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STATEMENTS FROM DGE DAVE STOCKUM

Greetings,

Thank you to all the Lions who joined us at the Findlay Garden Inn for our 2022 Convention. We had a great day, and our honorees are listed later in this newsletter and on the website, ohiolionsoh1.org. From morning snow flurries to afternoon sunshine we experienced all varieties of Ohio weather outside, but inside the hotel there was plenty of

warmth provided by the 100+ Lions who gathered to renew friendships and honor many of those Lions who have provided great service in our district despite the ravages of Covid. We sent over \$2000 in gift cards and checks to the State Office to be sent to Kentucky to aid victims of the December 9 tornadoes. We also sent over \$700 to the Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation.

By the time you read this epistle, the New Voices Women's Workshop set for May 14 will almost be history. We have 40 women from across OH1 and OH2 with a few representatives from outside those districts who will be discussing leadership opportunities for women, mental health, and adding women to our membership roles registered for the event. Past International Director Jennifer Ware, a dynamic Lion leader from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan will be our keynote speaker. She was our International Guest back in 2018 when Bill Niejadlik was District Governor.

Although we are hitting the homestretch of the Lions year, we have at least three important tasks that remain on our plates. One, make sure to get your officers elected and reported to LCI and PDG Nick Schmunk (604 East Elm St, Wauseon 43567). The deadline is May 15. If you don't meet the deadline, we will be calling you so we can help submit those names and get the new directory printed by August 1. Two, continue to report your activities in MyLion. Ohio has had 82% of our clubs report so far, but the goal is 100%. OH1 is a little behind at 76%. If you haven't reported anything so far on MyLion this year, we will be calling you so you can let LCI, your community, and the rest of us know you have been busy doing the good work of service. If you are having trouble reporting, e-mail me at stocklaw72@amail.com, and we can figure it out together. Three, our State Convention is May 19-21. Five of our district leaders will be honored there. If you can just get down to Columbus for the Saturday Awards Luncheon, you will have a chance to hear about many of the areat services Ohio Lions have been providing. The incoming International President, Lion Brian Sheehan, will be the featured guest at the convention. The registration is on the website, ohiolions.org. Just a reminder: don't forget to do your monthly MMR's. Finally, I am glad to report that all clubs are in compliance with one exception.

In the June newsletter, I will be submitting our new cabinet members and, hopefully, not seeking Lions to fill empty seats. I'll also give a little bit of a heads up on what to expect in the coming year. We've had a few teaser weekends where the weather has been just lovely. As we approach summer, get those service projects planned that we can do outdoors. The scholarships given, senior citizen support, honor flag projects, and the many other services we provide in our communities have been excellent this year, as well as annual donations to foundations and other Lions organizations. Congratulations and keep up the good work!

DGe Dave Stockum

THOUGHTS FROM IVDGE LION DEB

As the earth begins to show its renewal for the year, so should the Lions Clubs. For some this renewal process is slow, others it happens overnight, and yet there are clubs that keep the even study keel of serving all year long. At the OH1 District Convention, the visiting ID Dr. Dianne Pitts said that each Lions Club needs to go through a "Rebooting" plan. We need to get back to our basics and serve the community. She also reminded us



that we need to "Ignite" ourselves and our club members. Every Lion should be excited about serving and serve with joy! We should always show how much those serving beside us and around us how much we value the service that each supplies. Each Lion has a talent. It is time we let those talents shine even if that means doing something different or doing what we have always done in a different way. A third point was that the Lions Clubs should "Reengage" with the communities. Just as we evolve so do the needs and lives of those living in the communities that we serve.

It was great to meet with and talk to those who attended the OH1 District Convention. For those who attended, please go back to your clubs and share the information and joy that you found at the convention. Plans and thoughts are already in the works for next year's celebration.

This is the 35th year of women in Lionism, and 35 years of women in leadership roles throughout Lions Clubs. Keep reporting the activities and projects of your clubs to LCI. Thank you for your service!

As we enter our last 2 months of this Lions year, be sure to finish strong. There are still plenty of chances to serve. If you are interested in being a Zone Chair or

Assistant Zone Chair, please let DGE Dave Stockum know. Let your love of Lionism shine! Serve safely, serve with your heart, and always serve up extra kindness.

Lion Deb



USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM

SAVE THE DATE: September 15 – 17, 2022. Calgary, Alberta, Canada will host the next USA/Canada Leadership Forum. The cost of the forum is \$285.00 before May 31st, \$320.00 until July 31st, and then \$345.00. Visit the website : www.2022lionsleadershipforum.com

Reminder: If you plan to attend the USA/Canada Leadership Forum,

remember to get your application in before the price goes up May 31st!

PILOT DOGS

Do you love puppies AND making a difference?



If so, join our crew of volunteer Co-Pilots and help raise our puppies until they are old enough to begin their formal guide dog training! We have a LOT of puppies, so we need a LOT of YOU!

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Congratulations to Madison "Maddy" Zimmerly of the Columbus Grove Leo Club (Ohio Lions District OH1), winner of this year's \$500 Ohio Lions Leo Scholarship.

Maddy attends Columbus Grove High School in Putnam County and plans to attend Ohio State University in the Honors Program, where she will major in Pre-Pharmacy and work toward an undergraduate degree in Biochemistry. After completing her bachelor's degree, she will attend pharmacy school to complete a doctoral degree in pharmaceuticals.

Maddy currently serves the Columbus Grove Leo Club as president and has been an active member for 3 years. She has received Leo Club service hours' certificates each year for her involvement in club activities.

Our thanks and best wishes to all who applied for this year's scholarship. We hope that everyone will continue to serve their communities and look forward to each considering service through a Lions Club.

Again, congratulations to Maddy!

For the Ohio Lions State Youth Committee, Darlene Roll, State Youth Chair

KENTUCKY COLLECTION REQUESTS

Our Kentucky relief project is an ongoing statewide project through June 30, 2022. As victims are slowly beginning to get their insurance claims dealt with, they are trickling back to the affected towns. Clubs, individual Lions, and our community partners can participate in one of three ways -

- 1. pack plastic totes with household items sheets, kitchen utensils, tools, anything from the list. District service coordinators can arrange pick up points for the totes. Millersport Lions are allowing us to collect all the totes in their clubhouse, to be taken to the Kentucky Lions distribution centers.
- 2. Monetary donation to help buy 2"X4"s, 2"X6"s and plywood to help with repairs for the uninsured and the many UNDER-insured. These folks are just now able to start patching roofs and walls now that the insurance adjusters have been out. Instead of collecting wood, we are collecting money to purchase the wood closer to Hopkinsville and get it delivered to the distribution center.

--Money can be sent to Ohio Lions, Inc 4074 Hoover Rd., Grove City OH 43123 or there is a Paypal link for donations on <u>www.ohiolions.org</u>.

3. Sending thoughts and prayers for those struggling to make ends meet, to secure housing, to cope with the depression and PTSD that are affecting their families.

With the disastrous events unfolding in the Ukraine, the world has turned its attention there. This is not to negate efforts to help internationally. But our neighbors in Kentucky are also displaced and desperate, just without the continued media coverage. We want to show them the heart that Lions have.

Please reach out to your district GST for details.

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- Sheets (twin and queen)
- Comforter sets (XL twin and queen)
- Totes
- Electric blankets
- Dish sets
- glasses
- Silverware
- Utensils of all kinds
- Bath towels
- Curtains blinds
- Touchless thermometer

KITCHEN ITEMS

- Pots & pans
- Dish sets
- Silverware
- glasses
- Dish towels & dish cloths
- Crock pots
- Electric kettles
- Teapots
- Toasters
- Coffee pots (preferably 12-cup, not K-cup)
- Electric skillets
- Hand mixers
- Measuring cups and spoons
- Trash cans
- Plywood
 2" X 4"s / 2" X 6"s
 Jersey gloves XL-2XL

CLEANING SUPPLIES

- Laundry soap
- Fabric softener
- Washrags

- Dish soap
- Mops & brooms
- Shout
- Lysol spray

BIGGER TICKET ITEMS

- Slightly used furniture, dressers especially
- Hot air fryers
- Microwaves
- Electric heaters and Buddy heaters
- Mattresses (twin and queen)
- Toaster ovens
- Electric griddle

CLOTHING ITEMS

- Underwear for Men and Ladies all sizes up to 4X)
- Socks all sizes up to 4X

FOOD ITEMS

- Coffee
- Coffee filters
- Sugar
- Flour
- Pam spray
- Cooking oil
- Ziplock bags all sizes
- Salt & pepper
- Easy fix foods soups, canned meat, microwave mac-n-cheese

GIFT CARDS

For propane, kerosene, gasoline Other items



2022 OHI DISTRICT CONVENTION HONOREES

District International Guests:

International Director Dr. Dianne Pitts and PCC Dr. Joe Pitts from Chappells, South Carolina

New Voices Recognition

Service: Lion Gloria Gilcher (Pioneer), Lion Tim Wehri (Kalida)

<u>Membership:</u> PCC Darlene Roll (Waynesfield)

Leadership: PDG Barbara Plaugher (Bluffton)

Marketing and Communications: Lion Rick Carder (Ottawa)

Membership Growth

Waynesfield +14, Kalida +4

Lion Catcher Frank Ulrey (Waynesfield) +9, Lion Dan "Boomer" Boniifas +3 (Venedocia)

PLUS ONE Clubs

Ada, Arcadia, Bellefontaine, Continental, Fayette, Glandorff, Kalida, McComb, Napoleon, Portage, Spencerville, Upper Scioto Valley, Venedocia, Waynesfield, West Unity

Governor's Award

Bluffton, Holgate, Kenton, McComb, Portage, Sylvania Sunrise, Wauseon, Waynesfield

Humanitarian Award

Bluffton, Bryan, Holgate, McComb, Napoleon, Portage, Wauseon

Service Award

Bluffton, Holgate, Kenton, McComb, Napoleon, Portage, Sylvania Sunrise, Wauseon, Waynesfield

Council of Governor's Awards

Lion Alger Gibson (Kenton), Lion Franell Nelson (Holgate), PDG Dan Ritter (McComb), SVDG Susan Davis (McComb), Lion Corinne Piper (Lima Host), ZC Nancy McGuire (West Liberty), PDG Bill Keller (Kenton), CT Lester Bowman (Arcadia)

Council Chairman's Award

ZC John Cordes (Holgate)

Journey of Hope Recipients

Lion Kenton Reichley (McComb), PDG Don Wiechart (Spencerville)

Lions Clubs International Certificates of Merit

PDG Sheryl Burnette (Wauseon), FVDG Deb Crawford (McComb), IPDG John Davis (Findlay, McComb)

District OH1 Certificates of Gratitude

PID Steve Sherer (New Philadelphia), PID Jerry Smith (Wauseon), PID Steve Thornton (Wooster)

Election Results

District Finance and Planning Representative: PDG Dean Carruthers (McComb)

Second Vice District Governor: Lion Susan Davis (McComb)

First Vice District Governor: Lion Deb Crawford (McComb)

District Governor: PDG Dave Stockum (McComb)

Note: District Governor's, Humanitarian, and Service Awards can still be accomplished. Guidelines are in the District Directory, and eligibility to file runs to June 30, 2022 (the end of the Lions Fiscal year).

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

Most clubs should have had their 3rd reading and ready to post the 2022-2023 officers to MyLCI.

Reporting newly elected club officers is extremely important to ensure that the District officers receive the information they need for the coming year particularly the district directory. It also ensures that Lions Clubs International has the correct officers to pass on information or materials needed for the upcoming year. You may report the new officers using the MyLCI Website and the deadline is May 15, 2022, you can report your PU101 before the deadline.

Please note a change in your Lion Account ID that is your email address.

If you need any help or have questions, please contact me at <u>lionwdk@gmail.com or phone</u> <u>567-674-9093</u>

Yours in Lionism,

PDG Bill Keller

Ohio Lions PDG Association Split Pot Raffle

Donation - \$5.00 per ticket



Proceeds benefit OLERF W.R. Bryan Diabetes Research Fund 5 winning tickets (1st - \$750; 2nd - \$500; 3rd - \$250, 4th - \$100, 5th - \$50) Winning tickets will be drawn on May 22, 2022

1,000 tickets to be sold.

You do not have to be a PDG to purchase tickets. You need not be present to win.

For those in Ohio Lions District 13 OH1, to purchase tickets – or to help sell tickets, please contact PCC Darlene Roll. Email: droll1998@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support of an Ohio Lions PDG Association Activity!

For additional pictures, videos, and OH1 Lions updates during the month, be sure to check out **Ohio Lions 13 OH1** on Facebook!

Deadline for the May Newsletter is May 28, 2022. Submit your newsletter items to Newsletter Editor Jessica Reichley at <u>ilreichley@gmail.com</u>

West Liberty Lions Club Fish Fry

Saturday, May 14 5-7pm

Lions Park Main Shelter house



Dine-in or Carry-out Adult meals \$12 Child meals \$6

Proceeds from our fish fry are used to provide scholarships to graduating Seniors from WLS

DISTRICT OH-I LEADERSHIP

District Governor Elect

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