

Tiffin

Tiffin Lions invited spouses and friends to the annual Family picnic on June 9th at the Moose Lodge shelter house. Hotdogs, brats and burgers rounded out the menu with salads and desserts brought by all. Then came the drawings for prizes! Thanks to all who planned the event.
Tiffin continued

White Cane Days on June 13th and 14th found Tiffin Lions at five local merchants collecting donations for special sight projects. Generous donations collected over $1,000.00 for sight needs.

June 14th also found a few Lions in downtown Tiffin at the Farmers Market selling Brooms.

2014-2015 officers were installed by PDG Pete DiCeasare on June 16th.

A Project Lifesaver organizational meeting on June 18th was held at the Seneca County Sheriff’s office. Representatives from Seneca County and Erie County Lions clubs were in attendance.

Tiffin Lions will cover the gates on opening day of the Seneca County Fair on July 21st.

Vermilion

The residents of Kingston and Mill Manor Nursing Homes and Vermilion Lions played Bingo for the season in May.

Student of the Month was Abbie Bodecker from Vermilion High School.

Pride Day, May 17, was a drizzly, rainy day as a few of our loyal members worked on Friendship Park placing mulch around. We will be keeping the park cleaned up.

Two Vermilion High School seniors received scholarships at the school’s Evening of Excellence. Abbie Bodecker from Vermilion High School received the Robert Via Memorial Scholarship of $1000. And Debbie Wuitowicz from EHOVE received the Vermilion Lions Scholarship of $1000.

The 3 digit fundraiser was held in May. It is a good fundraiser for us.

The annual Fish Festival took place on June 13-15. We sold out of perch. Our delicious homemade french fries and hot dogs sold very well also. Leos helped out at the hot dog and pop trailer.

The golf outing will be held at Willow Creek Golf Course in Vermilion on Sunday, August 17th. More details to follow.

Vermilion Lions will paint the gazebo in one of our city parks when necessary repairs are finished.

We wish everyone an enjoyable summer.

Plymouth

Plymouth Lions honored May Students of the Month Kendra Sutter and Krista Barnett. They also presented three $500.00 scholarships to graduating seniors, Luke Houser, Paige Delarber and Shadd Collins. These are memorial scholarships in honor of Lions Adam Mumea and Richard Horton.

Our "Learn About the Lions" dinner was well attended and we gained one new member. Also present that evening was outgoing ZC Bob Moorman who introduced us to incoming ZC Dave Schwenning.

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Late Arrival

LaGrange

LaGrange Lions Festival Christmas in July

Join us July 25th for our great fireworks display. To participate in the parade, July 24, call Bev at 440-458-6781. Lineup is at 6:00 p.m. at the Keystone Elementary School ending at LaGrange Lions Park.

Little Miss is coming back sponsored by Village Pizza. Stop in at Village Pizza and say “Hi” to Sharon and to get contest information.

See SANTA and his Mrs. at the lighting of the Christmas trees on July 25. If you are interested in a six man team of Tug of War, please call George at 440-315-7871.

We will have BINGO inside the school nightly from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 pm. Instant Bingo will be sold all around the park every evening.

The Beer Tent will be open for ages 21 and over, must show ID. The Main Stage will have entertainment nightly.

We are raffling half a hog, a side of beef and other meats. Get your ticket from any Lion member. Main drawings and Chinese Raffle and other raffles will be Saturday night.

Stop at Village Pizza and ask about entering the Pizza Eating contest on July 26th, at 6:00 p.m.

If you are a vendor wishing to set up, we still have booth space for a food vendor, just call George at 440-315-7871. When you leave your phone number speak slow and concise. Please repeat your phone number a second time.

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Bellevue

June 23, 2014 was our 70th installation of officers held at the Bierkeller Restaurant. PCC/PDG Stan Kopp was the installing officer. Lion Jim distributed attendance awards to Barb Cottos 2 years, David Greene and Jack Williamson 17 years, Ann West 20 years, Jim Pickering 29 years and Don West 36 years. Congratulations to our new members. One order of business was to approve $200 to Back to School community project.

June 28th three Lions met at the old Lyme School to complete the second of four trash pick ups.
VERMILION LIONS CLUB  
DISTRICT 13-B GOLF OUTING  
SUNDAY AUGUST 17, 2014

Willow Creek Golf Course  
15905 East Darrow Road  Vermilion, Ohio

Start Time: 8:30 A.M.

Four Man Scramble Event -  
$200.00/Team

Registration Includes: 18 Holes of Golf, Dinner at the Finish, Prizes & Raffles

Hole Sponsor: $40.00

Club Name: __________________________ Phone or Email: __________________________

Players Name: 1. ________________________ 2. ________________________

3. ________________________ 4. ________________________

Please note the Team Captain **

Total Enclosed:  Players (4) @ $200.00

Hole Sponsor @ $40.00 Ea.

Dinner Only @ $12.50 Ea.

Total: __________________________

Makes Checks Payable to:

Vermilion Lions Club  P.O. Box 432  Vermilion, Ohio  44089

Any Questions Please E-Mail:

Please return all entries by July 25, 2014

PDG Lion Jim Jeavons @ jifam84@yahoo.com

or

Lion Steve Holovacs @ steve acagroup@hotmail.com
Loudonville Lions Club
Two Person/Two Club
Golf Scramble

3 Divisions – Mens, Mixed, Women–

to be held at Pleasant Hill Golf Course

Sunday, Sept. 14th
$50.00 per team ~ shot gun start at 9 a.m
four clubs total per team–your choice (i.e. putter, driver, iron, wedge)
PLEASE BE AT COURSE AT 8:30 FOR SIGN UP

$5,000 Hole-In-One Challenge***

Deadline for Entry: September 8, 2014
For more information contact: Scott Baldner @ 419-994-4639

• cash prizes, top team, male, female
• riding carts available at extra cost
• snack at the turn
• lunch provided after play
• prize holes on each side
• door prizes

Male & female prizes for:
longest putt
closest to pin, and
longest drive

*** other hole-in-one prizes may be available

Proceeds benefit the 2015 Loudonville Lions Scholarship Fund

Name: ______________________ Telephone: ______________________

Address: ______________________

Team members: ______________________

Make checks payable to: Loudonville Lions Club
Return to: Dave Hunter, 244 W. Main St., Loudonville, Ohio 44842