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# Time Line

## Ohio Lions District 13-B

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### Time For a Rethink?

There are times when we go with the flow, and there are times when we rub against the grain. There are times we stand pat, but there comes a time for us to seriously re-evaluate and act.

I have noted a re-occurring theme that has been raised by several clubs that I visited this year. Clubs are concerned about their inability to grow, and their aging membership.

I share this concern, and I hope that every club in 13B will begin to address the issue now.

I will make some suggestions on where to begin:

1. Have a frank discussion among your club members regarding your club's projects and activities. You can speak with Lion Ann Miller, District Global Membership Team Chairperson about the Club Excellence Process. This can help you enormously.
2. Speak with other community leaders, e.g., mayors, councilmen, law enforcement, school officials. Find out where they think Lions can be most effective.
3. PDG Dana Zody, our District Global Membership Chairman, can give you all the best membership growth ideas.
4. Go to [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) to see what programs and materials are available to you.
5. Finally, keep club improvement on the front burner. Don't let your club continue on autopilot.

Now is the time for you to act!

PCC Jeff

## DG Francis Hensel

I have been reviewing the district membership reports that are generated each month. These reports are still showing members being dropped for non-payment of dues. Clubs are being billed for membership totals shown on the June 30 and December 31 report totals. This means the members that have not paid their dues by that date causes the club to pay their dues and assume the loss. Clubs need to revise the dues billing so they will have been paid by the end of June and December. Member dues not paid by that date should be dropped. Members can be reinstated up to six month from that date and still retain membership without having to pay the new member fees. The new Governor in July will not see members being dropped that should have been deleted from the membership totals in June or December.



The LCI website should be used by all club members as it contains a wealth of information. To use the web site, key in your member number as the user name. Your member number it is on the Lion magazine or your membership card generated from the Lions International club data base. Below the "submit or cancel input" you may select "new user" line. This will bring up the information page that you need to fill out to establish a password and sign on to the website.

I have two clubs scheduled for visitations in the month of November. The Milan Club is to be visited on November 5<sup>th</sup> and Savannah on November 14<sup>th</sup>. Club presidents check your calendar to see if my scheduled visitation is on it. If you don't know when I am scheduled to visit your club, please Email me at [fo-hensel@udata.com](mailto:fo-hensel@udata.com) or call 419-294-2918 and I will provide the date.

## 1st VDG Jeff



## 2nd VDG Carolyn

I helped the Bellville Lions, Butler Lions and Butler Lioness Clubs complete vision screening on three to five year olds at Clear Fork Christian Pre-School October 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. This is such a great program. We screened 59 children with seven referrals. This program finds eye problems at a very early age and will help save children's eye sight.

Every club in our district needs to get busy and complete vision screening on pre-schoolers. It is easy to do and takes very little time. If your club is small, get another club that is close by to help. To sign up for vision screening all you need to do is contact PDG Sonny Barker, Sight and Hearing Chairman and he will help you get started.

*Keep in Mind*

97th Convention  
Toronto, Canada  
July 4-8, 2014

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

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

100th Convention  
Chicago, Illinois  
June 30-July 4

37th Forum  
Overland Park,  
Kansas  
September 19-21,  
2013

38th Forum  
San Juan, Puerto  
Rico  
September 11-13,  
2014

39th Forum  
Grand Rapids, MI  
September 17-19,  
2015

40th Forum  
Omaha, Nebraska

## Ohio Lions Winter Retreat

Deer Creek State  
Park Lodge  
Sterling, OH  
January 17-19, 2014

## District 13 B Convention

Holiday Inn  
Westlake, OH  
March 28-30, 2014

See article on page one

Zone I Lion Jim Pickering is wondering where the month of September went!!

Good intentions for a monthly newsletter. MOST OF THE TIME IT IS GREAT TO BE RETIRED!! Anyway I am back at the computer and the first thing to note is my change of e-mail address that everyone should have gotten, but here it is again: jimdottiep@live.com .

Visitations are moving along with five clubs visited with Oak Harbor and Lindsey being the lucky ones this month. Both these clubs are doing great with even some young faces in both.

Three of us attended the "Famous" Lindsey Stem Feed this past Monday. Lions Rod and Barb Opelt were great hosts and just added another pint of water when they heard we were coming. I tried to give a little talk and was supposed to meet everyone at the big pot of stew around the fire after we ate-BUT NOBODY SHOWED UP- Next time my talk will be twice as long. Lindsey inducted one new member which was a great way for him to get started--on a FULL STOMACH and three good jokes (even Lion Glenn Baker's wasn't that bad).

Elmore is next on my list, so get ready Lion John Willey, October 24<sup>th</sup> .

As your District 13 B Peace Poster Chairman also, don't forget to have your posters properly filled out on the back and sent to Lion Governor Francis Hensel by postmark of November 15<sup>th</sup> , 2013.

Clyde Lion Teresa Elfring has her neck brace off after surgery and is back to work. I talked with Green Springs President-Warren Spencer who is still having difficulty with walking and eye sight. I will try to visit Clyde Lions on November 6<sup>th</sup> . They are currently meeting at Bev Gilberts house since there regular meeting place burned down.

Just a reminder about reports to try and get them in to International by the end of the month. As a secretary myself, I am finding you can record the activities as they happen during the month and just go back to the site to add more.

LIFE IS GOOD AS WE SERVE Lion Jim Pickering

On behalf of International President Barry Palmer, I am pleased to share with you that Lions Clubs International's Board of Directors has approved a special pilot program to waive the charter or entrance fee for U.S. Veterans of all ages.

The **Involve a U.S. Veteran** program is being offered only in the United States. The program waives the charter or entrance fee for any qualifying veteran who joins a new or existing Lions club between July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 and June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Eligible veterans include retired U.S. military personnel or honorably-discharged members of the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard Services, Marines, National Guard, Navy or Reserves. Those currently serving in the National Guard or Re-

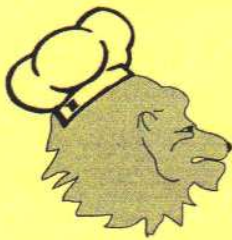
serves are also eligible. Lions Clubs International will provide an entrance fee waiver of \$25 (\$30 for charter members) to the first 5,000 qualified U.S. veterans that join a local Lions club.

Veterans have made so many great contributions and sacrificed so much to serve our country. As service members are honorably discharged from the military, let's offer them an opportunity to get involved in their communities.

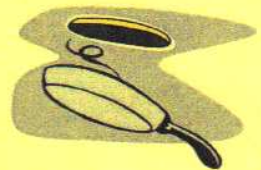
Search for LCI Veteran Program to learn more about this special program. You'll find a program fact sheet, promotional flyer, certification form and a sample press release you can use to promote this program in your community's news outlets.



# PANCAKE & SAUSAGE DINNER



**SAT. NOV 2<sup>ND</sup>  
4:00-7:00**



STONE LUTHERAN CHURCH (SR 511)

**TO BENEFIT  
HILLSDALE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS**

FOR THE PLAY TO PARTICIPATE  
*SPONSORED BY HAYESVILLE LIONS CLUB*

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**WHOLE HOG SAUSAGE SALE**

**SAT. NOV 9<sup>TH</sup>**

**8:30am-Noon**

**Hillsdale Arts & Crafts Festival**

\$3.00 per pound - Bulk

\$3.50 per pound - Stuffed

**Pre-Sale Orders, Phone 419-368-4137**



**Lorain County  
Health & Dentistry**

*Please Join Us  
Vision Clinic Open House*



**Saturday, November 16th  
11am – 1pm**

**1205 Broadway Avenue  
Lorain, Ohio 44052**

*The Vision Clinic is open and ready for patients.  
Please come and see what the Lions Clubs and Supporters  
have done to aid in providing eye care in Northeast Ohio.*



## **Lorain Lions and Lorain County Health & Dentistry**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: November 7, 2013**

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Lorain Lions Vision Committee  
Cell (440) 371-1028

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Lorain County Health & Dentistry  
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### **VISION CLINIC OPENS AT LORAIN COUNTY HEALTH & DENTISTRY**

*Lions Clubs Dedicate Vision Clinic after Raising \$257, 000 for Equipment*

Lorain – Lorain County Health & Dentistry, the county's largest safety-net provider of primary medical and dental care, has opened a full-time vision service at its 1205 Broadway location in Lorain. Years of planning by the health center and successful fund-raising, led by local Lions clubs, made the vision service a reality. "Many optometrists struggle to find a place to refer patients with no ability to pay for ongoing eye care. The LCH&D eye clinic will help so many people with their vision and medical eye conditions, and eye glass needs," said Optometrist John R. Smith, OD, a Lorain Lion and project leader.

Representatives from 56 Lions clubs in north central Ohio will join with Lorain County Health & Dentistry at 1205 Broadway in Lorain to dedicate the new vision clinic they helped to equip by raising \$257,000 for the project. Funds raised have been used to purchase state-of-the-art optometric equipment for the diagnosis and treatment of patients of all ages.

An open house for the general public will be held on Saturday, November 16, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at Lorain County Health & Dentistry, 1205 Broadway. All are welcome to attend and tours of the new vision clinic, and other health center clinics, will be given. Lions and LCH&D will also host a private dedication ceremony to honor Lions and special guests.

"Joining forces with the Lions made our vision clinic possible. The Lions mission to improve sight and prevent blindness perfectly matched our interest in improving access to vision care for those we serve. Their fund-raising efforts are second to none. We couldn't have opened this vision clinic without their help and support," said Stephanie Wiersma, LCH&D President & CEO.

The vision clinic has had broad support from Lions Clubs in the 10-county district. "A project of this scope requires the help of many. A hard-working committee of Lions from around north central Ohio has been involved for the past two years", said Ken Cromer, Lorain Lions Past President and project chair. John Donley, District 13-B LCIF Chairman noted, "This project exemplifies the motto of Lions 'We Serve.' Now the uninsured and underinsured residents of the District will have access to affordable eye care."

Funds raised included grants awarded from the Lions Clubs International Foundation (\$75,000), Nord Family Foundation (\$50,000) and Community Foundation of Lorain County (\$43,450). \$90,000 in donations was received from Lions clubs and Lion members as well as private individuals and area businesses.

Since 2002, Lorain County Health & Dentistry, a Federally Qualified Health Center, has provided top quality health care to people of Lorain County, Ohio and surrounding areas regardless of ability to pay. LCH&D also offers prenatal/women's health care, pediatrics, family medicine, podiatry, asthma/allergy services, and general dentistry and operates three locations in Lorain and Elyria.

Lions clubs throughout the world have focused on the prevention of blindness and assisting persons with visual impairments since 1925 when Helen Keller spoke to the Lions Clubs International convention in Cedar Point, Sandusky, Ohio. Ms. Keller challenged Lions to become "Knights of the Blind" and that has become the core mission of Lions everywhere.





**Lorain County  
Health & Dentistry**

## **Vision Clinic Collaboration Frequently Asked Questions**

### **1. What is the Lions and Lorain County Health & Dentistry Vision Clinic Collaboration?**

The Vision Clinic Collaboration represents a collaboration between the 56 Lions Clubs, Ohio District 13-B and Lorain County Health & Dentistry (LCH&D). The Lions Clubs raised more than \$257,000 required to equip the new vision clinic with state-of-the-art optometric and diagnostic equipment. LCH&D constructed a 1,100SF vision clinic on the first floor of its new health center building at 1205 Broadway in Lorain, Ohio. LCH&D has purchased waiting room furniture, business office equipment and dispensary shelving for eyeglasses. LCH&D is responsible for all vision clinic operations.

### **2. Why did Lions Clubs and Lorain County Health & Dentistry collaborate?**

Lions had a desire to make a meaningful and lasting impact on the broader community consistent with their mission. LCH&D observed the medical need and desired to open a vision clinic to address it, but was lacking adequate funds.

The need was made apparent in a 2011 survey of 568 LCH&D patients and visitors in which 33 percent reported never having been to an eye doctor. Of these, 65 percent cited as reasons cost, lack of insurance or a doctor who didn't take Medicaid.

The top medical diagnoses of LCH&D medical patients are diabetes and hypertension. This, plus the racial, ethnic and economic demographics of the user population, underscores the importance of having accessible, affordable vision services at LCH&D.

Working together, the two organizations will prevent blindness and preserve sight for those most in need for many years to come.

### **3. Where will the vision clinic be located?**

The vision clinic is located at LCH&D's main health center location at 1205 Broadway in Lorain, Ohio. Pediatrics, prenatal/women's health, asthma/allergy services and general dentistry are also located at the main health center.

### **4. Who may use the services of the vision clinic?**

Persons of all ages in need of primary and preventative eye care, including prescription glasses, may access care at LCH&D. Many are LCH&D medical or dental patients, and will enjoy the convenience of an additional service in a familiar setting. Those seeking eye care who are new to LCH&D are encouraged to learn about the health center's other services in Lorain and Elyria. There is no residency requirement to access health care at LCH&D; people residing outside of Lorain County are eligible to be seen.

The Health Center accepts Medicaid, Medicaid Managed Care, Medicare and most private insurances. LCH&D also serves those who do not have insurance, and discounts fees for eligible patients according to Federal Poverty Guidelines. LCH&D is committed to providing services to all those in need regardless of ability to pay.

### **5. How were funds raised to purchase the clinical equipment for the vision clinic?**

Of the total funds raised (\$257,000), \$89,000 came from Lions Clubs and individual Lions through fundraisers, individual donations and donations from community members and businesses. In addition, Lions Clubs International Foundation awarded the project a \$75,000 grant (the largest allowable amount), the Nord Family Foundation \$50,000, and the Community Foundation of Lorain County \$43,450 (which was directly to LCH&D).

**6. When will the vision clinic open?**

The vision clinic opened on October 10, 2013 at the health center's new facility at 1205 Broadway in Lorain.

**7. How many patients are treated at LCH&D? What volume do you expect at the Vision Clinic?**

In 2012, LCH&D treated almost 11,000 unduplicated patients in 32,000 medical and dental visits. Of these patients, 29 percent were uninsured, and 82 percent had incomes at or below 100 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (earning about \$23,000 annually for a family of four).

The vision clinic at LCH&D is expected to generate about 2,500 patient visits in the first full year. This figure will increase to just over 3,000 visits the following year and will reach 3,500 visits by Year 4, and every year thereafter.

**8. How will Lions be involved with the vision clinic now that it has opened?**

The 56 clubs of Lions District 13B will not only continue to provide free eye exams and eyeglasses for individuals referred to them who are in need, but will also provide free transportation as a volunteer service for those individuals who need medical diagnosis and treatment for eye diseases and conditions, as necessary, at the new vision clinic at Lorain County Health & Dentistry in Lorain, Ohio. Optometrists who are members of Lions Clubs in District 13-B will serve on a medical advisory board to provide professional feedback on the services offered through the vision clinic. They will also assist in the ongoing evaluation of the vision program, including contributing to the study and review of relevant clinical outcomes, and other quality improvement initiatives.





## 2014 WINTER RETREAT

# 2014 OHIO LIONS WINTER RETREAT

Deer Creek State Park Lodge, Sterling, OH

January 17 - 19, 2014



Dancing



Eating



Tasting



Learning



Fun

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

The 2014 Ohio Lions Winter Retreat information and Registration Forms are available on line at [www.ohiolions.org](http://www.ohiolions.org).

### Hotel Reservations

Hotel reservations must be made through the hotel at <http://www.deercreekstateparklodge.com> or by phone 1-800-282-7275. Room reservations prior to November 30, 2013 may be made by requesting the Ohio Lions group rate of \$75.00/night plus tax **with 1 to 4 persons per room**. After November 30<sup>th</sup> the room rate may increase. The State Office will not accept hotel reservations or room deposits.





*"Service through Leadership"*

# MD 13 GLT Newsletter

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## Ohio's Trailblazers



**Front Row (L to R):** Fran Breyer, Bob Swartzmiller, Louise Norris, Kirby Witmer, Beth Cauley, Ashley Schmunk, Eleanor Haupt, James Feils,, Sharon Sweeney, Ronald Hall, Cheryl Miller

**Middle Row (L to R):** Wayne Christen, Nathan Douglas, Rachel Smith, David Bisbee, A J Westlund, Nicholas Schmunk, Betty Robbins, Joe Hall, Bob Scheetz, Robyn McClintock, Rick Miller

**Back Row (L to R):** Fran Heimerl, Dave Jordan, Tony DeLuke, James Hofer, Mike Kerek, Alan Schory, David Stockum, Steven Cochie

At 10:00 am on October 11, 2013 the group shown above had the courage to tackle the most intense training experience that has ever been attempted in the History of Ohio Lions. Thirty Lions representing 9 districts spent three days developing their leadership skills. Friday from 10:00 am until 8:00 pm, Saturday from 8:30 am until 8:00 pm, and Sunday from 8:30 am until 2:45 pm.

The institute consisted of eleven sessions covering the following topics: Opening Session (Getting to know each other), Lions Fundamentals, Working in Teams, Diversity, Servant Leadership, Public Speaking, Time Management, Developing a Personal Mission Statement, Member Motivation, Goal Setting, and three discussion groups talking about "Image - is it Important?", "Identifying and Developing Leaders", and "Leadership".

Instructors included PID Jerry Smith. PID Wayne Davis from Virginia, PCC Jim Canon from West Virginia, PDG Jay Carey from District J, PCC Paul Metrovich from District D, PDG Barry Brandt from District F, PCC Dave Gauch from District D, PCC Steve Thornton from District G, PDG Sam Bates from District F, and PDG Fred Breyer from District E. Thanks also go to CC Woody Conrad who helped with the "Graduation Ceremony" and MDS PDG Debbie Luttrell who took care of the most



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# Ohio's Trailblazers

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important thing - the food and facilities.

I think that the most important thing about such an event is what the participants say in their evaluations and I would like to share a few of these comments:

*"It was great to socialize with new friends under the same cause, as Lions. 'You all did a great job and I am sad that I won't be able to return. Friday morning I felt "Here we go, another "Per LCI" training session. Now as we sit here Sunday, ready to leave, I feel a sadness to be leaving such a great group.*

*Debbie was fantastic in helping to arrange this event along with the GLT who rocked. You should all be proud"*

*"A lot of information packed in a very tight timeline."*

*"Leadership - Sharing by showing! The juices are flowing of great ideas. I've seen how I can better my club through simple easy actions. I've seen that fundraising, service, and membership begins with effective leaders."*

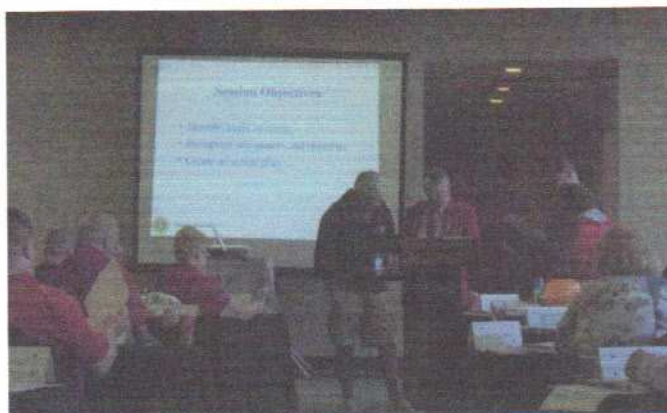
These comments and pictures hopefully convey the great time that was had by all.

The final treat of the weekend was when during the "Graduation" ceremony, ZC Robyn McClintock provided the music "Pomp and Circumstance", from her cell phone. What a fitting way to end a great weekend.

Our thoughts are to provide this experience again next year. Talk to some of the participants and see what their reaction to the Institute was and then consider signing up next year.



Working as a team to form a square while blindfolded



Participants "Role Playing" during Motivating Members Session



Participants during a session on Diversity



## 2013 District 13 B 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 **\$8.00** each      Colors: **red, white, pink, marbled**

•8-1/2" pots as above and also **tri-color** with 3 of the 4 above colors for **\$16.00** each.

**(Additional 8-1/2" colors need to be confirmed by greenhouse – Bridget @ 440-934-5948)**

Checks should be made out to **District 13-B Poinsettia Sale** and sent along with a copy of the order to Lion Ann Miller (13-B Sale Chair) at the address below. No orders are to be placed directly. She will forward order copies to Pinehaven Garden Center and checks to Cabinet Treasurer Dan Stone. No money should be paid directly to the greenhouse. Pick-ups may be scheduled beginning November 30. 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: Bridget  
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 13B Lions, Lioness & Leos***





**DISTRICT 13-B ZONE 8**

**ADVISORY MEETING**

**TUESDAY NOVEMBER 19, 2013**

**7:00 PM AT**

**LOUDONVILLE LIONS BUILDING**

**HOST CLUB: LOUDONVILLE**

**MENU: SPAGETTI WITH MEAT SAUCE, GARLIC BREAD,  
LETTUCE SALAD, PIE, COFFEE OR PUNCH**

**DINNER \$9.00**

**RSVP BY NOV. 13**

**Z.C. KENNY SCHUCK**

**419-282-0053    [KRSCHUCK@FRONTIER.COM](mailto:KRSCHUCK@FRONTIER.COM)**

Those wishing to speak can request three minutes by contacting Z.C. Kenny by November 13. The time slots are limited. Because Lionism is and should be fun, all speakers will be required to present a joke. Jokes will not be included in your three minutes.

## Pancake Breakfast



All you can eat pancakes  
Sausage, fruit & drink included

Saturday November 16, 2013

**Rowsbury Lions Club  
Community Center**

Serving 7:00 am to 11:00 am

Adults - \$5.00 Children 4 to 10 - \$2.50

Proceeds to be used for  
Community Service



# REPUBLIC LIONS 24<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL GUN RAFFLE

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2013 – 5 PM**

## REPUBLIC TOWN HALL

Beretta PX4 Storm 40 S&W  
Savage Axis XP rifle package 308 Cal  
Smith & Wesson Model 642 Lady Smith 38  
Rock Island Armory M1911 A1 Tactical 9MM  
Remington 700 SPS .270 Cal Stainless

TC Impact 50 Cal Package  
Mossberg Model 500 Turkey / Deer Camo  
Taurus Model 4510 Judge  
Winchester SXP Camp / Field Combo 12 Ga.  
Remington 11-87 Sportsman Field

Gun winners present will receive \$25 Bonus

REFRESHMENTS & SNACKS AVAILABLE

NO ADMITTANCE UNDER 21

Ticket Donation: \$10  
Need Ticket to enter  
For every 80 tickets sold over 800 the next gun on the list will be added again.

NO Admission Fee @ the door  
Need not be present to win

Grand Prize drawing (separate ticket- \$5 donation) – prize \$1500.00

**NEW THIS YEAR !!!!**

Doors open at 5 pm and there will be NO admission charge.

We have added a third raffle. We call it our "Bonus Gun" a \$2300 value, \$5 donation for each ticket. This year we have selected the:

Colt LE 6940P AR15 with Leupold scope

New this year attendance drawing at 11PM in addition to the door prizes given away hourly.

At 6 pm will we be starting our "Night at the Races" with the help of Star Entertainment. A chance to wager on pre-recorded horse races. Advertise your business or fulfill a fantasy, name a horse for \$20 or sponsor a race for \$100. Contact us for details; [mpmiller@bright.net](mailto:mpmiller@bright.net)

Like us on FACEBOOK to keep up on RLC news, request tickets and results of the drawings.

Republic Lions Club, We Serve since 1948. This project is our major fund raiser and supports our ability to fund the Republic Community Park (maintain 3 ball fields, the grounds, lights, new buildings etc.), also college scholarships, eye care and eyeglasses for those in need, along with many other community projects and donation requests from the surrounding area.

No Coolers Please

GET A LETTER FROM SANTA, HANDWRITTEN & POSTMARKED FROM THE NORTH POLE!

Letter can be for (1) child or all children at one address. Please PRINT & fill out all areas below. Form must be returned by December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013! Please **include YOUR reach number on back of this form** in case of questions. **Information is needed for EACH child** if letter is being sent to multiple children. Use a separate form for each child, but indicate that only (1) letter is to be sent.

(List child's name, as you want it to appear on the envelope) (your email: \_\_\_\_\_)

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ SEX (check): MALE \_\_\_\_\_ FEMALE \_\_\_\_\_

FAVORITE FOODS: \_\_\_\_\_

FAVORITE PET (Specify name, type & sex): \_\_\_\_\_

FAVORITE PLAYMATE or RELATIVE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME of SIBLINGS: \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT THEY WANT FOR CHRISTMAS: \_\_\_\_\_

List any accomplishments over the past year (school/sport award, ABC's, etc) or something you might want Santa to remind them to do (brush teeth, pick up toys, share):

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Mail completed form by December 4<sup>th</sup>, with \$5.00 (per letter) to: **LORAIN HARBOR LIONS, P.O. BOX 853, LORAIN, OH 44052**  
Make checks payable to LORAIN HARBOR LIONS CLUB. THIS FORM MAY BE COPIED & GIVEN TO FAMILY & FRIENDS. THE LORAIN HARBOR LIONS THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!! Letters should arrive the week of 12-16.



## Past, Present and Future

### Ashland Evening

October was a special month for the Ashland Evening Lions Club. While the club was chartered in August of 1963, we held our 50th Charter Anniversary Celebration on October 5<sup>th</sup>. PID and candidate for 2<sup>nd</sup> VP of Lions Clubs International Steve Sherer was our keynote speaker. Over 100 members and guests attended, including the last living charter member, former Lion Lonnie Atchison.

Zone 7 Chair Lion Kevin Reidy made a formal visit to the club at our October 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

On October 17<sup>th</sup>, for our Lion and Son evening, the program was "Up, Up and Away" presented by the local Cloud Chasers model airplane enthusiasts. Included was Denny McKay and Lion Darryl Lindner.

Our club will hold a formal membership recruitment meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup>

### Ashland Noon

Ashland Noon Lions club was hit with a double set back this month. President Bruce Van Scoy announced that he had accepted a job opportunity in Michigan and would be leaving Ashland. He promised to continue wearing the scarlet and grey in November.

Also, 2nd VP Jason Gwinnup announced that he has taken a new position in Akron and will be leaving the club.

Both intend to transfer to a local Lions club when they get established in their new areas.

1st VP Oliver Highman has stepped up to the president's position effective October 14<sup>th</sup>.

The nominating committee has begun work on finding candidates to fill the open positions.

The club is starting preparations for our annual rose sale fund raiser, which pro-

vides most of our program funds for the year.

Delivery date is November 15<sup>th</sup>, and are still just \$18.00. Please contact any Noon Lion if you would like to surprise a loved one with a dozen long stem roses this year

### Avon

On October 26<sup>th</sup> the Avon Lions held a "Flapjacks for Fisher House" fundraiser at Applebees in Avon Commons. Fisher House is a facility that will be built on the grounds of the Louis Stokes VA Hospital in Cleveland to provide food, lodging, and support for military families of soldier being treated at the VA.

The pancake breakfast served over 140 diners and raised over \$1000 for the Fisher House.

The total donation will be just over \$2000 after the Avon Lions match the funds raised by the breakfast.

The staff at Applebees provided the delicious breakfast while our Lions did their best as waiters and bus help.

A good time was had by all and a very worthy charity will honor our veterans and their families.



Lion Eric Jaworski serving a table.

### Bascom

Twenty-four Bascom Lions and three guests attended the October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Club learned and witnessed how the Pilot Dogs work. Sandy Bland was the presenter for the informative program. The Ohio Lions assist in sponsoring this non-profit organization based in Columbus, Ohio.

### Bellville

The Food Trailer is ready for winter storage. It has again served it's purpose.

We netted over \$2200 in two days. Going to Heritage Days is one of our best moves

We did have some problems with help but managed to serve everyone.

We ran out of food on the first day. Lions Bill and Carolyn went back into town on Saturday night and restocked. The only thing we had left was water and pop.



Our guest at the October meeting was Brian and Letitia Miller along with Nicole. They have been Bellville residents for over twelve years.

Nicole was born with brancio-oto-renal, or BOR syndrome. BOR syndrome is a genetic disorder that can cause hearing loss and kidney failure. Nicole began life with only one kidney, functioning at twenty-eight percent.

Brian and Letitia Miller along with Nicole shared their journey from diagnosis to her kidney transplant this year. The story includes how her kindergarten teacher, Wendy Killian became her kidney donor.

Zone 6 Advisory meeting will be November 11<sup>th</sup> with Lucas Lions as host. The meeting will be at the Lucas School with

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Lucas Lions as host. The meeting will be at the Lucas School with Fast Eddies serving the dinner.

We need as many Lion members that can be there to show our support for the zone.

At our last meeting it was decided to have a family Thanksgiving dinner with the children bringing a toy for "Toy Time." This will help give less fortunate children a good Christmas.

Our meeting in November will be November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Our Christmas party will be December 12<sup>th</sup> with Santa making a visit. It would be nice if everyone would bring a food product for the Bellville Neighborhood Outreach center's Food Bank. This will help those in need have a better Christmas.

### Butler

District Governor Francis Hensel addressed both Butler Lions and Butler Lioness regarding District 13B. Also in attendance was 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor/PDG, Jeff Hillis.

PDG Jeff explained the Ohio Plan used to maintain and attract new people interested in Lionism. Both Lions were very informative. Muffy Litt of Butler also attended the meeting.

Muffy helped by mixing funnel cake batter on the second Prairie Peddler weekend. Although not a member at this time, we are encouraging her to consider becoming a Lioness.

We had an excellent first weekend for sales of our funnel cakes. Sales on the second weekend was down due to the weather.

The Butler Halloween Party will be held on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. Judging will be at 3:00 P.M. The volunteers are needed from our club to help pin on par-

ticipant numbers.



Lion Carolyn Brook asked for volunteers to help with Vision Screening for Pre-Schoolers at the Clear Fork Schools. Lioness members interested in helping with the project are needed on October 15<sup>th</sup> and October 16<sup>th</sup>.

Please support the Bake Sale that will be held on November 5<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds from the sale will help with operational costs at the Adult Center.

Your donation of baked goods are needed. We have had a good response to the last two sales that we have held on Election Day. Thanks for anything you can bake or for anything you might purchase.

### Clyde

Clyde Lions will be sponsoring a Red Cross Bloodmobile on November 13<sup>th</sup> at the First United Methodist Church on Race Street from 12:00 to 6:00 p.m.

We are busy making plans for the upcoming holiday season by donating to local food pantry monthly and other local needs.

### Fostoria

October brought an end to the Farmers Market for this year. All our onions have been sold!! We have a few brooms and whisk brooms left over and one flag set.

The club voted to make a \$1,500 donation the Fostoria "Paint The Town" Foundation for the paving and repair of the Buck-

ley Street Tennis Courts.

This donation is in addition to the renovations the club made on the basketball courts by installing a new backboard, hoop, net and resealing the asphalt and lining the court.

### Fremont

Lion Greg Derodes informed the club he turned over 3500 pairs of eye glasses to Columbus plus one set of hearing aid's.

Two Ross High School seniors spoke as Students of the Month. Kelly Bondra brought her mother Kathy and Drew Solander brought his mother Linda. Both Kelly and Drew are impressive students in the National Honor Society along with many other involvements in school and community. Drew wishes to pursue a career in Business Management and Kelly is going to major in Visual Communications/Interactive Design.

Our two SJCC students of the month



were Paige Guthrie and Grant Mercer who brought parents Mary Guthrie and Tom Mercer. Both these students have exemplary school honors along with an impressive list of activities and interests. Their future aspirations list shows their goal to be giving back to the community





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Their future aspirations list shows their goal to be giving back to the community after college with degrees in the medical field, engineering, teaching and social work.

Colleen Carmack inducted new Lion John Willey. Jim Willey, father, is his sponsor. John is the Director of Sandusky County Regional Planning Committee. He is husband of Lori, father of Isaac and soon to have another young son or daughter. Welcome John!

### Lorain

Summer is gone, Fall is here and Winter is rapidly approaching.

#### Pancake breakfast buzz



With Fall, we are preparing for our pancake breakfast scheduled for Sunday, November 3rd. I would like to see everyone that can participate in this big fund raiser. If you cannot work the entire morning, please work at least few hours. Your help is appreciated.



Lions Jack Clark and Dan Smith spoke about their experiences on board and on land during the Bicentennial reenactment of the 1813 Battle of Lake Erie.

And finally, don't forget to attend the dedication of Lorain County Health and Dentistry's Lions Vision Clinic on November 13th at 4:30.

### Mohawk Lioness

The Mohawk Lioness conducted a Vision Screening at Mohawk school on October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.

The members visited Threads in Tiffin October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

### Old Fort

Old Fort Lions held a Fair Appreciation meal on October 15<sup>th</sup> for those who helped with the Sandusky County Fair. We were visited by Zone 2 Chair Cindy Beat and we were treated to another wonderful meal by the Flames.

The Pancake and Sausage Supper was held November 2<sup>nd</sup> 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Tiffin Popcorn Balls November 11<sup>th</sup> through December 19<sup>th</sup> Mondays & Thursdays 6 p.m. Instead of picking any one day to help out it would be better if two or three of us went each night. This works best for them just like it does for us at the fair. Tiffin is very appreciative for the help. Your service will count as a make-up for a missed meeting on or after October 15th.

### Plymouth

Plymouth Lions continued their busy schedule into September and October.

- We were pleased to have 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Jeff and Lion Joy at our September business meeting.
- A Blood Drive was held in September,
- flags were placed for three holidays,
- members attended two Zone meetings and Ashland's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration.
- We also helped Crestline Lions at their food booth and displayed our parade train at the Willard Train Fest.

- Our annual Sweetest Day Rose Sale was a success and we sold 500 doz. over the course of 2-days.



- Our Student of the Month Program resumed in October and we hosted P.H.S. seniors Cassidy Smedley and John Gillum and their families at our dinner meeting.



### Port Clinton

We are happy to say we have added three members this month. Two members were transfers and one is a returning Lion. Welcome to Lions Terry Hartley, Dan Laffey, and Denice Day.

We helped two people get eyeglasses.

Halloween was a fun time for Lions Lawrence Montowski, Sue Herzog, Virginia Denney, and Patti Howell. We helped the Port Clinton High School with their community Halloween Party. Our room was decorated as a Circus Theme and of course we had a couple clowns there. The kids played games and were given toys and candy. It is always great fun and a way to serve the community. Three

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of our Lions enjoyed helping seniors in our community. Lion Sue Herzog at the Veterans Home, Lion Lawrence Montowski at the Senior Village, and Lion Virginia Denney who made lap quilts for Senior Homes.

Our Project Lifesaver is growing. We have added more local communities to the list of Project Lifesaver providers.

## Sandusky

The Erie County Lions Clubs, Sandusky, Milan, Huron, Vermilion and Castalia turned out in force to help raise money for Project Lifesaver at our first fundraiser, NITE AT THE RACES!

We worked together to raise thousands of dollars to buy the equipment. Many, many Lions spent time pounding the pavement to sell ads, horses and tickets, and getting donations for the Chinese Auction.

Training for PLS is November 18-20, the client contract has been approved by the Prosecutor's Office and we will be ready to take application appointments on December 1. We have sixteen clients ready to be approved! As Sheriff Paul said, "Rome wasn't built in a day, but they did not have the Lions Clubs!"

October Students of the Month were from St. Mary's. Trudy Fleck is an "All American: cheerleader also involved in Key Club. She plans to attend TU for occupational therapy. Clay Parish is involved in basketball, football and tennis. He is a part of Team Leadership and hopes to attend OU for sports management.

We recycled 145 pair of glasses. We also spent \$1,035.00 for exams and glasses for

thirteen people. The Wightman-Wieber Community Foundation gave the Erie County Blind Fund.

On November 2, at Star Lanes, Jeff and Kathy Lizzi, along with the Sandusky Lions sponsored "Spare a Life", bowling fundraiser. The proceeds were donated to the Sandusky Lions Club Fund for the Blind of Erie County and Lifebank of Northeast Ohio. Lifebank is a nonprofit organ and tissue recovery organization and the Erie County Fund for the Blind provides people of our community with eye exams, glasses and other sight treatment, who do not have the funds to cover.



## Sycamore

Community calendars have been received and delivered. Funds have been collected. Our treasury is looking much better now. But we still need ideas for fundraisers to be able to help community members with vision problems.

The steak fry was a lot of fun and it was good to see so many enjoying all the goodies provided. This is the club's way to thank all who helped with the fair gates this past July. The steaks were done just right and they were enjoyed by all. President Herb thanked all who helped with the Fair Gates project and especially those who helped on Friday. Lioness and guests

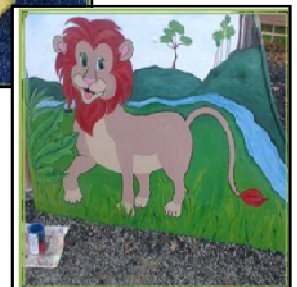
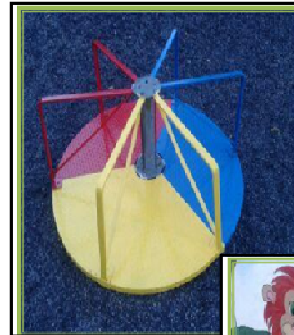
help our club to earn these funds and we appreciate all their help!

The Sycamore Lions Club's Corn Hole Tournament was held on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Sycamore Fire House. Tournament started at noon. Cost was \$10 per person. All registration fees were returned in prizes.

## Upper Sandusky

Lion Ron Jolliff reported that we sold out of everything at the fair stand. We only used half the horseradish, but we sold it in bulk. Lion Treasurer Mike McPherson reported that our fair stand at the County Fair did approximately \$1000 better than the year before.

Lion Allen Boes reported that one side of the slide in the Kiddy Park is painted and the rest of the painting of the Kiddy rides would be completed soon. He also reported the work on the merry-go-round at Harpster Park was finished.



We are planning to rebuild the rail fence at Harrison Smith Park for the Fantasy of Lights on November 2. We will be decorating the downtown trees for Christmas on the evening of November 6.

Lion Jim Steward announced that he has signed up two new members: John Steward and Keith Wodrich. Initiations are to be scheduled. Be sure to welcome them into the club when you see them.



## Vermilion

With the threat of rain for the day of the Woollybear Festival, the crowd was not as big as usual. We sold food from our trailers, we parked cars and had a Lions float in the parade.

- Our rose sale went well. Many ladies enjoyed the beautiful gift of roses for Sweetest Day.
- Homemade french fries were delicious and went over big at our home high school football games.
- We helped with Feed the Team. We served the high school football team at the Nest. They really enjoyed their meal.
- We had participation at the Paper-moon Winery for wine tasting.
- We helped with the Nite at the Races for Project Life Saver.
- We installed one new member last month, Aaron Dunn. We have two more new members to be installed this month.
- Our recycling project is going well.
- Some members from our club plan to attend our next Zone 3 meeting which is November 7 at Huron.
- Our annual poinsettia sale will be coming up. Also the ringing of the bell for the Salvation Army schedule will be at our next meeting for sign up.

Our Vermilion Leos have been helping us with bingo at our two local nursing homes. They also helped with Halloween activities for the children at our YMCA. They will be busy with more activities with the upcoming holidays.

## Tiffin

Thirteen Tiffin Lions participated in the Highway Clean up in September. Eyeglass were purchased for two needy people. A

bus full of Lions and friends enjoyed an outing to Cleveland's Horseshoe Casino. The Heritage Festival found us cooking not only bologna sandwiches and hot dogs but also breakfast sandwiches. Food not sold was donated to the Salvation Army.

A joint Lions and Kiwanis Pancake, Sausage and Eggs Breakfast found the two clubs working and serving together to gain funds for projects.

Broom sales were brisk at the September and October Farmers Market in Tiffin.

The Halloween social is a collection point for cans of food for the needy. So far 330 cans have been collected on the way to a goal of 500 cans.

A donation was made to the VFW when speakers told us how they support the marking of veterans graves.

November 14 is the beginning of ten Monday and Thursday nights of popcorn ball production. Be there at 6:00 p.m. for a light supper and begin rolling balls at 6:30. Location is still at M.J. Brown Company at 220 Wall Street in Tiffin. See you!

## What does it take to be a 13-B Supporter on the back page of the District Newsletter?

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