

# WE SERVE **100** OH5 OHIO PRIDE REPORT

DISTRICT GOVERNOR DEBBIE LUTTRELL | JAN. 2023 | LY 22-23



## COLUMBUS SOUTHEAST

Lions CLEAN UP and help keep their community beautiful! [More on p.6](#)

## CENTRAL OHIO LIONS EYE BANK

50<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary- save the date!

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## SAVE THE DATE

District Bowling Tournament  
Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl  
3224 South High St., Columbus  
Saturday, February 11, 2023

District 13-OH5 Convention  
Doubletree Worthington  
March 10-11, 2023

Learn to Roar  
TBD  
June 10, 2023

COLEB 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
TBD  
October 4, 2023

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

For legally blind adults in Western OH5 [p.6](#)

## AND MORE...

Hilliard Lions Club says "thank you!" for a successful event [p.7](#)

The Olentangy Lions and Worthington Noon Lions both reported BUSY months of service! [p.8](#), [p.9](#)

## FROM DG DEBBIE:

Happy New Year!!

Time for new resolutions and plans. Perhaps one of your resolutions will be to make sure you say thank you to fellow club members for their service. What better way to say thanks than with an award from one of our foundations. There are many awards and fellowships that can be used by your club to say how much you appreciate them and support a great cause at the same time.

Some district updates: On December 6th, Lion Ben Dawson resigned from his position as 2nd Vice Governor. His counsel and commitment to our district will be missed, but rest assured he will still stay busy at the club level. When you see him at functions, please make a point of thanking him for coming forward and serving our district as vice governor.

A special cabinet meeting has been called for the specific reason to nominate and appoint Lion Toni Gray to fill the position of 2nd Vice Governor for 2022-2023. She will be a valuable addition to the team and will do a great job serving our district.

Please do not forget to sign up for the District Bowling Tournament on February 11th, registration ends Feb. 3rd, and for the District Convention in March.

DG Debbie

**Flyers for the District Bowling  
Tournament and the District  
Convention are attached to  
this newsletter. See you there!**



## ASKING FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR LCIF

Greetings Fellow District OH-5 Lions.

As you and your Lions clubs prepare your annual philanthropic donations for 2022-2023, I respectfully ask that you continue your financial support for Lions Clubs International Foundation.

Lions Clubs International Foundation continues its support in assisting many worldwide to include those whom are experiencing difficult times. Through its efforts in eyecare and eye research, LCIF continues to lead its focus on eye disease and eye related assistance.

Further, through its humanitarian efforts, LCIF has led the charge worldwide in helping those in need with special focus on war torn Ukraine. LCIF was the very first on the ground in Ukraine and to this day has established a stronghold on providing food, shelter and clothing for those whose life has been shattered by this terrible war.

Please give LCIF your kind consideration when you are planning your yearly donations.

In addition, we currently have many clubs in District OH-5 whom are holding in LCIF trust unnamed monetary credits that can be utilized for current or future Melvin Jones Fellowships.

I am available to provide you with those amounts held in LCIF trust and encourage that you consider its usage.

Wishing you and your families a wonderful holiday season and the very best in the New Year ahead.

PCC David Risen

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**Please share this letter with each of your members.**

In May 2023, the delegates to the State Convention will vote on a proposed \$5.00 dues increase. This will be the first dues increase since July 2010.

The two administrative funds [State Council and Office Operations] are estimated to go to \$0.00 in the 2025-2027 timeframe as they are losing about \$25,000 total each year.

Since July 2010 the Ohio Lions have lost over 4000 members or approximately \$48,000 a year in lost revenue. Clearly, if we had these members there would be no need for a dues increase at this time.

With the \$7.00 LCI dues increase approved last June, this additional \$5.00 for MD13 dues totals \$12.00 a year. This is \$1.00 a month. While no dues increase is desirable, an additional \$1.00 a month is not a significant burden.

The Council of Governors with the assistance of the Finance and Planning Committee has adjusted the dues allocation multiple times to delay a dues increase as long as possible. Over \$10 of the total \$12.16 annual dues is going to State Council and Office Operations. Additional adjustments will not avoid a dues increase. Costs have been reduced as much as practical without eliminating additional services. This proposed \$5.00 dues increase is the best choice for the future of Lionism in Ohio.

All delegates are urged to vote for this dues increase.

Yours in Lionism,  
PDG Norman Cupps  
Finance and Long-Range Planning Chair

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## OUR Season of Service Never Ends!

Here's hoping that you and yours had a happy, safe, and WARM holiday season, and that you had time to give thanks for what you have and worry, just a little, for those who have not. The brutal cold over Christmas weekend was a stark reminder that what might be a disappointing inconvenience for some can quickly become a devastating threat to others. Think of the number of businesses and agencies who were shut down because of the bad weather, and how the folks who normally depend on the services they provide were cut off from relief at their time of greatest need.

Mother Teresa said, "If you cannot feed one hundred people, then feed just one." Perhaps we can (and should!) broaden that just a bit. As Lions, if we cannot SERVE a hundred people, then serve just one. Whether yours is a small club or a large club, whether you plan a project to bring joy to a roomful of children, or to light up the face of one little boy or girl, whether your club makes a sizeable donation to the local food pantry or you go out to shovel snow for an elderly neighbor, remember that your service makes a difference. If every Lion does something for someone else, then there are an awful lot of folks who will be served in some way through that commitment.

BE the change you wish to see in the world. (Mahatma Gandhi)

Lion Jane Jarrow

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## ASSISTANCE FOR LEGALLY BLIND ADULTS IN WESTERN OH5

Adults that are legally blind and are residents of Darke, Clark, Champaign, and Miami Counties, can apply for scholarships for adaptive equipment through Goodwill Easter Seals of Dayton. Funding comes from the James M. Hewitt Fund for the Blind of the Dayton Foundation.

Please contact Goodwill Vision Services at:  
937-528-6340 or 1-877-363-3303.

Qualified adults in Montgomery, Greene, Preble, Logan, and Shelby are also eligible to apply.

High priority needs are: safety, aids for visual impairments, help with health and welfare, and furthering education.

Respectfully,  
IPDG Joe Jackson

## MORE FROM COLUMBUS SOUTHEAST!

Columbus Southeast Lions made repairs to the Southeast Lions Park after it was vandalized. They also updated plantings and performed general cleanup. Way to keep the South Side/South End looking beautiful!



## From the Hilliard Lions Club:

### **Hilliard Breakfast with Santa**

The Hilliard Lions wish to thank Lion volunteers from Columbus Beechcroft, Columbus Northeast, Westerville, and Tri-Village for helping with this year's event held on December 10, 2022. We could not have done it without these volunteers. Thank you!

**A portion of our proceeds will be donated to the Hilliard Food Pantry.**



## OLENTANGY LIONS KEEPING BUSY!

The Olentangy Lions had a busy month supporting the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, Ohio. Common Ground provides basic needs to individuals needing assistance. This includes meals, clothing, shoes, household items, toys, toiletries, etc.

- Over the course of a couple of meetings, they made 157 reindeer candy canes, delivered them to Common Ground Free Store, and stayed to assist with handing out the candy canes, pass out meals, sort donations, greet customers and organize.
- Lion Bob delivered a donation of \$1010 to Common Ground Free Store, raise from their "Holiday Madness" activity.
- And on top of that, they had TWO new potential members visit their second December meeting and Holiday Dinner!





## WORTHINGTON NOON LIONS KEEPING BUSY!

The Worthington Noon Lions are proud to share:

- Conducted Vision Screenings at St. John's Preschool- Lion Bob Dotson assisted Lions Joan Bird and Tim Lee to successfully complete 10 student screenings.
- Visited the Family Mentoring Foundation, where they heard a presentation, helped fill "Buddy Boxes" for students, and presented a check to the Foundation to assist in their work to end childhood hunger in the Central Ohio community.
- Participated with donations for the Firefighters 4 Kids Toy Drive Campaign and had their own "Holiday Sock Drive for the Homeless" benefitting the Van Buren Center and the Y Family Center.
- Had TWENTY Peace Poster entries!
- Presented a check for \$250 to the Central Ohio Diabetes Association in support of National Diabetes Awareness month in November.



**What great things does YOUR club have to share? Let us know!  
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