May, 2020

## **OH5 Pride Report**

#### District Governor Jackie Miller

I hope you are all surviving and staying safe! It's hard to believe it's been almost 2 months since we've been in "quarantine". I am glad to see things are going to slowly start to open next month. If some of you have been out of work, I sincerely hope you get back to work next month. It's a whole new time for us. A new normal we'll all have to get used to. I myself may be continuing to work from home for some time, and I'm ok with that. I'm very blessed I still have a job I love!



I had the opportunity to have a video/teleconference meeting with my Zone Chairs and also a meeting with about 12 of our Club Presidents. It's too bad more of our Club Presidents couldn't join our meeting, as we had a great conversation and found out how much so many of you are still doing! Those of you who joined us, thanks! It was good to actually "see" you. I was so pleased that many of our clubs are still getting out there and getting service work accomplished, and I was thrilled to hear about it. Many clubs are serving in new ways, so we are all evolving, although there are still clubs who are not meeting and/or doing any service work. I hope you are at least in communication with your club members. It's still important to make sure your members are doing ok. If any of you would like to have a meeting via video conference, don't hesitate to let me know. You can use my account to have a meeting, so please let me know if you would like to do that and I'll set you up.

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Council Chair Lydia Houser Imhyoyo@aol.com As I'm sure you have heard by now we will NOT be having our State Convention in May due to Governor DeWine's orders. Our District Governor's group, while hopeful, were not surprised by that. Just another setback this year in our quest for celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ohio Lions. Council Chair, Lydia, has told us they plan to have a 1-day celebration for Ohio on September 5th to celebrate Ohio's Centennial and give us a chance to give out some State Awards. More will come later, but I hope you will mark the date and can join us for that Celebration.

We are still hopeful we'll be able to have our **Learn to Roar** Leadership Training on June 20<sup>th</sup>. Your Club should be getting information on that. We are also going to give out some District Awards that day as well. So, say a few prayers that we'll be allowed to still have this event. If we don't get to have it, we'll try to do something via video conference to train officers.

I am also hoping to have a District event for my cabinet and any other Lions who would like to join us on June 27<sup>th</sup> at the Northridge Lions Den, 4590 Derr Road, Springfield, OH. Again, hopeful we'll be able to have the event. Say a few prayers. A time for Lions to come together, celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, eat, drink, and be merry. Bring a dish to share. More to come IF we actually get to have it. If not, we'll plan a different way to get awards out. Our Leadership team is constantly coming up with different ideas and plans based on whatever happens (see page 2)

or could happen with our ability to get together. The world we currently live in, unfortunately.

We'll be counting ballots this week, so we'll let you know the results of the election in the next newsletter.

Last, but probably one of the most important things to ask of you is to <u>PLEASE</u> get your PU101's filed with LCI before June 1<sup>st</sup> so we can have the correct information in the directory for next year. DGE Jason will appreciate it. I heard many complaints this year from Lions because the information we had in the directory was incorrect or they couldn't find it. If we have incorrect information in the directory it is because **your club** did not file a PU101 to give us accurate information about their officers. Please get it filed!

We'll tell you about a few other things elsewhere in this newsletter. Thanks for all you do and for all you're trying to do to evolve to this new normal.

Yours in Lionism, District Governor Jackie

#### **From Vice District Governor Jason Gray**

#### Dear Lions

During this difficult and trying time, my family and I wish you all the health and safety possible. We hope you are staying safe and are finding ways to keep you and your family entertained and upbeat. If there is anything Amber, the boys, or I can do to help, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

As we begin to plan for days that are not consumed by talk of quarantine and COVID-19, I ask that you reach out to your members and your communities to help them fill a need where you can. To help with this, the Murfield Committee has proposed granting \$2000 to each zone to be used at the club level. This money is to be used to help people in the community during this time of immense need. If you have questions about this grant please contact your Zone chairperson, the District Governor, the Chair of the Murfield Committee (Jay Gray), or myself.

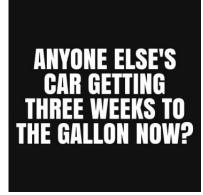
It may be difficult to plan for the upcoming Lions year, but I would encourage you to hold elections in your clubs. This will allow for a seamless transition as the new Lions year begins and allow for your clubs to quickly get back to work as the quarantines are lifted. Once your officers have been elected, please complete the PU101 so we are able to communicate with your leaders.

If you have any questions or comments please don't hesitate to reach out. We look forward to seeing you all soon and wish you continued health.

VDG Jason Gray

If you thought
Toilet Paper
was
crazy....Just
wait until 300
million people
all want a
haircut
appointment





### BREAKING NEWS

#### A SUBSTITUTION ON THE AGENDA: THRIVING THROUGH THE COVID-19 CRISIS

As you look over the agenda of sessions planned for the *Learn To Roar* training on June 20<sup>th</sup> (next page), please know that we have made a change in the program to best respond to the needs of the Lions of OH5 during this difficult time.

Lion Jane Jarrow was scheduled to present two sessions – one on recruiting new members (1:00-1:50), and one on promoting your club's image (2:00 to 2:50). Instead, she will combine content from both of those sessions into one, and offer the same session during each time slot (so folks who choose to attend are better able to find a time that doesn't conflict with something else they want to hear).

The new session, Thriving Through the COVID-19 Crisis, will provide as many practical ideas a possible for clubs to take back and implement immediately. We'll talk about how to promote your image and stay in touch with both your members and your community, to keep your club *relevant* to all stakeholders during this time of enforced separation. We will also share strategies for keeping your club visible and active over the next six months so that you can point with pride to what you have accomplished for the community. There is no better way to recruit new members!!!

The session change will be reflected in future reminders about the upcoming training, but we wanted you to know about it NOW!

#### **LEARN TO ROAR SECRETARY OPPORTUNITY**

Hello Lion Eager Beavers!

Your Club Secretary probably has received a letter from Lion Steve Kaplan to sign up for *Learn to Roar*. I encourage all of you to sign up and plan to attend.

I will be moderating the Club Secretary session this year. On purpose, the verb here is

"moderate" and not "teach/lecture". The plan is to have every Lion attending the Secretary session do their homework *in advance*, and then our session at *Learn to Roar* is about what you've learned, what you can teach other Lions, and to ask and answer questions.

Lions Clubs International has an 18-

page training document on Club Secretary. It is DA-CSEB\_en.pdf. You can download it from the OH5 website by going to <a href="https://www.e-district.org/sites/district13oh5/page-12.php">https://www.e-district.org/sites/district13oh5/page-12.php</a> and scrolling down to where it says "Learn to Roar 2020." and can be found under Resources then Club. If possible, our *Pride Report* editor Lion Jane Jarrow will attach it to the newsletter. If you cannot get this document from LCI nor the *Pride Report*,

This document from LCI does a much better job of training a seasoned or new Secretary than I could in the limited session time we will have at *Learn to Roar*. It points to resource links and covers 21<sup>st</sup> century concerns. After all being a Secretary is more than reading correspondence and taking notes at a meeting.

please contact me at pdgdave@luttrellzoo.com

and I will send it to you.

I urge all Lions to attend *Learn to Roar*. If you choose to attend the Club Secretary session, you will get dramatically more out of the session if you work through these 18 pages, follow links, get lost or misdirected a few times (a good thing! We learn more that way), and develop better questions to ask at our training. You pay by doing the homework, you win by learning more.

All of us are adapting this year. We are all doing fine as we adapt. I hope to see all of you at the training, full of questions that this 20+ year Secretary has to go research to be able to answer.

An administrative request, if I may.

Please send me a note at

pdgdave@luttrellzoo.com to say 1) I am

attending, and 2) I am working through the LCI

Club Secretary document. Thanks!

Lion Dave Luttrell

#### "Learn to Roar" - Class Schedule - 2020

Time	Title	Description	Required	Room	Instructor
9:00 to 9:50	Registration	Check in and pick up paperwork		Lobby	
10:00 to 10:50	Engage Your Members	Retain your current members. Motivate them to be active in your community and club.		А	Jason Gray
	MyLion	Learn the latest on this ever-evolving tool. Reach more volunteers. Improve communication.		В	Mike Kerek
	The Basics – New Member Orientation	Confused by Lion's terminology and abbreviations?  Come learn the basic design of the Lion's world.		С	Micheal Gibbs
11:00 to 11:50	Handling Messy Meetings	Do your meetings run smoothly, and most motions carry unanimously? Learn why this is a bad thing.	Presidents	A	Steve Kaplan
	Secretarial Duties	Learn the many important duties of a secretary, including taking minutes, record-keeping, & reporting.	Secretaries	В	David Luttrell
	Not Your Grandfather's Club	To succeed your club must keep up with the times. Social media, electronic communications & more.		С	Micheal Gibbs
12:00 to 12:50	Lunch	Governor-elect Jason to address group at 12:45		Serving lunch in A You may eat in A, B, or C	
1:00 to 1:50	Board Members	Board members have different legal responsibilities from club members. Learn the roles of each.		A	Steve Kaplan
	Tail- Twisting	Promote fellowship among your members.  Make meetings more enjoyable.	Tail-Twisters	В	Jackie Miller
	Recruiting New Members	New members are the lifeline of any club. Learn proven ways to grow your club.	Membership Chairs	С	Jane Jarrow
2:00 to 2:50	Financial Oversight	What club members should know about financial policy & what they should expect from their treasurer.	Treasurers	A	Steve Kaplan
	Lions Family Cub Program	Make your club family friendly. Learn about Lion's new program for small children.		8	Debbie Horn
	Your Club's Image	How does your town view your club? Learn to market and manage your image.		С	Jane Jarrow
3:00 to 3:15	Wrap-up	Fill out evaluations. Pick up diplomas and pins. (pins are only for PU-101 listed officer-elects)		A = Presidents & Treasurers B = Secretary & Membership C = Tail-Twister and Others	
3:15 to 4:00		News, Presentations and Awards from our canceled District Convention		A, B, and C	

#### **Special Announcement: District Convention Presentations**

Immediately following the Learn to Roar training, there will be announcements, news and awards from our canceled district convention. All Lions are encouraged to stay from 3:15 pm until 4:00 pmfor these presentations.

Lions who are unavailable to attend the training, may still attend the District Convention presentations at no charge. Please arrive at 3:00 pm. If arriving before 3:00 pm, please do not congregate or otherwise make noise in the hallway outside the meeting rooms, as to not disturb the ongoing classes. You may explore the bakery, gift shop, restaurant lobby, or simply stay in your car. Thanks! The District Convention presentations will start at 3:15 pm sharp. We must vacate the three meeting rooms by 4:00 pm. Hope to see you there.



# "Learn to Roar" Club Officer Training and Seminars for all Lions Registration Form

Saturday, June 20, 2020.

Doors open at 9:00 am. Classes start at 10:00 am and run until 3:00 pm

Der Dutchman Restaurant

445 S Jefferson Ave (Route 42) Plain City, OH 43064

Club Name	
E-mail address for confirmation of registration_	

Name of Lion	_	•	Cost: \$20 each if received before June 12, 2020. \$25 after this date or at the door
	President-elect Secretary-elect Treasurer-elect	Tail-Twister-elect Membership-elect Other	

Total	submitted	•

Make checks payable to: **Lions District OH-5**Submit this registration form to:
 Lion Steve Kaplan
 2915 Bridle Path Way
 Troy, OH 45373

Registration Deadline: June 12, 2020

#### **News and Stories from Around the District**

#### OHIO STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND SENSORY GARDEN – SAD STORY

(the next chapter in our continuing saga!)

Years went by, and the Garden was a pleasant place to relax in its quietness – birds singing, water flowing from the fountain and the tingling of the chimes in the trees. All of this came to a halt when the School received funding from the state to build new dorms and a new administration building.

The initial plan was to build on the site where the Garden was. Now all the work putting the Garden together had to be dismantled. This process involved putting pavers and bricks on pallets. Sounds easy, but each row of brick with names had to be kept in order. Had they been put on pallets in a haphazard way, they would never be able to be lined up again. Thanks to many Lions, this process was completed.

All pallets were shrunk wrapped and stored in a location behind the storage buildings of the school out of the way of the new construction. They were now ready to be moved to their new location. As with all State jobs, things change. They never did build on the original site and it was several years before the final stage was set and construction completed.

As the years went by, the pallets began to rot and bricks and pavers began to sink in the ground and the shrink wrap started to give away.

(Next month – "Restoration Process")

PDG Eileen Brenner

Committee Chair

#### **ADMITTING DEFEAT - GRUDGINGLY!**

District Governor Jackie Miller isn't one to renege on a promise. She and ID Justin Faber, from Michigan, had a bet. If District OH5 was not showing positive membership growth by the time of his visit at our District Convention, Lion Jackie would have to wear a jersey promoting that school up north.

Unfortunately, our membership goals fell short, and ID Justin has a long memory.

He sent her the agreed upon punishment, and DG Jackie reports that she put it on just long enough to take this selfie. It will now become a cleaning rag in her fight against COVID-19 (if she can get it disinfected enough!).



## WHERE (IN WESTERVILLE) IS LION L?

The Westerville Lions Club has been posting pictures to their Facebook page of Lion L enjoying a solitary stroll through the uptown area of Westerville. They are asking viewers to identify his location – and so far they have had more than 800 views! Here are a couple of his stops along the way.





#### MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT POSTPONED

Officials of the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide have announced that the 45th edition of the world-renowned event founded and hosted by Jack Nicklaus has been **rescheduled for July 13-19, 2020**, as a result of the ongoing health crisis related to the Coronavirus pandemic.

Assuming they are still going to need the Lions to pull this thing off (!), we will wait to hear from our own Muirfield Committee about Lions signing up for trash detail on these new dates.

#### 2019

Stay away from negative people.

Stay away from positive people.

#### **OHIO LIONS SERVICE DAY**

Here's a chance for all District Lions to help us celebrate what the Council of Governors is referring to as Ohio Lions Service Day. This will be on May 16th (since we can't have our convention) and we are encouraging ALL clubs to do some kind of service project and promote it with the press and on-line. At the State Convention, we were planning an active service project. All Lions in attendance would have been asked to sit down and write a note that could be taken to a local nursing home to share with

residents. The same could be done with letters to active duty military personnel, or "thank you" notes to first responders closer to home, from medical personnel, to postal service employees, to grocery store workers, and more, all of whom are working to keep up safe, connected, and as comfortable as possible.



We are hoping that **every** club will do SOMETHING service-related for the day and take pictures to document the event, and/or have the press out to view what the clubs are doing (or send the pictures along to them!). The Council of Governors is developing a "press release" that clubs can use in planning and publicizing their service for the day.

Help us celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Ohio Lions and be part of this statewide effort to remind our communities that

"WE SERVE!"

#### A Tale of TWO Facebook Pages!

Did you know that District OH5 has two Facebook pages, and both have posts of interest to the Lions reading this newsletter .

For example, If you go to the Ohio Lions OH5 Facebook page (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/DistrictOH5/">https://www.facebook.com/DistrictOH5/</a>) and scroll down to the post from March 14<sup>th</sup>, you can see the wonderful video IPDG Mike Kerek put together to honor the clubs of OH5 at the District-Convention-That-Wasn't!

Meanwhile, over on the District 13 OH-5 Lions group page, you'll find posts like this one, from DG Jackie:



Jackie Miller
to
District 13 OH-5 Lions
April 18 at 9:26 PM ·

Ok, Lions of 13 OH5 or any Lions who were planning on coming to my Convention

which was to have been held March13th & 14th (right when Gov. DeWine, banned crowds of more than 100 on March 12th), listen up. Convention Chair Lion Debbie Horn dropped off the convention stuff to me today she still had at her house and got me wishing again we could have had the convention. It's a shame we didn't get to have some fun. Among the stuff she brought to me were the awards for Best Dressed from the Friday night fun we were going to have and I want to award them. So let's have some virtual FUN!!! Dress up in your Renaissance Costume and post your picture on this page!! The awards are for the Best Dressed Man and Best Dressed Woman and the Best Dressed Couple! Trying to do



selfie's these are the best I could do for my costume, but this will give you an idea of what I was going to wear. Let's have some fun... let the costume "parade" begin....I will give you until May 1st to post all of your pictures!

(Lion Jackie has extended the deadline for the costume parade until May 8<sup>th</sup>. Come on – join the fun!)

## ONE WORD PHOTO ESSAYS A GREAT IDEA ARRIVES FOR OH5!

**EXCITEMENT** 



**BEAUTY** 



**RELATING** 



CONTENTMENT



**CONFUSION** 



**PERSEVERANCE** 



DETERMINATION



**ADVENTURE** 



**HEROISM** 



Let's Build Our Own Photo Gallery...

An OH5 Photo Gallery of One Word Essays!

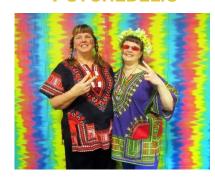
A picture may be worth 1000 words, but we only want ONE! You are invited to go through your club's archive of photos, choose one or more that demonstrate what your club, and Lions, are all about, and send them (with your one word title) to lionjjarrow@gmail.com

For example...

**DEDICATION** 



**PSYCHEDELIC** 



## Oh, Dear! We have nothing to share...



Hopefully, the June newsletter will include lots of upcoming plans!