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Special Events during December:

I was somewhat disappointed this year regarding invitations to Christmas/Holiday parties/ gatherings. In the past two years I had been to several events by invitation yet only 3 this year.

Perhaps it's nothing or an off year. My hope is that it hasn't gone away or Lions lost interest.

This year I was invited to Grove City, Christmas party, Marion Christmas Party and my own Westerville Christmas Party. We will see if this is just a one off or a trend.

Visitations:

Visitations have been a little slow however much has been accomplished by personal calls.

Two new Zone Chairs have been identified and will most likely accept.

1. Jon Gray from Sunbury

2. Bill Conklin from Marysville

Both are well qualified and willing.

Zone meetings tend to come all at once and hard to cover all (especially when you are assigned guiding lions to two new clubs just starting, ie: Marion and Delaware).

However we did make it to Arcanum for Zone 1, Plain City for Zone 3, Marion or Zone 4, Reynoldsburg for Zone 6.

All clubs were reminded of our need to replace and rejuvenate members and were given extra applications and info material for new members.

Special Events/Activity/Responsibilities

December 6th I helped Westerville with the anual Rudolf Run/Christmas event which raised about \$37,000.

Grove City 85th anniversary/Christmas Party was well attended and proclamation was read by the Mayer.

District Committee Meeting have been held monthly with input from all in attendance. Some trepidation exists regarding facility readiness.

The Winter Retreat was well attended and was well run. I had the opportunity to facilitate/teach a session and it was well attended.

Now.....I just returned from St. Charles after completing my one week coursework on becoming the next District Governor. What an experience that was. I don't know if I'm ready but I have done everything I have been asked, we will see.

Respectfully Submitted;  
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1st Vice District Governor