

Here is the OH5 Zone 2 Report.

The 2023-24 Zone 2 meetings have been set:  
Wednesday, September 6, 6:30 at North Hampton  
Wednesday, December 6, 6:30 at Northridge  
Wednesday, March 6, 6:30 at Troy

I have visited or had contact with all six clubs in the Zone since the new year started on July 1. I prepared a handout with District/Zone goals, District training dates, and compliance information. Three clubs have been given the handout so far. To the District Goals I added one Zone Goal, to work on a project in conjunction with at least one other Zone club. I completed Guiding Lion training in June and have gotten started as North Hampton's Guiding Lion, having attended several of their meetings. I have been and will continue to emphasize the District training sessions in Troy and Marion.

#### Report on Clubs:

North Hampton, 22 members, with one added since July 1. This club is recovering from the loss of PDG Fred Breyer. Fran Breyer has been continuing in her till as secretary/treasurer. The club has good leadership and had a successful pancake breakfast. I think the club is stable and probably doesn't need a Guiding Lion. I have presented the District/Zone Goals to them.

Northridge, 37 members. I serve as secretary of this club. Despite the passing of four prominent, long time members last year, Northridge is attracting new members. Many new projects have been started in the past two years with more being planned. For the very first time in its 65 year history there is a second term president. Northridge owns its own building and rents it out dozens of times each year.

Springfield National Trail, 11 members. I have been in contact with their new president and hope to go to their meeting next week. SNT assisted Northridge when a referral needed an eye exam and glasses. The club does not have many projects and has a breakfast meeting once a month. I want to encourage more interaction with nearby clubs.

St. Paris, 25 members. I attended a recent meeting and installed two new members, although only one showed up in their reporting. I shared the District/Zone goals with them. They have a very successful pancake breakfast every year, and recently expanded their scholarship program, adding more money plus scholarships for non-4 year school students. I would like to see them create more projects.

Troy, 21 members. This club is very active in its community and seems larger than its 21 members. Troy has strong leadership and I am not worried about the club at all. They use social media well and create a presence in the community.

West Milton, 11 members, but only four or five attend meetings. West Milton is struggling to survive, although they do have a new president for the first time in many years, and I have been in contact with him. I have offered to help with reporting and compliance. I have a visitation set up for September 12 where I will share the District/Zone Goals, offer to help in any way, and encourage them to interact with Troy. West Milton needs a Guiding Lion. If they do not make some changes I am doubtful of their survival.

Zone 2 Chair Steve Fifer