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Wow, Lions of District 13 OH2: what a terrific job you have done on service projects since the start of the new Lions year. And from talking with you at Clubs and Zone meetings, many more projects are on the up-coming events lists. Keep those newsletters coming. Special congratulations to 2nd VDG Kerry Parker on receiving a Melvin Jones in recognition for her many contributions to Lionism on the Club, District, State, and International Level. Once again, We Serve!

Hats off to the first set of Zone Meetings—the Zone Chairs and Club members shared a lot of new ideas for community projects and membership nights—so many new ideas exchanged with additional discussion about teaming with other Clubs to implement the "new" with the "existing.

Thanks to all who participated in the STEPS walk at Ashland High School. Special thanks to CC Greg and his committee for the successful completion of this 2nd annual walk and new Lions project. The money raised goes to the LCIF pediatric cancer fund.

The USA-Canada Forum was successful as well. Thanks to those Committee Members that made things run smoothly. What a lot of participants and speakers Ohio welcomed!

Campaign 100 is here for the next three years. The goal is to raise \$300 million for LCIF—consider donating to this funding as a Club or as individuals. \$10 a month as a direct deduction can make a HUGE difference. Contact PDG Carolyn Brook for information/pledge cards.

Poinsettia sales will start soon. Prices are the same as last year: small pot= \$8.50 and large pot = \$16.50. This is one of the major District 13 OH2 projects; consider it again this year. Contact Ann Miller for further information and order forms. Thanks.

Membership remains down, but MANY Clubs have successfully added new members through membership nights and through inviting prospective members to be a part of service projects and other Club activities. Some of those new members have also assumed Club offices, often through the encouragement and mentoring of current Lions. WAY TO GO, LIONS!

One final note: plans are in-the-works to have a course to certify and/or recertify Guiding Lions in the District. These Lions would then assist new Clubs, struggling Clubs, and other Clubs needing some new ideas/guidance to continue encouraging Lions. Consider that program: many Lions qualify for such activities.

Keeping Visions on the Right Track. DG Keith

I have had many opportunities in my life to attend outstanding conventions and conferences including one of the largest Lions Conventions ever, in Chicago; and almost a dozen National FFA conventions with 25,000 to 30,000 in attendance. By far, the USA / Canada Leadership Forum that I recently took part in was the most inspiring and informative convention or conference I have ever attended. I had always heard good things about the Forum, but what I had heard was not even close to describing how amazing it actually was. From the quality of the seminars, to the ability to interact with other Lions from around the world, the whole experience is almost indescribable. The Forum is held every year in the USA or Canada and I would strongly encourage everyone to attend at least one.

Leadership is practiced not so much in words as in attitude and in actions. Harold S. Geneen

Has your club begun the process of planning for a membership recruitment meeting or drive? Too often we throw something together and the results are equal to the effort. Take the time and use the Ohio Plan it works if followed completely. I provided each club a copy in their Membership Chair bags in May, however if you need another copy please let me know. I know recruiting is not one of the most enjoyable projects for anyone, but approach it as an opportunity to expose others to the organization you get so much enjoyment from.

Shouldn't everyone have the opportunity that you have to be a Lion? Be sure to explain not only what we do but the "why" of what we do. We make a difference in the lives of others. We prevent blindness in young children, we feed the less fortunate, and we comfort and support those that have lost everything.

We also do so much more and we need to share that. There is unfortunately an ever increasing need in our communities. Our communities need you. Our communities need more Lions!

I look forward to seeing all of you at the When planning service projects for second round of Zone Meetings.

Ist VDG Kenny Schuck kennyrschuck@gmail.com

2nd VDG Kerry



As we move through the month of October, I know many of our clubs are working hard with various fall festivals, fundraisers and Halloween events for our communities. So, before the month passes us by, remember that November is Diabetes Awareness month, with November 14 set National Diabetes Awareness Day. Take time at one of your meetings this month and plan something - a guest speaker, an awareness activity, sponsorship of a Diabetes camper, awareness promotion through your club's social media, a donation to LCIF or IDRF, etc. As Lions, making an impact in the fight against Diabetes starts now. We Serve!

GST Coordinator

Fall Greetings Team Lions! The OH 2 clubs are making progress in the identification of Club Service Team Chairs. "Touchdown"!! If your club has not ap-

pointed someone to this position, please complete your club roster with the name of the identified individual. Remember, the secretary will need to enter the necessary information into the club's data

As we reviewed our service activities at the recent zone meetings, we found that our Lions Clubs are committed to some GREAT PROJECTS! We do need to remember to identify the projects as part of your monthly club report. Check the requirements listed on the Service Award handout from the zone meeting OR also see the listing of requirements in the OH2 Directory, pp. 49-50. Completion of these focus areas could qualify your club for a service award.

the upcoming months, consider... **Fall Service Focus**

October

Vision Awareness Month

November

Diabetes Awareness Month

December

Hunger Awareness

GO LIONS TEAMS!! WE SERVE!

GST Coordinator Sandra Best sbestlinks@gmail.com

> District Governor's **Excellence Award** 2018-2019

There has been some confusion on how the reporting for the Governor's Excellence Award now works. I would like to clear this up

All clubs are entered into the Governor's Excellence Award contest. The guidelines for reporting are in your District Directory. This form is found on the district website, ohiolionsoh2.com/online/forms.

Simply fill out the online Google form, make a copy for yourself and push submit. It will come to me. Or you may email or snail mail a print copy - there is a Microsoft Word version on the District web site that you can print out. That's it. This is submitted to me quarterly.

You still have to submit your monthly membership reports and service activities to LCI by opening MyLCI and completing the reports.

If you still have questions you can email me and I will try to help.

PCC Sharon Parker S parker 121@msn.com Di:

District Poinsettia Sale

The District 13 OH-2 poinsettia sale will soon be upon us. Money raised by this sale helps to fund a number of district expenses. Your club support of this fundraiser is much appreciated. At the same time, it makes a great club fundraiser.

District pricing has remained the same since 2016: \$8.50 for the 6-1/2" poinsettias and \$16.50 for the 8-1/2" poinsettias. Red, white, pink and marbled are available in both sizes. Additionally there is a tricolor 8-1/2"poinsettia which has a red, a white, and a pink flower in same pot. You should be contacting past customers to remind them that you will be happy to take their orders. Reaching out to new customers is a great way to add sales.

Complete information and order forms will soon be on the district website and in the hands of all zone chairs and district officers – or contact Lion Ann Miller at babba4aim@gmail.com

This is an easy way to help fund OH-2 projects and to promote our clubs as we reach out to the public.

Lion Ann Miller OH-2 Poinsettia Sale Chair

Have a fun evening in Bucyrus!!

Quarter Auction: Bring your quarters to try to win prizes & gift cards donated by local merchants and vendors. (We can provide change for dollar bills.)

Admission: \$10 at the door

Also, shop vendors such as 31, Tupperware, Tastefully Simple, Scentsy, Premier Designs and local merchants. Find some interesting items for Christmas qifts.

When: Monday, Oct. 22nd doors open at 6 p.m.

Where: St. Paul's Church, 130 S. Walnut St., Bucyrus (Benefits the Bucyrus Lions Club's projects.)

Contact Joy Hillis at joylee3434@gmail.com or 419-562-4455 for pre-sale tickets & more information.

PLYMOUTH AREA LIONS CLUB ANNUAL



SWEETEST DAY ROSE SALE

Oct. 19th & 20th \$16.00 / DOZ.

SALES LOCATIONS: PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY MARKET SHELBY ACE HARDWARE WILLARD MOOSE



All Proceeds Used for Community Service Project

Pancake Breakfast



All you can eat pancakes Sausage, fruit & drink included

Saturday October 20, 2018

Rowsburg Lions Club

Community Center

Serving 7:00 am to 10:30 am

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

Proceeds to be used for

Community Service

Ashland Evening

The September 6 meeting of the Ashland Evening Lions Club was called to order by Lion President Ed Krakora. Our speaker was Allen Wilson, superintendent of the Ashland County Community Academy. (ACCA). The school works with students who are struggling. With class room instructions and career classes (welding, e.g.), the school is able to help students learn an occupation. The school is funded by the State, enrollment fees, medical insurance and donations.

September 14 & 15: Our food trailer was at Miller-Hawkins providing hotdogs, chips and soda by donation.

September 10: Sight and hearing screening at the schools will began with Reagan Elementary. This year we will be screening students at the high school.

September 23 is the scheduled STEPS Walk/Run at Ashland High School for pediatric cancer research.

October 9 is our highway clean-up along US 250 East. Meet at Fin-Feather-Fur Outfitters at 4:30 p.m.

Avon

The Avon Leo's had their first organizational meeting and had an amazing number of interested young people. The club is back from summer schedule and in the process of arranging for Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets as well as ringing the bell for the Salvation Army and CRS.

Bascom

Sorry to report, this past month we lost a 22-year club member. James "Jim" A Hoover passed away September 20th, 2018 at the Good Shepherd home in Fostoria. Jim served in the military and was always ready to serve the club regardless of the project. Iim joined the club in February 1996 and was a faithful attendee until his health prevented him from doing so. We

friends in the Bascom community especialbrother John Hoover.

Bascom Lions 25-year club. We are adding the following to the 25-year club Dallas Heck, Larry Gosche, Randy Hoover, Bob Dewald, and Larry Beidelschies. The 25year club now totals 20 members, approximately 50% of the club. Congratulations and thanks for all your service.

Last Month we participated in the FACT Legacy Bike Ride with some of our members helping to direct traffic at busy intersections.

On September 18th, The Zone Meeting at the Tiffin VFW was attended by President Tim Zoeller, Secretary Dan Brickner, and Larry Cobb.

Also, on September 18th, 20 members and enjoyed a buffet style dinner with Beef Stroganoff as the main dish. Jeff Holbrook, new Superintendent of Hopewell-Loudon School. Jeff is married to Abbi and has 2 children Cali, 9 years old and Sydney, 8 years old. We welcomed Jeff into our community as he takes over the leadership position at our local school district.

Bellevue

Assistant Bellevue High School band director, David Strayer, was the guest speaker for the Bellevue Lions on September 17. Lion President, Ted Brubaker, is holding



one of many bells used to start a Bell Choir in the 2012/2013 school Starting year. with just 9 boys and girls and two octaves of hand bells, the bell choirs have now over 100 youth participating.

Concerts are given each year and special occasions such as playing the National Anthem at the Toledo Mudhens games

extend our sympathy to his family and areone of the highlights. This Bell Choir gives a lot of kids the ability to learn a ly his sister Phyllis (Jerry) Swander and his different kind of music and has been a great asset to Bellevue High School.

Bucyrus

The Bucyrus Lions will be holding their 7th "Quarter Auction" on Monday, October 22nd at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. and people can begin shopping at the vendors such as "31" and Tupperware then. Donated items from merchants will be on display for people to look over before the auction. (See flyer page 3)

The Bucyrus "Spooktacular" Treat Night will be on Saturday, Oct. 20th at Aumiller Park. The Bucyrus Lions will be there giving out candy, popcorn, children's books and Frisbee-type discs and also collecting used eyeglasses there.

The club has purchased 10 eyeglass collection boxes and will be placing them in various sites in the county. A Peace Poster Kit has been placed at the Bucyrus Middle School and \$100 will be awarded to the top four artists. ALERT Chairman, Mark Rafeld spoke to the club about the ALERT program. The club has added one new member this month.

Castalia

The Castalia Lions Club Halloween Party is a huge event that the local children look forward to each year. The Halloween Party will be Oct. 24 in the high school gymnasium starting at 6:30, the Margaretta Band will be playing to entertain the chil-

Lion Dennis reported on the Jimmy Bukketts Project. The membership enjoyed working this event and Lion Denny will try to book it for 2019.

Second Vice District Governor Kerry Parker made a visit to our club on September 18. Lion Stan Greene completed the rework of shelter supports on the Lions Center Shelter House. Lion Gene reported the September Student of the Month is Grace Bias. The Board of Directors approved one eyeglass case during the last meeting.

Fostoria

Pilot Dogs visited Fostoria Middle School and provided a presentation and demonstration to the students. The purpose of this visit was to explain Non-Ordinary professions to the students. The students had a chance to "walk with the dogs". In this picture, Lions Becky and Sarah are with the two girls from Pilot Dogs and the beautiful dogs. What a wonderful organization.





Lion Bill Piper receives Melvin Jones Award from the Fostoria Lions .



Fostoria Lions along with McDonald's and Kaubish Library filled 30 backpacks with school supplies for students returning to school.

Fremont

The September 4th meeting was called to

order by President Terry Thatcher with 15 members in attendance. Mayor Danny Sanchez and Bob Gross, Executive The Hayesville Lions Club met September Assistant were there to speak along with 20 at Stone Lutheran Church. Lion Zone Chairs Jim Pickering and Dick Yeater quizzed everyone with questions O'Donnell.

Our Mayor brought us up to date on the dam. It is down. They took down the Lieutenant Scott Smart of the Ashland Chemical Feed building and have plans to beautify the area. The work is done as ed all with so much information. He has Phase I and 2. The Mayor meets monthly with area businesses along with Terra, years. Vanguard, WSOS, Jobs Ohio, and Fremont schools. Developing a relationship with businesses will advance economic development. Bob Gross, Execu- October 4 is the business meeting at 7 tive Assistant, has the list of major manufacturers in our city. They are being asked, "What can we do for you?"

Fremont will be getting new police cruisers and an additional person will be hired. Six people work in the city parks full time, but it is not enough time to beautify the parks. The Mayor would like to utilize civic organizations and churches to adopt a park. The city can help a little, as there are some funds.



Zone Chair Jim Pickering installed our newest member Donna Thatcher, sponsored by husband Terry. Next meeting September 18th.

Our first speaker at the September 18th meeting was Judge Robert Hart. He came to speak about the proposed constitutional amendment Issue I that will be on At the September II meeting, Jeff Frankthe November ballot. Our second speak- ford introduced the speaker, Head Footer was Lisa Kuelling from Sandusky County Emergency Management. They are a Public Safety Agency and part of Homeland Security.

Hayesville

about the District and the Hayesville Club.

County Sheriff's Dept. spoke and educatwith the Sheriff's Dept. 24 The Sheriff's office and Ashland work together on 911.

pm at Lion Bob Brown's home. October 18 is our 70th Charter Night at Hayesville United Methodist Church at 6:30 with a guest speaker.

LaGrange

LaGrange Lions are accepting donations of new or clean, gently used winter items such as coats, hats, gloves, scarves & boots. We make these items available to those in need, free of charge, at our food pantry dates for the next 3 months starting on Oct. 6. If you have items to donate, please call Ann at 440-315-4278. NO CLOTHING please.

The LaGrange Lions will be holding a Steak Fry/Reverse Raffle on Nov. 10 at Lions Park 240 Glendale St. in LaGrange. Doors open at 5pm. Tickets are \$25/ person which covers your dinner and a spot on the board. We will have a cash bar and a Chinese raffle as well as some side raffle items. Come join us for fun and a chance to win \$500 plus other prizes. For tickets please call Tim at 440-371-2350. Only 100 tickets available, don't be left out!

Loudonville

ball Coach, Kevin Maltarich and his wife Kerry. Maltarich gave a history of his education and his philosophy for coaching.

Loudonville continued

Jeff Frankford reported the 32 new Leos have several projects lined up, one is helping with Mohican Community Fund Day, another is working with the Bank on their Shred It Day by carrying paper from cars to the machine.

Mohawk Lioness

We were pleased to see so many at the July picnic.

Books were audited over the summer. Our club helped our community at an expense of \$6,574.75. Good job!

behind Colonel Crawford High School . ter - Steve Anway and the treasurer will Members were asked to bring a quart of give a state of the school program. vegetable soup to be added to the pot. On the menu were homemade bread, hot Voted to rent the Old Fort Community The old open shelter at the Park was disdogs with all the fixings.

Lions Clubs International is starting a new Voted to buy 4 \$25 PM Gillmor Communewsletter just for the lady Lions. It is called the New Voices Newsletter. There let the women in Lions have a voice. It Endowment Fund. Received a started on July 1.

Please note the dates for the Mohawk Lioness Donuts projects: October 27 at the Sycamore Fire House, November 17 at Mohawk High School, and November 24 at Upper Sandusky High School.

Norwalk

Our speakers for the September 11 meeting included lim Ruffing from the VA requesting a donation for a plaque to be presented at the Dec. Ist Veteran's Banquet, the new Norwalk High School Football coach, Todd Fox and Joe Widman who discussed the new batting cages put into the Athletic complex.

Lion Cindy Penza received a membership at 6:30. key for bringing in a new member.

an's Plague and \$138 for the Senior Citi- who worked in Crestline's food booth. program.

on a weekend outreach trip to San Ra- come and help if you are available! mon in the Mataglapa province that was A Fall Festival for children in the commudone at a church. Of the 83 patients ex- nity will be held at Plymouth High School amined, they used 72 of the reading or on October 29th from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. bifocal eyeglasses. In the regular clinic in The Club will hand out candy during this the four weeks they saw a total of 87 pa- event. tients and used 54 of the reading and bifo- Christmas in the Village is set for Decemcal eyeglasses.

Old Fort

17th is October Fair Appreciation Zone Social was September 29 at cabin Dinner 7 pm at the OF Community Cen-

Center July 2018 to June 2019.

nity Park raffle tickets.

is also a Facebook page. This is a way to Voted to donate \$25 to the James Coffey from the Sandusky Co. Ag Society.

Plymouth

September 12 Two eye glass purchases were approved.

A blood drive was held on Sept. 20th and 19 good units of blood were collected. Thanks to everyone who helped and brought food.

Six members attended the Zone meeting and five members signed-up to attend the Zone Social on Sept. 29th. Flags will be put up on October 6th at 9:30 a.m. for Columbus Day and taken down on October 10th at 5:30 p.m. before our meeting

The final parade of the season was on September 22nd in Crestline. The Board donated \$150 for the Veter- Thanks to the riders and the members zens group who requested replacement Roses will be sold on Friday and Saturequipment for their Meals on Wheels day, October 19 and 20. Lion Don reported 500 dozen have been ordered and will be received between 7:30 and 8:00 In the month of August the Lions Eye a.m. on October 17. Sorting will begin as Clinic in Esteli Nicaragua saw 83 patients soon as they are unloaded, so please

ber 1st. The Club will again be giving train rides, which turned out to be a very popular event last year.

Republic

cussed. The old open shelter is in bad shape. The club will build a new open

Lion Nick H moved to donate \$250.00 to the Food Pantry and the motion carried.

Tiffin

Tiffin Lions lost a faithful Lion, Glenn Ritzenthaler died September 5. s. He was an avid sports enthusiast, participating, watching, officiating football and basket ball games in the area for 29 years. He joined Lions in 2000 and worked two big projects Habitat for Humanity and Popcorn balls. He loved to play cards and ride his red scooter in parades.

Tiffin Lions will be working on the Popcorn Ball Project in a storefront in Tiffin Westgate Mall, 692 W. Market. store front is beside the Barber shop.

Tiffin continued

Dates for the event are Mondays and Thursdays, 6:00 pm light meal, 6:30pm ready to work. November dates are 12, 15, 19, 26, 29. December dates are 3, 6, 10, 13, 17.



Vermilion

Zone 3 Advisory meeting took place at The Nest in Vermilion September 6. Vermilion had eleven members present and received the Lion due to having the most Lions present from our club and will hold the Lion until the next Zone meeting.

Bingos began this month at two local nursing homes with Leos helping. We sold homemade french fries, hot dogs, coffee, hot chocolate, cider, water, and pop at the September 23, Wollybear Festival. We helped the American Red Cross collect 19 units of blood with their Blood Drive September 24, at Ritter Library.

September 28, we served lunch to the Lucy Idol people at our property. We are selling red roses at \$15 a dozen for Sweetest Day. PDG Jim Jeavons installed a new member, Jim Elk.

We had a program on the Piggyback Foundation. They have a store in Norwalk called When Pig's Fly. Items are donated will be sold at the store with money going to help those in need, children up to the age of 22.

The Halloween parade at the shopping center will be October 20. We will have a table to distribute candy to all children

in costume. The Leos will be having a Hall oween costume contest at the high school. They also are working at the home junior high football games. More projects are on their agenda throughout the year. Plus Vermilion Leos will hold the Leo District Convention in Vermilion in the spring.

On November 24, we are to be working at German's Villa for the OSU vs Michigan game. Doors open at 9AM, free draft beer, tailgating food buffet, cash bar, 50/50 raffle, lottery tree raffle, etc for \$20 a ticket. Proceeds will go to the Vermilion Salvation Army and Operation Christmas Joy. The game will be on two jumbo screens.



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