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due by the 27th of the month

SAVE THE DATE

Fall Into Service
October 9-15

Super Braxton 5k
Reynoldsburg High School
November 5, 2023

District 13-OH5 Convention
Doubletree Worthington
March 10-11, 2023

Learn to Roar
TBD
June 10, 2023

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TOGETHER WE CAN

Every month the plan is to talk about one of the district's goals, this month – Membership.

If you read this past edition of the Lions Magazine, you'll see that according to IP Brian Sheehan, we can accomplish anything we set out to do, when we do it together. You find that at work, at home when everyone pitches in, and in your club.

Our state GMT committee has come up with the Roaring for More Lions - Ask 1, Get 1, Keep 1 program and are spreading the information through Zone Meetings. To review:

ASK 1: We would like every Lion to Ask 1 person to join our organization.

This seems like an easy thing to do, but many times we are too intimidated to ask a friend. PIP Jimmy Ross once suggested creating a list of folks you'd like to ask, turn that list over to another Lion in your club or your membership chair. Have that person call them, invite them to a meeting.

GET 1: We would like every Lion to follow up with the person they ask. Answer any questions and provide additional information.

We should do this every time and would be an effective way, if you use PIP Ross's idea, allow the person being called to know that you were the one who suggested them.

KEEP 1: We are asking every member to make it their personal mission to ensure their fellow members feel welcome, involved, and part of the organization.

Knowing that all of our members are cared for and involved is everyone's responsibility.

We all need to do our part to see our clubs grow and more importantly, be healthy and be a place people want to be a part of.

I hope to see you all at one of the many functions and events that are going on around the district; Canal Winchester's Pet Photo, Columbus Northern's Touchdown Dinner, and of course at all of the Zone meetings that are coming up.

And remember, Together We Can!

DG Debbie

ASK 1



GET 1



KEEP 1

A MESSAGE FROM 2ND VDG BEN DAWSON

I thank everyone for allowing me to serve as your 2nd VDG. I promise to aid our DG Debbie Luttrell and 1st VDG Mike Kerek in every way I can.

Last year MD 13 were the only ones to ever achieve 100% reporting in a year. We can do it again this year. Serve and report earliest as possible to avoid the mad dash experience last year please. Your new GST coordinator Jane Jarrow is a dynamo of service, take heed of her service opportunities she will give you. MYLION app is much improved, learn to use it for reporting. Any problems I can help with, let me know.

I am a newbie to this Governor stuff, so am glad that so many have offered help, which I greatly appreciated. I am asking the Zone Chairs to extend an invite to their meetings and asking clubs for invites. I will attend all that I can.

I am asking a big favor of the PDG's. Please e-mail me with what you found to be of help in becoming and being DG's- I will use suggestions to aid in my journey.

Thank You

Lion Ben Dawson
liondawson38@gmail.com

THE LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IS RETURNING TO THE UNITED STATES – BOSTON JULY 2023!

With the convention in our backyard, the Ohio Lions are sponsoring the Ohio State School for the Blind Marching Band to march with us in the Parade of Nations and to perform at special venues.

We are teaming up with the fundraising branch of the OSSB Foundation to send these 26 youth and their 14 marching aides to Boston. To reach our goal, the Ohio Lions are asking Lions and clubs to sponsor these youth -- \$1 per band member, \$5 per member, \$10 per member -- every bit helps.

See flyer included with this newsletter for more information!



WELCOME NEW OHIO LEO CLUBS!



Welcome to the newest Alpha Leo Clubs in Ohio!

These clubs were chartered since 2021.

Alpha Leo Clubs are for children ages 12-18. Our newest clubs are:

- McComb Leo Club – 05/16/2022 - Sponsored by McComb Lions Club (OH1)
- Chesterland Leo Club – 05/18/2021 – Sponsored by Chesterland Lions Club (OH4)
- Rootstown Leo Club– 05/19/2022 - Sponsored by Rootstown Twp. Lions Club (OH4)
- Laker Leo Club – 06/08/2022 – Sponsored by Millersport Lions Club (OH7)

These clubs join 67 other Leo Clubs around the state to provide service in their communities and beyond.
We thank Ohio Lions clubs for their sponsorships.

Interested in learning more about Leo Clubs or sponsoring a Leo Club? Sponsoring a Leo club gives Lions the opportunity to mentor and empower young leaders and foster a commitment of community service — while energizing your members to stay involved! Please Email youth@ohiolions.org for more information.

2022-2023 PEACE POSTER & PEACE ESSAY CONTEST

- Deadline to order poster kits is **OCTOBER 1**
- Deadline for postmarking submissions is **NOVEMBER 15**

This year's theme is "Leading with Compassion"

Check out the information packet at the end of the newsletter for more details!

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/youth/peace-poster>



A note from the editor- Many varieties of newsletter layouts have been used over the years, and I was trying something new. Is it too busy? Do you like the LCI & Ohio colors used? Hate the shapes? Want MORE shapes?!? Let me know! Some pages have more and some have less. Please send feedback to districtoh5news@gmail.com. I would also LOVE featured pictures of your club for the cover page! Submissions due by the 27th of each month.

-Lion Christina Beargie

Making “WE SERVE” More Than a Motto!

In 1954, Lions Club International held a contest to find a motto to encapsulate the focus and promise of Lions, worldwide. The winning entry – WE SERVE -- was submitted by Lion D.A. Stevenson, from Ontario, Canada. The rest is history. OUR history.

Lions have always been focused on service to others. In the past quarter century, for many Lions Clubs, that commitment has taken on a much more hands-on approach. We are much more likely to find Lions rolling up their sleeves and getting directly involved in doing something for others, rather than simply raising money to give over to worthy organizations who do the hands-on work – something more common in the early days of Lionism. It is that spirit of “doing” that drives our efforts for this Fall and the upcoming “Fall Into Service” week, planned for October 9-16th. The hope is that we can, once again, see Lion and Leo clubs throughout Ohio participating in some active service project during that week.

You can do something as simple as hold an eWaste collection or collect goods for the local food pantry. You can get your members busy at a meeting during that week, making sack lunches for the homeless shelter or sorting, counting, and bagging the eyeglasses you’ve been collecting. You can plan a more active project that brings the Lions out to accomplish a more coordinated effort. Clean a highway? Do yard work for seniors in your area? Help spruce up a community playground? Or you can join with other Lions Clubs in your area – or other community agencies – to do joint projects needed by/for those in your community. (Here’s an added bonus! The Saturday that falls in the week of service, October 15th, is a “by” weekend for the Ohio State Buckeyes. No OSU football game on that Saturday to stay home and watch, and no excuses for the Lions!)

As shown on the flyer included in this newsletter, the first step is to decide on a project. Then we hope you will send a letter of commitment, from your club, to the District’s Global Service Chair – me! (There is a sample commitment letter included here, as well). Then get out there during the week of October 9-16 to perform that service. Last, and no less important, let people know what you’ve done! Report your service project on My Lion, post pictures to your social media accounts, publicize your efforts through local news outlets.

Let’s prepare now to spend that week in October doing what Lions do best – WE SERVE! And let’s let everyone else know about it when we’re done.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Jane Jarrow, OH5 GST Coordinator

lionjjarrow@gmail.com



COMING SOON TO FACEBOOK...

MD13 received Marketing and Communications funding from LCI to create social-media-length videos to promote our Association! These fun new videos will be released on the 1st of each month- first to the State FB page, and then reposted to the District FB pages. We would love for individual Lions to SHARE these videos to their own pages. People don't watch what a big organization posts, but they DO watch what a friend posts! Why not share the Association YOU take Pride in?

FROM THE NEW ALBANY LIONS CLUB:

Another successful
Turkey Shoot Fundraiser!



The Striker is the ring
the bell game we use to
attract and raise funds.
We luckily have three
sizes of strikers!



UNCLAIMED FUNDS REPORTING

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See more information
at the end of this newsletter



LINK YOUR
KROGER PLUS
CARD TO
SUPPORT OLERF!



The more households that participate, the more money we raise! If you have not already linked to another organization, please consider linking- no cost to you, but raise \$ for OLERF

1. Go to:
<https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards>
2. Login or create account
3. Choose the Community Rewards link
4. Search for the Foundation- "Ohio Lions Foundation- OH5 EYECARE FUND" Organization #HJ813

Have your neighbors and family linked THEIR Plus cards to an organization? Let them know about how easy and automatic it is to help raise money that STAYS in Ohio and benefits our community. Learn more about OLERF:
<https://ohiolionseyeresearch.org/j/>



Ohio Lions

Fall Into Service

October 9-16, 2022

Join us as Lions and Leos throughout Ohio work in their communities to do what we do best... WE SERVE!

1. **Create** a service project suited for your community...
 2. **Send** your Letter of Commitment to your Global Service Chairman
 3. **Perform Service**
 4. **Share!**
 - **Report** it to LCI on MyLion
 - **Post** on social media and **Share** with your community through local news outlets
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OHIO LIONS FALL INTO SERVICE WEEK

OCTOBER 9-16, 2022

Letter of Intent

Please include the Lion/Leo Club as a participant in **Ohio Lions Fall Into Service Week**. This club will participate and report a service project(s) performed or completed October 9-16 or during October for our Leos.

Club Name: _____ District _____ Zone: _____

Contact Person: _____ Email: _____@_____

Local/Community Paper: _____ Phone: _____

___ YES! Our club plans to participate in **Fall Into Service Week**, but we are still planning...

___ YES! Our club is participating in **Fall Into Service Week** with the following project:

And, our club/I would like help with the following (check all that apply):

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|--|--|
| ___ Service Project Ideas | ___ Learning how to Report Service |
| ___ Learning how to advertise Service | ___ Using Service as a Membership tool |
| ___ Working with a Leos club | ___ Starting a Leos club |
| ___ Learning how to work with other organizations in the community | |
| ___ Other: _____ | |

Date

King Lion/President or Secretary

Please email the completed form to your District GST on or before September 22:

OH1	Lion Carol Collins	carolcollins125@yahoo.com
OH2	Lion Debbie Reidy	debre51@aol.com
OH3	Lion Josie Prokop	lionjosiep@gmail.com
OH4	Lion Roger Mansfield	rmansfield9233@yahoo.com
OH5	Lion Jane Jarrow	janejarrow@aol.com
OH6	Lion Jay Newland	cnjnewland@yahoo.com
OH7	Lion Tamarra Parker-Stephens	liontamarra@gmail.com



SERVICE IDEAS

Roadside Clean-up

Clean Gravestones

Food Pantry Donations/
Volunteers

Donate/Volunteer at
Homeless Shelter

Collect/Donate School
Supplies

Host a Parade/Party at a
Senior Facility

Collect/Donate Gloves, Hats,
Scarfs

Eye Glass Collection

Voice for Voiceless

Write/Send Letters to Military

Volunteer at the Humane Society

Collect/Recycle Pill Bottles

TREX recycling

Yard clean-up for local seniors

Community beautification

Health screenings / Blood Drive

Appreciation for local services /
teachers / nurses...

Club Strides Walk (diabetes)

Collection for foster children

Organize a community "Closet
Cleaning" with a collective yard sale

Remember: This does not have to be a "New
Project" -- ongoing projects count as long as part
of the work is done October 9-16, or in the month
of October for our Leos.

DON'T FORGET - REPORT YOUR SERVICE



7-11
JULY

**SPONSOR OUR
OSSB
MARCHING BAND**

**2023
#LCIcon**
Boston

The Lions Club International Convention is returning to the United States – Boston July 2023!

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For all payments to meet the student travel deadline, **all donations need to be received at the State Office by March 1, 2023.**

Checks should be made payable to:
Ohio Lions, Inc
4074 Hoover Rd.
Grove City, OH 43123
(Band Fund on the memo line)

**Ohio State
School for
the Blind**



INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2023



THE 2022-2023 CONTEST

Lead with Compassion

From the Ohio Lions Youth Committee

Reminder – Peace Poster Deadlines Approaching

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

- **October 1:** Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.

Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822.

Questions – Please Email youth@ohiolions.org

WE ARE CONNECTED

Anja Rožen, 13, from Ravne na Koroškem, Slovenia, is the Grand Prize Winner of the 2021-2022 Peace Poster Contest.



Shreya Zoy, 13, from Kerala, India.

“Peace is very important,” said Rožen. “There is inner peace, which is finding happiness and contentment no matter how stressful your life is. Peace is also freedom from violence. When there is peace, nations and the whole planet can be stable and promote cultural growth. I don’t understand wars, how people can let them happen or what leads people that far.”

Rožen was sponsored by **The Slovenj Gradec Lions Club** and her poster was chosen for its originality, artistic merit and portrayal of the contest theme, “We Are All Connected.”

Shreya Zoy, 13, from Kerala, India is the Grand Prize Winner of this year’s Peace Essay Contest. Her powerful piece titled “We Are All Connected” centers on the idea that the world is one family.

“We are interconnected and dependent on [one] another’s kindness.” Says Zoy. “The recent pandemic teaches us a lesson that nobody can survive alone.” Zoy was sponsored by the **Mannuthy Agri City Lions Club**.

For a complete list of winners and to read the winning essay visit lionsclubs.org/peaceposter.



Anja Rožen, 13, from Ravne na Koroškem, Slovenia.



The 2021-2022 Grand Prize winning poster.

2021-2022 Lions International Peace Essay Contest Grand Prize Winner

Shreya Zoy, 13 years old

We Are All Connected

We all know that comforting feeling when we are being physically embraced, feeling heard, emotionally understood and supported by another human being. This warm human connection is very important in maintaining our overall emotional and physical health.

There is a saying in Sanskrit 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbikam' mainly "the world is one family". Certainly we can see that the whole world is populated by people who are working to attain same things - happiness, peace, security, resources like food and shelter and hopeful future.

Our real identity is not whether we belong to a certain ethnic group or culture. Yes, we may follow different paths or religions but these can be changed and the soul is above all such temporary designations. and the nature of soul is to love and be loved. Happiness is found in relations and no happiness is more than a deep loving relationship. But the highest relationship is that when we are spiritually devoted to the supreme being, the ultimate lovable object. That is eternal spiritual path.

By having a solid knowledge of spiritual knowledge, we automatically are respecting all others regardless of their race, sex or species. This brings moral and peaceful social behaviour in everyone towards, everyone. By having respect for everyone's spiritual identity, parts and parcels of Lord, also gives us innate happiness. We can understand that we are visiting this planet for a short time and we are all in this together.

It is after thousands of destructive wars, humans realized the importance of peace. It applies on every angle like wars, pollution, natural disasters and more.

When peace and harmony are maintained, things will continue to run smoothly without any delay. Moreover, it is a saviour for many who do not like to engage in destructing activities and more.

I think there is another deeper lesson from Covid-19. A lesson about our interconnection and interdependence. It is now clear that if we follow the right measures of our own, if we wash our hands, if we wear a mask, follow proper social distancing, then we may prevent ourselves from Covid.

Unless we are working to make those decisions and choices, then we aren't able to open the school, workplaces are not going to back up and running, our healthcare systems will be continued to be overtaxed and society won't essentially set up.

And, one of the lessons of Covid is we can't respond alone. So, we have to mount a unified, thoughtful response. Unity is not just on a country basis, but between countries. We must be able to work together and put our common welfare ahead of our individual choices.

If we want to build a unified response to Covid and future pandemics, we recognise that we are truly connected and we depend on one another.

To conclude,

We are birds of the same nest, wearing different skins, speaking different languages, believing in certain religions and belonging to different culture - yet we are in the same home - our earth. Born on the same planet, covered by the same skies, gazing at the same stars and breathing the same air, we must learn to progress together happily. For humans can live individually but can survive only collectively. "YES, WE ARE ALL CONNECTED".



LIONS INTERNATIONAL

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ESSAY CONTEST RULES

PEACE ESSAY

2022-2023

Lead with Compassion

Your club can sponsor visually-impaired students in the Lions Clubs International Essay Contest!

The contest is open to students who are considered visually impaired according to their national guidelines, and will be 11, 12 or 13 years of age on November 15, 2022. Eligible birthdates are November 16, 2008 through November 15, 2011. One grand prize winner will receive an award and US\$5,000.

The contest theme is "Lead with Compassion."

- Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest. The contest may be sponsored in a local school or organized, sponsored youth group, or individuals may be sponsored as well.
- Essays must be no longer than 500 words, submitted in English, typewritten in black ink and double spaced.
- Each essay must be submitted with a completed entry form. Essays submitted without completed entry forms will be disqualified.
- Only one entry per student per year, and each entry must be the work of only one student.
- Essay entries cannot have already been published.
- Any essays found to be plagiarized will be disqualified, and the student will be prohibited from entering any future Lions competitions.

DEADLINES

November 15, 2022 – Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning essay to the district governor. **Note:** A participating club should notify its district governor in advance of sending an entry.

December 1, 2022 – Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry directly to Brand & Creative at Lions Clubs International.

December 1, 2022 – Postmark deadline for a district to send one winning essay to the multiple district council chairperson. A district not belonging to a multiple district must send its entries directly to Brand & Creative at Lions Clubs International (postmarked by December 1).

December 15, 2022 – Postmark deadline for a multiple district to send one winning essay to Brand & Creative at Lions Clubs International.

February 1, 2023 – Club presidents of international winners will be notified on or before this date.

Participants accept all responsibility for late, lost, misdirected or illegible entries. Entries sent with insufficient postage will be disqualified. Lions Clubs International is not responsible for entries damaged, destroyed or lost during the judging process. Entries cannot be acknowledged or returned. They become property of Lions Clubs International upon receipt. Essays (partial or in their entirety) cannot be used without written permission from Lions Clubs International.

In consideration for the opportunity to enter the Essay Contest, participants agree to allow Lions Clubs International to use their names and photographs for promotional and publicity purposes. An international grand prize winner is not eligible to receive subsequent prizes in future Lions Clubs International Essay Contests sponsored by Lions Clubs International. By entering, participants agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the judges and Lions Clubs International.

Lions Clubs International may cancel the contest without notice at any time. The contest is void where prohibited, taxed or restricted by law.

Mailing address:

Essay Contest, Brand & Creative
Lions Clubs International
300 W. 22nd Street
Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842

Email: peaceposter@lionsclubs.org

(The words "Lions Essay Contest" must appear in the subject line of the e-mail.)

ESSAY CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Please type or print clearly. All information and signatures are required.

1. STUDENT INFORMATION

Winner's Name _____

Essay Title _____

Age _____ Birth Date _____
Day/Month/Year

School _____ Grade _____

Phone* _____

Email _____

Student's Street Address (No P.O. Boxes) _____

City, State, Country _____ Postal or Zip Code _____

Parent or Legal Guardian's Signature _____

2. LIONS CLUB INFORMATION

Club Name _____

Club Number _____ District Number _____

President Name _____

Phone* _____ Work Phone* _____

Email _____

Street Address (No P.O. Boxes) _____

City, State, Country _____ Postal or Zip Code _____

Club President's Signature _____

3. DISTRICT INFORMATION

District Governor _____

Phone* _____ Work Phone* _____

Email _____

District Governor's Signature _____

4. MULTIPLE DISTRICT INFORMATION

Multiple District Council Chairperson _____

Phone* _____ Work Phone* _____

Email _____

Council Chairperson's Signature _____

**Include area code in the U.S. or country and city codes outside the U.S.*



Unclaimed Funds Reporting

Filing Deadline: November 1st. Please notify the compliance committee once your filing is completed. Send notice to Lion Steve Kaplan at skpk1984@aol.com.

Disclaimer: This material is for informational purposes only and is not intended to be deemed legal or tax advice.

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Procedure for filing an annual Negative Report:

- The Ohio Business Gateway is found at gateway.ohio.gov
- Prior to using the Gateway for the first time, it may be advisable to read the "Getting Started" instructions. There are also YouTube instructional videos on creating a Gateway account.
- Each person using the Ohio Business Gateway is required to create their own individual ID. A club ID with multiple users is no longer allowed.
- Each club must have one user registered as their "Filing Administrator."
- If adding your club for the first time (no organization found after entering the EIN) make yourself the administrator.
- To add a club to the individual's user profile, from the dashboard click on "Quick Links" and then "Request Business Access." Using the club's EIN you can add the club to the user's account.
- The Filing Administrator can visit the Account Access Management page (by clicking on the "lock" icon). Then under the Service Areas tab, administrators can move the appropriate Service Areas (Unclaimed Funds Negative Report) from the Available column to the Authorized column. Administrators also set which individual users can access the Service Areas transactions under the Authorization tab.
- Authorized users can access their dashboard by clicking on the "Home" icon. Filing the required negative report can be accessed from here. Follow the instructions.
- When adding new functions, it may be required to log out and then back in to get the new functions to load.
- Assistance is available by calling the Ohio Business Gateway Help Desk at 1-866-644-6468. Assistance is also available from Lion Steve Kaplan at skpk1984@aol.com.