

October, 2020

OH5 Pride Report

District Governor Jason Gray

**Stronger
Together**

HAPPY OCTOBER!

It is a wonderful time of year and one of my favorites. The leaves are changing, the weather is cooler, and maybe the best news yet, College Football is back! I hope you are staying healthy and finding new and exciting ways to serve your community and keep your members engaged. I was very excited to hear that clubs are finding new ways to meet including hybrid zoom/in person meetings. I would encourage you to continue to try these unique meeting opportunities now and into the future even when COVID is no longer a threat.

We are in the heat of the Zone and Club competition. Please make sure someone from your club is reporting any points you earn to your zone chair and copying me on it. I know a lot of clubs are earning points and not reporting them. Please report them so you get all the points your club deserves. On a side note, I was excited to hear ZC Jeff Hatfield and ZC Debbie Bolyard made a friendly wager on who's zone would win. I can't wait to hear what they make the loser wear at the district convention!

A very special welcome to our two newest members. If you see them at a meeting please make sure to welcome them and offer support.

Columbus Northeast – Margaret Fain

Worthington Noon – Nick Linkenhoker

Stay safe and as always please don't hesitate to contact me if there is anything I can do to help.

Yours in Lionism,
DG Jason Gray

FROM 1ST VDG JOE JACKSON

Spotlight on the Peace Poster/Essay Contest:

All students, including students in public and non-public schools, ages 11-13, can participate in the current program using the theme of "Peace Through Service." Lions International also includes "Homeschooled" students in the same age group.

Club Presidents as well as Zone Chairs should have this information to share. The timeline for submitting posters/essays to a club is 11/9 so that the club can make its selection and send on their winning entries to DG Jason by the 11/15 submission deadline.

MOVEMENT:

I listen to ESPN radio every morning at work. This started 25 years ago when I was a department supervisor and had 2 men out of 9 members on my team. The women I could relate to, talk about kids, etc.; but the guys, I needed something to be able to relate to them, so I chose sports.



The other morning, they had a commercial for Goodyear that talked about movement. How important it was to move forward, how much better you feel, how much more you can achieve if you move. That started me thinking about you, the Lions of District OH5 – are you moving? I know many of our activities and projects were put on hold during the spring and into summer, but what about now? Have you and your club members found a way to move forward? Are you meeting? I hope so. Without that connection with your fellow members, even by Zoom, talking about how your club can be of help in your communities, your neighbors are suffering from your inaction.

Are you concerned about how you can stay safe and still serve??? Do you get your groceries online and pick them up at the curb? How about ordering an extra bag for the foodbank in your area? Do you take a daily walk every morning? How about signing up for a virtual walk to help support Pediatric Cancer or some other cause your club supports. You could reach out to your fellow members, ask for donations per mile and get walking. The possibilities are endless and, we know, as Lions we have lots of ideas on how to serve others.

There are lots of ways to get moving, but you must move. Our communities are used to an active Lions club that they can count on; without you, what will happen to them?

If you need to figure out where your members are in getting out there, please go to our OH5 website, click on the Learn to Roar and see the session on “Thriving Through the COVID-19 Crisis” by Lion Jane Jarrow. Once you know how to help your club members, you will be able to get moving, helping others.

If you need help re-starting, we (DG Jason, 1VDG Joe, and me) are here for you!

Just ask.

Yours in Lionism,
2nd VDG Debbie

AROUND THE DISTRICT...

VOICECORPS AMBASSADORS AVAILABLE AS MEETING SPEAKERS

Voicecorps reading service, long known for reading newspapers and other print for blind and disabled Ohioans, has expanded its geographic service area. Voicecorps is asking for your help by telling your Club members the good news. Plus, you can now book a speaker from Voicecorps at your next virtual Lions Club meeting.

Established in 1975 in central Ohio and serving thousands of people living with blindness, low vision and other conditions that prevent reading print, Voicecorps provides daily news and information 24/7. Originally available in central Ohio, Voicecorps is now in the Black Swamp area of northwest Ohio and the Appalachian corridor leading from mid-Ohio to the southeast corner of the state. Voicecorps Ambassadors can tell you how.



A long-time friend to Lions Clubs, Voicecorps had to cease in-person outreach with the outbreak of the pandemic. Now that Lions Clubs are using Zoom for meetings online, Voicecorps Ambassadors can fill your guest speaker needs with a relatively short notice.

Voicecorps continues seeking guest speaker opportunities with central Ohio clubs. To schedule a Voicecorps Ambassador, e-mail Shari Veleba, Voicecorps Marketing Coordinator at sveleba@voicecorps.org or call the Voicecorps office at (614) 274-7650. Please schedule at least two weeks prior to your Club meeting.

Time to File

For the large majority of clubs, now is the time to file your IRS return and your Attorney General return. If you are using the standard July to June fiscal year, then your returns are due. Both returns will cover the 2019-2020 year. At this time **only 44%** of our clubs have filed with the IRS and **only 51%** have completed their Attorney General return. Please complete both as soon as possible. If you need assistance, go to the district website (www.District13oh5.org) and click on “Resources” to see step by step instructions, or **contact Lion Steve Kaplan at skpk1984@aol.com**.



SVOSH Back in Business!

Several clubs have attempted to drop off used eyeglasses with the students from SVOSH at the OSU School of Optometry in recent months, only to find that their collection facility was not open. We are pleased to report they are now accepting glasses once again. To make arrangements to drop off glasses, please contact:

Cassidy Marino - marino.135@buckyemail.osu.edu

Brad Ortisi - ortisi.1@osu.edu

The Olentangy Lions Introduce “Christmas Madness”

The Olentangy Lions Club would like to invite you to participate in our first ever Christmas Madness game. The game is a 100 square block pool. The cost of each square is \$20. Players are randomly assigned a number between 00 and 99. That number is yours for the entire game. Each day that the Dow is open, starting on November 9th a winner will be chosen based on the **closing** value of the Dow Jones average. If the cents amount of the market matches your number, you are the winner. There are no limits on this game. You can buy as many squares as you wish. You will win every time one of your numbers come up. Checks for winners should be received well before Christmas.



We decided to do this game now to help the needy of Delaware County as they approach the Christmas season. We plan to donate all proceeds from this game to the food program at Common Ground. Please help us help the needy and hungry in our community.

You will find a game flyer with all instructions needed to enter on page 12 of this newsletter. Contact me if you have any questions.

This [LINK](#) should give you past closing amounts of the market.

Bob Dotson
Treasurer
Olentangy Lions Club

Calling All **RED** Light, **YELLOW** Light, **GREEN** Light Lions

UPDATE: OH5 Buckeye Mask Project

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO BE PART OF OUR PRIDE!

It's not too late for YOUR club to have a part in the OH5 Buckeye Mask Project – and earn some points in the District Zone and Club Contest along the way!

We have more than 1300 masks of different sizes, colors, and patterns. We even have masks in “kids” size. Each mask has been sealed in a separate plastic bag with a tag that identifies it as coming from the Lions of Central Ohio (but the tag could say it was specifically from YOUR club, if you choose).



Our goal is to sell 1000 masks and donate the rest. If we can meet that goal, the Buckeye Food Alliance (BFA) on OSU's campus will receive a donation of at least 200 masks to be distributed to students who worry about food insecurity and now worry about their safety, and that of their families, in the midst of the pandemic. Additionally, a donation of \$1000 will go directly to the BFA. You can read more about the mask project and about the BFA at <https://tinyurl.com/BuckeyeMasks>

First, though, we have to sell those 1000 facemasks. We are about half way there, and you can help us reach that goal – while we help you!!!

We know that many clubs have had to forego their regularly scheduled fundraisers and



service projects this spring/summer because of the pandemic. And we know that many Lions are still hesitant about coming together. Now you can join with Lions from throughout OH5 to be part of a service project that is important not “in spite of COVID-19,” but “**BECAUSE** of COVID-19.”

For each contribution of \$125, your club can purchase 25 facemasks to be donated for use by vulnerable members of your community. You may choose to donate them to a local food pantry, or a community center, or as a “thank you” to first responders in your area who put themselves in jeopardy every day to serve.

A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY for next week's FALL INTO SERVICE (October 4-10th). For every 25 adult masks that your club buys from the Buckeye Mask Project, the Tri-Village Lions will supply an additional 25 masks for you to share with children in your area, doubling your impact.

Please contact Lion Jane Jarrow, 614-571-5681, lionjarrow@gmail.com to make arrangements to pick up your masks (or have them delivered or sent to you).

The Council of Governors has declared the week of October 4-10th to be Ohio's Week of Service. If you have nothing else planned, here is an opportunity to Feed the Hungry, serve your community, and work together with the Lions of OH5. After all, we are

STRONGER TOGETHER!

International Convention Committee

According to the Ohio Lions Bylaws, the International Convention Committee is set up as follows:

1. **PURPOSE:** Prepare plans and make provisions for necessary activities at the annual International Convention for the Ohio Delegation:
2. **MEMBERSHIP:** Voting members consist of one (1) member from each Sub-District of Multiple District 13 - Ohio Lions, Inc., to be appointed as hereinafter provided.
3. **APPOINTMENT:** District Governor of each Sub-District shall appoint a qualified Lion from within his/her district for a three (3) year term. Appointment schedule: Refer to Section 14 of this Article III.
4. **TERM LIMIT:** A committee member in good standing may serve two (2) consecutive terms and then be ineligible for appointment to this committee for one (1) Lions year.
5. **AUTHORITY:** All actions of this committee not otherwise assigned by the MD13 Constitution or MD13 Bylaws shall be subject to the approval of the Council of Governors

As stated above we plan the functions that take place at the International Convention involving Ohio Lions and their families that are in attendance. This includes hospitality room, socials, convention giveaways, the parade uniform, and breakfasts. Our functions are paid for with a small amount of dues revenue and the sale of the Ohio Lions Annual State Pin

This year the committee is looking at subsidizing the cost of the Midwest breakfast, planning an Ice Cream Social and looking at a possible reception honoring ID Steve and Becky Thornton.

We are in the process of selling the current Ohio Pin which commemorates the upcoming Convention in Montreal

Pin trading is still very active at the International Conventions/ the cost of the pins are \$2.00 each and can be obtained from me or one of the District Officers.

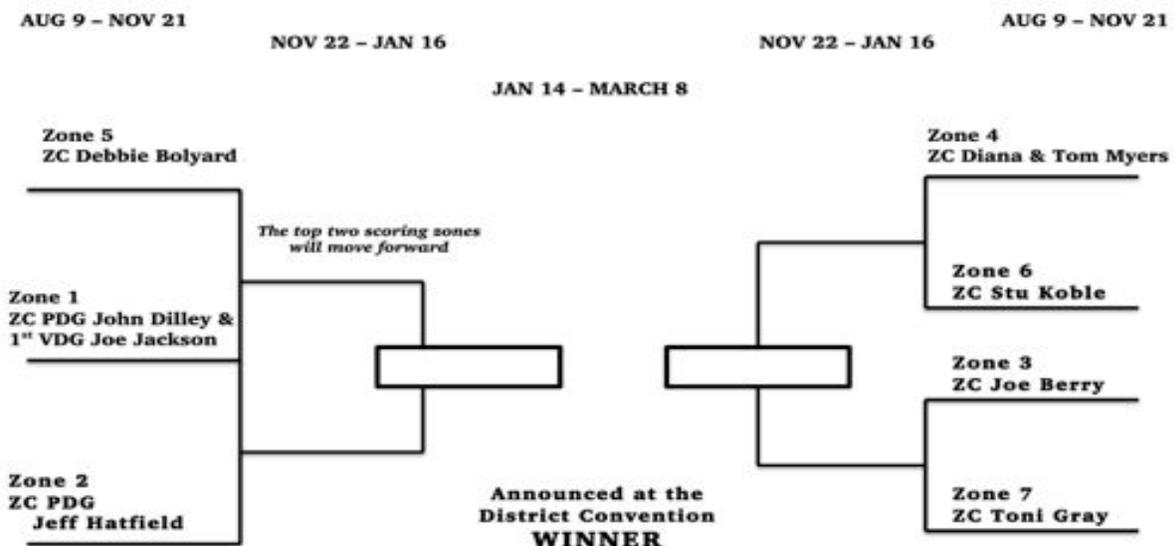
If you have any questions about the upcoming convention in Montreal, do not hesitate to contact our OH5 representative to the committee:

Lion Merle Dutt
duttml@aol.com



The District Contest is Heating Up!!! Where Does Your Club/Zone Stand?

OH5 SINGLE ELIMINATION BRACKET



STAYING IN TOUCH IN THE AGE OF CORONAVIRUS

In an attempt to communicate more effectively with ALL Lions, and hopefully reach people in our communities, we have created two new ways to follow the Governor and see what is happening in the district. We will continue to post things on Facebook and on the website, but we hope these new communication methods will allow another way to contact the Governor and learn what other clubs are doing in the district. Please follow us on the following platforms.



twitter@oh5lionsgovernor



Instagram

instagram@oh5lionsgovernor



District 13 OH-5 Lions

Please send pictures and club event information that you would like added to any of these social media platforms to: md13.oh5.socialmedia@gmail.com



Is your club having trouble holding "traditional" meetings because of COVID-19? Please explore hosting your meeting on a digital platform. We have used Zoom for Ohio Lions events, as well as district events. It is easy to use and has an option for someone to call in if they don't have a computer or aren't comfortable using one. Zoom is free for the first 40 minutes. If you need more time to conduct business, please contact DG Jason Gray and we will establish a free ZOOM account for your club to use for your meeting. It is more important than ever to keep contact with our members. **We are here to help, please reach out and let us know how we can!** If you are already having zoom meetings, please let DG Jason, 1stVDG Joe, and your zone chair know. We would love to attend your meeting!

LCI Says:

Stay Safe - Stay Connected - Stay Active – Stay Informed

Still not sure you are ready to try a virtual meeting? LCI can help. You can visit this site

<https://tinyurl.com/Lions-VirtualMeetingTips>

and find *Tips for Hosting a Successful Virtual Meeting*. It is a step-by-step guide that takes you from planning, through notification, through hosting of a virtual meeting.

Try it... you'll like it!



Ohio Lions Fall Into Service

October 4-10

You create the Service best suited for your community...

Let your GAT know your club is participating by emailing our Global Service Team coordinator, Lion Ben Dawson, at liondawson38@gmail.com

Perform Service (or complete service) between October 4-10

Report your service to LCI

Join your fellow Lions, Lionesses and Leos throughout Ohio as we work to safely do what we do best...

WE SERVE!

“Can We See” - The Possibilities?

VISION: 1925 when Hellen Keller stated: “Will you not constitute yourselves Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness?” This request served as the vision for Lions Clubs for the past 95 years, thus we have aided the blind and worked toward preventable blindness. Maybe VISION can help preserve and grow Lionism. Words often have multi-meanings when applied to different situations. Here’s a different definition of Vision extracted from “*Full Steam Ahead*” by Ken Blanchard & Jesse Lyn Stoner, 2011, page 169:

What is Vision?

- Vision is knowing who you are, where you’re going, and what will guide your journey.
- Knowing who you are means being clear about your purpose. Where you’re going is your picture of the future. What will guide your journey are your values.

Why is Vision Important?

- Good leadership starts with vision; leadership is about going somewhere.
- Vision helps you get focused, get energized, and get great results.
- Vision keeps you going during times of adversity.

Thus, I am suggesting that each Lions Club search for their vision in today’s environment. Lions need to re-discover what it means to them to be a Lion. **Who they are?** Our Club leaders need to build a picture that we can see, not vague, be proactive not reactive, and focus on the end results. **Where are you going?** Lions should contribute to answering the question, “**how**”; using as a guiding for your daily behaviors and acting consistently on their values. **Guide you journey?**

Being a volunteer and having other responsibilities, you may not have the knowledge, skills, or time to construct a vision for your club. You can request outside assistance, research what is available, or participate in training. Each District has an assigned GAT, GLT, GMT, GAT, and a NAMI Champion, which may assist you in building a vision for you club and its members. NAMI – North American Membership Initiative Process is: Opt-in, build a team, build a vision, build a plan, build success. All the GMT Chairpersons has materials that covers several aspects of membership, also material can be found on line at LCI – Membership. If you have exhausted your contacts, you can contact ME. I will be happy to assist you and your club, zone, or district.

Leading with Vision Finish Strong
Lion Charlie!

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REACH OUT AND READ!

Lion Ben Dawson, Global Service Team coordinator for OH5, offers this unique program for consideration to service by Lions now and beyond:

Reach Out and Read

is supported by the work of thousands of volunteers nationwide. Volunteer today, and help to make a difference in the lives of children in your community!



Prescribe a Book. Change a Life.

□ **Book Drive:** Volunteers of all ages can host a new or gently-used book drive through their own personal networks, community groups, or businesses. *Reach Out and Read* children receive new books during checkups, and gently-used books are given to an older sibling, provided at a sick visit, or simply help to build a child's home library. Since the book drive can last days, weeks, or even

months, this is a great long-term volunteer option.

□ **Virtual Book Drive:** You can also host a book drive online. Deep discounts from publishers, as well as our innovative bulk purchasing program, enable *Reach Out and Read* to buy books at more than half off of standard retail pricing, allowing your gift to benefit more children. The Virtual Book Drive is a terrific way to introduce your organization to *Reach Out and Read* and easily make a meaningful impact to the 4 million children and families we serve annually. To learn more, contact the Development Team development@reachoutandread.org. Engage with your local sites.

□ **Adopt-a-site:** Your organization can “adopt” a site in need. Volunteers can help make a waiting room more “literacy-rich” by donating new bookcases and child-sized furniture, parenting magazines, or bulletin boards and other displays. Volunteers can also build storage areas for *Reach Out and Read* books or provide new or gently-used books. Additionally, they can create murals or photographs with literary themes. Through a sustained commitment to one site, you can impact a local community and learn more about the *Reach Out and Read* program in action.

□ **Volunteer Readers:** Volunteer readers provide a positive reading experience for children in waiting rooms, as well as model reading aloud for parents. This is a rewarding opportunity for small groups and individuals who would like to become involved on a weekly basis. Not all clinics can accommodate volunteer readers, so please keep in mind that the need for volunteers varies at each *Reach Out and Read* program site. Some sites require background checks

and volunteer orientations and/or have age limits for volunteers.

□ **Local Projects:** Volunteers can also participate in various projects determined by local *Reach Out and Read* staff. Examples of activities include sorting and packaging books or delivering books to a site. Individual volunteers or groups can greatly contribute to local programs by performing essential behind-the-scenes work. **How to Apply:** Use the interactive map (www.reachoutandread.org/find-a-site) to find a *Reach Out and Read* program in your community. When you fill out the online form, your inquiry will be sent to the program site(s) you have identified. Due to the busy nature of many of our programs, and depending on their capacity to integrate volunteers into their program, it may take some time to hear back. Thank you for your interest in volunteering with *Reach Out and Read*!

FROM LCI PRESIDENT DR. JUNG-YUI CHOI

Dear Lion,

When we serve, it's more than an act of kindness. It's personal. Your dedication enriches the lives of the people you know and strengthens the relationships you share. You are more than a volunteer – you are an essential part of your community. And that connection matters more than ever.

As you continue to serve safely, it's so important to focus on building your relationship with the community. Our mission is to serve, but our service inspires and empowers those around us to take action. And when we are united, we have the strength to face new challenges and solve the issues that matter to us most.

Regards,
Dr. Juny-Yui Choi
International President



Reynoldsburg Lions Presents:
2nd Annual Auction!
October 15, 2020 6:00pm start
(Date Change due to Covid-19)
Summit Station Lions Building
7600 Summit Road, Pataskala, OH



Auctioneers:
Bob Fagley
Keith Orr
Jeff Carroll



Live auction items include sports memorabilia, collectibles, antiques, household items and consignment.



A wide assortment of choices for those who enjoy the silent auctions!

Door prizes will be drawn for throughout the evening. Who knows, you could be a lucky winner!



Cost only **\$15** for your meal, door prize ticket and bid card. Limited seats are available - buy your tickets now! *(Meal purchase not required, but is appreciated.)*

Please Note: Any Reynoldsburg Lions Auction ticket purchased with the April 30, 2020 date on it will be honored at the door!

Please view our website at www.reynoldsburglions.org or check us out on Facebook! For questions or ticket information, please contact Dave Risen at (614) 212-3488, drisen@insight.rr.com, or Mike Kerek at (740) 412-4692, mjkerek@msn.com. Tickets can be purchased through the link on Facebook! **100% of net proceeds go to philanthropic causes, including but not limited to vision related, pediatric cancer, diabetes, environment, and hunger!**

New Albany Lions Club

Turkey Shoot & Gun Raffle

Sponsored by Field & Stream

SHOOTS - Oct. 24th, Nov. 7th, Nov. 14th

Doran's Farm Market - 5462 Babbitt Road, New Albany
9A.M. to Noon

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| 1 st Prize | Henry Lever Action .22 Rifle |
| 2 nd Prize | Winchester Bowie Knife |
| 3 rd Prize | Camp Lantern |

Raffle Tickets \$2 Each or 3 for \$5

Need Not Be Present To Win

Drawing to be held Nov. 14th

For more information, call 614-579-0553



Face Coverings Mandatory



Olentangy Lions Club

CHRISTMAS MADNESS

ALL profit goes to support Delaware County food programs

Only 100 tickets will be sold with \$1500 returned to players

\$500 will go to help Delaware County food programs

Contact any member of Olentangy Lions
or
Mail your entry and payment to:

Bob Dotson
519 Commons Drive
Powell, OH 43065



For more information call 614-389-4799 or 740-591-8077

WINNING AMOUNTS BY WEEK

Week 1 pays \$40, \$40, \$40, \$40 and \$100

Week 2 pays \$40, \$40, \$40, \$40 and \$100

Week 3 pays \$40, \$40, \$40, \$00 and \$100

No winner on Thanksgiving Day (Dow Closed)

Week 4 pays \$40, \$40, \$40, \$40 and \$100

Week 5 pays \$100, \$100, \$100, \$100 and \$100



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OLENTANGY LIONS CHRISTMAS MADNESS 2020



Olentangy Lions Club
PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City, Zip: _____

Cost of each entry is \$20. Winners are determined by closing value of Dow each day. One winner per day except Thanksgiving. Entrants name will be placed on a 10 X 10 grid. Each block will be a value from 00 to 99. The cents value of the Dow's closing value will determine the winner each day. First winner will be chosen on November 9th. Game ends December 11th.

Thank You!

Proceeds benefit **Food for needy programs**

OH5 Offers Two Great Ways to Support the Fight Against

PEDIATRIC CANCER

3rd Annual

Super Braxton

5K Run/Walk



November 21, 2020

Reynoldsburg, OH

All applicable COVID laws will be enforced

Since the first STEPS walk in 2017, OH5 has been able to donate over \$35,000, split between our two pediatric cancer hospitals, Nationwide and Dayton. 100% of the net proceeds goes to these two hospitals for pediatric cancer research.

Donations can be made to the Reynoldsburg Lions Club Charitable Fund, P.O. Box 575, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068. This is a 501(c)(3) and is tax deductible.

You can also participate, either in person or as a virtual runner, by registering at district13oh5.org after registration opens October 1. Early bird is \$25/person to November 1, after which it is \$30. See the website for all the details. You can also register through the mail—contact either event coordinator for your registration form.

For more information, contact:

Debbie Bolyard debkaybolyard@gmail.com
PDG Mike Kerek mjkerek@msn.com



Braxton Long lost his 3 year battle with cancer on July 24, 2017. He was 8.

OLPCF

The OLPCF, established August 2019, was born from the statewide STEPS walks that began in 2017. It just recently gave its first grant, a \$25,000 donation to Rainbow Babies Children's Hospital in Cleveland. It has 3 missions: support childhood cancer research; to provide emergency assistance to families in need; and to provide clubs and districts who are doing a qualifying event for pediatric cancer with access to a 501(c)(3) restricted fund. It also is a support structure for the various STEPS walks around the state, which are incorporated into the OLPCF. Through the STEPS walks and donations made directly to OLPCF from around the state, over \$100,000 has been raised and donated to pediatric cancer hospitals and organizations around Ohio.

Donations can be made to the Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation (please do not abbreviate on the check!) and sent to PDG John Davis, 933 Thornapple Lane, Findlay, OH 45840.

OH5 District Rep: PDG Mike Kerek mjkerek@msn.com



We would be remiss if we didn't acknowledge the Arcanum Lions Club, who has, over the last 3 years, raised over \$15,000 for the Dayton Children's Hospital pediatric cancer research efforts! Contact them directly to find out whether they will be operating the wildly successful Fun Walk this year. It is truly one of the best club projects around, particularly for pediatric cancer.

LCI has made this cause one of the core missions for a reason: every 2 minutes a child is diagnosed with pediatric cancer. Be a part of the solution. Make pediatric cancer a part of your club's focus. If not one of these, help some other local organization. Please report any donations and service hours to OH5 Pediatric Cancer Chair Debbie Bolyard at debkaybolyard@gmail.com.

JACK HARDING MEMORIAL 2021 DISTRICT OH-5 BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Saturday, Feb. 6, 2021

Registration begins at noon | Bowling starts at 1 p.m.

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl

3224 South High St., Columbus, OH 43207



2021 Entry Form \$125 per team (\$25 per bowler, includes shoes)

Early-bird registration open until Thursday, Dec. 31. \$100 per team (\$20 per bowler)

Club Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Team Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

TEAM LINE-UP

All are welcome, Lions and future Lions

| Player's Name | Handicap (blank if unknown) |
|---------------|-----------------------------|
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Mail entries (one per team) to: Lion Toni Gray, 6180 Dietz Dr., Canal Winchester OH, 43110. Phone: 614-214-0204

Make checks payable to: Grove City Noon Lions Community Fund (GCNLCF)

Rules:

- Handicap will be 90% of 230 so every team has a chance. If no handicap or book, it will be computed after bowling.
- Vacant in 210 with 0 handicap.

Games and Prizes: include raffle prizes and 50/50.

Suggested arrival time is 12:30 p.m. to complete registration, lane assignments and raffle tickets.