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March 2020 Edition

DISTRICT GOVERNOR DON'S THOUGHTS

The old saying starts out that March comes in as a Lion. Well, being a Lion if every month came in as a Lion I should be content with that. Our mild winter is coming to an end as boys and girls' tournament basketball is in full swing. Good luck to all the teams in OH1 and hopefully we can celebrate several state championships at OH1 schools. This will be the last newsletter before our district convention April 3rd and 4th in Van Wert so here is a district convention checklist for you my fellow Lions of OH1.



1. Fill out your convention registration form and send it to PDG Bill and Lion Ellie Niejadlik along with your registration payment. Make hotel reservations at the convention hotel The Holiday Inn Express. please note you're more than welcome to come Friday night, all day Saturday or both Friday and Saturday.
2. Take a convention ad form and advertise your club, business or both. Make sure to send these to PDG John Davis by March 20th.
3. Purchase some raffle tickets for yourself and or your club which help pay the convention expenses and who knows, maybe some winnings will come back to you and your club.

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4. Nominate a fellow Lion as Zone Lion of the year and forward her or his nomination to your zone chair.
5. Come to the convention along with your club banner, bring your walking shoes for the mini STEPS walk on Saturday morning, a can good or some can goods for the community Samaritans, your used glasses for VOSH and also bring one or several of your fellow members or a possible a potential new member.

Like always, thank you for the great work you have done and will continue to do and we look forward to seeing everyone in April at Van Wert.

Yours in Lionism DG Don Wiechart

THIRD TIME'S THE CHARM

There's an old saying that "third time's the charm". Well, this Lion veteran of 43 years is going to step up to be District Governor for the third time! I am excited about serving again. I like a little change now and then, so expect to see several changes in the upcoming year.

District OH1's clubs are very community oriented. They are strong and working very hard for their individual communities. A Governor's year is only as successful as the clubs in his or her district. Club members continue to be proactive both on local and state levels. Continue to submit your reports on time, pay your dues on time, and continue to contribute to state and local projects. Share club projects and successes. Elect those new officers for 2020-2021!

That being said, officer training will be later this Lion year. I am looking at a time in June. Keep your eyes peeled. Plan to attend. The more you know, the better you can serve.

Before we get too far ahead, we still have a lot to do in DG Don's year. District convention is coming up. This is a great time to meet new Lions, visit with Lion friends and to collaborate with each other. The main focus should be how to turn our membership around to the plus side. That is a district wide issue but can still be righted. Let's support DG Don and carry him to a grand successful end of term.

We Serve,

1VDG/PDG John Davis

COMMUNICATIONS FROM 2VDG REBECCA DENT

Saturday, March 7th, was a beautiful pre-spring day and I was again hungry for Lions Pancake and Sausage breakfast. The Scott Lions Club breakfast was easy to find because they partnered with local media and got the information out online. One of the members told me that they had served over 200 breakfasts that day. These traditional Lions fundraisers are wonderful venues to meet lions from other clubs so be on the lookout for advertisements! The Scott Lions had a poster for the Venedocia Lions breakfast on Saturday March 21st while the Wilshire Lions will be serving theirs on Saturday March 14th.



On Friday, March 6, Zones D & E met at the beautiful Schnipke Inn in Ottawa. It was the first time that I had dined from the main buffet of the restaurant instead of the catering in the meeting room of this historic Lion's hangout. The food was as delicious as usual and there was even more variety, like the scrumptious raisin pie I had for dessert. Zone Chair Christina Walton introduced our new 1st Vice District governor to Lions in attendance from Kalida, Ottawa, Bluffton, and Spencerville. Zone F will have its meeting next week, March 10th, in Mt Blanchard, hosted by Riverdale Community Lions.

Now, I don't want to steal too much thunder from our new 1st Vice, but he said some things that I think are both important and timely. 1st Vice District Governor John Davis emphasized the benefits of Lions visiting each other's clubs just to meet new Lions and converse with them. He also emphasized that the most important cabinet office was that of Zone Chair, because it is the ZC who keeps in touch with the clubs and keeps the DG, and the District in general, appraised of events and developments in the clubs. Now, Spring is the time when clubs elect their officers for the next Lion's year. All you outgoing presidents, indeed all of you Lions who have in the past served as club president, are eligible to become Zone Chairs. If you like to meet new lions and discuss Lionism over delicious dinners, perhaps this office is for you!

At a meeting somewhere I heard someone say that the convention is a reward for the Lions who do all the work -- and that is you! So, I hope to see all you hard working Lions celebrating at the District Convention the first week in April. There will be Zone Chairs, past and present, at the convention so that any Lion interested in the office can find out what it is all about. Or you can contact me at lionrebeccaoh1@gmail.com about becoming a Zone Chair or for any reason.

Again, I hope to see many of you in Van Wert on April 3rd & 4th!

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Rebecca, 2VDG

Peace Poster Contest 2020-2021

“Peace Through Service”



From District OH1 Youth Chair, Lion Darlene Roll (E-mail: youth@ohiolions.org):

Peace Poster Contest 2020-2021 is now open. Kits can be ordered through Club Supplies.

The 2020-2021 Theme is “Peace Through Service”.

Lions have provided an important reminder to the world that, through service, we can give and receive so much—joy, kindness, hope and PEACE. This year, young people have the opportunity to express their visions of peace through the lens of service.

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

- **January 15:** Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **October 1:** Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson.

Please consider sponsoring a Peace Poster Contest in Your Local Schools.



**Louisville
Kentucky**

September 17-19, 2020

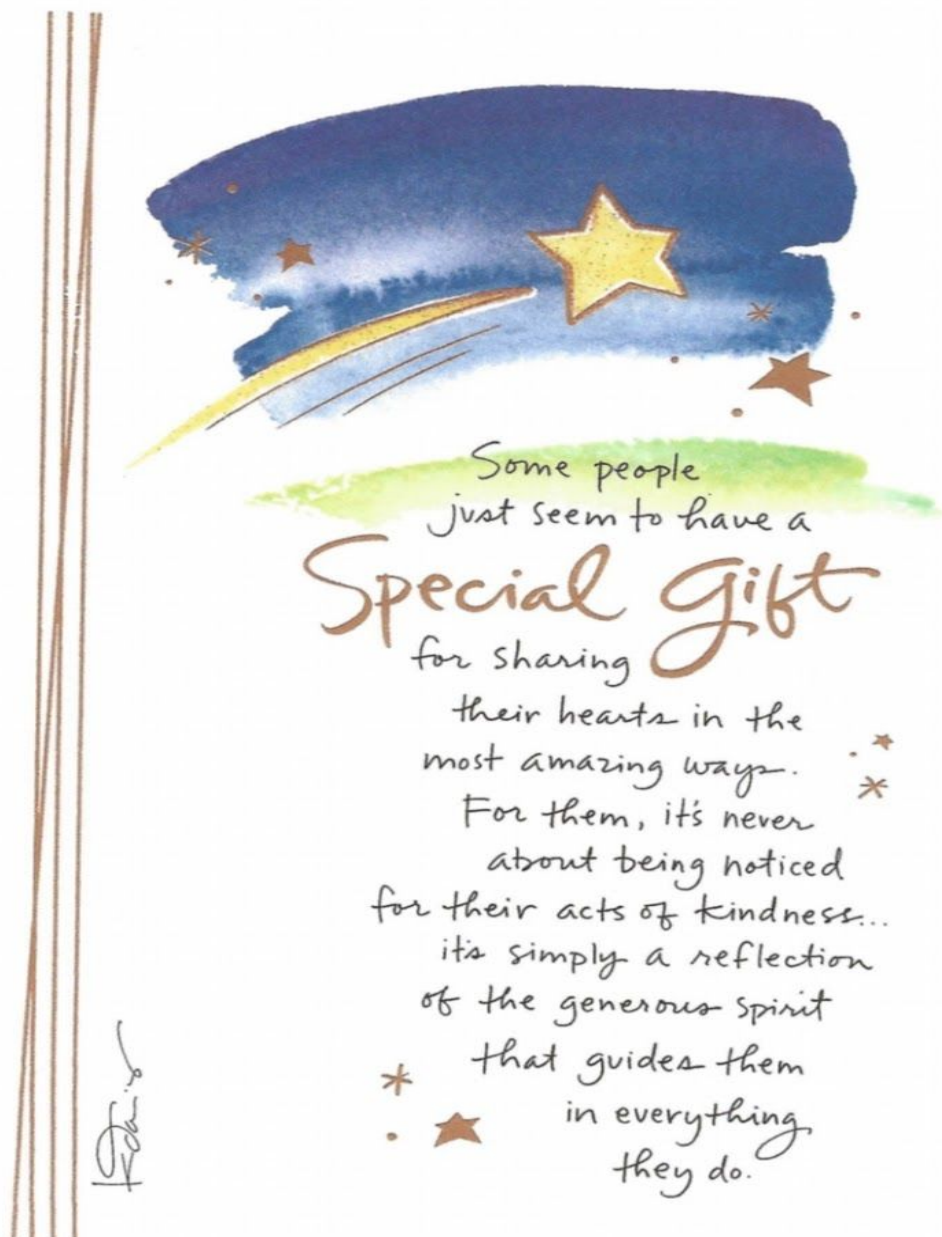
2020 USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM

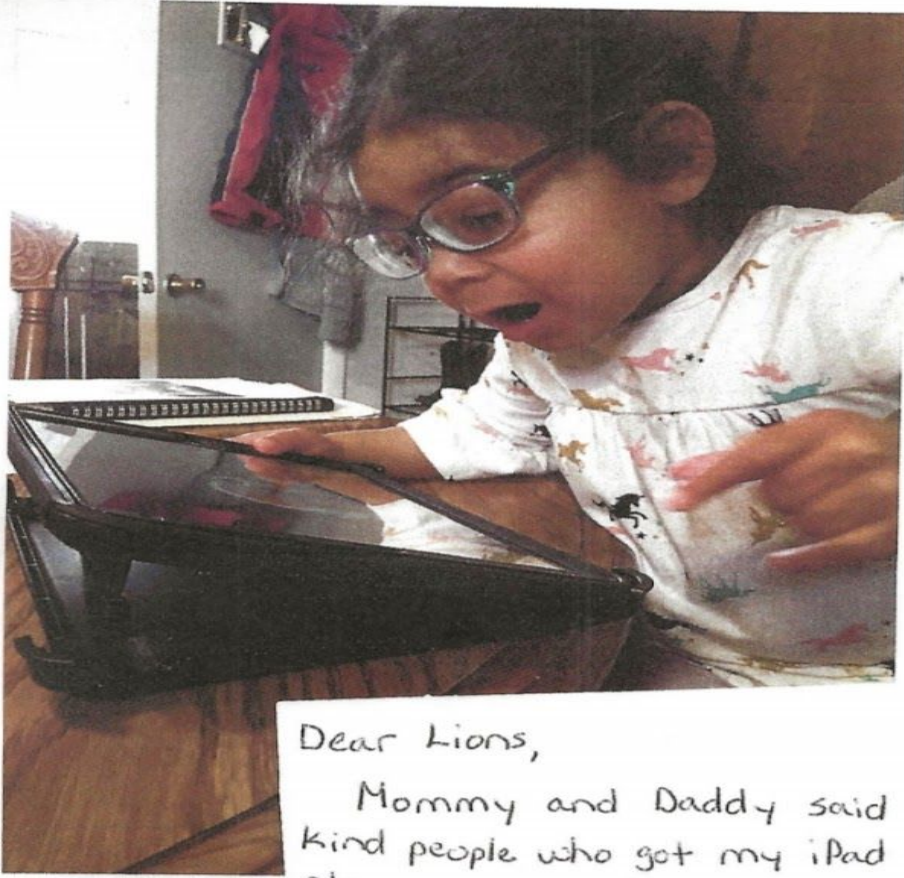
Make plans now to attend the USA/Canada Leadership Forum September 17th - 19th in Louisville, Kentucky. Early Bird registration fee is \$285.00 per person. Registrations postmarked after May 31st will be \$320.00 and postmarked after July 20th will raise to \$345.00. Special Louisville Forum Events include: Forum Strides Walk, Louisville Hands-on Project, Lions University Graduation, Leo Day, and much more. Interesting Louisville fact: the Kentucky Derby winner is covered with 554 roses.

NWOLECF Thanks OH1 Lions, Lioness members and Leos

Northwest Ohio Lions Eye Care Foundation (NWOLECF) officers and board members thank you, Ohio Lions District OH1 Lions, Lioness members and Leos, for your generous support to the Foundation. That support comes in many ways including – financial donations, helping applicants complete paperwork, delivering CCTV units to individuals, attending Foundation meetings and taking the Foundation message back to your clubs.

This month, we share a card and a photo we received from a 2-1/2 year old female child named Maddie and her family. Maddie deals with visual immaturity and communications issues. Maddie's teacher for the visually impaired at the Midwest Educational Service Center requested financial support to purchase an iPad for Maddie. The purpose is to allow Maddie to use the unit to improve visual and communications skills. As you can see from the card and the photo, Maddie and her family are excited to see all the possibilities to help Maddie. She uses the iPad with an adult family member present.





Dear Lions,

Mommy and Daddy said you were the kind people who got my iPad for me. I love to play games on it. I love Peek-A-Boo Barn. It has funny farm animals that make funny sounds and go night night at the end. I am playing it in the pictures Mommy sent you.

I also love Tiny Tap. It has pictures of my family that talk to me when I touch them. Mommy is working on making a new game where I can touch a picture to tell her what I want to eat. I can't wait for her to get it done.

Thank you so much for my iPad! I love it! Mommy said it will help me learn all kinds of new things. I just love it because it is fun!

Love,
Maddie

Community Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday April 4th - 10:30 a.m.



Be sure and get your picture taken with the Easter Bunny!

Cridersville UM Church
105 Shawnee Road

Light Lunch will be Served

Project of the Lions Club and the Church

Help Find the Candy Filled

Eggs Peter Cotton Tail

Has Left for the Kids!



The North Baltimore Lions Club will be holding their annual Baked Steak Dinner on March 21st from 4:30-6p.m. at the North Baltimore H.S. cafeteria, 2012 Tiger Drive. To purchase tickets call Lion Doug Troutner 419-957-2113.

Baked Steak Supper
N. B. Lions Club
Sat. March 21st 4:30 - 6:00
\$9.00 Adult \$5.00 Child
High School Cafeteria
Baked Steak, Potato, Gravy, Corn,
Applesauce, Roll, Beverage, Dessert

Cridersville Lions Club



Thursday March 19th

4:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Cridersville United Methodist Church
105 Shawnee Road

Featuring
CJ's Crossing Pizza
Spaghetti Dinner

Breadstick- Salad - Dessert - Drink

\$8.50

Dine In or Carry Out

Presale Tickets from any Lions Member
Message on Facebook or call 419-645-5259



Proceeds Benefit Ch-Ki-Lo Food Pantry & Lions Projects

Happy
St. Patrick's
Day!



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 April Newsletter is April 5, 2020 This will be a later publishing date so that we can include information from the OH1 District Convention! Hope to see you there!

Submit your newsletter items to Newsletter Editor Jessica Reichley at newsletter@ohiolionsoh1.org or jlreichley@gmail.com



2020 Lions District OH1 Convention

You're Invited to Join Governor Don Wiechart & PID Nick and Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos



April 3-4, 2020

Vantage Career Center, 818 N. Franklin St., Van Wert

Friday

5-6:00—Registration & Dinner at Vantage Career Center
6-8:15—Fish Dinner, Dress for Your Birth Decade,
All Club Awards & Bring Your Club Banner
8:30-9:30—Hospitality Rooms, Desserts & Drinks
at the Van Wert Holiday Inn Express



For hotel reservations, call 419-238-2600 or ihg.com
For the \$120/night rate, mention Lions OH1 Convention.

Saturday

9-5:00—Registration
9-9:45—Steps Walk
10:15-11:15—Business Session & Cabinet Meeting
11:30-12:45—Venedocia Lions Sausage Sandwich
Lunch, Peace Poster & VOSH Speaker
12:45-1:45—VOSH & Sure Sight Break-out Sessions
2-2:45—Q&A with PID Nick Xinopoulos
3-4:00—Business Meeting & Elections
4-4:45—Peace Posters, Tours & Entertainment
5:00—Necrology Service, Governor's Grand Banquet,
Special Awards, 50/50, 2-\$10 Items Per
Club for Drawings with Hospitality Following

REGISTRATION

| Name | Club | Friday Fish Dinner-- \$25 Kids-FREE Pizza | Saturday Sausage Sandwich Lunch-\$20 Kids-FREE Pizza | Saturday Chicken Dinner--\$30 Kids-FREE Pizza | NO Meals-\$10 Reg. Only | Lion, Lioness, Leo, Spouse or Guest |
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| Totals | | | | | | |

Please mail the registration to and make checks payable to—District OH1 Convention,

to PDE Bill and Lion Ellie Niejadlik at 2620 Kinsale Ct. Toledo, OH

Deadline for Registration—March 25, 2020

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2020 Lions District OH1 Convention Program Ad Sponsors

Please support our District OH1 Lions Convention by placing an ad, sending in congratulations or warm wishes to our officers, sharing a club project, or by having your name listed in the program as a contributor. Thank you for supporting the 2020 Convention!

Advertising Rates & Sizes

| | |
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| ½ Page—8"x 5" | \$100 |
| ¼ Page—4"x 2 ½" | \$50 |
| Business Card | \$30 |

Advertiser/Contributor's Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone Number _____

Ad Size _____

Ad Copy or Message _____

Make checks payable to—District OH1 Convention.

Mail this form and check to—PDG John Davis 933 Thornapple Ln.
Findlay, Ohio 45840

If you have any questions, contact PDG John Davis.
419-306-7003 jldavis1952@hotmail.com

Deadline for Ads & Sponsorships—March 20, 2020.

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