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INSPIRING THOUGHTS FROM DG SHERYL



Greetings Fellow Lions:

Well, here we are, the last month of this Lions year. Where did the year go? If your year has been anything like mine it has flown by. I just want to say that I have totally enjoyed this year, meeting with the Lions of our District and hearing first hand of all the great service that you have provided throughout the year to your community's!

But, we still have one more month to go to finish strong, and I'm especially thinking about our membership goal that was established for the year. If your club hasn't taken in a new member to help with your service projects, this is the perfect

time to do just that. LCI even has an incentive that waives the entrance fee for new members joining during June 1 – June 10, 2017. If your club has any questions or concerns about this incentive program please contact LCI at accountsreceivable@lionsclubs.org. Also the Veteran Program is still in effect until June 30, 2017, this program also waives the entrance fee to new veteran members. Please keep in mind that for every new Lion they impact at least 70 lives in our community's.

As we wind up this Lions year please don't forget to make your club's yearly donation to LCIF. For nearly 50 years, LCIF has supported the life-changing work of Lions, serving some of the most vulnerable people and the neediest places on the globe. LCIF will play a key role in supporting their new global service framework and reaching their LCI Forward goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021. That kind of life-changing service requires the commitment that only Lions have. But it also requires funding. LCIF supports the work of Lions through grant funding so we can have a bigger impact, bringing long-term help to more people than ever before. LCIF supports Lions, but I ask you, will you and your club support LCIF? Every act of kindness and every dollar matters when you are investing in Hope around the globe. Every dollar does come back into our community's through the efforts of all Lions. Each dollar is spent where it will have the most impact. I encourage each club to help support LCIF and make a donation.

This year we have "climbed many new mountains" as we have kept "Rolling Towards the Goal" and we are preparing to celebrate our 100^{th} Anniversary in Lions. What an accomplishment! I hope that you will be able to join us in Chicago as we celebrate our Lions heritage, as we celebrate our past, but we are looking forward to the next 100 years in our great association!

It has been my honor to serve our great District of OH1 this past year as District Governor. And I thank every Lion for the service that you provide, without you; we would not be able to help all the needy individuals in our community's and beyond.

DG Sheryl and Lion Dan

Deadline for July Newsletter is June 24, 2017

Submit your newsletter items to Newsletter Editor PDG Bill Keller at newsletter@ohiolionsoh1.org



A LINE FROM VDG BILL

Another Lion year has come to a close. I want to congratulate District Governor Sheryl on her great year as leader of OH -1. We are almost even on membership and our District accomplished many great service projects. Many clubs have completed a centennial project and others are gearing up to finish theirs. Congratulations to all.

I am looking forward to Chicago and being installed as Governor. Serving during this 100th year promises to be exciting. Lion Ellie and I look forward to visiting with all the clubs and taking part in all the centennial celebrations. My theme this year is "Soaring thru Service". I would like us to be active in our communities and be sure to

promote ourselves. Lately, I have talked to many non-Lions and I am surprised how little they know about us. We need to be bullish on promotion. Invite prospective members to projects. The more we promote, the more members we attract, the more service we can provide. Lion research shows that each Lion serves almost 70 people a year.

I would like to thank NEWSLETTER editor Dorothy Yenser for all her help and great work over the past few years. She is retiring from the cabinet and her services will be missed. PDG Bill Keller will take over as editor beginning in July.

I also want to thank Lion Don Weichert for stepping up to become 2nd Vice District Governor. He has served our district as Zone chair for many years and we are all glad he has come forward to serve. I encourage everyone to consider moving into the chairs. You meet terrific people and become lifelong friends while serving your community. I have never met anyone who has been unhappy serving in this position.

PDG's Marv Crawford and John Davis will serve as cabinet secretary and treasurer. I am grateful for their help. We still have a few openings on the cabinet, especially Zone chairs. I would like to have some new people with new ideas join us. Our second century of service starts now.

1VDG Bill Niejadlik

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 10, 2017 June 30 – July 4, 2017 July 30, 2017 September 21-23, 2017 October 1, 2017 Club Officers Training, St John's United Church of Christ, Bluffton Centennial Lions Club International Convention, Chicago, IL Camp Echoing Hills celebrates 50 years of service USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Portland, Oregon Pediatric Cancer 5K run/walk, Ohio Northern University

LCICon Chicago - Lions Headquarters Tours and Grand Prize Drawings



The LCI Headquarters staff is ready to welcome you to Oak Brook! See where Lions global programs are developed, check out our Peace Poster gallery and take photos of the Japanese Garden! The Headquarters Tour wand supports all LCI official languages. Many tour times have already sold out, so reserve your <u>escorted</u> (transportation provided) or <u>independent</u> (no transportation needed) tour today. Other available Chicago tours include a trip to Mount Hope Cemetery to visit Melvin Jones' gravesite, lunch and dinner cruises, discount outlet shopping tours and more. <u>Reserve your tour</u>

online.

All paid adult convention attendees will have an entry ticket in their registration packet to win some great prizes, including a new Harley-Davidson Motorcycle, a paid trip for two to the 2018 Las Vegas Convention and more. Plan on attending the Plenary Sessions for a chance to win!

NOTES FROM 2ND VDG DEAN

Hello Lions of OH1

The first State Convention was a success with lots of fun and the opportunity to see old friends and make new friends. It was hospitality rooms were enjoyed by all. The meetings and the breakout sessions on Saturday were well attended and many good comments regarding the subjects and presenters.

In June, there will be Officer training for club officers, I want to encourage all club officers but especially the Presidents, Secretary's, Treasures to attend as there have been many changes made regarding reports and other information that will assist you even if you are repeating in the position. The International Convention is June $30^{\rm th}$ – July 4th.



We are still looking for Past Presidents to step up and accept a Zone Chairpersons. (<u>Current or Past Presidents can be candidates for Zone Chairperson</u>) DGE Bill is completing the work on his cabinet for the 2017-2018 Lion year we are always in need of Zone Chairpersons. Please think about serving your Zone and District in a position beyond the club level. If you are interested or would like more information about either of these positions please contact DGE Bill or 1 VDGE Dean, we will be glad to answer your questions.

If you would like for me to install officers, for the upcoming year please contact me as soon as possible so we can schedule the visit.

I am always willing to visit your club for a meeting, to answer any questions you may have, to induct new members, to assist with membership recruiting, to support your projects, or make awards presentations, install officers. I consider it an honor to attend your meetings and projects and represent our District and Lions International.

Please contact me if there is anything I can do to assist you or to schedule a visit to your club meetings, activities or projects. Please also add me to your newsletter & email lists. My contact information: email me at $\underline{bigb31353@gmail.com}$ (if you have problems with that email use $\underline{ndc1353@hotmail.com}$) or call me on my cell 567-525-2582 anytime or day between 8:00 A.M. – 11:30 P.M. "WE SERVE"

Yours in Lionism, 2 VDG Dean



If you are unable to attend the excellent officer training day on June 10th you can prepare your incoming club officers by sharing new club officer training! These online modules have a brand new look. Each of the trainings will be paired with an exciting interactive webinar (more information to come). Be sure to take a look at all of the excitement here:

Club Officer Training

Club President Responsibilities

Club Secretary Responsibilities

Club Treasurer Responsibilities

Users will need to create an LLC login if they don't have one, so please navigate to the <u>LLC page</u> to get started.

What's Happening with Membership in OH1?

We have completed 11 months of DG Sheryl's year. We started our year with 1744 members. On May 29, we had a net loss of 19 members. We have gained 11 members since last month.

Only 32% of our clubs have shown a net increase in membership this year, however, we are pleased that the Arcadia, Celina, Continental, Cridersville, Defiance, Delta-Liberty, Fayette, Grover Hill, Holgate, Kenton, Mc Comb, Middle Point, Napoleon, Ohio Northern, Perrysburg Sunrise, Riverdale Community, Scott, Van Buren, Venedocia and West Liberty Clubs have done so. The following clubs have taken in at least one new member as of the end of February: Arcadia, Bellefontaine, Bluffton, Celina, Columbus Grove, Continental, Cridersville, Defiance, Delta-Liberty, Fayette, Glandorf, Grover Hill, Holgate, Kalida, Kenton, Lima Host, McComb, Middle Point, Napoleon, Ohio Northern, Ottoville, Perrysburg Sunrise, Portage, Riverdale Community, Rushsylvania, Scott, St. Mary's, Swanton, Sylvania Sunrise, Toledo Host, Van Buren, Van Wert, Venedocia, Wapakoneta, Wauseon, West Liberty and West Mansfield. Good job! That is 62% of our clubs in OH1.

For the other 38% of our clubs who have not taken in a new member, you have less than a month left in this Lions year to recruit new members. **Please note that new members recruited between June 1 and June 10 will have their entrance fee waived.** What a great incentive to bring in new members before the end of the year

In regard to drops, as we did last year, we are asking that the yearend drops that usually are reported in June be held over to July. Even though your club will be billed by LCI for the next 6 months, your account will be credited if you drop them during the month of July. If you have any questions in this regard, please contact me.

If you want to plan a membership night or discuss means of retaining members, remember that the officers, zone chairs, and I are all willing to help your club have a successful year. I can be contacted at 419-340-8152 or pidjerry@gmail.com.

Remember that recruiting and retaining members is not just about numbers, it is about providing more hands to provide services to our communities.

PID Jerry Smith, OH1 GMT Coordinator

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

As many of you know, earlier this year, our foundation reached a monumental milestone: LCIF has awarded more than US\$1 billion in life-changing grants since our founding in 1968. Though these grants, Lions and LCIF have been able to provide hope and dignity to millions of people who need it most. Thanks to the generosity of Lions and partners, we have helped communities recover from disaster, we have empowered our youth, saved sight, and much more.



While we have accomplished so much in our nearly 50 years,

there is still so much to do. We have a duty to our children and our future. With your continued support of LCIF, we can continue to provide hope and comfort to people around the corner and around the world. Watch this video to learn more about how LCIF is making a difference:

I look forward to soon seeing many of you at our International Convention in Chicago!

Sincerely, Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

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Take me out to the ball game!



THURSDAY GHE In FORT Wayne

Cates open at 5:30 • First Pitch: 7:05
Tincaps battle the boys from Lake County

Adults: \$24 • Lions under 8: \$17 • Children 2 and under: FREE

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Contact Don Wiechart at 419-863-2702, e-mail donwiechart@aol.com; or Greg Kulwicki at 419-771-7555, e-mail gkulwicki@kilwickihilton.com

FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT

Arlington Lions – Are busy preparing for the Arlington Festival Parade on August 11th

Bluffton Lions – Will hold their Annual Festival of Wheels on June 16th-registration begins at 1:00

Bryan Lioness – Are collecting detergent and toilet paper for the House of Ruth (battered Women's shelter)

Bryan Lions - Delivered 763 pair of used eyeglasses to VOSH in April

Defiance Lions – Will be inducting new members and installing officers at their June 15th meeting

Holgate Lions – Sent donations to the Kansas Lions Foundation and to Farm Bureau to assist victims of the Southwest Kansas fires

Pioneer Lions – Presented \$500 scholarships to 2 seniors at North Central and 2 seniors at Montpelier Wauseon Lions – Presented a \$500 scholarship to a Wauseon High School senior

MCCOMB LIONS CLUB DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT

The McComb Lions Club will be hosting a disc golf tournament on June 17, 2017 at the McComb Village Park (Shelter #4) in rear of park. We will hold separate tournaments for beginner and skilled players. Registration for both tournaments will be held from 9:00 am to 10:00 am that morning. Teams will be drawn at 10:15 am with the first throws at 10:30 am sharp.

Cost to register that morning is \$15.00 which will include lunch plus prizes for the top teams. All proceeds will be used to fund McComb Lions Club projects. If you don't have a disc there will be ones available for a nominal fee.

More information can be found at www.mccomblionsclub.org or Tees, Tees and More, 155 East Main Street, McComb. You may also email the club at mccomblions@hotmail.com for more information. There is no need to pre-register. Just show up at the noted times and enjoy yourself while raising funds to help the Lions serve others.



The North Baltimore Lions Club recently cleaned a section of the Slippery Elm Bicycle Trail. Members are pictured above.



Pictured above is the Columbus Grove Leo Club who were awarded the #1 Leo Club in MD 13 at the Convention in May. Congratulations!



Cabinet Secretary Marv Crawford is pictured above receiving his Cabinet Secretary Award at the State Convention.

Pictured to the right: International President Chancellor Bob Corlew addresses the Ohio Lions during Saturday's State Convention business meeting.



BLUFFTON LIONS LEGACY PROJECT



LEGACY PROJECT LIONS WAY PARKVIEW PATH

The Lions Way Parkview path off Kibler Street to the Parkview subdivision will be completed prior to May 31st. A dedication & ribbon cutting ceremony will be held in June. Photo to the left you see the construction of the path currently being done.



Ohio Lions Pin Traders Club Third Annual Millersport Pin Trade

Please come and join us for the third annual Ohio Lions Pin Trade in Millersport. Do you have pins you are looking for, pins you want to get rid of or if you are just learning about the hobby this event is for you. Pins will be available to buy, sell or trade.

July 29, 2017
Millersport Lions Clubhouse
2900 Chautauqua Blvd
Millersport, Oh 43046
9:00AM to 3:00PM

Free Admission Free Coffee Millersport Lions Lunch Stand

Pin Traders who wish to set up can register for a table <u>at no cost</u> Coffee and donuts will be provided in the morning and a light lunch will be available. Table setup is at 8:00AM and the pin trade opens at 9:00. Extra tables may be available

For a table please contact PID Steven Sherer, 1090 Thomas Drive SW, New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663 or npssteve@roadrunner.com

Come and learn everything you always wanted to know about Lions Pins

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