

## REPORT FROM ZONE 2 TO DISTRICT OH5, NOVEMBER 11, 2023

Zone two is pleased to report an official net membership increase of seven since the new Lions year started on July 1, 2023. Unofficially, I think we are at plus 10, with two new Lions at St. Paris and one at West Milton that I personally installed but have not been reported yet. Northridge added three new members to get up to 40 total. North Hampton added two new members and now have 23. St. Paris added one new member officially and presently have 23, but has not completed a membership report since July. They actually have 24 members now. Troy dropped a member but added a new one and reinstated a member for a net gain of one and a total of 23 current members. Springfield National Trail has stayed steady at 11 members. West Milton has not reported on their membership since May and officially have 11 members. They actually have 12 now. No clubs in Zone 2 had a net loss of members.

All six clubs in Zone 2 sent at least one of their members to the District OH5 training session/pizza night in Troy in September. All six clubs had at least one member in attendance at the last Zone Meeting in October and turned in reports on their activities. At the last Zone Meeting the clubs were encouraged to work toward the District goals for this year. The leaders, at least, seemed to realize that these goals are designed to make their clubs stronger.

Troy has an impressive list of activities, with more planned, including many that involve interacting with the community. The club has strong leadership and seems to be well known in their community. They are well involved in activities at the District level.

Northridge has completed some projects and has taken the initiative to try new ones. Newer members, with new ideas, have taken a prominent role in the club. Northridge also seems to have strong leadership and the respect of its community. After being hit hard with multiple deaths of prominent Lions in 2022, the club has had a net membership increase of seven since January 1, 2023.

North Hampton also is an active club with a lot of good projects and more planned. They are rebounding nicely from the loss of some key Lions and are attracting new members. They seem to be well known in their community and have good leadership.

St. Paris has completed some projects and have more on the calendar. They have not reported on membership for several months, but I know the club has added several new members in recent months. St. Paris also seems to be respected in their community.

Springfield National Trail does not meet often or have many projects, but they have a good fundraiser and have assisted community members with eyeglasses and donated to people who lost their homes in a fire. They are holding steady at 11 members. They have talked about trying to be more active.

West Milton does not report on membership or projects, but is holding steady at 11 members, although I think they actually have 12 now. They have a few projects, including a well known BBQ chicken dinner, but need help from the community to keep it going. They have talked about the need to attract new members to keep their club going.

Respectfully submitted by Zone 2 Chair Steve Fifer