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# A Letter from Santa

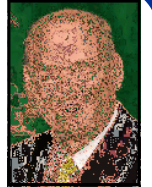


## Ohio Lions District 13-B

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### Moved to Grow



Greetings. As we approach the final weeks of 2009-10, I'm again very pleased to report that Lions all over the world have indeed "**Moved to Grow!**" Our net membership growth through May has reached plus 33,817. This compares to a net positive growth of 23,729 for the same period last year - making for an unprecedented 42% improvement.

This is by far the best net membership growth through May that our association has experienced in decades. My congratulations to all of you who have helped produce these remarkable, historic results.

While not every one of LCI's seven constitutional areas are positive (two - USA and Canada -- are slightly down), all areas have improved significantly over historic trends. Our total worldwide membership now stands at 1,352,136. And we are now on track to realize the best membership growth in LCI's modern history if we can keep up the momentum through June.

We know that June is when some clubs drop members more than in other months. Before you drop a member who has not been active lately, please reach out to them and let them know you care. Ask them to consider coming back and let them know their presence is missed. I know that all us as human beings really appreciate it when someone calls to say they miss us. You may be surprised by the number of positive responses you get.

In the meantime, as we work toward the most successful membership growth year in Lions history, let me share two more special success stories.

### New Country

I am proud to report the LCI will soon be adding its **206<sup>th</sup> country** and geographic territory to our international family. The Kingdom of Bhutan, nestled between India and China, will join our ranks this month. The country's home minister will be joining me on stage in Sydney to celebrate this historic event.

### Women at Lions

The number of women members continues to surge ahead this year. We have a net gain of +23,233 women members this year, bringing the grand total of women members to 298,592. I sincerely hope we can cross the 300,000 mark by the end of the June.

With cordial regards,

Eberhard J. Wirfs  
International President

**"We Can Do It!"**

## DG Santa

Lions of District 13 B

I wish to congratulate PDG Pete DiCesare on the GREAT leadership he has provided the district this past year.



As I sit here writing this article, Julianne is finishing up packing for the DG training and International convention. We will be leaving on June 22 for the convention. When we return, the new Lion year will already have started.

Remember the goals that I have set for the District. I hope these are goals that all of the clubs will work toward.

- New clubs: I hope to see two new clubs in District 13B. One club by Christmas and a second by June 1st. To accomplish this, the entire District will have to work hard but I know "We Can Do It."
- Membership is always a goal for Lions. I wish to see an increase in members in the smaller clubs, clubs under 20 members. This may seem hard to accomplish but we need to work on it. Possible ways are: Pride nights, Ohio Plan, and just ASKING people in the area. There are many ways to create possible lists of prospective members. But just creating the list will not accomplish the task. We need to talk with them, invite them to a meeting, and ask them to join.
- Retention goes hand in hand with new members. By keeping the members we have we will not have to face the thing we are afraid of: asking others to join.
- Have fun: to do this we can visit other clubs and get to know them. Perhaps invite a club to a picnic. Have a combined Christmas meeting (party). Ask for help with a club-project is another way of having fun. It may be work, but it can also be fun.

And in closing remember the last goal I have set for the year **HAVE FUN** and please do it this summer.

OOPS

I forgot to email this before we left for the International Convention in Australia. Would have emailed it sooner but was busy with the DGe School and then found out that you had to purchase time on the internet at \$12.00 for 30 minutes. We are having a real good time and learning a lot of things at the training and convention.

Remember  
"WE CAN DO IT"  
DG Dana D. Zody

## 1st VDG Dick

Hello Lions,

As we start a new year, just look back for a few moments and see all the good things that you have done in your community. Be proud of your accomplishments. Keep up the good work.



Several things that we are asking for this year is to get your club reports as well as the activities and membership reports to the International by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. We hopefully will grow by at least one new member per club this year.

Also this is a reminder that necrology reports are to be sent to me this year.

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50567 St. Rt. 113

## 2nd VDG Woody

Lions of District 13-B

This being my first attempt at putting some info into the District news letter, it may be short or may seem to go on and on. Either way I hope to put out some informative thoughts.

Since I am also the Cabinet Treasurer for the coming year I want to remind everyone that IRS form 990 of one sort or another must be filed by Nov. 15, 2010 for the year that ended June 30, 2010. (There may be someone that is on some other year, but most of us end in June.) The first half billing has been mailed and I have received almost one third of the club payments...Thank you. I want to congratulate Gov Pete for all he has done in the last year and thank him for allowing me to help him as CT.

Since our election at the district convention, I have been to the state convention, where, as 2ndVDGe you get to help with a hospitality room and give everyone at the meals the opportunity to purchase tickets for door prizes. I have been to 2ndVDG training, Clyde Lions Club Charter Night, installed Lorain Lions Officers, and helped with Polk's Strawberry Fest. I am looking forward to working with you all this next year.

Thank You  
2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Woody

# Where's Santa And His Elves

## DG Dana's Schedule

### July

7/17 Zone Chair training Ashland  
 7/20 Bascom Lions  
 7/24 Zone Chair training Chillicothe  
 7/28 Upper Sandusky Lions  
 7/31 Zone Chair Picnic/MERL Meet

### August

8/2 Elyria Lions  
 8/7 State Meetings  
 8/8 Council of Gov Meeting  
 8/9 Tiffin Lions  
 8/17 North Ridgeville Lions  
 8/21 1st Cabinet Meeting (host Perrysville Lions)  
 8/23 Lindsey Lions  
 8/26 Marblehead Lions  
 8/27-28 Bucyrus Brat Festival  
 8/28 District Golf Outing (Huron Lions)  
 8/30 Zone 2 meeting

### September

9/1 Zone 7 meeting  
 9/2 Amherst Lions  
 9/8 Zone 8 meeting  
 9/9 Avon Lions  
 9/13 Zone 5 meeting  
 9/14 Firelands Lions  
 9/15 Zone 3 meeting  
 9/20 Zone 4 meeting  
 9/21 Bellville Lions  
 9/22 Zone 1 meeting  
 9/23- 9/26 USA / CANADA Forum  
 (This is a great place for training)  
 9/28 Milan Lions  
 9/29 Zone 6 Meeting

## 1stVDG Dick's

### July

17 Zone Chair Training - Ashland  
 24 Zone Chair Picnic/MERL Meeting

### August

7 State Committee Meetings  
 10 Mansfield Noon  
 11 Mansfield Evening  
 16 Mifflin Lions  
 17 Bellville  
 21 1st Cabinet Meeting - Perrysville  
 25 Upper Sandusky Lions  
 28 Bucyrus Bratwurst Festival  
 30 Zone 3 Meeting

## 2nd VDG Woody's Schedule

### July

17 Zone Chair Training-Ashland  
 31 Zone Chair Picnic/ MERL

### August

5 Erie County Vacation Land Lions  
 6 State meetings (6th-8th)  
 10 Bloomville Lions/Lioness  
 12 Elmore Lions

# Polk Lions Strawberry Festival

## POLK LIONS CLUB STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

With the weather in the 90's and sunshine in abundance, the Polk Lions welcomed 2,500 visitors to their recent 12<sup>th</sup> annual Strawberry Festival.

The kids' carnival offered unlimited games, activities, pony rides, berry cart rides, inflatable slide and bounce house and a special magic show for only \$1, for the entire day. Adults were admitted free to enjoy the raffles, merchants, crafters, and musical entertainment.



The Friday work day and Saturday event saw 38 of the

43 Polk members assisting in any and all ways possible. Members and volunteers (family members) set to work cleaning 165 quarts of fresh, Amish strawberries on Friday afternoon. Throughout the evening members set up and prepared for the social, while others set to work erecting tents, games and partitioned off specific entertainment



venues. The ice cream crew finished freezing the 75 gallons of ice cream at 1:30 a.m. This included Lions Justin & Qiana Donley's 7 year old daughter, Jasmine, who was kept busy helping Lion Linda Cellar mix and retrieve supplies as needed. With the assistance from the



Perrysville Lions during the entire Saturday's event, the Polk club offered carnival foods, strawberry pie, shortcake and of course the homemade ice cream. The Ashland Evening Lions were also invited to bring their food trailer in to help feed the crowd during the carnival.



During the social, Polk Lion Marga-



ret Way presented a check for \$750 to Mike Tresmer of Ohio Pilot Dogs. Tresmer along with dog in training, Blair, gave a demonstration with blindfolded Lion Way. Winding their way through the crowded building and dining tent allowed those in atten-

dance to see what the dogs may go through in their training. Lion Way who works for Verizon was able to obtain a matching grant so that the Polk club could donate to the Pilot Dog program. Along with the check, Polk members also collected cases of dog food for Tresmer to take back to Columbus. The Polk club would like to sincerely thank the Perrysville and Ashland Evening Lions Clubs for their assistance in this year's festival.

Submitted by Lion Candy Donley  
Polk Lions Club

## The Past, Present and Future

### Rowsburg

Rowsburg Lions Club will have their food trailer at the Yesterday Antique Tractor Show and the Ashland County West-Holmes Career Center on July 9, 10 & 11, 2010.

The annual Chicken BBQ will be held in Rowsburg at the old school house on August 14, 2010 from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available by calling Dan Stone at 419-869-7614.

Submitted by Dan Stone



### SWEET CORN FESTIVAL

Historic Lions Park, Millersport  
September 1-4, 2010

"It's Earrisistible"

[www.sweetcornfest.com](http://www.sweetcornfest.com) 740-467-3639

Nashville Country Music Shows - Midway - Games

Food - Tractor Pulls - Heritage Village - 5K Run

**\$10,000 GRAND PRIZE DRAWING**

Free Admission - \$10 Parking Fee

Sponsored by Millersport Lions Club since 1947



### CRUISIN' ON THE COMMONS

Historic Lions Park, Millersport

May 21, June 18, July 16, August 20

5:00 - 8:00 PM

Awards, Music, Door Prizes

Grilling Specials at Dottie's Diner

Free Admission & Parking

\$5 Vehicle Registration

## “OH, by the way....”

Ohio Lions have the rare opportunity to experience one of the greatest honors our Association can bestow. Soon, one of our own will likely be elected as the President of The International Association of Lions Clubs.

Past District Governor and Past Council Chairperson Lion Steve Sherer, a member of the Dover Lions Club in District 13-G, is making a run to the Presidency. When elected he will join W.R. “Dick” Bryan and James T. Coffey as the third Buckeye State Lion to serve in our association’s highest office.

I have known Lion Steve and his wife Lion Mary Ellen for many years. We met in the mid-1990’s, and I have always been impressed by their dedication to The Ohio Lions. He and I had an unusual distinction; we both served on four Councils of Governors together. In 2002-2003 Steve was Council Chair, and I served as District Governor. For the 2003-2004 my year as Council Chairman Lion Steve was again going through the chairs in District G once more. He did so because he was asked and needed.

Steve is first and last a very good man. He is civic leader, active in scouting and loyal to his commitments and to his friends. He understands finance, he understands people and he knows and loves Lions.

Please ask that your club consider a donation to Lion Steve’s campaign, and consider making a donation yourself. We need to support our own, and Lion Steve is one of our best.

**P.C.C./P.D.G. Jeff Hillis**

## News from the Zones

### Zone 8

District 13B Convention April 17, 2010--New member Alicia Nethero of the Jeromesville Lions Club received the Outstanding Ordinary Lion Award for the numerous contributions she made in fund-raising for the Lions community and Hillsdale Cares.

June 2, 2010-- Zone Chairman Keith Kaufman installed the new officers for the Jeromesville Lions Club. Also, on June 2, 2010, Lowell McFarlin received the 55 year membership pin.

July 24, 2010-- The Jeromesville Homecoming Celebration will be celebrated at Lewis Memorial Park in cooperation with the Jeromesville Lion Club and the Jeromesville Fire Department. Celebration hours are 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. Come and enjoy good people, good food, good fun, including games, a push-pull parade. Meet new Lions, too.

## Numbers

As an engineer for almost 55 years, numbers have always been important to me. Whenever I need to do an analysis or review, I tend to assign numbers to it.

I tend to do that with Retention and Membership of District 13B. Each month I provide to the MERL Team the statistics for the previous month. It tells which clubs have added or dropped members and how many. It gives the overall membership total for the District. It tells how many clubs have at least a plus one gain in membership for the year and may be eligible for a membership award.

It also identifies which clubs have or have not turned in reports to International for the month. It tells how many months a club may have gone without turning in a report.

But numbers are only part of the story. They only give an indication of what might be going on within the club.

If a club is losing a large number of members, is the problem within the club or are they just clearing house of non paying, non attending members? If a club goes for an extended period without reporting, is the secretary having a computer communication problem that they may need help with, or are they just spending the winter in Florida?

The best person to be aware of these problems and obtain assistance is the Zone Chairman. Other members of the MERL Team are also available. A club also needs to work with someone with whom they feel comfortable. Any District Officer or another club’s President or officers are available and willing to help when asked.

Most people as well as clubs do not like to ask for help. That is why it is important for our MERL Team to have some indicators of activities within a club before they visit them. Each club receives four official visits every year. We hope that these visits are beneficial and not superficial with no information being conveyed.

Sometimes it’s the numbers that hold the clue. We sometimes just have to ask what they mean. Ask; you might find out something.

Joe McDonald, State Membership Representative

### Zone 8 continued

April 27, 2010: Rowsburg Lions Club--John Harpster received the 50 year Lions membership pin.

Zone 8 Chairman Keith Kaufman

## Facebook, a Double Edged Sword

Everywhere you look, people are talking about Facebook and Twitter. Both can be done from PC's or Cell Phones. Since Twitter is definitely more Cell Phone oriented, and since I refuse to get involved in texting, I cannot talk about Twitter with any depth of knowledge. However, I do have some knowledge and opinions about Facebook.

Facebook can be fun and/or it can be a valuable tool to promote your business. Facebook bills itself as a social networking site. Many people use it just for that purpose. It is a great way to get in touch with old friends that you haven't seen in years. If you want to find out what happened to old classmates who haven't been to a reunion in years, there is a good possibility you could find them on Facebook. It also enables you to interact more often with friends that you only see once or twice a year.

As a business tool, you can actually create a free account for your business and then use your personal account to expose your friends to your business. I belong to a networking group that meets once a week and we are committed to promoting business for each other. This group has decided to take it a step further and is actually using Facebook to promote our group and our businesses. This is being accomplished many different ways. One of our members uses Facebook to promote events that are hosted in their stores. Every time they have a special event all of their friends and fans are aware of it. That seems to work very well for them.

An Insurance Agent in our group uses Facebook to keep their name in front of the community. Every day I see their Horoscope on my Home Page as well as other items. In other words, there isn't a day goes by that I don't think about them and of course their business. The Tiffin Area Chamber of Commerce is also on Facebook and uses it to promote their activities.

There is another side to Facebook. It does take a commitment of some time to use Facebook to its full advantage. I, myself, have not been able to find the time to use it as profitably as I should.

The primary concern about Facebook is that you must be careful what you write, as you don't know who will end up reading it. Not only will all of your friends see the things you write, but also will their friends and possibly the friends of their friends. There is a theory published that says that there are only six degrees of separation from anybody in the world. In other words, if you examine the relationship of six layers of friends or acquaintances, you will have touched on everyone in the world.

The key to using Facebook as tool to promote your business is to keep your communications professional. Forgetting to do this is why there are many confirmed reports of people not being hired or being fired for what they have written on Facebook. The Golden Rule of Facebook for a business person is never write anything about anyone that you would not say to their face. The business you save may be your own!

We hope this helps you understand how to use Facebook to improve your business and your life. Who knows District 13 B Lions may even ask you to be a fan!

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## The Past, Present and Future

### Ashland Evening

As this Lion's year comes to a close, the Ashland Evening Lions are proud of all of their community service projects, but there are several really special ones:

- \$2500.00 donated to Housing Partners of Ashland (a local group that rehabilitates houses as well as construct new houses)
- \$5300 donation to Ashland County's Project Lifesaver now in the equipment acquisition and training phase
- Two new wide-body wheelchairs donated to Honor Flight Columbus
- A one day blitz to collect adult winter coats when our local Associated Charities organization ran out of coats.

These projects were in addition to all of the others that continue to further our motto WE SERVE.

Lion Ann Miller

Photos are from Colonel Crawford's 3 on 3 Tournament.  
See PCC/PDG Jeff's article on page 8.



# The Past, Present and Future

## Avon

Could the following be included in the Past, Present and Future section of the next edition of the District 13b Newsletter. I have attached photos of the scholarship presentation, the Avon Heritage Duct Tape festival Parade and from the Lake Erie Crushers baseball game fundraiser.

In addition to our normal club meetings, June was a very busy month for the Avon Lions Club. On June 5th we hosted our annual Avon Lions Club Fishing Derby. Over 170 children and families enjoyed a great day of fishing, great prizes and family fun. In addition to the Avon Lions Club over 30 sponsors helped put this free event together for the children of Avon and the surrounding communities.



At our June 10th meeting we granted two \$1,000.00 William H. Bommer Memorial scholarships to Avon High School seniors Nicholas Nakon and Julie Kopcienski. The scholarship fund was created this year to honor one of our charter members Bill Bommer who recently passed away.



On June 19th, the Avon Lions marched in the Avon Heritage Duct Tape festival parade. The Lions were well represented and we looked great with a purple & gold truck and the Lion mascot on board.



Finally we hosted the Avon Lions Night at the Lake Erie Crushers game on Monday, June 28th. Lion Paul Johnson threw out the first pitch and proceeds went to the William H. Bommer Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Mary Johnson  
Avon Lions

## Bellville

The Belleville Lions Club has a new "Cub." Grant William Freeman was born to Lions Karen and Randall on April 4th. Proud are Grandparents Lions Lois and Kurt Freeman and Great Grandparents Betty and Lion Dick Swendal.

The Club sold tickets for the July 6th circus, took part in the 4th of July parade and will be selling food at the July 23rd Cruise-In

## Bascom

The Bascom Club has awarded scholarships to Hopewell-Louden seniors for the past eleven years. During that time span, twenty-one H-L graduates have been awarded \$21,000 to assist in their post high school education. The 2010 winners of \$1,000 scholarships are Dustin Reinhart, Morgan Hill and Ashley Miller.

Congratulations go out to Robert Swartzmiller who is the newest member of the Bascom Lions Club. He was sponsored by Lion Jim Park. Bob and wife Alicia live at 656 N. Elm Street in Bascom.

Tickets will soon be available for the Clubs sixth Gun Raffle. The project provides the primary funding for our scholarship program. We hear that several of our Lions are out to better Lions Francis R. and Jim Park's sales record. Watch out Francis and Jim.

A generous donation from the estate of a deceased Lion made it possible to purchase four outdoor grills to compliment the newly renovated picnic shelter at Meadowbrook Park. Lion Jim Park and park personnel handled the purchase and installation.

Bascom Lions will participate in two events in the month of July. We will be manning our food stand at the Firefighter's festival on July 10th and taking tickets at the Seneca County Fair on July 30th.

Lion Don Bouillon

## Bloomville

PCC-PDG Jeff Hillis installed the new officers for the Bloomville Lions and Lioness on Tuesday, June 22nd. Many members also received perfect attendance pins and monarch chevrons.

The Bloomville Lions recently donated funds to the Bloomville Community Center for their men's bathroom renovation.

Other recipients of Lion's funds went to the Sportsman Trap Youth Trap Shooters, the Junior Fair Foundation, Seneca East Cheerleaders, and the Garlo Park Prediction Run.

The club will be cooking hot dogs at the Garlo Park Fishing Derby and Park Photo Display on July 11th.

Secretary Dave Zartman

# The Past, Present and Future

## Bucyrus-Colonel Crawford

Bucyrus and Col. Crawford Lions Clubs are working together to help people with vision problems. They have both donated in the past to help Crawford County's V.I.P. Low Vision Support Group purchase closed circuit TV systems (CCTV's) for enlarging print and pictures up to 60 times. The CCTV's are loaned out to local people in need of them.

Bucyrus and Col. Crawford Lions also help transport people to the reduced vision group meetings every month.

Recently the three groups have joined in helping a local man with severe glaucoma. The Bucyrus Lions Club purchased a white cane, magnifier and a large print calculator for him. The V.I.P. Support Group gave him special paper and pens for people with reduced vision and also gave him information on dealing with visual impairment, using a white cane and using the local low-cost transportation service. The Col. Crawford Club is transporting him to his medical and eye care appointments.

Lives have been improved thanks to the combined efforts of these clubs.

Submitted by Lion Joy Hillis



Bucyrus Lions' secretary Cheryl Luidhardt and president Donna Leuthold examine the new white cane that the club purchased for a local resident

## Colonel Crawford

A couple of bits of news from the Colonel Crawford Lions.

There were 41 Lions and guests in attendance at the 39th Charter Night held on June 10th. We were honored to have Governor Pete install the new officers for the coming year. It was a pleasure to have our first lady, Mona also in attendance for the evening.

Twenty five Lions traveled to Columbus to visit the Ohio Lions Pilot Dogs facilities. A nice meal was enjoyed by all. The tour included the facility and a pilot dog demonstration. More clubs should make this trip.

A three-on-three basketball tournament was held. We feel it was a success for a first time project. This project involved young people and their parents. Hopefully with more knowledge of our club and activities, some of this age group and also their parents will consider becoming Lions in our club.

We also had our food trailer at a recent car show in Bucyrus, selling bratwurst and pita-wurst sandwiches. Extreme heat seemed to keep the crowd down but we did make a couple of

dollars for our club.

We will be manning the gates for one day at the up-coming Crawford County Fair in July.

PDG Carl Watt

## Fostoria

Members of the Fostoria Lions gathered at the farm of Lion Bill Piper to plant 1,000 onion plants for their 2nd annual onion sale to be held late August.



Upper Left: Lions Don Cochran, Rus King, Bud Gilliland, Jack Lambright, Bill Piper and Howard Dieter



Upper Right: Bill Piper manning the hoe.

Lower Left: Rus King, Don Cochran and Bill Piper

Lower Right: PDG Jack Lambright

## Huron

Lion Dave Zimmerman reported the Huron Lions installed the 2010-2011 Club officers June 9th at the Club's picnic.

## Mohawk Lioness

Mohawk Lioness installed new officers on June 15. Cathy Craft serves as President during the 2010-2011 club year.

Six new members were inducted. The members are Jenese Ekleberry, Darcy Zimmerman, Deanna, Stover, Sandra Mohran, Edy Zahn and Jenna Zahn. Zone 5 Co-chair Lottie LaRue installed the officers and inducted the new members. The resignation of Connie Curliss was accepted.

The Lioness are coordinating the "Library Family Fun Fest" on July 9, starting at 4:30 p.m. and lasting until 7:00 p.m. We will be providing pulled pork for the sandwich meal. The side dishes are to be donated by community churches. Other activities will include a pie baking contest, a dunking tank, corn hole and a variety of games and activities for the children completing the summer reading program and their families.

Cookies, ham salad sandwiches and snacks were provided for the June 15th blood drive, held at the Mohawk Community

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# The Past, Present and Future

## Mohawk Lioness continued

Center. Manning of the Seneca County Fair gates will be on August 1st, a combined project of the Sycamore Lions Club and the Mohawk Lioness Club..

## Loudonville

Awards & Installation of Officers was held on May 25. Nineteen members and three guests were present.

President Annette welcomed district governor Pete Dicesare and his wife Mona. Governor Pete made comments concerning the dues increase and the state endorsing Steve Shearer for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President International. He discussed other items concerning District 13B.

Secretary Ron presented 100% Attendance Pins to Scott Baldner, Mike Baldner, Beckie Conway, Annette Gorrell, Steve Gorrell, George Haudenschild, Dave Hunter, Roger Lowe, Lois Lutz, Ron Lutz, Walt Miller, Pat Pearl, Darius Plumley, Noel Shaffer, Chuck Roesch, Carolyn Roesch, Dale Stake, Bill Taylor and Norm Wellman.

He passed out Long Term Attendance pins to Steve Gorrell 5 years, Walt Miller 5 years, Dave Hunter 10 years, Lois Lutz 15 years, Bill Taylor 25 years, Roger Lowe 30 years.

He presented "Lion of the Year" award to Shirley Haudenschild, also presenting her with a special plaque honoring George and Shirley for the remodeling of the building. Shirley followed with some comments.

President Annette gave Lions key chains to all members present, said she had a Lions belt buckle for Walt Miller, who was absent, for all the work he's done on the building, also presented a Lions necklace and earrings to Lois Lutz and a gift certificate for East of Chicago to Secretary Ron for all they have done for her this year.

Governor Pete inducted new officers: President Norm Wellman, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chuck Roesch, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Beckie Conway, Secretary Ron Lutz, Treasurer Dave Hunter, Lion Tamer Darius Plumley, 1 year directors Mike Baldner and Ron Kiefer, 2 year directors Annette Gorrell and Scott Baldner, Membership Ron Lutz, Building Committee Walt Miller.

President Annette and incoming President Norm exchanged pins. Norm made a few comments. He would like everybody to work together to make it a great year. Annette thanked everyone for the help given this year.

Ron presented Annette with a plaque honoring her for her excellent year as president.

Lion Amber Kasper has accepted an exciting challenge by registering for Bike MS: Venture the Valley 2010, a two-day, 150 mile event hosted by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. The event will be held at Camp Kern, Oregonia, Ohio. She asks that we please support her effort to ride for a world free of multiple sclerosis (MS) by making a tax-deductible contribution. Write checks payable to National MS Society and mail them to her at Amber Kasper, 130 Humm Ave, Loudonville OH 44842. Whatever you give will make a profound difference in the lives of more than 6000 people living with MS, that are served by the Ohio Valley Chapter of the National MS Society.

Project Lifesaver, a system for locating people who wander from their homes, and to which the Loudonville Lions donated \$1000 of our philanthropic funds, has now been implemented in Ashland County. Anyone with a family member who would benefit from this program should contact Patty Moorman at 419-496-4381 for information. This system is now operating in 52 counties in Ohio.

## Lorain

Lorain Lions participated in the 44th Annual Lorain International Festival, sponsoring the Hungarian Princess Brittany Welch in the Princess Pageant. The pageant was held at the Palace Theatre June 24th. The Club also had a booth selling hot dogs, cotton candy and popcorn at the Lorain International Bazaar, June 25-27.

The Lorain Lions will sponsor a Golf Outing on Saturday, July 24 at Fox Creek Golf Club. It is a four person scramble starting at 8:00 a.m. Cost is \$60.00 per golfer, includes skin game.

To enter, contact

- Lion Joe Burgess,  
461 Cooper Foster Park Road,  
Lorain, OH 44053  
216-496-5437

Make checks payable to Lorain Lions Club.

On Saturday and Sunday, August 21st and 22nd, the Lorain Lions will be providing hot dogs and cotton candy at the 2nd Annual Pet Fest Animal Attraction event at the Black River Landing Riverfront Festival Center in downtown Lorain.

Submitted by Lion Ken Cromer

## Madison Township

The Madison Twp. Club tried their hand at sponsoring a car show. It was held on Sunday, June 13th. at Charles Mill Lake Park near Mansfield. There were 61 cars entered. The club thought this was good since it did look like rain early that morning and it happen to fall on the same weekend as the Miss Ohio parade in Mansfield. So all went well and everyone had a good time. The consensus is that we will do a 2nd one next year because it was a great way to publicize Lions.

Submitted by Secretary Ray Mellick

# The Past, Present and Future

## Mansfield Evening

Our club is small. At present we have nine members. One member is trying to sell his house and will be moving away. About ten years ago we had nearly twenty three members.

Supplying eyeglasses to needy people in the Mansfield city area is our primary budget item. Last year the budget for eyeglasses was \$4500.00. We have reduced it to \$4000.00 for the 1010-2011 Lion year. This will help about 40 people.

Other items in our budget include donations to Hospice of North Central Ohio, Salvation Army, OLRF, Zone 6 projects, Diabetes, Ohio Lions Foundation, Catholic Charities and Newhope Special Olympics.

To raise funds for projects, we involve our concession trailer at various events. We serve funnel cakes, coney dogs, hot dogs, shredded chicken sandwiches, chips, soft drinks and coffee. In May, we served the Bennington Heights neighborhood garage sales. July 17th we will serve at the Parkwood Boulevard garage sales. Hopefully, other events will be scheduled for the trailer.

May and June projects have posed problems scheduling around rain, personal vacations, rain, trips and rain. Especially the rain. In July, we will have a picnic. In August, we will have our annual Chet and Sadie Wharton Corn Roast.

Submitted by Secretary Russell Kemp

## Milan Edison

Milan Secretary Dave Hohler reports the following activities for the month of June.

- The Club was visited by DG Pete DiCesare. DG Pete inducted new member Perry Wilson into our Club as part of his visitation.
- We recognized Liz Cox as "Berlin-Milan Middle School Student of the Month."
- We worked with the Norwalk Lions at Norwalk Raceway Park as a fundraiser.
- 100 pair of used eye glasses were collected.
- We are sponsoring a camper at Camp Echoing Hills.

## Norwalk

The Norwalk Lions Board was informed that the payment was made to sponsor a team. Our team schedule was circulated.

Breakfast of Champions recognized 121 seventh graders and 142 eighth graders.

Current investments produced \$1446 for Norwalk High School scholarships and \$1162 for St. Paul's High School. We then added treasury funds to produce the four scholarships.

The four recipients were invited to the June 22nd meeting. The \$2000.00 scholarships were awarded to Morgan White and Kayla Kiedrowicz from Norwalk High School and Emily Rospert and Morgan Mirtes from St. Paul High School. The Lion Scholarships are the largest awarded at both school's award programs. We need to continue funding to achieve a perpetual \$8000 per year for scholarship in the future.

The newest member of Norwalk Lions is Emily O'Dell

## Oak Harbor

On June 22, 2010, PDG Stan Homerick installed the newly elected officers of the Oak Harbor Lions Club. Lion Terry Hetrick will serve, again, as this year's President.

The Club is excited about bringing aboard two new members, Lion Ron Buehler and Steve Tomor.

July is a busy time for our Club. The Ottawa County Fair, running from July 19 – 25th is our Club's largest fundraiser. Should anyone be in the area during that time, come in and visit and buy a sandwich. The Club would like to wish all new club officers well in this 2010- 2011 year.

Lion Sec. Chris DeTray

## Old Fort

The Old Fort Lions awarded three scholarships totaling \$1500 at our 66th Achievement Banquet. On June 1st we inducted Doug Stacy, our fourth new member of the year, giving us a plus two membership for the year. We donated \$200 for after prom activities.

At the June 15th meeting, we inducted our new officers for 2010-11. We had three member with more than 50 years of membership. Ralph Watson 50 years, John Willis 55 years, and Ralph Gilmore 65 years.

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# The Past, Present and Future

Old Fort continued.....

We are planning a club outing on July 17 at Raceway Park like we have done in the past and had a lot of fun. July 20- Aug 28 we will be having our annual Community Calendar Drive.

Submitted by Lion Dave Omlor

## Plymouth

PDG Sonny Barker and Lion Joan attended the June 23rd meeting along with 26 members and 5 guests. He installed the Incoming officers for the 2010-2011 year as well as inducting new members Lee and John Harris. A third new member, Rick Garverick was unable to attend.

A blood drive will be held on July 1st between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Flags for the 4th of July will be placed during the blood drive and taken down on Tuesday, July 6.

The Plymouth Lions will spruce up their train before the Shelby Parade on July 10, which begins at 2:00 p.m.

Recently our club had a request from John Harris to supply a handicap accessible ramp. Lions always have their eyes and ears tuned to recognize an opportunity. Lion President John Garrett attended a home auction where the house had an attached ramp. The buyer was approached to see if they had a need for the ramp and if we could purchase it. When our need was explained to the owner, he offered to donate the ramp to the Plymouth Lions if we would remove it. The ramp was disassembled and a new ramp constructed. Enough material remained to build a second ramp. Since then we have had a donation of an additional ramp that has been disassembled and stored, ready for the next opportunity. Just another typical day of events for Lions.



Submitted by Lion Don Barnthouse

## Savannah

Savannah Lions held their annual fish fry and family picnic on June 3, 2010. Lion Jeff Ling was the chef again this year and produced an outstanding meal.

Installation of 2010-2011 officers for Savannah Lions was officiated by PDG Stan Kopp. Five new members have joined Savannah Lions this year. They are Judy Bernhard, Norm Sommers, Judy Kocab, Marj Pond, and Lisa White (as shown in the photo)

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Savannah is completing our community calendar project in the Month of June. We sponsored four Labrador Retrievers placed with Pilot Dogs Inc. in Columbus, Ohio. Our club also visited Pilot Dogs Inc. in June.

We participated in Savannah's Memorial Day Parade by entering a Lions Float.

Secretary, Dave Pond

## Sandusky

Attached is a picture of the Mound in Washington Park. It will fill in a little better as the summer progresses.

Submitted by Lion Frank Hohler



## Sycamore

Sycamore Lions enjoyed the annual installation dinner with two scholarship winners. Lion Don Arter inducted one new member into the club.

We will join with Mohawk Community Library on July 9th for a summer reading celebration.

## Tiffin

June was a busy month for the Tiffin Lions. Lion Karen Knaur presented Community Service Awards of \$500.00 each to Joe Fowler of Calvert and Sentinel Career Center, Evelyn Ragle, Columbian High School and Rebecca Gase of Calvert High. Joe Fowler also received a special "oar" in recognition of his years of helping Tiffin Lions with it's Popcorn Ball project. June 14th found Lions, spouses and guests at the Hedges Boyer barn for the annual club picnic financed by the fruits of the Tail Twister's efforts.

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# The Past, Present and Future

## Tiffin continued

The hungry Pig (bank) was passed to collect funds for an Information Booth about Children's Cancers at the soon to be constructed Cancer Center. An auction of the Pig will complete the project of five Tiffin service clubs, with highest donor to be announced. Lion brooms, Sweet Corn Festival raffle tickets and donations for White Cane Days were available at the Tiffin Flea Market June 19.

Submitted by Lion Ed Krakora

## Vermilion Lioness

President Gloria Showalter and Treasurer Lola Rakar attended the May 26th Evening of Excellence at German's Vila honoring Vermilion High School's seniors. Richard, son of Lion Richard and Lioness Mary Jane Burger, received our \$250.00 scholarship.

Our Installation Dinner was held on June 15th at the Nest. PDG Jim Jeavons installed our new officers: President Kellie Lunn, Vice President Jane Dean, Secretary Gloria Hendricks, Treasurer Lola Rakar, Taitwister Caron Kreicher, Membership Joyce Jeavons, Directors Barb Roberts and Gloria Showalter. Meeting schedule will begin with the second Tuesday in September.

Vermilion Lioness sold hotdogs, canned pop, water, coffee and tea from the trailer at Vermilion's annual Fish Festival.

Everyone keep your calendars open so you can attend Vermilion's annual Woollybear Festival on September 26. The festival is one of the largest one day festivals in Ohio.

Submitted by Gloria Showalter

## Elyria Evening Family

Many years ago, the Elyria Lions Club constructed a trail in Cascade Park to provide a location for residents of Elyria and visitors to walk. Lion Kerry Parker made arrangements with the Elyria Parks and Recreation Department to assist our club in the renovation of this amazing trail. Our goal is to complete work before school starts. We'll keep you posted. Look for photos next month.

The Elyria Evening Family Lion Club, under the direction of Lion Dave Keller erected an additional six flag poles in the greater Elyria area over Independence Day weekend. Great job, Lion Dave!

This long time fund raiser has helped demonstrate our patriotic support for this great country of ours and Lionism.

Submitted by Lion Dale DeGirolamo

## Castalia

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**.....I wish to thank Past District Governor Stan Homerick for conducting the Installation of Officers at our recent banquet at the W R Hunt Club. Thanks to all the members that attended to show their support for the outgoing officers and the new ones just starting their year. Thanks to Past President Jeri for her year of service to our club.

Thanks to all that worked or participated in the Golf Scramble, we had a perfect day. We had 26 teams and 69 golfers take the hole-in-one option on Hole# 10. After paying out \$100.00 to Dustin Cullen for his closest to the pin prize on Hole #10, we did make a profit.

The Ohio Bike Week Beer Booth at the Erie County Fair Grounds was a good project thanks to Lions Stan Homerick and Chuck Renwand along with all the workers that showed to man the booths. The final sales total for the event was less than half the total for last year. Reports of our profit will be given at a later meeting. Our tips added to our profit statement.

The Relay for Life was a very inspirational event for our Club. We had several members walk the Survivor Lap. Thanks to all that worked the events during the year to raise funds for the American Cancer Society.

The Castalia Lions Scholarship winners for 2010 were Kyle Homerick and Courtney Kromer of Margaretta High School.

Lion Karl Lehner was presented his 45 Year Service Pin by Lion President Jeri during the first meeting of June.

Lion Steve Molnar reported that the 2-Can Project for Memorial Day Weekend showed a profit. There will be another Lion Weekend at the end of June. Lion Steve has been running short of workers for this project Please help if you have open weekends.

July means the **COLD CREEK CELEBRATION** and the **Pork Chop Booth**, everyone needs to sign up to work the booth. Let's keep the success of the last several years going. We also have the Chicken BBQ scheduled for August. Lets enjoy each others company as we work together in Lionism. I am looking forward to a great year.

President Denny

# DISTRICT 13-B GOLF OUTING

Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>  
Thunderbird Hills North  
Huron, Ohio  
4 Player Scramble

Entry Fee - \$220 Per Team (\$55 Per Player)  
First 25 Teams, Tees Times From 8:00 AM – 10:49 AM

Entry Fee Includes:

- 18 holes of scramble golf
- Roasted chicken lunch
- Beverages
- Door prizes
- Proximity Prizes

Team Captain Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (for confirmation): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Tee Time Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

(You will be contacted with your tee time and directions to the course)

Player 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your checks payable to: Huron Lions Club. \$220 entry fee per team, \$55 per player. Send your entry form and fee to: Eric Muehlhauser, 606 Oneida Pl, Huron, OH 44839. Email questions to [emmmule@aol.com](mailto:emmmule@aol.com)