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December 2021 Edition

STATEMENTS FROM IVDG DAVE STOCKUM



Greetings. A little colder, but still some Fall color on the trees. Unusual. We had our second Cabinet Meeting of the Lions year on November 20, just prior to The Ohio State Buckeyes dismantling of Michigan State's Secondary. The Game will be in the books by the time this report is published. Twenty-three Lions attended the meeting, including Council Chair Kerry Parker and the Rettig's from

Holgate. Cabinet Meetings are open to all Lions interested in the business of the District, not just Cabinet Members. We were pleased Lions Terry and Linda Rettig came over with Zone Chair John Cordes for the morning. Council Chair Kerry pointed out that one important goal for MD13 Lions is to find the next generation of leaders. In a survey of the meeting's attendees, Leadership Growth was considered the second priority for OH1. The top priority was Membership Growth, with Improving Communication, Improving Attendance to Meetings (Club, Zone, and District), and Reporting Service as the third through fifth priorities. It can be argued these priorities are interdependent because making our communities aware of our service can lead to membership growth; good communication leads to greater satisfaction, thus retaining members; good leaders encourage membership growth and retention; attendance to club, zone and district activities improves communication; etc. You get the point by now. All of these aspects of Lion life are important, but most of all, given the obvious fact that members make up a club, membership growth and retention are vitally important. PDG Dean Carruthers reported we are on the plus side in membership growth this year

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despite the fact a number of clubs are clearing their roles of non-paying or deceased members. One major factor behind this is that the Lions Clubs International Directors have waived the new member initiation fee until July 1, 2022. This is a great opportunity to bring in new members. As Council Chair Kerry emphasized, we need to recruit a new generation of Lions and Lion Leaders. Other questions in the survey addressed cabinet meetings and officer training. The overwhelming majority (over 80%) of those attending the Cabinet Meeting felt that the cabinet meeting should remain at a central location and remain on Saturday mornings. There was almost an even split on whether using the District Convention for Officer Training, as opposed to other alternatives like having two trainings, one north and one south, would be beneficial. We are doing Officer Training as part of this year's Convention, April 9th, so we will have an opportunity at that time to decide how effective that alternative is. Finally, I have spoken to many Lions about positions on the Cabinet for next year. If you have an interest in becoming more active in a leadership role or there is a certain aspect of our District's life for which you have a passion, please contact me.



FDVG Dave Stockum

ZVDG DEBORAH CRAWFORD'S THOUGHTS

Season's greetings! I am so thankful for all of you. Because of your service, many will be able to enjoy a holiday meal, others will be able to receive gifts, and children will enjoy candy canes as they whisper their holiday wishes to Santa. Clubs are busy selling Christmas trees, making and taking holiday goodies to others, and decorating their town parks or squares.



I have enjoyed attending the various zone and club meetings as well as club activities. I had fun packing backpacks for the veterans. It was a pleasure at the Kenton holiday parade judging the floats and then getting the opportunity to ride on the Lions float during the parade. At all of these events, it was great to see neighboring Lions Clubs joining with other Lions clubs to help with service projects and activities. Not only is it good to serve those in our community, it is also needed to support and reach out to other Lions clubs around us. We all appreciate the help and kindness.

Each club needs to remember to fill out the MMR for their club every month. Continue to report the membership, activities, and projects. If you need help with reporting, please let Bill Keller, 1VDG Dave Stockum, or me know so that we can help you. There is a step by step pamphlet guide which may be helpful at lionsclubs.org/service-reporting on the Lions Clubs International website.

Serve safely, serve with your heart, and always serve up extra kindness. Have a safe and joyous holiday season!

Lion Deb

USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM

SAVE THE DATE: September 15 – 17, 2022. Calgary, Alberta, Canada will host the next USA/Canada Leadership Forum. To volunteer, meet the team, and/or purchase the 2022 Lions Leadership Forum Host Committee pin, visit the website : www.2022lionsleadershipforum.com



The Bluffton Lion Club had the honor of dedicating a park bench at Cob Lake on November 16th in memory of Taylor J. Steele, son of Lion member Tracy Steele. Seated on the bench are Taylor's parents and family members. Taylor passed away on August 31, 2020 from SUDEP. He worked for SRK in Bluffton and volunteered for many organizations including the Lions Club. He assisted with obtaining auction items for the annual Lions Dare to Dream Event which raised funds for the Pathway Project.

**OHIO LIONS PDG ASSOCIATION
SPLIT POT RAFFLE**

Donation - \$5.00 per ticket



Proceeds benefit OLRF 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!



**CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR
WEST LIBERTY LIONS CLUB**

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29TH | 4-8PM
1551 S MAIN ST, BELLEFONTAINE, OH, 43311

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **KT9VMEM**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

West Liberty Lions Present:



Calling all parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles & friends!

Want a unique and personal way to put a smile on the face of a child this Christmas? Send them a letter from Santa! The West Liberty Lions Club is happy to provide a service that will send a personalized letter to special little ones in your life.

Complete the form below and send it with payment of \$5 per letter (cash or check made payable to West Liberty Lions Club) by December 3rd to:

**West Liberty Lions Club
PO Box 686
West Liberty, OH 43357**

(For more information, contact Lion Nicki Kimball at 614-588-6648 or Wendy Yang at 614-517-2622)

One form per child please.

Child's Name: _____ **Age:** _____

Child's Address: _____

Special Information: Siblings' names, pets' names (and what they are: dog, cat, fish, etc), hobbies, teacher's name and grade, special interests, accomplishments this year, and anything your child may want Santa to talk about: _____

Elf on the Shelf Name: _____

Name of Purchaser: _____ **Phone #:** _____



The winner of the 2021-2022 LCI Peace Poster Contest in District OH1 is Savannah Thompson, a student at Millcreek West Unity School, part of the Hilltop Youth Group. The West Unity Lions Club sponsored the contest. A photo is included with this Email. This year's theme was "We Are All Connected".

12 Peace Posters from around District OH1 were judged for the district contest. Photos of those Peace Posters will soon be shown on the OH1

Facebook page. Our thanks to the Lions Clubs who sponsored contests. The 2022-2023 Peace Poster Kits will be available in early 2022.

A VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM YOUR OH1 DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

As of September 29, we have had 6 clubs that have not reported their club officers on MyLCI by your Club Secretary or President. This report is also called PU101 and is due in May. Your club's reporting is now Five months behind.

I will be contacting these clubs to see what the problem is. And if your club needs help in reporting at MyLCI or MyLion please contact me at lionwdk@gmail.com.

Yours in Lionism,
PDG Bill Keller
MD13 District OH1 District Administrator

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 January Newsletter is December 29, 2021.

Submit your newsletter items to Newsletter Editor Jessica Reichley at jreichley@gmail.com

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