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INSPIRING THOUGHTS FROM DG SHERYL



Greetings Fellow Lions:

Here it is with only two months left to this Lions year. I can't believe that this year is almost over. I have totally enjoyed visiting the clubs in our District and meeting all the great Lions that serve in their community's. You all do such a great job meeting needs within your community's and beyond! As a District this year we have reached many of our goals for this year, but there is one goal that still needs some work on, and that is membership. When I looked at the District's membership numbers for this year, we are still at a negative 33 members. I know clubs have been inducting new members, from the

beginning of this lion's year our District has added 127 new members, but have dropped 160 for various reasons. I just would like to encourage all the clubs that haven't taken in a new member this Lions year to just ask one person to join or if your club has had club members drop out, take the time to find out why they aren't interested in serving their community at this time and perhaps ask them to reconsider that decision.

It is again that time of year that your club needs to hold officer elections. And please, club secretary's or club presidents, PLEASE file your club's PU101's on the MyLCI reporting website. The deadline to file is May 15, 2017. This is also a great time to update any information about your club's meeting date, time and location.

In addition to electing new club officers, there will be Club Officer Training available to all Lions and Club Officer's. Training will be held on June 10, 2017 at the St. John's United Church of Christ, Bluffton, OH. The registration form can be found in last and this month's newsletter. The start time is 8:30am and runs until 1:00pm, with lunch included. Please come out and partake of the training that is available to your club so that you will have a more successful Lions year.

As most of you may know, LCI will implement a new global service framework, which is a key component of LCI Forward next Lions year. They have a set goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021. The Youth engagement will be a cornerstone of this service framework, along with its five signature service areas; which are Youth, Hunger, Environmental, Pediatric Cancer and Diabetes. The future of our service begins and belongs to our youth, and we have the opportunity to guide them as Lions. I ask you to encourage our young people to volunteer with your club. Listen to their ideas, and give them meaningful leadership roles when they serve. Our young people can be more than just volunteers – they can be our partners in service. So invite them to participate in your club's next service project.

As we draw closer to the end of this Lions year please keep in mind that we still have some "New Mountain to Climb" as we keep "Rolling Towards the Goal"

DG Sheryl and Lion Dan

Deadline for June Newsletter is May 24, 2017



A LINE FROM VDG BILL

Congratulations to District Governor Sheryl Burnette on a successful District convention. We all had a good time, our visiting ID Bob Libin was a great speaker and the Findlay Inn provided wonderful service and delicious food. Kudos to convention chair Amy Murphy also on a well-run event.

Please don't forget that we are having officer training on June 10 in Bellefontaine from 9a.m. until 1 p.m. As I travel the district, I hear many officers say they were unaware of their responsibilities. We will explain jobs, teach you how to perform the task and show you where you can go on LCI to find information about the job. Please take advantage of this

seminar. Register! Lunch will be provided! Meet other Lions in the district! Please attend no matter if you have been in the position 10 years or are just coming in, this is a great opportunity.

We still need a 2nd Vice District Governor and a few zone chairs. If you think you would be interested in helping the district, please contact me or 1st Vice District Governor Dean. We will be happy to explain positions and lend help when needed.

We need to have new people and new ideas on the Cabinet. The success of our next 100 years starts with you.

I will still be making club visits in May and June. I will also be at the State convention in Kalihari. Please call or visit with me anytime you have a question or need. If I cannot help, I will find someone who can. "We Serve" is more than a motto it is the reason we exist.

Thank you to all members for all your efforts this year. Let's continue to make OH-1 A great District.

1VDG Bill Niejadlik

NOTES FROM 2ND VDG DEAN

Hello Lions of OH1

The first OH 1 District Convention in Findlay, was a great success with lots of fun and the opportunity to see old friends and make new friends. The hospitality room and the poker run on Friday night was enjoyed by all. The meetings and the breakout sessions on Saturday were well attended and I heard many good compliments regarding the subjects and presenters. There was also a lot of sharing of ideas and accomplishments for this first year as a new district.

I was very honored to be voted as your 1st Vice District Governor for this next Lion year 2017-2018. Thank You to all the clubs and your delegates for your vote and support.

In May is the State Convention from May 12th – 14th, you can still register for the convention. The International Convention is June 30th – July 4th.

1 VDG Bill is completing the work on his cabinet for the 2017-2018 Lion year. We are looking for candidates for the position of 2 Vice District Governor. (Current or Past Zone Chairpersons can run for the position of 2 Vice District Governor). We are always in need of Zone Chairpersons. (Current or Past Presidents can be candidates for Zone Chairperson). 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 1 VDG Bill or 2 VDG Dean, we will be glad to answer your questions.

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 email lists. My contact information: email me at bigb31353@gmail.com (if you have problems with that email use 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

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 12-14, 2017
June 30 – July 4, 2017
July 30, 2017
September 21-23, 2017
October 1, 2017

MD-13 State Convention, Kalahari in Sandusky, OH
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

CALLING ALL OHIO LIONS**MD13 State Convention**

will be here soon!

May 12-14, 2017

Kalahari Resort, Sandusky

Registration is now available online

<http://ohiolions.org/index.php/31-events/70-ohio-lions-state-convention>

NOTE: Convention Registration DOES NOT include registration for the Centennial Event at Cedar Point.

JOIN US FOR...**State Convention**

\$100

Friday May 12 – Sunday May 14

Sessions & Speakers

Trivia Competitions

Hospitality and Fellowship

Displays and Pin Traders

Friday Banquet

Saturday Luncheon

Sunday Grand Banquet

*\$7 optional Pancake Breakfast for Saturday morning can be purchased at the time of registration.

Cedar Point Centennial Event

\$30

Saturday, May 13 at 6pm

Saturday Dinner

Helen Keller & Melvin Jones Speeches

Tour to Helen Keller Memorial marker

Transportation to and from Cedar Point

* No Cedar Point ticket needed for event admission.

** Anyone who purchases an event ticket is entitled to park at Kalahari and ride to CP on the bus.

Hotel accommodation information can be found at

<http://md13convention2017.org/lodging/>

MAY 12-14, 2017

Convention Registration ONLY
7000 Kalahari Dr., Sandusky OH 44870

HOTEL RESERVATION

Hotel reservations are available at the Kalahari Resort and can be made directly through the hotel at the following number: 1-877-525-2427. Daily rate: \$125+tax. Please mention **Ohio Lions** to receive this rate. Reservations received after April 11, 2017 will be provided on a space available basis at prevailing rates. The State Office will not accept hotel reservations or room deposits.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION - DEADLINE, April 30th

- 1 - Full Registration - \$100 (includes all meals and activities)
2 - Convention Activities Only (NO Meals) - \$15
3 - Friday only - \$40/dinner/entertainment & hospitality)
4 - Saturday/Sunday only - \$65 (seminars/Set Lunch, business mtgs/ Hospitality & Sunday Grand Banquet)
5 - Saturday only - All activities - \$30@ KALAHARI ONLY
6 - Grand Banquet only - \$35 (see meal choice)
7 - Children under 10 - Full reg. \$36 or per meal \$12.00
NO REFUNDS AFTER MAY 5th.

Convention Schedule

Friday – dinner & entertainment & auction
Saturday – Business, lunch, leadership sessions, Voting, Dinner on your own,

Hospitality

Sunday – Memorial Service, Grand Banquet

Meal Choice: Must Choose One!

B: Roasted New York Strip Lion

<u>PRINT or TYPE</u> Name as to appear on name tag.	Registration Choice -	Children's Registration Full or Specify which meal (F/S/G/B)	P.D.G.'s & Spouses-- \$7.00/ea attending the offsite breakfast 7:00 -7:30 a.m.	Pancake** Breakfast \$7.00 - for offsite breakfast	Grand Banquet Meal Choices: A or B	Dietary Needs	Amount
Total Due							

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* PDG's Breakfast will be sponsored by the Sandusky Lions – located down the street from Kalamazoo – after breakfast return to Kalamazoo for the meeting

FIRST 200 FULL REGISTRATION ATTENDEES WILL RECEIVE A 2017 MID-13 STATE CONVENTION PIN

What's Happening with Membership in OH1?

We have completed 75% of DG Sheryl's year. We started our year with 1744 members. At the end of March, we had a net loss of 33 members.

Only 25% of our clubs have shown a net increase in membership this year, however, we are pleased that the **Celina, Continental, Cridersville, Defiance, Fayette, Holgate, Kenton, Middle Point, Napoleon, Ohio Northern, Perrysburg Sunrise, Riverdale Community, Scott, Van Buren, and Venedocia** 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, and West Liberty.** Good job! That is 58% of our clubs in OH1.

For the other 42% of our clubs who have not taken in a new member, you will only have about two months left in this Lions year to recruit new members. Think about this: You won't always be around. Who will replace you when you are gone. Every Lion should at least find someone to replace himself/herself. In addition, ask another person so you can grow one for the club. Remember, there are always going to be drops. So, we need to fill those empty spots when they occur.

Speaking of drops, last year we asked 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

CREATION OF CLUB LCIF COORDINATOR POSITION

The Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) Board of Trustees recently announced the addition of a new position in Club Leadership, the Club LCIF Coordinator. This individual serves as an ambassador for LCIF in each club and is equipped to educate Lions about the activities of LCIF and its importance to Lions Clubs International.

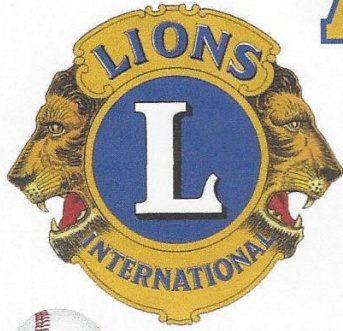
In previous years, LCIF Coordinators at the District and Multiple District levels have served as foundation ambassadors within their area. The addition of the Club LCIF Coordinator helps to support their effort and provide fellow members with timely information about important foundation initiatives. In order to make this program successful, we look to you for support in the following ways:

1. Ensure the club nominating committee has selected a Club LCIF Coordinator for a 1-year term (2017-2018) and this individual is identified through MyLCI or on your PU-101;
2. Devote at least one club meeting to an annual LCIF presentation provided by the Club Coordinator;
3. Support the Club LCIF Coordinator in planning annual fundraising and recognition events within your club.

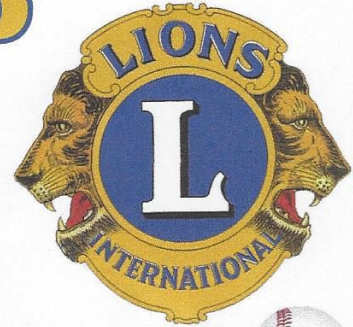
Thank you for your time and commitment to Lions Clubs International and to our Foundation. We are excited to have your support for this important role.

Sincerely, The LCIF Board of Trustees

**ATTENTION ALL LIONS,
FAMILIES AND FRIENDS
OF NORTHWEST OHIO
AND BEYOND**



**Take me
out to the
ball game!**



***Join us for a night of Baseball,
Fireworks and Lions Fellowship!***



**THURSDAY, JULY 6TH
in Fort Wayne**

**Gates 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

IF INTERESTED OR FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Don Wiechart at 419-863-2702,

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2017 Club Officer Training

“A New Century of Training Club Officers”

(This isn’t your grandpa’s training session!)

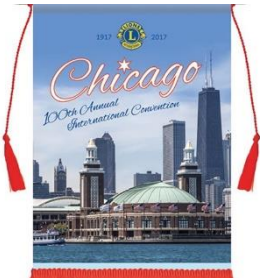
The 2017-2018 Club Officer Training will be in Bluffton, Ohio, at the St. John’s United Church of Christ, on June 10, 2017. The training will be from 9am to 1pm with a luncheon and mock meeting. Training will be for all club presidents, vice presidents, secretaries, treasurers and membership chair.

In addition, we’re looking at holding sessions for other club members.

Zone Chairs Challenge



The Zone Chair that has the most Clubs attending Club Officer Training will get a Chicago 2017 International Convention banner.



The Zone Chair that has the most Lions from their Zone attending Club Officer Training will get a LCI 100th Anniversary banner.

Registrations must be received or post marked by June 1st.

Clubs should register with PDG John Davis, GLT Coordinator, no later than June 1, 2017. Please email or mail the form below.

_____ Lions Club Zone _____

(Clubs Name)

Club President _____

Club Secretary _____

Club Treasurer _____

Membership Chair _____

Other Members _____

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

"A New Century of Training Club Officers"
(This isn't your grandpa's training session!)

[8:30-9:00](#) Registration & Social Time

[9:00-10:30](#) Club Officer Training

Club President, Secretary, Treasurer & Membership

[9:00-10:30](#) Sessions of Interest (Non-Officers)
(3-30 minutes sessions)

Why Would I want to be a ZC?

I've Never Attended a State Function.....Why Should I ?

Learning for the Fun of it.....Lions University

How to Turn a Lions Meeting into a Fun Meeting

[10:30-11:30](#) Rapid Fire Sessions

Meet Your 2017-2018 District Governor

Meet the Other 2017-2018 District Officers & Chairs

Does Your Club Support District & State Projects?

Can I Go to a Zone Meeting? Why Should I?

[11:30-12:00](#) What is CQI? How Will it Help My Club?

[12:00-12:30](#) Breakout and Meet Your Zone Chair

[12:30](#) Box Lunch Meeting



FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT

Arlington Lions - Donated toward assisting an Arlington High School student to HOBY

Bluffton Lions – Honored PDG Barbara Plaughter as Bluffton Citizen of the year on April 18th

Bryan Lioness – Are sponsoring a Firekeepers Casino Trip on June 6th

Bryan Lions – Are selling tickets for a raffle of 2 Centennial Lions \$1 coins-drawing is May 9th

Defiance Lions – Sponsor the Spring/Summer rec programs for Defiance Area Society for the Handicapped

Holgate Lions – Will be holding a Spouse & Guest Night on June 5th

PLEASE NOTE – The Holgate Lions are now meeting at The United Methodist Church at 677 Joe E Brown Avenue (SR 18).

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.

Please join us for an afternoon of Wine, Friendship and Cheer!

BRYAN LIONS CLUB LEGACY PROJECT

Uncorked For A Cause!

Wine and Dine Event



Saturday, May 20th, 2017

2:00 – 5:00 pm

Bryan Moose Lodge - 710 N. Main. Bryan, Ohio

Cost: \$50 Per Ticket

\$20 of each ticket goes to 5 Foot Tall Lion Fountain

(Table reservations for up to 8 friends.)

Blind Wine Tasting (6) - Hors D' Oeuvres - Snacks

Raffle drawing with prizes and cash awards of up to \$1,000!

Silent auction table – 50/50 drawing and Wine Grab!

(Bryan Lions will have designated drivers available if you need a ride home).



NEW HOME OF LION WILL BE THE IMAGINATION STATION



CONVENTION PHOTOS



DG Sheryl awarding Lion Tim Schumm the Lion of the Year award



Leo Project – The Leo's filled 65+ "Caring Heart Bags" for foster children



PID Jerry Smith awards Lion David Sturgeon 2nd place Lion Catcher award for sponsoring 5 new Lions



DG Sheryl awards PCC Darlene Roll of the Waynesfield Lions 2nd place in the Governor's contest for clubs with 0-20 members



Lions from Bluffton, McComb, Findlay and Portage fellowship together Friday evening prior to dinner.



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 at no cost. 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



USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

PORTLAND, OREGON SEPTEMBER 21-23, 2017

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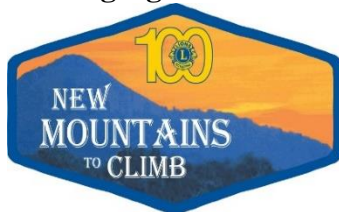
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