

# THE PRIDE REPORT

District 13-OH5 Newsletter

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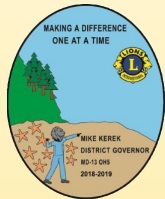
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## Making a Difference 1 Lion at a time!

### Governor Mike Kerek



Happy November, Fellow Lions!

It's the season for Thanksgiving, and I have much to be thankful for, personally, professionally, spiritually, and in Lions.

The Super Braxton Pediatric Cancer 5K in Reynoldsburg exceeded all expectations, with over 200 registered and virtual walkers, and raising over \$12,000. In Arcanum, the Brumfield Fruit Farms Fun Walk, sponsored by the Arcanum Lions, raised over \$5,000 - \$1,000+ more than last year. Grove City, Beechcroft, Troy, Prospect, Whitehall Area, and Springfield National Trails, all donated money and/or came out to support through participation and volunteering. (If I inadvertently left a club off, it was accidental.)

Clubs getting involved in diabetes screenings – I heard of several clubs either having done a screening or were planning one. (Remember, it is free to the club!)

Clubs like Worthington Noon, Reynoldsburg, and Tri Village, who go to other clubs and help with their projects so they can have success. I know that London has done the same in the past, and I'm sure there are other clubs who also do this.

Clubs in Champaign County, who gathered together for a couple of different projects, including a park beautification and vision screening; working together to achieve more. Woodstock, Mechanicsburg, St Paris and Urbana, kudos to you!

Clubs in trouble who are clawing their way back to success through adaptation, change, and willingness to work for that success...and the individuals who are working with them.

Clubs like St Paris and Columbus Northeast who are planning visitations in large groups to support other clubs' functions. (Just happened to be at the meetings when they were talking about these visitations.)

Clubs talking about membership nights, how to increase their membership through various methods, indicates an awareness throughout the district this is a problem that needs to be addressed, and soon.

New service projects, new ideas, willingness to take a few chances...these are the keys to us revitalizing ourselves. Add working together and we can reverse the downward trend that has been threatening our organization for the last two decades.

There is a sense of teamwork that is slowly but surely permeating its way throughout the district. This is critical, because if we only focus on our own little world, we will never grow, we will never change.

Working together gives us a chance to learn new ideas, new methods, new relationships, and an improved attitude. I hope this trend continues, and whatever I can do to foster it, please let me know.

Keep up the great work, and I look forward to seeing you soon!



## First Vice District Governor Jackie Christensen

DG Mike and I tend to cross paths at club events, although not usually visitations. I have had so much fun with all of you and have enjoyed your activities and my visits with your clubs just as I know DG Mike and 2VDG Jason have. Please continue to stay in touch with your officer team and keep us posted on anything we can do for you.

My District Leadership team is coming together for next year. Thanks to those of you who have agreed to stay in positions and take on new positions! I haven't gotten to everyone yet or filled in all the positions, but I will be touching base with you. We have so much great stuff happening in Lions I wish you all had the time to step forward and see what we see with all the wonderful things Lions are doing! But we will continue to share with you all the great things happening in the District. Just read DG Mike and 2VDG Jason's articles and you'll know what I'm talking about.

I want to share a great story with you from the USA/Canada Forum and the excitement of Lions. During the Forum many Lions were talking with the wait staff about Lions and asking them all if they knew what Lions do. One of the International Directors, at his table, talked a waitress from Gahanna into joining Lions. They even paid her membership fee to get her to join! I talked with the Gahanna Lions Club and told them about their new member and what happened during the Forum and they were very excited. She made her first Club visit a week ago and told me how excited she was about it and how great the Gahanna Lions were! I also talked to the Gahanna Lions to see what they thought about her and they love having a younger Lion (younger than most of their members anyway) in the Club and especially the excitement she brought to the club. I will have the pleasure of inducting her into the Club on Nov. 26th and will be sharing a picture of her induction with the ID who signed her up! Now that kind of teamwork is what Lions are all about!

Look for the Convention information in this newsletter and all the other great activities that are happening around the District.

We should be getting approval for the District first aid kits, from all those great eyeglass cases you all have been donating, at the District Cabinet Meeting this month. We hope you will be joining us at the District Convention for this great service project of putting all these cases together! I know District 13-OH5 can come together and get this done. Those of you who will be joining us for the project will get to take these kits home to those in need in your communities afterward. If you can't make the convention, get a hold of me and we'll get you as many of these kits as we possibly can for those in need in your communities. I will even be happy to deliver them to you personally.

It's **GREAT** to be a Lion!

**Deadline for all articles is the 25th of the month. Send to: [cwpaws13@gmail.com](mailto:cwpaws13@gmail.com)**

**Any club information about your upcoming events would be greatly appreciated. The goal is to have many clubs sending in their events. Many Lions throughout our District enjoy traveling to other Ohio Lions Club events and supporting your efforts. Give it a try!!**

## Second Vice District Governor Jason Gray

I had the pleasure this week of visiting the West Milton Lions Club and the Troy Lions Club. As with all our clubs, they are doing amazing things in their communities. They are doing way too many things to mention them all here, but they run the gamut from providing meals for needy kids on the weekends, to laying wreaths at veterans' grave sites, and even include having tea parties with the elderly at retirement homes. I am truly proud to say I am a Lion when I hear about all the amazing things your clubs are doing in their communities. I would like to give a special thank you to the West Milton Lions Club and the Troy Lions Club for allowing me to share in their evening.

As I travel around the district and meet more amazing Lions, I have noticed a few things. The first being that the Lions are truly making a difference in our communities, and second that many of the clubs feel "small but mighty". I bring up these two points because I strongly encourage you and your members to visit other clubs in your area. Celebrate your successes and let them celebrate their successes with you. I have found that club visitations are a great way to find out about new service project opportunities. While there, you might just find a few volunteers to help you feel a little less small and even mightier! Please don't hesitate to partner with these other clubs to create a larger impact in your fundraising and service projects. We are ALL Lions and we ALL Serve. On that same note please don't hesitate to contact the district staff if you need help or need more volunteers to take on a service project. We are here to help and would be happy to help in any way we can.

Have a wonderful and Safe Thanksgiving!

Thank you for all that you do!



"THE BEST AND MOST BEAUTIFUL THINGS IN  
THE WORLD CANNOT BE SEEN OR EVEN  
TOUCHED - THEY MUST BE FELT WITH THE  
HEART."

HELEN KELLER

© Lifehack Quotes

# District News and Information

## Upcoming Zone Meetings

November 12th — Zone 5 Meeting — At Sunbury Lions Club, 6:30 p.m.  
November 28th — Zone 2 Meeting — Northridge Lions Den, 6:30 p.m.

## District Project for the Homeless

We have been getting plenty of hard eyeglass cases from all of you. Thank you so much for the outpouring of support in this great endeavor. We have more than 500 cases!

Cases continue to come in and we'll continue this project in the upcoming years. We will fill these cases with the following items:

- Band-aids (big and small)
- Wet Wipes
- Antibiotic Ointment
- Sample size meds—Tylenol and Aspirin
- Chapstick
- Toenail clippers
- Tissues (small hand pack)
- Sewing kits (small travel size)

*Our Grant from the Muirfield Fund is about to be approved and I'll be able to order these supplies for filling all those cases you have donated! Join us during the March 2019 District Convention and help us fill these eye glass cases with these items! You will get to get these home with you after the Convention to give to those in need in your community or we will get them to the homeless in Franklin County.*

## District Honor Roll

See information for the District Honor Roll Nominee's on Page 6. You can also nominate your candidate on-line on the District 13-OH5 website [here](#). Or go to: [www.e-district.org/sites/district13oh5](http://www.e-district.org/sites/district13oh5) and click on the "Resources/Training" link and look for "District 13-OH5 PDG Association Honor Roll".

## Communications Contest

Runs from **Oct 1-Mar 1**. Don't forget if you signed up, make sure you get all your communications information out.

## **Other District Projects**

We are continuing our District projects from last year—so at next year's convention don't forget to bring your **Legos** for the kids at Children's Hospital and your **Vegetable Seeds** for those who can't afford to buy vegetables at the grocery store. If you aren't coming to the convention, which we sure hope you do, you can also bring these items to your Zone meeting or get them to your Zone Chair or District Officer when they visit your club or event and we'll make sure they get where they need to go.

## **Compliance Deadlines**

Congratulations to the Lions Clubs of District 13-OH5. You are the only district in Ohio that is 100% registered with the Ohio Attorney General's Office. While that is outstanding, please remember that this legal requirement is an annual filing. All clubs that use the standard fiscal year of July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup> must file their 2018 return before November 15<sup>th</sup>! Go to [www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov](http://www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov) and click on "Charitable Registration" at the bottom of the page. If you run into any difficulty, contact Lion Steve Kaplan at [skpk1984@aol.com](mailto:skpk1984@aol.com).

Also remember that the club's IRS return for 2017-18 is also due on the same date (if you use the standard fiscal year). For clubs with a gross revenue below \$50,000 a simple form 990-N or e-postcard will do. Last year there was a 94% compliance rate for 13-OH5 clubs and foundations. So far this year, only 33% have filed. So again, avoid problems and don't wait until the last minute. Go to IRS.gov and click on "Charities and Nonprofits" and then "Annual Reporting and Filing." If you run into any difficulty, contact Lion Steve Kaplan at [skpk1984@aol.com](mailto:skpk1984@aol.com).



### **PEACE POSTER AND ESSAY CONTEST**

Deadline is **November 15th!!**  
Get your posters and essays to DG Mike Kerek by the deadline.

### **MUIRFIELD SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Muirfield Fund awarded the following scholarships recently.  
Congratulations to all scholarship winners!

- Emily Clubb—Liberty University
- Kayli Long—Wilmington College
- Molly Brooke—Mount Vernon Nazarene University
- Madison-Page Donnelly—Wittenberg University





## Lions Clubs International District 13-OH5 PDG Association

### District 13-OH5 Honor Roll

#### Qualifications

- I. Current Lions
  - A. Lion for at least ten (10) years
  - B. Lions who have shown leadership, but is not necessarily a current or past Club Officer
  - C. Made a difference to the Club
  - D. Other Community activities outside Lions
  - E. Lion cannot be a member of the Honor Roll Committee
- II. Nomination Process
  - A. Nomination submitted by any of the following in the District:
    1. A Lion or group of Lions
    2. Club
    3. Zone
  - B. With the nomination submit
    1. Reason for the nomination
    2. Stories about the nominee
    3. Must include a photo of the nominee
  - C. Nominations shall be postmarked or emailed by January 31<sup>st</sup> of the current Lions Year.
- III. The total number of inductees will be limited to:
  - A. Maximum of five (5) per year
  - B. Up to one (1) of the five (5) can be deceased Lions
- IV. Selection of each of the year's inductees will be determined by the Honor Roll Committee

#### Award

- I. Small Plaque
  - A. Presented to individual inductee
  - B. Present at District Convention
- II. Lapel Pin
- III. Lions Banner
  - A. With complete list of inductees through the years
  - B. Display banner at events
    1. District Convention
    2. District Officer Training
    3. Zone Meetings
  - C. Store in possession of a Honor Roll Committee member
- IV. Display inductee name, photo, and induction year on District Website



## District 13-OH5 Honor Roll

Requester:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Last

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Zone: \_\_\_\_\_

Person to be nominated:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Last

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Years in Lionism: \_\_\_\_\_ (Must be at least 10 years to qualify for nomination)

Attach information on how this Lion:

- Has made a difference to the Club
- Is active in the community outside of Lions
- Include stories about the Lion
- Don't forget to include a picture of the Lion

Is the award being given posthumously? \_\_\_\_\_

Send form to PCC Dave Risen – 1219 Hilton Dr., Reynoldsburg OH 43068  
(614) 212-3488 Cell or (614) 864-9819 Home  
[drisen@insight.rr.com](mailto:drisen@insight.rr.com)

Deadline: ALL NOMINATIONS NEED TO BE RECEIVED BY **JANUARY 31th**

# WORLD DIABETES DAY!

**November 14th**

Lions throughout OH-5 can answer the call for action from LCI by learning how to screen for diabetes in their own community. To date, Lions from 11 clubs through the district have stepped up to go through training and prepare to serve their communities by raising awareness of the dangers of diabetes, and screening glucose levels. Another District-wide training is scheduled for Sunday, November 4, from 3:00-5:00 PM, at the MCL Cafeteria, Kingsdale Shopping Center (Upper Arlington, near OSU's campus). Full information will be provided to those who sign up for the training.

The training takes less than two hours, does NOT require any medical knowledge or experience, and it is neither scary, nor complicated (honest!!!). Those who participate will leave prepared to conduct screening, with all materials provided by the Central Ohio Diabetes Association. As we begin a new Lions year, why not get your club involved in a timely and important service project that can be done by a club of any size -- at no cost to the club!

For more information, or to register for the training, please contact Lion Jane Jarrow, 614-571-5681, [JaneJarrow@aol.com](mailto:JaneJarrow@aol.com)

## What Do These People Have In Common???

Legendary Entertainers  
Carol Channing, Jerry Lewis  
Mary Tyler Moore

Politicians  
P.M. Theresa May  
Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia

WORLD CLASS ATHLETES  
JAY CUTLER, GREG HALL  
BILLIE JEAN KING

Supreme Court Justice  
Sonia Sotomayor

Today's Celebrities  
Tom Hanks, Bret Michaels  
Ann Rice, Paula Dean, Halle Berry



**If you don't know, ASK!!!**







Dear District Governor,

Congratulations! Your district has qualified to participate in the District and Club Community Impact Grant (DCG) program. You may have recently learned of this new opportunity, which is now available for application. DCGs are provided to clubs and districts from their own contributions to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).

Your district qualifies for the program because your district and the clubs in your district have cumulatively donated US\$23,497.50 to LCIF in the last fiscal year, 2017-2018. This amount does not include any donations from qualifying clubs in your district that may have already opted to utilize their qualifying 15% at the club level. This means that this fiscal year, 2018-2019, you can apply for a DCG to support humanitarian activities in your community in an amount up to, but not exceeding, US\$3,524.63.

Your district's earned funds will be available for this program for 15 years. After 15 years, the opportunity to apply for the 15 percent will expire. To learn more about this exciting new grant program and to apply, visit our website:

<http://www.lcif.org/EN/apply-for-a-grant/club-district-sharing-program.php>

Questions regarding donations or a district's balance of available funds should be directed to Donor Services at [donorassistance@lionsclubs.org](mailto:donorassistance@lionsclubs.org). Applications and grant inquiries should be submitted to New & Emerging Initiatives at [LCIFdistrictandclub@lionsclubs.org](mailto:LCIFdistrictandclub@lionsclubs.org).

Thank you for your support of our Foundation. Together, we can empower Lions to make an impact in communities near and far.

Sincerely,

LCIF



**Lions Clubs International**  
**FOUNDATION**

## Club News and Information

### Upcoming Club Events

#### ????? CLUBS WHERE ARE YOU ?????

Club events are always needed!! Submit via email to: [cwpaws13@gmail.com](mailto:cwpaws13@gmail.com)

#### Grove City Lions Club

Pancake Breakfast—December 8th—7am—Noon—“Purple Door” Methodist Church 2684 Columbus St., Grove City, OH—Pictures with Santa, Vision Screening and Diabetes Screening—Don’t miss it!



#### **WHITEHALL AREA LIONS CLUB THANKS YOU!**

The Whitehall Area Lions Club would like to thank everyone who came out to support their Spaghetti Dinner!! Especially to those who couldn't come but sent the club a donation instead.

Editors note: This is what Lionism is all about!! Being there to support each other in our endeavors to serve and to make this world a better place for everyone!

*Thanks to all the Lions Clubs in District 13-OH5 for ALL YOU DO!! Those who provide information and to those who do not but are still silently working within their communities to make things better for all those in need! You are the BEST!!*

## Tri-Village Lions Hold Membership Outreach Using the Ohio Plan

On September 27, the Tri-Village Lions ran the Ohio Plan for membership recruitment and held a formal outreach event on the evening of, and the location of, our regular meeting. There was a terrific turnout of members and prospective members for the evening, as well as some distinguished guests who came to see how the Tri-Village Lions throw a party! IPDG Joe Jackson, DG Mike Kerek, and 1VDG Jackie Christensen were all in attendance.

After initial introductions were made, we lined up for a terrific buffet supper from the MCL. Several Lions gave short presentations throughout the course of the evening, regarding what Lionism is all about, our service projects, our fundraising projects, and how the money we collect is spent in support of our many philanthropies and activities. Lion Tom Dolbow gave a heartfelt presentation on what being a Lion has meant to him, personally.

Then special guest, Lion Jay Gray from Pilot Dogs, spoke to us about how much the Tri-Village Lions has meant to Pilot Dogs over the years, and shared some personal memories of growing up participating in Tri-Village Lions activities with his father, who was also a Lion and a great friend of our Tri-Village family. That left Lion President Nancy Morrison to talk about her own Lion “heritage,” as her father was a founding member of the Tri-Village Lions and a Past President. It was a perfect blend of letting folks considering membership know that we are a vibrant group of individuals, committed to service, with a long history of fun and fellowship – and a bright future of furthering our work in, and for, our community.

We have already recruited three new members from the evening ... and still courting two more!





# Mayor signs proclamation for Lions

Promotes Medication  
Safety Awareness  
for the Blind day

**TROY** — The Troy Lions Club and the city of Troy have teamed up to promote Medication Safety Awareness for the Blind.

This campaign is an initiative to keep people safe by promoting accessible prescription labels for folks who are blind, visually impaired and print impaired.

Troy Mayor Michael Beamish signed a proclamation indicating "October 10, 2018 as Medication Safety Awareness for the Blind Day in Troy, Ohio and I encourage all Troy citizens to support the efforts of the Lions club in promoting medical safety awareness for the blind."

The Lions are well known for their community service to the blind and visually-impaired. They are currently participating in activities to help spread the word about large print, Braille, and talking prescription label options for people who cannot read their medication labels.

Nationwide, nearly 21 million Americans, many 65 years or older, have low vision or are blind.



Provided photo

**Troy Mayor Michael Beamish presents Lions Club President Steve Kaplan, right, and Lions Club's Campaign Chair Bob Medley, left, with the signed proclamation.**

For these individuals, inability to clearly read a prescription label can result in unnecessary injury or death. Accessible prescription labels can help solve this dangerous dilemma. These labels have become widely available at pharmacies across the US and Canada, but many people are still unaware of these life-saving options. Anyone who has difficulty reading the printed information on a prescription label can request large print or talking labels, depending on the needs of the patient. You do not have to be diagnosed with any specific condition to qualify for this free service.

Troy Lion Bob Medley, who sits on the Lions State Committee for "Sight and Hearing" is

spearheading this campaign.

"A popular option is the talking label. A small electronic tag is attached to the container. This tag contains the same data found on the printed label," Medley said. "A prescription reader then reads the label information out loud. A surprising feature is that these labels and readers are provided at no charge."

Troy Lion President, and local pharmacist Steve Kaplan said, "When Bob brought this campaign to our club's attention, we were immediately all-in. I know that many pharmacies are unaware of programs like this, and their company's policies to provide these services at no charge. We as a Lions Club can act as a patient advocate in

getting their pharmacy to participate."

Anyone needing assistance can contact the Troy Lions Club by calling 335-7345 or emailing [skpk1984@aol.com](mailto:skpk1984@aol.com).

"We are certainly grateful to Mayor Beamish for helping us spread the word of this awareness campaign," Medley said. "He has always been a great supporter of our club and excellent at looking out for the benefit of all Troy residents."

Beamish presented the Lions with the official signed proclamation at a signing ceremony at his office.

The Troy Lions Club is a non-profit community service organization serving Troy, Covington, Piqua, Pleasant Hill, Tipp City, and surrounding areas of Miami County since 1942. Their primary mission is vision health, providing eye exams, eyeglasses, pre-school vision screenings, and recycling used eyeglasses. They also support a hearing aid recycling program, youth projects, and other community programs. For more information see the Lions website at [www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/Troy\\_OH](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/Troy_OH) or Facebook page or call (937) 335-7345.





# State News and Information



## 2019 Ohio Lions Winter Retreat

### 10th Anniversary

January 18, 19, 20, 2019

#### REGISTRATION FORM

MAUMEE BAY STATE PARK RESORT  
OREGON, OH



#### REGISTRATION:

Full registration paid by December 1, 2018 will be \$120.00. Full registrations December 2, 2018-January 3, 2019 will be \$140.00. No registrations will be accepted after January 3, 2019. Make all checks payable to: "THE OHIO LIONS" and specify LIONS WINTER RETREAT in the memo line and return with this registration form to: Ohio Lions, 4074 Hoover Rd., Grove City, OH 43123; Fax: 614-539-5055; Email: [ohiolions@gmail.com](mailto:ohiolions@gmail.com). To use your credit card: go to [www.ohiolions.org](http://www.ohiolions.org) & use PayPal and send your registration form to the address above. **NO CANCELLATIONS WILL BE REFUNDED AFTER JANUARY 4, 2019.**

Please provide an Email address to receive updates on the Winter Retreat! District

This year Saturday night's meal you'll have a choice of chicken or salmon. Please designate choice below. If no item is marked you will be served chicken.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Children's meals available: Total number of children: \_\_\_\_\_ (price per meal to be determined)

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** Please List any special dietary needs required, including the need for a Diabetic Meal.

Registrant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Registrant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Session Facilitators

\_\_\_\_ Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ would help as a session facilitator at the Winter Retreat.

#### HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Hotel reservations must be made through the hotel at <http://www.maumeebaystateparklodge.com> or by phone 1-800-282-7275. Room reservations prior to November 30, 2018, may be made by requesting the Ohio Lions group rate of \$106.00/night plus tax **with 1 to 4 persons per room**. After November 30<sup>th</sup> the room rate may increase. The resort only has a limited number of 95 rooms and may sell out. The State Office will not accept hotel reservations or room deposits.



Check out [www.maumeebaystatepark.com](http://www.maumeebaystatepark.com) for all of the winter events and resort amenities that are offered at the lodge. Make this a family outing!!!





## State Pins

2019 State pins are available at \$2.00 each and may be obtained from Lions Merle Dutt, Lion Pauline Rogers, Lion PDG Eileen Brenner or Lion PDG Karl Cox. A "NEW" design and a "BEAUTIFUL" pin is a "MUST" to add to your collection.



## Lions Club Logo Ohio License Plate Now Available

***On Sale Now!! No need to wait for your renewal!! I've got mine—hope you get yours too. Get up to 6 letters/characters of your choice—subject to BMV approval.***

**Where** - [WWW.OPLATES.COM](http://WWW.OPLATES.COM) or your local Deputy Registrar / BMV

**Details** - Just request the Lions Club Logo License Plate at the BMV or at [WWW.OPLATES.COM](http://WWW.OPLATES.COM). There is a \$25 additional charge for the Lions Club Logo Plate, however \$15 of that charge is a contribution to the Ohio Lions Foundation.

You do not have to wait until your plate needs renewed, you can order the plate now for just the Logo Fee (\$25\*), Service fee (\$3.50\*), New Plate Fee (\$8.25\*) and Postage (\$3.02\*) If also renewing your license plate the Annual Vehicle Renewal Registration Fees apply. \*Costs may vary dues to local taxes Please check [WWW.OPLATES.COM](http://WWW.OPLATES.COM) or your local Deputy Registrar/BMV for the actual cost and fees \*

**Contact** - If you have Questions please contact PDG Joe Jackson, [shoeless-jj71@gmail.com](mailto:shoeless-jj71@gmail.com)

