# **District OH3**

Cabinet Year End Report April, 2022

# Fellow Cabinet Members Lions All



Where to start. So much to discuss to wrap up this year. It's hard to believe that it is spring since it's snowing outside! It may be cold outside but it is warm in the hearts of the Lions of OH3. We began our year with a huge district service project "Rise Against Hunger" and we are concluding our year the same way, packing 1000 boxes for Rainbow Babies and Children Hospital Pediatric Cancer patients. The generosity in this district is heartwarming.

As of the writing of this report, our district is +11 in membership YTD. That is exciting news. You have worked hard to keep our membership numbers positive all year! We have successfully done that since July 1, 2021! That doesn't happen by accident! I'm proud of the effort all Lions are making to bring in new members. Growth is critical to our success, and future as an organization. Don't forget about the \$35 fee to become a member that has been waived until June 30! We still have a few months to use that as a sales tool! The leadership of our GMT Rob Murry and our NAMI (GMA) Champion IPID Steve Thornton has been so inspirational and appreciated. CS GMT Rob has already conducted Membership Coordinator training with the help of GLT Neal Cleaver. Next up is Zone Chair Training on May 7 and officer training and officer training June 4. One Saturday morning in the next 2 months we will also have Guiding Lions training on zoom instructed by Jim Prokop with the help of GLT Neal Cleaver. We have many clubs that can use the help of a Guiding Lion to do some strengthening and rebuilding of clubs. Come to the training and see what it's all about.

I'm still kind of shaking my head in amazement that our district is at 100% service reporting! We are the 2nd district in the state that has achieved this amazing goal. Lots of people have learned to report and others have indicated an inability to do so, for a variety of reasons, and are reporting their service to our District Administrator, Becky Thornton who is inputting their service for them. A big thanks goes out to our previous administrator, Nina Cleaver who helped us reach that finish line with the work she had done for the previous 2.5 years prior to passing the baton to VDG Becky. Our goal is to achieve 100% reporting as a state. This has never been done and I'm certain we'll get there. As a multiple district we are #1 in reporting in all of Constitutional area one! A-M-A-Z-I-N-G!! We'll put Ohio on the map for sure! We are a great team in Ohio. It shows us that working as a team we are so much stronger and got so much accomplished. I so enjoyed being your cheerleader. Make no mistake, you all did the work, I just tried to keep steering the ship in the right direction. We were given this challenge at Winter Retreat and we will work hard to achieve it. GST Josie is helping any way she can also. I am confident that VDG Earl will continue steering the ship and providing inspiration for you in the coming year. And VDG Becky and Mary Ellen in years following.

Currently, we are working so hard to try to charter a new club in Barnesville. We have decided to focus the teams efforts on Barnesville as we feel we have many good contacts established there. We feel we're gaining ground and have regular meetings scheduled every two weeks and are optimistic that it will snowball into 20 new lions ready to start a new club before the end of June. A big part of the future of this club are the Lions that have stepped up to support them in the long term. Nina Cleaver has stepped up as a guiding lion for the club and Adena Lions as the sponsoring club. Both critical components in making this future club feel supported. Service from the heart.

A little about service projects, the heart of Lions. As a district, we began the year executing the Rise Against Hunger project that PDG Josie didn't get to execute at the end of her year because of the on slot of Covid. That afternoon, we packed over 10,000 meals for people that otherwise might not have one in countries all over the world. We then collected items for the Ahuja Center for women and children at UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital. The collection totaled \$1600+ of items they requested. Another successful team effort. Our Toys for Tots Campaign this year brought over \$3000 in combined toys and cash donations. We celebrated with a grateful group of Marines courtesy of Medina Lions. It was a grand celebration and at the helm was our very own Santa PDG Sam Bates from Clayland Lions Club.

Then we went to work to help the tornado ravaged area of Kentucky! I talk all about that later in my report in detail. Some people have asked me to repeat the paragraphs I wrote previously so it is repeated at the end of this

report. We continue our work in Kentucky providing totes of needed items as they begin to rebuild. Where there's a need there's a Lion!

We also had a service project at every cabinet meeting this year from buying school supplies for Doylestown Schools in the fall and most recently providing close to 200 backpacks for foster children to put their belongings in instead of a trash bag in an effort to make them feel valued in an already difficult situation.

Finally, we will be executing a large service project for UH Rainbow Babies and Children Hospital Pediatric Cancer Unit at the end of the district convention. It will result in packing them 1000 boxes of food and craft items that these children with pediatric cancer requested. The value is estimated to be about \$10,000.

Most people know I'm a big believer in corporate sponsors to partner on big projects. I promised my CT that anything "extra" that I wanted to do this year and at convention I would find sponsors to help pay for it. I'm fortunate to live in Wayne County where there are many generous business people that are willing to help. I'm proud to say that I have secured \$15,000 in sponsorship monies throughout this year to support various projects. I need to acknowledge the Serpentini auto group for their generous sponsorship of all projects we do relating to kids. They are a true community partner. They give from the heart with the expectation of nothing but our thanks in return. Service from the heart and a true friend to Lions and all we do.

I will honor the cabinet members who have worked tirelessly this year towards our many goals by hosting a Cabinet Appreciation picnic on June 12 in Doylestown Park. I so look forward to that event as a way to cap off the year and turn over the reins to VDG Earl. Keep up the support and enthusiasm that you have shown me this year for Earl in the coming year. Every governor would be grateful for your support. Like I've said before "You are a Star ingredient in our Recipe for Success"! Following is my account of our trip to Kentucky that was in my last report.

On December 10th, 2021, Kentucky Lions District 43K was forever changed as deadly tornados hit 10 counties in western Kentucky. Once they were able to get phone service back the next day on Saturday December 11 I called District Governor Gary Logan. I went through all my governor training with Gary but we had never met as all of our training was virtual. I was glad to hear his voice and asked "how can Ohio Lions help you?" Our governors group was asked to do a multi district service project as part of our Public Relations grant. Once I spoke to Gary, I talked to my fellow Ohio governors and suggested that we make a push to collect funds for District 43K. They quickly bought into the project and we began marketing the project in each of our districts. Toward the end of January I received an invitation from DG Gary to present our check at an event they were holding January 28-29. International President Doug Alexander was going to be present also. He said I could bring a few guests. I was able to extend invitations to OH2 Gov Kevin and Lion Debbie, OH4 Gov Judy and Council Chair Kerry Parker. DG Chase OH6 made us a great "photo op" check to use for our presentation. Together with Lion Doc and I, we went there and witnessed some of the most grateful Lions I've ever met. One by one they came to our table to thank us for coming. We presented a check for \$23,888.91. Lions jumped up to get a photograph. I will never forget that there among all the Lions clapping, smiling and taking photos was IP Doug smiling and taking photos with his phone like everyone else! IP Doug talks about the moment you knew you were really a Lion, and knew that you made a difference, that was mine, after 10 years of being a Lion. It was truly Service from the Heart.

We toured one of the hardest hit areas and it was a very emotional experience standing in the middle of what used to be their town and trying to understand how all of this destruction could happen in less than a minute. I will never forget what I saw or how it made me feel. Their need will go on for a long time and Ohio Lions will continue to help them. At their event we presented them a check for \$23,888.91! A proud moment for Ohio Lions. And a proud moment for OH3 as almost \$11,000 of that money came from our district.

Yours in Lionism, DG Deb Mosier



## **DISTRICT OH 3 CONVENTION**

# **BUSINESS SESSION – April 23, 2022**

# **AGENDA**

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Ist VDG Earl Kerr

Lion Richard Cole

Roll Call

CS PDG Rob Murry

Secretary's Report

CS PDG Rob Murry

Approval of February 20, 2022, Minutes

Treasurer's Report CT PDG Randy Goff

Approval of March 31, 2022, Financial Statement

# **Zone Chair Reports:**

Zone 1 – Lion Jeffrey Gallagher

Zone 2 – Lion Ed Brown

Zone 3 – Lion Rita Warner

Zone 4 – Lion Lacie Neal

Zone 5 – Lions Jason & Bev Keller

Zone 6 – Lion Ralph Ray Zone 7 – Lion Lois D'Alesio

Zone 8 – Lions Neal & Nina Cleaver

## **State Committee Reports:**

Alert Lion Bill Snyder **Building Trustee** PDG Cindy Palmentera Compliance Lion Gary Cerasi Lion Jim Prokop Constitution & By Laws Finance & Planning PDG Carol Lester Global Leadership Team Lion Neal Cleaver Global Membership Team PDG Rob Murry NAMI Champion **IPID Steve Thornton** Global Service Team PDG Josie Prokop International Convention Lion Mary Ellen Sherer **International Relations** Lion Ada Ahrens

Liaison Liaison Lion Ada Ahrens

Liaison PDG Rob Murry

LCIF PDG Cindy Palm

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Marketing & Communication PDG Dan Lester
Ohio Lions Foundation Lion Jacky Grimm
Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation Lion Nancy Brown

Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation
Ohio Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation
State Convention

Lion James Feils
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Winter Retreat

Lion Connie Leonette

Youth (includes Leos & Peace Poster) Lion James Feils

**District Committee Reports:** 

Akron Children's Hospital Lion Dennis Toth Chaplain Lion Richard Cole

District Administrator Lions Nina Cleaver/2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Becky Thornton

District Convention Lions Bill/Kathy Studenic District Diabetes 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Becky Thornton

G.A.L.E.P.

Information Technology

Lion Randy Nye

Lion Shirley Frazier

Newsletter Editor

Newsletter Editor

Parade of Checks

Pin Trading

Toys for Tots

PDG Neil Bevere

Lion Randy Nye

Lion Shirley Frazier

Lion Keith Gaydosh

Lion Roger Grabowski

PID Steve Sherer

PDG Sam Bates

## <u>Unfinished Business</u>:

New Business:

FY 2023 Election of Officers

Parliamentarian PDG Rob Murry

Parade of Checks

**Election Results** 

Past International President's Comments PIP Jimmy Ross

Past International Director's Comments IPID Steve Thornton

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor's Comments 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Becky Thornton

1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor's Comments 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Earl Kerr
District Governor's Comments DG Deb Mosier

Benediction Lion Richard Cole

Announcement of Upcoming Events:

State Convention – Worthington May 20 – 22, 2022 Cabinet Appreciation Picnic – Doylestown June 12, 2022

# MD 13 OH 3 CABINET MEETING – February 20, 2022 **AGENDA**

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Approval of November 15, 2021, Minutes

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Approval of January 31, 2022, Financial Statement

### Zone Chair Reports

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Zone 3 – Lion Rita Warner (**R**)

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Zone 5 – Lions Jason & Bev Keller (**R**)

Zone 6 – Lion Ralph Ray (**R**) Zone 7 – Lion Lois D'Alesio

Zone 8 – Lions Neal & Nina Cleaver (**R**)

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**International Relations** Lion Ada Ahrens Liaison PDG Lion Rob Murry (R)

PDG Cindy Palmentera **LCIF** Marketing & Communication PDG Dan Lester (R) **Ohio Lions Foundation** Lion Jacky Grimm (R)

Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation Lion Nancy Brown Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation Lion James Feils Ohio Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation Lion Robert Platt (**R**)

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Lions Eye Clinic Program Lion Shirley Frazier
Newsletter Editor Lion Keith Gaydosh

Parade of Checks Lion Roger Grabowski (**R**)

Pin Trading PID Steve Sherer Toys for Tots PDG Sam Bates (**R**)

### **Unfinished Business:**

### New Business:

-- District Convention Update

--2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor 2022-2023

--New Club Development Update

--Report from Council of Governor's Meeting

Council Chair's Comments CC IPDG Kerry Parker

Past International Director's Comments PID Steve Thornton

PID Steve Sherer

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor's Comments 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Becky Thornton

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Cabinet Appreciation Picnic – Doylestown June 12, 2022

# DISTRICT 13 OH3 CABINET MEETING SUNDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2022 OFFICIAL MINUTES

DG Deb Mosier called the third 2021-2022 District 13 OH3 Cabinet meeting to order at 1:00 PM. 1VDG Earl Kerr led the pledge to the flag. Chaplain Rich Cole gave the invocation.

CS PDG Rob Murry took roll call -27 Cabinet members were present with 17 members excused (see listing attached).

Secretary's Report – On a motion by Lion James Feils, seconded by Lion Rich Cole, the minutes from the November 15<sup>th</sup> District 13 OH3 Cabinet meeting were approved. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – CT PDG Randy Goff reported the February 15, 2022, financial statement balance at \$19,264.31.

<u>Cabinet action</u>: On a motion by PID Steve Sherer, seconded by ZC Ralph Ray, the financial statement as of 2/15/2022 was accepted as submitted. <u>Motion carried</u>.

# **ZONE CHAIR REPORTS**

- **Zone 1** ZC Jeff Gallagher's third Zone 1 meeting will be held at 1:00 PM on March 13<sup>th</sup> via Zoom.
- **Zone 2** ZC Ed Brown was absent. No report was submitted.
- **Zone 3** ZC Rita Warner submitted a written report. She also promoted the Parma Hills Raffle drawing to be held on April  $1^{st}$  at 6:00 PM.
- **Zone 4** ZC Lacie Neal was absent. No report was submitted.
- **Zone 5** ZC Bev and ZC Jason Keller were excused and submitted a written report.
- **Zone 6** ZC Ralph Ray submitted a written report. His Zone 6 meeting will be held at 6:00 PM on February 24<sup>th</sup> at Old Towne Tavern in Tuscarawas.
- **Zone 7** ZC Lois D'Alesio was absent. No report was submitted.
- **Zone 8** ZC Neal Cleaver was excused. ZC Neal & ZC Nina submitted a written report.

## **STATE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Alert** – Lion Bill Snyder was excused. The May 2022 State Convention delegates will decide the fate of the State Alert Committee.

# **STATE COMMITTEE REPORTS** (continued)

**Building** – PDG Cindy Palmentera was excused. No report was submitted.

**Compliance** – Lion Gary Cerasi provided a written report listing District OH3 Clubs that are in noncompliance with required IRS and OAG filings. Since he recently retired, Lion Gary offered to help clubs file their IRS 990, OAG, and Unclaimed Funds forms.

Constitution and By-Laws – Lion Jim Prokop submitted a written report. CB&L is working to suggest revisions to the Council of Governor's Policy manual.

Finance and Long-Range Planning – PDG Carol Lester was excused. No report was submitted.

Global Leadership Team – Lion Neal Cleaver was excused. He submitted a written report.

Global Membership Team/ NAMI (North American Membership Initiative) Champion – PDG Rob Murry and PID Steve Thornton submitted a written report. PDG Rob will host a Membership Workshop via zoom on Saturday February 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. He has obtained the <u>Club Membership Chairperson's Guide</u> from LCI (1 for each Club). The GMT team will return to Barnesville on March 2<sup>nd</sup> to continue to work to form a new Club.

**Global Service Team** – State Chair PDG Josie Prokop submitted a written report. She is working with District officials to help ensure that <u>each</u> Club files a Service Activity Report with LCI for at least one service project during the fiscal year (100% Service Reporting !!)

**International Convention** – Lion Mary Ellen Sherer submitted a written report. The 2021-2022 MD 13 State pins are for sale at \$2.00 per pin. The bus trip to the Montreal, Canada for the June 2022 International Convention is on hold until COVID issues at the USA/Canada border improve.

**International Relations** – Lion Ada Ahrens was absent. No report was submitted.

LCIF – PDG Cindy Palmentera was excused. No report was submitted.

Liaison – PDG Rob Murry submitted a written report.

Marketing & Communication – PDG Dan Lester submitted a written report.

Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation – Lion Nancy Brown was excused. No report was submitted.

**Ohio Lions Foundation** – Lion Jacky Grimm was excused and submitted a written report. PDG Dan Lester is the new OLF Executive Secretary. OLF has new mailing address: P.O. Box 470301 North Royalton, OH 44147

**Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation** – Lion James Feils reported the Steps Walk grossed more than \$8,000.

Ohio Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation – Lion Robert Platt was excused and submitted a written report

## **STATE COMMITTEE REPORTS** (continued)

**State Convention** – Lions James Feils reported the Committee will meet later today (February 20<sup>th</sup>) The District will be seeking baskets for the Friday night State Convention raffle.

**Winter Retreat** – Lion Connie Leonette reported that approximately 110 Lions attended the Winter Retreat held on January 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> at Maumee Bay Lodge in Oregon, Ohio. Next year the event venue is at Deer Creek.

**Youth/Peace Poster** – Lion James Feils reported that we are working on Leo Club service projects and LCI reporting.

<u>Cabinet action</u>: On a motion by PID Steve Thornton, seconded by PDG Randy Goff, the **State Committee** reports were accepted. <u>Motion carried</u>.

### DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Akron Children's Hospital** – Lion Dennis Toth reported the ACU Diabetes Camp will be held this year the week of June 6<sup>th</sup>.for five nights

**District Administrator** – Lion Nina Cleaver submitted a written report. She will help contact the Clubs to help them report their membership and service activities.

District Convention - Lions Bill & Kathy Studenic submitted a written report

**District Diabetes** – 2VDG Becky Thornton submitted a written report.

**G.A.L.E.P.** – PDG Neil Bevere provided a brochure explaining GALEP's services including hearing aids and cataract surgery.

**IPDG** – IPDG Terry Snyder was excused and did not submit a written report.

**Information & Technology** – Lion Randy Nye submitted a written report

**Lions Eye Clinic Program** – Lion Shirley Frazier was excused. No report was submitted.

**Newsletter Editor** – Lion Keith Gaydosh was excused. The monthly newsletter is his report.

**Parade of Checks** – Lion Roger Grabowski submitted a written report describing the various Lions causes.

**Pins Sales/Trading** – PID Steve Sherer provided a verbal report.

<u>Cabinet action</u>: On a motion by PDG Dan Lester, seconded by PDG Josie Prokop, the District authorized purchase of the 2022-2023 District pins. <u>Motion carried</u>.

**Toys for Tots** – PDG "Santa" Sam Bates submitted a written report. PDG Sam is requesting each Club designate a Toys for Tots Chair to facilitate organization and communication.

<u>Cabinet action</u>: On a motion by Lion Rich Cole, seconded by Lion Gary Cerasi, **the District Committee**Reports were accepted as submitted. <u>Motion carried</u>.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

<u>PDG Association</u> – President Neil Bevere announced that CC Kerry Parker wants to meet briefly with the PDG Association after today's Cabinet meeting.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>New Club Development Update</u> – See GMT Report for details.

**2ndVDG Update** – The District Officers are working on a candidate.

District Convention – Each Club is asked to bring its banner, and a raffle basket. In addition, if applicable, each Club should notify the convention chairs of anyone who should be remembered at the Memorial service.

<u>News from Council of Governors (COG) February 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting</u> – DG Deb Mosier provided an update on significant actions items from the COG meeting.

The audit of FY 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 is ongoing. The final report is due by the State Convention in May.

The May 2022 State Convention delegates will decide if the Alert Committee will be eliminated as a State Committee.

### **REMARKS**

**Council Chair Kerry Parker** – CC Kerry congratulated our District on the plus in membership and our donations to the Kentucky Tornado relief effort. Over 2,200 Kentucky homes were destroyed in the tornado.

She will meet with our District PDGs after the Cabinet meeting.

**PID Steve Thornton** – PID Steve reminded the Cabinet of his membership challenge at the first Cabinet meeting.

**PID Steve Sherer** – PID Steve gave his regrets that he and Mary Ellen will be unable to attend our District Convention in April. He has accepted a speaking engagement for MD22.

**2VDG Becky Thornton** – 2VDG Becky is proud of the challenging work accomplished to date for the District and our Clubs.

**1VDG Earl Kerr** – 1VDG Earl is working on next year's Cabinet. He encouraged each Club to get their officers elected and reported on the LCI website.

**DG Deb Mosier** – DG Deb showed the Cabinet the boxes for the District Convention Service Project (\$5,000 donation towards project). The 1,000 boxes will hold food and crafts/games for the children with Pediatric Cancer at the Rainbow Babies and Children's' Hospital in Cleveland. All the food boxes are sponsored by Serpentini Chevy. Some larger & medium sized clubs are asked to sponsor purchase of games/crafts packages for children aged 8+ years old and children aged < 8 years old. All other clubs are welcome to provide a cash gift to go to Rainbow Babies.

She thanked Lions Kay Kerr and Jim Prokop for their assistance to serve our lunches.

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Cabinet Appreciation Picnic - Doylestown June 12, 2022

On a motion by Lion James Feils, the District 13 OH3 Cabinet meeting was adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Chaplain Rich Cole gave the Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

PDG Rob J. Murry, CS

MD 13 Ohio Lions District 13 OH3

# 2021-2022 DISTRICT 13 OH3 CABINET MEETINGS RESERVATIONS

Office	First Name	Last Name	February 20th	
Council Chair	Kerry	Parker	2	COMP
Executive Officers				
1 DG	Deb	Mosier	1	\$ 15.00
2 1VG	Earl	Kerr	3	\$ 45.00
3 2VG	Becky	Thornton	1	\$ 15.00
4 CS	Rob	Murry	1	\$ 15.00
5 CT	Randy	Goff	1	\$ 15.00
Zone Chairs				
6 ZC 1	Jeffrey	Gallagher	1	\$ 15.00
7 ZC 2	Ed	Brown	Excused	
8 ZC 3	Rita	Warner	1	\$ 15.00
9 ZC 4	Lacie	Neal		
10 ZC 5	Bev	Keller	Excused	
11 ZC 5	Jason	Keller	Excused	
12 ZC 6	Ralph	Ray	1	\$ 15.00
13 ZC 7	Lois	D'Alesio	Excused	
14 ZC 8	Neal	Cleaver	Excused	
15 ZC 8	Nina	Cleaver	1	\$ 15.00
State Committees				
16 Alert	Bill	Snyder	Excused	
17 Building	Cindy	Palmentera	Excused	
18 Compliance	Gary	Cerasi	1	\$ 15.00
19 Constitution & Bylaws	Jim	Prokop	1	\$ 15.00
20 F&P	Carol	Lester	Excused	
GLT	Neal	Cleaver		
GMT	Rob	Murry		
21 IPDG	Terry	Snyder	Excused	
22 NAMI Champion	Steve	Thornton	1	\$ 15.00
23 GST	Josie	Prokop	1	\$ 15.00
24 International Convention	Mary Ellen	Sherer	1	\$ 15.00
25 International Relations	Ada	Ahrens		
LCIF	Cindy	Palmentera		
Liaison	Rob	Murry		
26 Marketing & Communication	Dan	Lester	1	\$ 15.00
27 OLERF	Nancy	Brown	Excused	
28 OLF	Jacky	Grimm	Excused	
29 OLPCF (Pediatric Cancer)	James	Feils	1	\$ 15.00
30 OLSHF (Sight & Hearing)	Robert	Platt	Excused	
State Convention	James	Feils		
31 Winter Retreat	Connie	Leonette	1	\$ 15.00
Youth	James	Feils		

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36   IT - Webmaster	Diabetes	Becky	Thornton	
37 Lion Tamer	District Administrator	Nina	Cleaver	
38 Newsletter Editor         Keith         Gaydosh           39 Parade of Checks         Roger         Grabowski         2 \$ 30.00           Parliamentarian         Becky         Thornton           40 Pin Chairman         Steve         Sherer         1 \$ 15.00           41 Tail Twister         Doc         Mosier         1 \$ 15.00           42 Toys for Tots         Sam         Bates         1 \$ 15.00           Past District Governors         31 960-1961         Bob         Bodager           44 1991-1992; 1995-1996         Karl         Bowers	36 IT - Webmaster	Randy	Nye	1 \$ 15.00
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# DISTRICT 13 OH3 CABINET MEETING SERVICE PROJECT FEBRUARY 20, 2022

**LOCATION**: Gene Daniel Community Center

470 Park Dr., Doylestown, OH 44230

**SERVICE PROJECT**: Backpacks for Foster Children

**COORDINATING** 

**AGENCIES:** The Christian Children's Home of Ohio, Family

Services (state agency) and Village Network

(formerly Boy's Village).

**NEED**: The backpacks are intended to be given to **foster children** as they

transition from one home environment to another, which historically results in them packing all their possessions in a trash bag for transport. The backpacks will be large enough to manage seven

changes of clothes with more dignity than a trash bag.

**HOW YOU CAN HELP:** We have sourced wholesale backpacks for <u>\$5.25</u> each.

DONATIONS RECEIVED AT CABINET MEETING -- \$888.25 or 168 backpacks!! Wayne County Children's Services, Holmes County Children's Services and Christian Children's Home each received 56 backpacks.

# **ELECTIONS**

There shall be voted on and elected the following:

2022 - 2023	District Governor
2022 - 2023	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor
2022 - 2023	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor
2022 - 2025	Finance & Long-Range Planning Representative
2022 - 2025	Ohio Lions Foundation Trustee
2022 - 2025	Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation Trustee
2022 - 2025	Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation Trustee
2022 - 2025	Ohio Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation Trustee

There shall be allowed one (1) nomination speech, not to exceed four (5) minutes and no more than two (2) seconding speeches, not to exceed two (2) minutes each.

Voting shall be by secret ballot. Ballots shall be distributed to each registered delegate as herein before provided. A club may receive only as many ballots as it has registered delegates on the convention floor at the time ballots are distributed. Past District Governors are at-large delegates and do not count against the club delegate total.

When two or more nominations are placed in nomination, the name receiving the simple majority of the votes cast by the registered delegates and voting at the District Convention shall be elected.

If, on the first ballot, no candidate receives the majority, the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes shall be eliminated, and balloting shall continue until one candidate receives a majority.

The Rules of Debate and Procedure shall be Roberts' Rules of Order where not specifically covered by the MD 13 Constitution and By-Laws Rules or Order or by the rules herein set forth.

# **PARLIMENTARY PROCEDURE**

Certain rules of order must be followed in the conduct of orderly meetings in a democratic society. The following guide provides some of the knowledge necessary for delegates to carry out their wishes in an effective manner.

Business is introduced by means of motions.

1. **MAIN MOTION** is a proposition that something must be dale, or that something is the sense, opinion, or wish of the assembly. Therefore, its purpose is to introduce a subject to the assembly for its consideration and action.

There are two types:

- 1. A motion to take action.
- 2. A resolution to express an opinion or outline a policy.

For example:

- 1. "Mr. Chairman, I move that we..."
- 2. "Mr. Chairman, I move to adopt the following resolution. Resolved that the ..."
- 2. **RECOGNITION MUST BE GAINED** before a motion can be made.
  - A. Rise and wait to be recognized.
  - B. When recognized, give:
  - 1. Your full name
  - 2. Your club
  - 3. Your purpose for speaking:
    - a. proposing a motion
    - b. speaking for the motion
    - c. speaking against the motion, etc...

WHEN A DELEGATE IS RECOGNIZED for the purpose of making a motion, he/she should move the motion in its proper form and have a delegate ready to be recognized to second the motion.

3. **DISCUSSION** of the motion can now begin at the discretion of the chair. The mover is entitled to the floor first to discuss his/her motion.

Be brief and to the point. TIME LIMITS WILL BE SET AND ENFORCED.

- 4. **THE QUESTION IS PUT TO A VOTE** when the discussion is concluded or shut off by delegate action.
- 5. **MOTIONS MAY BE AMENDED.** A primary amendment must relate (be germane) to the Main Motion. Any number of primary amendments may be made, but only one at a time. Each must be seconded and voted upon before another is offered. The purpose of a primary amendment is to modify or perfect the main motion.

For example: "I move to amend by..."

- 1. "Adding" a word, phrase, sentence, etc... to the end of the sentence, paragraph, or resolution.
- 2. "Inserting" between words, sentences or paragraphs.
- 3. "Striking out" words, sentences, etc... which are consecutive.
- 4. "Striking out and inserting" words and sentences.
- 5. "Substituting" an entirely new motion or resolution for the original.
- 6. **MOTIONS TO AMEND MAY BE AMENDED.** A secondary amendment must refer to the amendment only. (If it refers to the main motion, it will be ruled out of order and must wait its turn until the pending primary amendment is adopted or lost). The purpose of this amendment is to modify or perfect the primary amendment.

For example: "I move to amend the amendment..."

- **7. A CALL FOR THE PREVIOUS QUESTION** applies only to the immediately pending question.
- **8. PRIVILEGED MOTIONS HAVE** no direct bearing on pending business but pertains to special matters of immediate importance to members of the delegate body.

The five privileged motions are as follows:

- 1. Fix the time to which to adjourn.
- 2. Adjourn
- 3. Recess
- 4. Raise a question of privilege.
- 5. Call for the orders of the day.

The top three motions often assume the role of a Main Motion, in which case they take its—rank and are debatable, whereas as privileged motions they retain their high rank and are undebatable.

Questions or privilege should relate to the rights and privileges generally relate to the following subjects: The delegates' safety, health, integrity or protection of their property.

**9. INCIDENTAL MOTIONS** in parliamentary procedures are so called because they are "incidental to" or "arise out of, or a motion on which they have a bearing. They are in order only when they logically pertain to any motion before the assembly.

A point of order is raised when there is a violation of the rules of order, standing rules, or generally any violation occurring during the proceedings, as when a delegate is not speaking on the motion before the assembly.

A parliamentary inquiry is properly used when a delegate rises to ask for information on parliamentary procedure, such as, "Is an amendment to the motion now in order?"

A question of information is used when it is desired to ask a question on the contents or the merits of the motion itself.

For example: "How much will it cost?"

Other examples include:

- 1. Appeal from a decision of the Chair
- 2. Suspend the rules
- 3. Choose the method of voting
- 4. Division of the assembly.

# **RULES OF ORDER**

- 1. Each club in good standing on the first day of any convention of District 13 OH3 shall be entitled to one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate for every ten of its members, or major fraction thereof, five (5) being considered a major fraction. Membership shall be as shown by the records of the International Association office as of the first day of the month second last preceding the month during which the convention is held.
- 2. Each Past District Governor who is a member in good standing of a club in District 13 OH3 on the first day of any convention of District 13 OH3 shall be considered a Delegate-At-Large, irrespective and exclusive of any Delegate quota of their respective club.
- 3. Selection of each Delegate and Alternate shall be evidenced by a certificate signed by the President or Secretary of each club.
- 4. No club shall be considered in good standing if, at the time of the convention, it has failed to make payments of all indebtedness to the International Association, the Multiple District and the District.
- 5. Only registered Delegates with certified credentials, and present, shall be entitled to vote, and each delegate may cast one vote at each election and on every question submitted to the convention.
- 6. Only registered Delegates with certified credentials shall be entitled to make motions, seconds and nominations.
- 7. In the absence of the certified Delegate a certified Alternate may be seated with all rights of the Delegate.
- 8. A majority of the registered Delegates with certified credentials present at any meeting shall constitute a quorum.
- 9. The flag of the United States of America and the Emblem of Lions International shall be prominently displayed at all convention sessions.
- 10. All resolutions, regulations, rules, reports of committees, communications to the District Convention, and all motions except such as are known to parliamentary practice as "undebatable" may be debated from the floor before final action is taken on them, unless by a two-thirds vote the convention decides to dispose of them without debate.
- 11. In debate, each Delegate has the right to speak twice on the same question on the same day, except on appeal, but cannot speak the second time as long as any Delegate, who has not spoken before on that question, desires the floor.
- 12. No Delegate shall speak longer than five (5) minutes at a time, except as provided in the order of the day, or by a majority vote of Delegates.
- 13. In questions not covered by these rules, Roberts Rules of Order shall prevail.

District OH3 2021-2022 Budget	_	get Projection 17,598.51		uly 1- March 31 Actual Activity		ear to Date Cash Balance March 31,2022
	\$	17,096.51	Ф	17,598.51	\$	17,598.51
Less Designated Monies	Φ.	0.077.00	Φ.	0.077.00	Φ.	0.077.00
Alert Program	\$	2,677.29	\$	2,677.29	\$	2,677.29
PDG Association	\$	170.00	\$	170.00	\$	170.00
District Convention	<u>\$</u> \$	4,000.00	\$	4,000.00	\$	4,000.00
Total	\$	6,847.29	\$	6,847.29	\$	6,847.29
DISTRICT INCOME SOURCES	\$	10,751.22	\$	10,751.22	\$	10,751.22
Club Dues (1365 x \$14.00) full year	\$	19,110.00	\$	18,486.00	\$	18,486.00
Club dues overpayment			\$	82.20	\$	82.20
Convention Assessments (1365 x \$1.00)	\$	1,365.00	\$	1,366.00	\$	1,366.00
GST Grant	\$	500.00				
GAT Success Grant	\$	500.00				
GLT Grant Zone Chair. Training(did not receive grant)	\$	500.00				
Steps Walk Donations	\$	5,000.00	\$	8,339.69	\$	8,339.69
Cabinet Meeting Meals	\$	390.00	\$	860.00	\$	860.00
Tailtwisting/Raffles	\$	300.00	\$	277.50	\$	277.50
District Series Pins (150 x \$2.00)+ 50 pins gifted	\$	300.00	\$	200.00	\$	200.00
Return of District Convention Seed Money	\$	1,500.00				
PDG Association			\$	115.00	\$	115.00
District Directory ( Gov. Reimbursement. To District )			\$	226.86	\$	226.86
District Convention Sponsor Donations			\$	4,000.00	\$	4,000.00
Mayfield Kentucky Tornado			\$	1,114.86	\$	1,114.86
LCI Membership Grant			\$	564.96	\$	564.96
Toys for Tots			\$	2,210.00	\$	2,210.00
LCIF Raffle			\$	1,600.00	\$	1,600.00
District Convention Rainbow Project			\$	6,923.33	\$	6,923.33
Zone 3 Hat and Glove Project			\$	150.00	\$	150.00
Backpack Project			\$	888.25	\$	888.25
Convention Registrations/Meals			\$	3,842.00	\$	3,842.00
Total	\$	29,465.00	\$	51,246.65		51,246.65
TOTAL DISTRICT FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$	40,216.22	\$	61,997.87	\$	61,997.87
STATE DUES EXPENSES	]					
STATE COUNCIL FUND (1,365*2.46) Full Year	\$	3,357.90	\$	3,356.67	\$	3,356.67
STATE OPERATIONS FUND (1,365*\$8.30)Full Year	\$	11,329.50	\$	11,325.35	\$	11,325.35
STATE RESTRICTED FUND (1,365*\$1.28)Full Year	\$	1,747.20	\$	1,746.56	\$	1,746.56
STATE INTL CONVEN. FUND (1,365*\$.12)Full Year	\$	163.80	\$	163.74	\$	163.74
Total State Expense To District	\$	16,598.40	\$	16,592.32	\$	16,592.32
Amount Available For District Expenses	\$	23,617.82	\$	45,405.55	\$	45,405.55

DISTRICT OH3 OPERATING EXPENSES	7					
Treasurer - Postage & Mailing	\$	20.00				
Treasurer- CS CT Bonding	\$	40.00	\$	20.00	\$	20.00
Bank/Paypal Processing Charges	\$	60.00	\$	10.00	\$	10.00
District Directory (Actual (\$ 766.80)	\$	550.00	\$	766.80	\$	766.80
Cabinet Name Tags	\$	150.00	\$	162.94	\$	162.94
Secretary - Postage & Mailing	\$	20.00	Ψ	102.04	Ψ	102.04
Survey Monkey	\$	200.00				
Zoom Expense	\$	119.72	\$	119.72	\$	119.72
GMT,GLT, GST and District Committee Expense	\$	1,000.00	Ψ	110.72	Ψ	110.72
DG Expenses	\$	400.00				
1st VDG & 2nd VDG expenses	\$	500.00				
LCI Membership Grant expenses	Ψ	300.00	\$	956.94	\$	956.94
Zone Chairs expenses	\$	200.00	Φ	930.94	Φ	930.94
ALL ABOVE DISTRICT OFFICE & COMMITTEE	٦	200.00				
EXPENSES REQUIRE DG PRIOR APPROVAL						
EXPENSES REQUIRE DO FRIOR APPROVAL						
Balance from Lions Int. Prior Year			\$	104.70	\$	104.70
Secretary of State Forms #521 & #522			\$	50.00	\$	50.00
PDG Association Expense						
Cabinet Meeting Meals/exp.	\$	390.00	\$	862.48	\$	862.48
2021-2022 District OLF Series Pins 200 pcs.	\$	320.00	\$	320.00	\$	320.00
2021-22 District Governor Pins ( Gov. paid \$140 of \$660)	\$	520.00	\$	520.00	\$	520.00
Cabinet Meetings Comp Meals (council chair & travel	\$	40.00	\$	30.00	\$	30.00
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State Convention Hospitality Room	\$	100.00	Φ	0.000.00	<b>ው</b>	0.000.00
Steps Walk Expense			\$	8,339.69	\$	8,339.69
GLT Expense			Φ	4 44 4 00	Φ	4 44 4 00
Mayfield Kentucky Tornado			\$	1,114.86	\$	1,114.86
Toys for Tots			\$	2,210.00	\$	2,210.00
LCIF Raffle less \$500.00 gift card			\$	1,100.00	\$	1,100.00
LCIF Gift Card			\$	500.00	\$	500.00
District Convention Mailing			\$	46.80	\$	46.80
Zone 3 Hat and Glove Project			\$	150.00	\$	150.00
Backpack Project			\$	924.00	\$	924.00
Rainbow Project Expenses			\$	1,093.21	\$	1,093.21
District Convention Expenses to Date			\$	2,566.67	\$	2,566.67
LCIF Campaign 100 Donation			\$	200.00	\$	200.00
Tallmadge Lions Dues Overpayment 1st half			\$	82.20	\$	82.20
Total	\$	4,629.72	\$	22,251.01	\$	22,251.01
Transfers to District Convention Budget	٦ ٔ	.,	•	,,	•	,
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Transfer District Convention Seed Money	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00
Transfer to Convention Budget District Awards	\$	500.00				
Transfer to Convention Budget \$1 Dues x 1,365	\$	1,365.00				
members	•	400.00				
Transfer to Convention Budget Peace Poster	\$	100.00				
Contest Winner	_					
Transfer to Convention Budget Peace Poster	\$	90.00				
Convention Meals \$18.00 PP X 5 people						
Poster Framing Charges	\$	35.00				
TOTAL	\$	3,590.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00
Total District Expenses	\$	8,219.72	\$	23,751.01	\$	23,751.01
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Ending District Balance Portion	\$	15,398.10	\$	21,539.54		21,539.54
Designated Monies Totals	\$	6,847.29	\$	6,962.29		6,962.29
Total Funds	\$	22,245.39	\$	28,501.83	\$	28,501.83

# 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Earl Kerr's Cabinet Report Cabinet Meeting, April 23, 2022

This report is a summary of my learning curve as a Lion these past two years. That curve started ever-so-slowly rising as I served as 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG and then the past few months have seen the curve go vertical.

My entry into candidacy for 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG was not only not my idea, but I seriously resisted. Fortunately for me, some Lions I know and trust convinced me that I should take on the task. The year as 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG was uneventful, but an excellent time for me to acclimate to the job. Early in my membership as a Lion, I had attended Zone Meetings and District and State Conventions with regularity. Quite a few years ago, I even served on five Governor's Cabinets as District Newsletter Editor and as a Zone Chair. But for the immediate past 10 years or so, I had lost my connection with things Lion outside of my local club.

It took the whole year of 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG to get reintroduced to the world of Lions I had forgotten about. Note that I have been a Lion for 28 years. Then I began my year as 1<sup>st</sup> VDG. And the training kicked in! It seemed like every week I was getting a Zoom invitation to some kind of training or other. Then LCI kicked training into high gear. The massive amount of training LCI puts their 1<sup>st</sup> VDGs through astounds me. I still have eight hours of virtual classes to make-up that I missed while on a mission trip. I also decided to attend Regional Lions Leadership Institute and took the many classes at the Winter Retreat. Both were my first such in-house Lions training experiences. At the Retreat, I missed a few classes I really wanted to take because I was pulled aside for sessions about duties I had no idea were about to be mine.

The high point of this past year for me has been our effort to start a new Lions Club in Barnesville. It has been an uphill battle and I have learned a great deal about birthing a club. But I am still hopeful that we will succeed and I'm looking forward to starting more clubs next year.

All the learning noted above has convinced me of one thing: I now know that there is a lot more I don't know. And I have discovered that there is a surprise-a-day as the district, multiple-district and LCI introduce me to things I have to do that no one warned me about. But I'm not complaining, even though it sounds like I am. I am now looking forward to visiting all 53 clubs in the district in the coming year. It has been a fascinating journey and I look forward to what the next year will bring.

### 2021-2022 PARADE OF CHECK RECIPIENTS

- 1. Greater Akron Lions Eyecare Program (GALEP) Checks should be made **payable to:** 
  - a. GALEP
- 2. International Relations Committee

Checks should be made payable to:

- a. International Relations
- 3. Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF)

Checks should be made payable to:

- a. LCIF
- 4. Lions Eye Program, Inc.

Checks should be made payable to:

- a. Lions Eye Program, Inc.
- b. Lions Eye Program Endowment Fund
- 5. Lions Hearing Aid Program

Checks should be made payable to:

- a. Lions Hearing Aid Program
- 6. Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation (OLERF)

Checks should be made payable to:

- a. OLERF Eye Research (general research)
- b. OLERF Bryan Fund (Diabetes Research)
- c. OLERF Neiderhauser Fund (Age Related Macular Degeneration Research)
- d. OLERF Fellowship (research by graduate students)
- 7. Ohio Lions Foundation

Checks should be made payable to:

- a. Ohio Lions Foundation
- b. Ohio Lions Foundation Coffey Fund
- 8. Sight & Hearing Committee

Checks should be made payable to:

- a. Sight & Hearing
- b. Pilot Dogs
- c. Sight and Hearing Foundation
- 9. Camp Echoing Hills

Checks should be made payable to:

- a. Camp Echoing Hills
- 10. Akron Children's Hospital Diabetes Program

Checks should be made payable to:

- a. Akron Children's Hospital Diabetes Program
- 11. Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation

Checks should be made payable to:

a. Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation

# murry@roadrunner.com

From: dtoth3@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, February 16, 2022 7:23 PM

**To:** murry@roadrunner.com

**Subject:** Fwd: LIONS PROJECT FOR CHILDDRENS HOSPITAL

Good News! Camp will take place the week of June 6th.

**Dennis** 

----Original Message-----

From: Syx, Machelle <MSyx@akronchildrens.org>

To: Hollingsworth, Brian <br/>
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Hollingsworth@akronchildrens.org>; dtoth3@aol.com <dtoth3@aol.com>

Sent: Wed, Feb 16, 2022 7:16 pm

Subject: RE: LIONS PROJECT FOR CHILDDRENS HOSPITAL

Dennis,

Hope this email finds you well! I have some great news to share. We will be hosting our camp again in 2022!!! The camp will take place the week of June 6<sup>th</sup>. The camp will once again include patients aged 9-14 and it will be a 5-day overnight camp at Camp Y-Noah. Please let me know if there is any additional information that I can share.

Have a great evening and thanks for all that you do! Machelle Syx, CFRE, MAOM Director, Corporate Alliances and Special Events Akron Children's Hospital <a href="mayx@akronchildrens.org">msyx@akronchildrens.org</a> (330) 801-2252

From: Hollingsworth, Brian <bhollingsworth@akronchildrens.org>

Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 1:31 PM

To: dtoth3@aol.com

Cc: Syx, Machelle <MSyx@akronchildrens.org>

Subject: RE: LIONS PROJECT FOR CHILDDRENS HOSPITAL

Hi Dennis.

I hope things are well with you also!

I will not be your contact person but my colleague Machelle Syx will follow up with you at some point regarding your contact.

I have reached out to the team that works on the Diabetes Camp to see about information for the 2022 camp (and whether or not it is happening this year), and either Machelle or I will get back to you.

Thank you for all that you and your fellow Lions do for the kids at Akron Children's Hospital.

Be in touch soon and best wishes.

Brian

### **Brian Hollingsworth**

Senior Major Gifts Officer / Project Manager

District 13 OH 3 Building Trustee PDG Cindy Palmentera 9950 Abbey Road North Royalton, OH 44133 (440) 212-9538 Bareftn813@aol.com

April 23, 2022

District Governor Deb,

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the OH 3 Building Trustee for the Lions State Office Building. It has been an honor to serve.

The Ohio Lions Building Trustees met for their fourth quarterly meeting of the 2021-22 Lions year on April 20, 2022 at the State Office Building.

Window replacement on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor window have been completed during this year.

The old awnings have been replaced. The building is looking great.

The moving of the "large lawn area" of the building has been taken care of by the Grove City Noon Lions as a club service project last year at no cost to the Ohio Lions. We have approached the Grove City Lions and asked that they again offer this service for this coming season.

One of our goals is to strive to maintain the Lions State Office Building as a well maintained building and in good repair for both the Ohio Lions and our tenant. This can go a long way to provide a proud location for all to conduct business and welcome guests and customers.

The Building Trustees will continue to diligently serve the Lions of Ohio. We do our utmost to operate and maintain the Ohio Lions State Office Building in a responsible manner. As chair of the Building Trustees, I truly appreciate each trustee's input and dedication to the elected task of overseeing the Ohio Lions State Office Building.

If there are any questions please contact me.

Sincerely, PDG Cindy Palmentera

# murry@roadrunner.com

**To:** PDG Rob Murry (murry@roadrunner.com)

**Subject:** URGENT -- District 13 OH3 February 20th Cabinet Meeting RESERVATIONS & REPORTS

**DEADLINES** 

**From:** James Prokop iprokop@bereaschools.org>

Sent: Thursday, February 17, 2022 6:22 PM

**To:** PDG Rob Murry <murry@roadrunner.com>

Subject: Re: URGENT -- District 13 OH3 February 20th Cabinet Meeting

**RESERVATIONS & REPORTS DEADLINES** 

# **Constitution & By-Laws Report**

Continuing to amend and align the Constitution and Policy Manual. Finalizing these changes in time for approval before the State Convention. If the ballot issue of eliminating the State Alert Committee passes, then those passages will be worked on.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Jim Prokop

Dear DG Deb,

There will be a STRIDES walk at the district convention at 11am on Saturday.

The donations will go to the Akron Children's Hospital Diabetes Camp.

The walk will take place outside unless the weather prohibits.

Sincerely,

2VDG Lion Becky Thornton



# We're taking steps to fight diabetes.

Join our community event.

# **Strides For Diabetes Awareness**

You can help make a big difference. Join us!

Contact your local Lions Club:

www.lionsclubs.org



# Lions Club District 3 Cabinet Meeting Report Convention Committee, Bill & Kathy Studenic Co-chairmen February 20, 2022

The District 3 2022 Convention will be held on April 22-24, 2022 at the Greystone Event Center in Wooster. (50 Riffel Road, Wooster, OH 44691) The Convention Hotel is the Holiday Inn Express and Suites (128 Riffel Road, Wooster, OH 44691) located immediately adjacent to the Convention Center. Hotel rooms may be reserved by calling the hotel directly at 330-601-1221 (mention OH3 to receive the preferred rate) or on the District website.

Rooms with 1 king bed or 2 queen beds may be reserved for Friday or Saturday evenings (\$99.00 plus tax per night) at the Convention Hotel (Holiday Inn Express). Cut off date for this pricing is April 1<sup>st</sup>.

A Convention Invitation, Convention Official Call letter, Convention Reservation Form, Hotel Reservation Information, Convention Schedules, and Convention Delegate Registration Form were mailed to all Club Secretaries. A Memorial Service Notice and Memorial Service Information Page were e-mailed to all Club Secretaries.

#### Due dates are as follows:

Convention Hotel Reservations—April 1, 2022 Convention Reservation—April 1, 2022 Convention Delegate Registration Form—April 12, 2022 Memorial Service Information Form—March 31, 2022

### Highlights of the Convention include:

- PIP Jimmy Ross will be the featured speaker at the Grand Banquet and a question/answer session
- Strides Walk for Diabetes will occur on Saturday morning in the adjacent neighborhood
- The Service Project on Sunday Morning will assemble 1,000 Snack and Crafts Boxes for the Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital Pediatric Cancer Unit.
- Parade of Checks and Elections will take place during the Saturday morning Business Meeting
- Necrology/Memorial Service on Sunday Morning to remember our deceased Lions
- Unplugged Country Music Concert by JC Anderson Band from Nashville, TN following the Friday Barbeque Buffet
- Several Raffles, including 50/50 Raffles, Silent Auction, and Chinese Auction Basket Raffle

<sup>\*</sup>All Clubs are requested to submit a Raffle Basket for our Basket Raffle!\*



PDG Lion Carol Lester Finance & Long Range Planning 5543 Breckswood Oval Broadview Heights, OH 44147 <u>cslester1224@gmail.com</u> 440-838-4503

April, 2022

The Finance & Long-Range Planning Committee (F&LRP) met quarterly in 2021-2022. The Committee reviewed all Q2 2021-2022 Financial Reports. All were in found to be in order.

We also reviewed our terms as Representatives for our Districts. My term as district 13-OH3 expires 06/30/2022. I have reached my two-term limit maximum. I will be stepping off the committee this year. It has been both an honor and pleasure serving as the District 13-OH3 Finance Representative. My thanks to the District for having put your trust and faith in me. I look forward to serving again in the future.

Thank you,

PDG Lion Carol Lester Finance & Long-Range Planning Rep



District Governor Deb Mosier

13 OH 3 Cabinet

Our efforts to add new clubs to our district has had its ups and downs. We started in Strongsville, making two days of in person visits to businesses, community leaders and government officials. Emails and social media notices were sent. We held four informational meetings on four different days of the weeks. A grand total of zero people attended those meetings.

At the same time, we were contacting people in Barnesville and had one meeting in November. Since then, we have had several more meetings and have had good feedback and enthusiasm. More meetings are planned and the success of this effort appears to be moving forward. Several community leaders and business leaders have indicated they will join the new club.

Thanks to those Lions who planned and/or attended some or all of the meetings. Those include DG Deb and Doc Mosier, VG Earl Kerr, VG Becky Thornton, ZC Neal and Nina Cleaver, PDG Rob Murry, Lion Laura Konkoleski and Lion Bill Ralston.

Respectfully submitted,
IPID Steve Thornton
Global Membership Approach



# DISTRICT 13 OH 3 GMT REPORT CABINET MEETING – APRIL 23, 2022

District DG Deb, District Officers and Cabinet Members,

Our current membership as of 4/16/2022 - 1,376 = +11

We have 53 Clubs with 24 clubs with less than 20 members – 45%

We have 19 Certified Guiding Lions

# 1) The MD 13 Global Membership Team

The Committee has shared each District's progress to recruit and retain members for 2021-2022. The premise is to use "Just Ask," the Ohio Plan, GMA and other resources to generate new members. We stressed the importance of integrating service opportunities (GST) to attract new members rather than solely inviting new members to attend a meeting.

# 2) GMT Areas for New Club extension: See GMA IPID Steve Thornton's report.

# 3) Club Membership Chair Training:

As our District's Global Membership Team (GMT) leader, I presented important membership growth information with our Club Membership Chairs and Club Presidents during an hour via Zoom meeting on Saturday February 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. Eleven Lions attended the workshop.

Each Club Membership Chair or Club President received a printed guide from LCI that was distributed through your Zone Chair.

Topics for the seminar included:

- 1) The Team Approach to Membership
- 2) Specific Responsibilities of the Club Membership Chair
- 3) Membership Recruitment Best Practices
- 4) Orientation Stopping the Revolving Door in our Clubs.

Special Thanks to Global Leadership Team (GLT) leader Neal Cleaver who set up the Zoom meeting for our workshop.

Respectfully submitted,

PDG Rob Murry,

**District 13 OH3 GMT Coordinator** 

# **International Convention Committee Minutes**

# Minutes for Virtual Zoom Meeting February 2, 2022

The International Convention Committee meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

By our President Merle Dutt.

Roll Call: IPDG John Davis, PDG Francis Hensel, Mary Ellen Sherer, IPDG Ollie Tipple PDG Bob Booher and Merle Dutt.

Guests: Council Chairman Kerry Parker, Vice Governors, Mary Bumpus, Dave Stockum, John Hibbs and Cynthia Beat.

Pledge was given by Mary Ellen Sherer

Invocation was given by Merle Dutt.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented

Lion Mary Ellen gave a pin report. We have 22 registered for the convention so we are going to order 500 of the mini pins approved at the last meeting. The design of the new state pin for 2023 will be sent to the committee from Francis and approved on how many to order will be done thru email once we get a quote on the price of pins for 1250 or 1500.

IPDG Ollie Tipple moved and PDG Bob Booher seconded to approve all or a portion of the Midwest Breakfast for the incoming Governors attending the Montreal Convention. Motion Carried,

At 7:50 PDG Bob Booher moved IPDG Ollie Tipple seconded to close the meeting. Motion Carried.

Mary Ellen Sherer

Mary Ellen Sherer, Secretary

PDG Cindy Palmentera
MD 13 OH3 LCIF District Coordinator
9950 Abbey Road
North Royalton, OH 44133
440-212-9538
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April 23, 2022

District Governor Deb,

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the MD 13 OH3 LCIF District Coordinator for the year 2021-2022.

Congratulations to the Garaway Lions Club on their win of the VISA Gift Card Raffle. We were able to donate \$1,100.00 to LCIF

Congratulations to the Doylestown Lions for their very generous donation of \$10 per member for a total of \$7,000.00 giving the club 100% member contributions. Also Stow Monroe Falls Lions for their 100% member contribution of each member donated \$5.00 per member.

Again this year the Lions Share Program is going on With an donation of \$50 you will receive a pin with one star, \$100 donation and pin with 2 stars and, \$200 donation and a pin with 3 stars. Please see me if you wish to make a donation.

Again, thank you for this opportunity to serve our district.

Yours in Lionism,

PDG Cindy Palmentera





# MD 13 LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORT DISTRICT 13 OH 3 CABINET MEETING – APRIL 23, 2022

DG Deb, District Officers and Cabinet Members:

Since the last MD 13 Council of Governors' meeting in February, please see our committee's progress to meet the following 2021-2022 goals (noted in **bold red** below):

- 1. The Liaison Committee will continue to collaborate with the Council of Governors, the International Family and the Lions of Ohio to maintain a favorable atmosphere for Ohio Lions throughout Lions Clubs International by:
  - Assisting with the Ohio International Family Breakfast at the 2021 Des Moines, Iowa USA/Canada Leadership Forum.

All three MD 13 Liaison Committee members attended the USA/Canada Leadership Forum in Des Moines in September 2021. We had a good attendance at our Ohio International Family Breakfast. This was an opportunity for the District Governors' partners-in-service to meet and have breakfast with the partner-in-service of the International Director who will be attending their District Convention. The event is also attended by the partners-in-service of our International Executive Officers.

A special thanks to those who attended and especially to MDS PDG Debbie Luttrell, Lion Mary Ellen Sherer, PDG Judy Smith and 2VDG Becky Thornton for their work and expertise to make it so special.

• Working with the 2021-2022 District Governors at their respective 2022 District Conventions to welcome and introduce visiting VIPs to Ohio.

The assignments for the 2022 District Conventions were made as follows.

PDG Butch Strawn 13-OH2; 13-OH7

PDG Jeff Hatfield 13-OH1; 13-OH5; 13-OH6

<u>PDG Rob Murry</u> <u>13-OH3</u>; 13-OH4

With the exception of the District 13-OH6 Convention to be held next weekend, all of our assignments have been completed successfully.

- 2. When the word is received to run a campaign, the Liaison Committee will work with our recently endorsed MD 13 candidate for International Director/Campaign Chair and the International Family to help elect our endorsed candidate as an International Director by:
  - Consulting with and being a part of the endorsed MD 13 candidate for International Director's campaign committee.
- 3. Through approved annual budget requests, the Liaison Committee will work to provide authorized campaign expenses for our endorsed MD 13 candidate for International Director and amenities to designated past International Officers by:
  - Assuring monies are budgeted in FY 2022 through FY 2024 in the Restricted Fund to fund a campaign to elect our recently endorsed MD 13 candidate as an International Director.

At their August 2021 meeting, the Council of Governors approved monies recommended by the Liaison and F&P Committees for travel expenses for our endorsed MD 13 candidate and his campaign chair to attend the 2021 USA/Canada Leadership Forum.

I have enjoyed the privilege to serve on the Liaison Committee this year.

In Service,

PDG Rob Murry, Liaison Committee

### Lions International OH 13 District 3 – Compliance Committee Chairman's Report

### **April 17, 2022**

- 1- Adena club still needs to file 2019 2020 IRS 990
- 2- Brunswick Central needs to get caught up on all filings -IRS 2020 AG 2021
- 3- Chippewa Lake Foundation needs to file at end of year new club
- 4- Dover noon has been revoked club needs to be disbanded
- 5- Hudson Cyber needs to be filed Randy Nye looking into
- 6- Midvale is revoked -in the process of re registering Rob Murry assisting
- 7- New Philadelphia need to file 2020 IRS and 2021 AG-D Mosier handling
- 8- Parma hills needs to file 2020 IRS & AG GDC working with John Naples to complete-new treasurer.
- 9- Richmond needs to file and re-register GDC working with Ken Miser
- 10- Royalton Hills needs to file 2020 IRS
- 11- Tallmadge & Tallmadge Foundation need to file 2020 IRS D Mosier visited helping Bruce
- 12- Warren Township revoked Roger Warren and Mary Panepucci working on re-registering
- 13- Warwick needs to file 2020 IRS they claim they filed
- 14- Wooster Noon needs to file 2020 IRS they have claimed they filed as well

Good news – 6 more clubs have now reached full compliance since last month.

### **Marketing and Communication Committee Meeting**

Members met on Zoom January 19, 2022.

Main topic...the current Governor's Grant for promoting Lionism.

The Grant from the COG was discussed. They are looking for ways to promote Lionism in ways they can spend \$\$\$ from the Grant. One suggestion was to Boost your posting on FB. Cost will depend on how long you want it to be, plus it will reach a little over 5,000.

Chair Ric posted this on both **Ohio Lions, Inc and Ohio Lions Club Support Group**. If you need to learn more about using Facebook, the difference between a group and a page, and many other helpful information, go to either page and go from there. Please remember that when you are Posting on Facebook, keep it personal, show club in action. Share your events to Ohio Lions, Inc as well as send to the E-News and state Newsletter.

PDG Jay has been working on Forums such as Use for Committee, Sub Districts, etc. More to come. He also said that District Conventions are coming to him. Look for these on the Web site.

AUCTION at State Convention: PDG Jay volunteered to post pictures on web page. More to come on that topic.

PDG Dan will be teaching MyLion to individual clubs in OH1.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Dan Lester



# OHIO LIONS FOUNDATION FEBRUARY 2022

This report covers the time-period from November 2021 to February 2022.

Effective immediately, the OLF address has changed. Please let your clubs/groups know. The new address is:

Ohio Lions Foundation
PO Box 470301

**Broadview Hts., Ohio 44147** 

We have had 6 disasters requesting assistance. As a reminder – OLF is an audited foundation. No assistance can be provided without local Lions Cub involvement and the appropriate paperwork. Likewise, as much as we would like, we can not assist every person that experiences loss due to a fire.

No Helen Keller scholarships were provided in this time-period.

Two Cody Fund and one Roberds Fund assistive technology grants were awarded.

A magnifier was purchased for the Cleveland Sight Center for use in teaching clients in the technology

The trustees of the foundation have put in place a "no gift fee" policy. This policy. for colleges and universities that accept scholarship money from OLF, states that OLF will not pay, nor will the recipients of scholarships pay, any administrative fee.

The policy is attached.

# OHIO LIONS FOUNDATION

# PO Box 470301 Broadview Heights, OH 44147

February 16, 2022

### To Whom It May Concern:

The Ohio Lions Foundation (OLF) has adopted a policy that forbids any institution or other entity from charging a "gift fee" for accepting a non-endowment scholarship or other financial grant presented to them. This policy also forbids charging a gift fee to the recipient persons or organizations who receive the financial gift. This policy was enacted by a unanimous vote of the OLF Board of Trustees and became effective on the above date.

The policy was implemented so there cannot be any fees charged by a recipient school, individual, or organization for accepting a scholarship or other type of financial grant that is presented by the OLF as a gift or financial contribution. In addition, there cannot be any fee charged to the recipient such as a student being charged for receiving a scholarship.

Simperely,

Daniel Lester

Dan Lester, Executive Secretary
Ohio Lions Foundation
PO Box 470301
Broadview Heights, Ohio 44147

## OHIO LIONS' PEDIATRIC CANCER FOUNDATION APRIL 2022

DEAR DG DEB, VDG'S, AND FELLOW CABINET MEMBERS,

THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AS YOUR OHIO LIONS PEDIATRIC CANCER FOUNDATION CHAIRPERSON.

WE ARE STARTING TO MOVE MOUNTAINS AND BE RECOGNIZED IN OUR CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS THROUGHOUT OHIO. AS YOU'VE SEEN WE'VE BEEN HIGHLY ACTIVE WITH RAINBOW BABY IN CLEVELAND AND WE COULDN'T HAVE MADE ALL THIS POSSIBLE WITHOUT YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.

STEPS WILL BE HERE BEFORE YOU KNOW! WOULD YOU PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING MAKE THE EVENT A BIGGER SUCCESS THAN IN THE PAST YEARS? IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THIS, WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT AND INPUT. MEETINGS WILL BE STARTING UP HERE SHORTLY, SO IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED PLEASE THINK OF EMAILING ME AT <a href="mailtons@yahoo.com">NHLIONS@yahoo.com</a> OR CELL NUMBER 330-289-0786. WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE STORIES OF INSPIRATION TO SHARE WHILE PROMOTING THE STEPS WALK. IF YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO SHARE THEIR STORY, PLEASE ALSO CONTACT ME.

DOES YOUR CLUB LOVE TO ADD PATCHES AND ROCKERS TO THEIR CLUB BANNER? YOU TOO COULD EASILY DISPLAY THE OLPCF PATCH IF YOU MAKE A DONATION OF \$100 IN A LIONISTIC YEAR. EACH YEAR AFTER, WITH AN ADDITIONAL \$100 DONATION YOU WILL RECEIVE A ROCKER. THE MONEY IS ACCUMLATIVE TOWARDS \$500 AT WHICH POINT A JOURNEY OF HOPE (JOH) AWARD WILL BE GIVEN TO THAT CLUB, WHICH CAN BE AWARDED TO ANYONE, NOT JUST LIONS MEMBERS. THIS AWARD IS MEANT TO BE GIVEN TO SOMEONE WHO "INSPIRES HOPE" IN PEOPLE.

ON BEHALF OF THE OHIO LIONS' PEDIATRIC CANCER FOUNDATION, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR ENDEAVORS TO RID THIS TERRIBLE DISEASE.



### OHIO LIONS EYE RESEARCH FOUNDATION

### "RESEARCH TODAY...VISION TOMORROW"

NANCY BROWN, TRUSTEE OH3

**16207 GALEHOUSE ROAD** 

DOYLESTOWN, OH 44230

330-608-2517

wrbrown@brightdsl.net

To District Governor, Deb Mosier and OH 3 Cabinet.

4-23-2022

The Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation met on November 20, 2021 at The Lions Eye Bank of West Central Ohio in Dayton. We were given a tour of the facility.

An audit of the books was done and found to be in order.

Scientific Advisor, Dr. Deb Grzybowski is receiving progress reports from the supported institutions that received grants for 2021-22.

Total grants for 2021-2022 is \$579,291.47 that funded 11 research projects in Ohio. This is the most OLERF has ever allocated in one year.

Our new website is up and running. It can be found at two locations:

Ohiolionseyeresearch.org and at olerf.org.

This year marks 70 years since formation of the initial OLERF committee, and 65 years since obtaining 501(c)(3) tax exempt status. OLERF is committed to finding treatments and cures for blinding retinal diseases. With your continued support, we have been able to fund new groundbreaking research that provides hope to those living with retinal diseases through our grants and fellowships. However, there is still much work to be done in the fight against blindness, and we cannot do it without you. Now is the time to renew/continue your dedication to end blindness and vision loss here and around the world. Keep in mind that all funds received by OLERF remain in Ohio for research. Over \$7 million have been given to Ohio researchers from OLERF. OLERF is proud of the research being accomplished and looks forward to continuing to be a leader in Ohio eye research.

Our next meeting will be at the state convention, May 20,2022, at the Doubletree Hotel in Worthington, Ohio

Submitted by Lion Nancy Brown, OH3 Trustee



# Sight & Hearing OH3 2021-2022 Final Report

Total screened = 3076

Total referred = 596

Preschool Screened/Referred: (All WASS) = 112/28

Preschool Screened/Referred: (Spot) = 489/59

School Age Screened / Referred: (Plusoptix) = 0

School Age Screened / Referred: (WASS) = 1397/407

School Age Screened / Referred: (Spot) = 1078/102

Both WASS need recalibrated before using again (Welsh Allen is not doing anymore).

Funds received for Pilot Dogs from Parade of Checks 2021	=\$8641
Funds received for Sight & Hearing Committee from Parade of Checks 2021	=\$ 445
Funds received for Sight & Hearing Foundation from Parade of Checks 2021	=\$ 225
Funds received from Clubs in OH3 direct to Pilot Dogs for 2020-2021	= \$400
Total funds received for 2020-2021	=\$9711

Funds received for Pilot Dogs for 2021-2022	\$215
Funds received for S&H Committee for 2021-2022	\$50
Funds received for S&H Foundation for 2021-2022	\$50
Total funds received for 2021-2022	\$315

Lion Bob Platt Sight & Hearing Chairman OH3 As of 4/3/2022

# **STATE CONVENTION 2022**

DEAR MEMBERS OF 13 OH-3,

THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SERVE AS STATE CONVENTION CHAIRPERSON.

WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE OUR GUEST WILL BE 1VIP BRIAN SHEEHAN AND HIS WIFE LORI.

I HOPE YOU WILL CONSIDER ATTENDING THE CONVENTION.

**DETAILS CAN BE FOUND BELOW:** 

OHIO LIONS WEBSITE: <a href="https://www.ohiolions.org/">https://www.ohiolions.org/</a>

**Ohio Lions State Convention** 

May 20-22, 2022

The DoubleTree Hotel

Worthington, OH

ALL RELATED INFORMATION FOR CONVENTION CAN BE FOUND BELOW:

https://www.ohiolions.org/news-events/coming-events/142-ohio-lions-state-convention

DEADLINE IS MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>.

PLEASE HURRY!!

Merry Christmas Lions of District 03,

Yes, I know it is only April, but before you know it, it will be time to deliver the toys to all the needy children.

Again this year, we had a great year in raising money (\$2,210) and gathering the toys. I want to thank all of you, that helped in this great cause.

The mission of getting toys to all the needy children, is so rewarding. You and I both know, the more hands we have to do the work, the more successful we will be. Therefore, I am asking each Lions Club, to have one person in their club to help with the Toys for Tots toy drive. Please send me the Lions name and contact information now.

This year it was great, when we saw the Marines come and load up their trucks with the toys we were able to gather. It was still a couple of weeks before Christmas. But as the trucks rolled out of the parking lot, we could smile, because we knew, come Christmas morning, you the Lions had made a child very happy.

Remember Lions, please let us know, if you have certain children in your area that will need a toy. All we need is to know if it is for a boy or girl, their address and if they might have a special toy request.

If your club sponsors it's own Toys for Tots drive, we would be happy to help you out.

Thanks to all of you for helping in this great cause. Plus, a special thank you to District Governor Deb for allowing me to be Santa Clause Sam, and chair your Toys for Tots campaign.

Yours In Lionism, Lion Sam D. Bates

# **YOUTH APRIL 2022**

DEAR DG DEB, VICE GOVERNORS, AND FELLOW CABINETS MEMBERS,

I WOULD LIKE TO START BY THANKING FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE ON THE CABINET THIS YEAR AS YOUTH CHAIRMEN.

WE'VE MANY GREAT STRIDES AND I AM HONORED TO BE A PART OF THIS TEAM.

AS ALWAYS, PLEASE FIND WAYS TO ENGAGE WITH THE YOUTH IN YOUR COMMUNITY BUT ALSO WITHIN YOUR CLUB. HOSTING A FUNDRAISER, YOU COULD HAVE YOUTH COLLECTING TICKETS OR RUNNING FOOD. WE SUPPORT A LOCAL CHURCH DURING LENT BY ATTENDING THEIR FISH FRY DINNERS. EVERYTHING IS DRIVE THRU AND THE YOUTH OF THE CHURCH ARE THE FOOD RUNNERS TO EACH CAR AND FOR THE MOST PART SEEM TO ENJOY IT, EXCEPT ON BAD WEATHER DAY.

IF YOUR THINKING OF A SERVICE PROJECT, FIND SOMETHING YOU CAN REACH OUT TO OTHER GROUPS IN YOUR COMMUNITY, SUCH AS GIRL SCOUTS OR SCHOOL GROUPS WHO COULD BE THE MUSCLE IN GETTING THAT PROJECT DONE.

AS ALWAYS, GET THAT INFORMATION ENTERED INTO YOUR MYLION ACCOUNT, BUT ALSO INCLUDE YOUR YOUTH CHAIRPERSON. I WOULD LOVE TO REPORT YOUTH HOURS, DOESN'T HAVE TO BE JUST LEOS.

DON'T FORGET THE CUBS!! LCI IS PROMOTING HEAVILY THE IDEA OF GETTING THE CHILDREN WHO ARE YOUNGER THAN A LEO, BUT STILL WANT TO BE ACTIVE. THEY HAVE A WHOLE PROGRAM, BUT ALSO NOT HARD TO CREATE YOUR OWN!!

I GUESS AS YOU CAN SEE, GET THE KIDS OF THE NEXT GENERATION INVOLVED SO LIONS MAY THRIVE FOR ANOTHER 100 YEARS.

REMINDER TO GET INVOLVED WITH THE PEACE POSTER CONTEST!! THIS DOESN'T HAVE TO BE RAN THROUGH THE LOCAL SCHOOL. POSSIBLY THE LOCAL LIBRARY WOULD LIKE TO HOST IT OR A CHURCH IN YOUR AREA. THEY JUST NEED TO FIT THE RIGHT AGE REQUIREMENTS.

Zone 2 Report

Akron Host- Nothing Reported

Copley Norton-Nothing reported

Cuyahoga Falls- Currently working on a collaborative project with Cuyahoga Falls High School and Good neighbors to that involves an urban agriculture class and growing vegetables for a local foodbank.

Recently they participated in Dinner with the Mayor and presented a check for \$6000 to the city from the money they raised in their golf outing to purchase playground equipment for Lion's Park. April 2<sup>nd</sup> was their reverse raffle at Todaro's.

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Hudson-Currently working on a fundraiser strategy involving a concert. Also they are helping with a group in Trumbull County to start a club branch and eventually a club. The club is also looking to build an online platform to get service projects organized online with multiple service organizations. The club is incorporating and working on getting into compliance.

Lake more- Club has been meeting mostly in person. Completed collection drives for Open M, Children's Services, eyeglasses, pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House, plastic for Trex benches, self-care items for Hope United, toys for Tots, Sweatshirts for UH Rainbow & Babies. The club made Easter cutout messages for the residents of Pebble creek for them to read at their meals. The club is also hosting a Sip and Paint May 1<sup>st</sup> where participants will be painting a patriotic painting. April 23<sup>rd</sup> many club members will be serving during the village cleanup event.

The club has been working with Gio's restaurant for their give back Tuesdays where they earned a percentage of sales for every Tuesday in February. The club also has two prospective members.

Mogadore- Nothing Reported

Stow/ Monroe Falls- Pitting up new Lion's Club signs throughout Stow and Monroe Falls. 9 in all. The club is hosting a night at the races in June. Also, the club is doing a Mother's Day flower sale May 7<sup>th</sup> at Eddy's bike shop.

Tallmadge- Club has been meeting in person at Tallmadge Lions Hall. They are looking for fundraising ideas.

### Zone 3 Cabinet Report April 16, 2022

**Bedford Lions** are now meeting at The Ellenwood Center on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month. The Honey Baked Ham Fundraiser was a success.

Club will be discussing possibly helping The Dawn's Early Light, an agency that helps children in the foster care system due to a parent with an addiction problem.

The club is also interested in supporting Magnifiers & More, a shop that sells products to help people with macular degeneration and other vision problems.

**Broadview Hts. Lions**, in collaboration with Brecksville Kiwanis, had a successful Empty Bowls event on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

On April 9<sup>th</sup>, Easter Egg Hunt, in collaboration with Danbury Senior Living went well. Club will be participating in Postal Service food drive on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Lions' members unload, weigh and transport non-perishable food items collected by local postal workers to Lend-A-Hand facility.

Brunswick Centennials have not submitted a report.

**Parma Hills** has been doing various service projects with Parma Senior Center. Club donated \$50 to support fundraiser for humanitarian aid to Ukraine. Held their virtual fundraiser April 1st. Sold 95 tickets at \$10/each. Made \$450 after \$500 prize money paid out. Proceeds went to build club funds.

**North Royalton's** Quarter Auction held on March 19<sup>th</sup> was very successful. Proceeds went to local food bank. Club members are also personally donating food items to the food bank. Club also continues their monthly food donations for First Responders: potato chips on March 14<sup>th</sup>, jellybeans on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, and apple pie on May 13<sup>th</sup>.

Easter Egg hunt was held on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Over 2500 candy-filled eggs were distributed to local children.

Top Golf Fund Raiser is planned for Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Save-an-Eye Golf Outing to be held on July 21st at Pine Hills.

**Nordonia Hills** had their annual reverse raffle fundraiser in November which was a huge success.

They have an ongoing service project involving donating dog & cat food to their local emergency assistance center. Total donations are equal to over 2.5 tons.

The club will be presenting two scholarships of \$1500 each to 2 Nordonia High School seniors in May.

**North Summit** held their annual Texas Hold-em Tournament and raised over \$1600.00 on 54 players. Lions' volunteers handled the room load for money, food, and beer. May 20th Annual Golf Outing at Fox Den! Big fundraiser!

\$2850.00 donated out to their charities.

**Westshore Lions** have been collecting plastic bags for the Zone Recycling Project. They put together a basket that will be donated for the Convention Raffle. They have an online Honey Baked Ham Gift Card Fundraiser thru April 23.

They've recently added 3 new Eye Glass Donation Collection locations, bringing their total to 14. Ace wraps left over from the safety bucket project were donated to the Pokrova Ukrainian Greco-Catholic Church in Parma for their medical supplies' effort for Ukraine.

Beep baseball season will be starting up soon with the Cleveland Scrappers, as we resume practices this week. And we confirmed participation at the Foundation Fighting Blindness Cleveland Vision Walk on May 21, during which we will host a vendor table promoting the Scrappers and the Lions.

### Lions Zone 5 Meeting — March 8 at 6:30 p.m.

- -Welcome from Zone Chair Jason Keller zclionsoh@gmail.com
- Comments from District Governor Deb Mosier

She noted that Membership is still top of mind and needed. Many who have joined noted they would have done so sooner if they had been asked. Invite people along to serve and let them see the action that is Lions.

We are still under-reporting when it comes to service. Remember that even meetings are an act of service as we are using them to plan.

Club Reports in alphabetical order.

### Club Info

Bolivar (President William Lebold) \*\*13 (14 -2 plus 1)

Notes from Secretary Jason Corder:

- Club undertaken initiative to grow and strengthen membership
- Club has received a free bench as part of Trex's plastic recycling program; bench will be placed in the community this spring
- Annual Scholarship for Tusky Valley HS
- Contributed to Tusky Valley Post Prom
- Club held annual Valentines Days Program on Valentine's Day

# Dover (President Jeffery Coyle) \*\*29 (same)

Secretary Lion Mary Ellen reported the following:

- October the group worked the Food Bank and sponsored the Halloween Parade in Dover and had a pizza party for all the bands who participated in the parade;
- November provided soap and deodorant for Akron Children's Hospital;
- December Donated \$100 for Toys for Tots, Provided books to all Kindergarten students in the Dover South Elementary and Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary; Rang bell for Salvation Army; Gave Hot Chocolate at annual Christmas Parade
- January Recycled plastic for our second bench from Trex
- Will be bringing back Music at the Dover Park in July and August
- Sold pepperoni rolls.
- With the Ohio Lions Foundation for 2 Junior Readers for kids who couldn't read a book without a large magnifier. The club paid \$280 and Ohio Lions Foundation covered the rest for two students at Central Catholic Elementary.

<u>Dover Noon (President Joey Miller) \*\*9</u>
(No changes reported, no contact)

### Garaway (President Doug Ott) \*\*12 (same as last Zone Mtg)

From Secretary Bev Keller

- Supported Barrs Mill Food Pantry
- Supported Salvation Army
- Supported Pirate Power Packs
- Supported Baltic Pirate Power Packs
- Put out applications for annual scholarships
- Started plans for Easter Egg Hunt
- Continued to provide prizes for and call Bingo at the Sugarcreek branch of the Tuscarawas County Senior Center

New Philadelphia (President James McEwan) \*\*28 (31 - 3)
No report. No contact.

# Strasburg (President Waliah Poloto) \*\*23 (Down 1 from last Zone Mtg)

Report from Secretary Lion Ken Meyers

- Purchased and decorated Christmas tree for downtown Strasburg
- Sold nuts as a fundraiser
- Planning to build a ramp for an area resident once the snow clears
- Contributed to the Mayfield Kentucky Fund

- Placed a grocery bag collection container at The Village Market in Strasburg as part of the Trex Recycle project to obtain benches by taking plastics to the Dover Giant Eagle
- Annual car show will be July 23
- The group will present 4 scholarships at Strasburg High.

# **Coming Up Next**

Convention 2022 — April 22 - 24

Your secretary should have this entire packet. If not, let me know and I'll get you a copy. Deadlines begin April 1.

### Zone 8 Report - Feb 20, 2022

We have visited Adena Lions club and Dillonvale-Mt. Pleasant Lion club. With better weather coming, plans are underway to visit the remaining clubs before June.



### Adena Lions Club:

Annual Rose/Carnation Sale was very successful in November – 195 dozen of roses/carnations were sold

Adena Lions Club received a request from the Warren Township Lions Club that lunch be provided from the Rayland Dairy Queen to the Buckeye Local Middle School students from all of the Lions Clubs in the school district. Our club participated in this project.

Annual Christmas Cantata was held on the first Sunday of December at St. Casimir's Catholic Church in Adena during the afternoon; Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church in Mt. Pleasant in the evening. It was very successful with the proceeds being divided up between the Adena & Dillonvale Food Pantries

Annual Christmas Giving Tree was also very successful – 31 families received a boneless ham; 71 children received Christmas gifts.

Christmas caroling was not held this year. However, fruit was delivered to the residents at Sienna Woods Nursing Home in Pleasant Grove to let them know we're thinking of them.

Welcome Planters were decorated for Christmas in Adena

Held informational meetings for establishing a potential Lions Club in Barnesville.

Installed a new member at our February meeting.

Nominating Committee met recently and presented list of potential officers for 2022-2023 year; 1<sup>st</sup> reading was held at February meeting.

### Cadiz Lions Club:

No report turned in. Club had been struggling to find someplace to meet after their regular meeting place was no longer available.

### Dillonvale – Mt. Pleasant Lions Club:

No report turned in. Club has been active with a Food Drop Off for the local food pantry in November, ringing bells for the Salvation Army in December, the Lions Angel Tree project in December and installing a new member this month. The club also refreshed the rubber mulch at the Mt. Pleasant playground. Partnered with Rayland Dairy Queen to provide a Kids Meal gift card to Buckeye Local students.

### Martins Ferry Lions Club:

The club participated in the Martins Ferry Christmas parade on Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> and in the towns Winter Fest.

### Warren Township Lions Club:

By popular demand we sold brooms again. (We still have 3 left!)

Holiday Cash Raffle is our main fund-raising source.

Purchased 2 cameras for security at Warren Township Park.

Partnered with Adena, Brilliant, Dillonvale/Mt. Pleasant Lions Clubs and Rayland Dairy Queen to provide a meal gift card to all Buckeye Local Junior High Students for Christmas.

Partnered with Rayland Dairy Queen to provide a Kids' Meal card and a drive by Santa visit for area children, ages toddler to 11. We also provided candy and a coloring book.

Decorated the Lions shelter for the YTR "Christmas in the Park" event. We also provided hot chocolate, cookies, games and prizes while partnering with Unified Bank of Tiltonsville.

Sent a donation to the Wheeling Youth Center for a new roof (Rev. Darrell Cummings).

Gave a donation to the Warren Township Girls' Softball program for the 2022 season.

Valentine Day Flower distribution. We partnered with Bodnar & Son Florist to give 80 plus flowers and a Valentine message to area widows and widowers.

Future plans for the next few months

Provide a new bench for Warren Township Park in memory of Desiree Jasko, a dear Lions member and friend, who passed away due to COVID.

We continue to save plastic bottle caps and glasses.

We are joining with local churches to provide the Easter Bunny for the YTR area.

We are planning a candy sale beginning in March.

We will be organizing our summer concert series and concessions and partnering with Unified Bank to provide a salute to Veterans program and meal on June 2.

Other activities include: painting the Lions shelter in the park and donating trees to replace those that have recently been lost.

We will provide two \$500 scholarships for Buckeye Local Seniors.

The Adopt-a-Highway program will again include picking up trash on the Ohio Route #7 ramps in YTR and along old Route #7 from the marina in Rayland to the Pike Island Dam in Yorkville.

Respectfully submitted,

Lions Nina & Neal Cleaver

Zone 8 Co-Chairs

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Good Morning Brian,

It's been awhile. Hope all is well with you. I'm not sure if you're still my contact person or not. We have a district meeting on February 20, and I need to report if summer camp for kids is in the planning this year.

Any info you can provide will be appreciated.

Thanks.
Dennis Toth
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# DISTRICT 13 OH3 CABINET REPORT – IT 23 APRIL 2022

### DG Deb:

Attached as Exhibit A is my report from the February Cabinet meeting. It was fairly comprehensive in scope and set forth some long-term plans that I have as I continue in this role during the 2022-2023 Cabinet Year.

Updates from the Exhibit A are as follows:

• The branding of "Festival of Elders America" has been revised to "Generations America" in order to be more appealing. Historically, being an "elder" was something that warranted respect. It had been my fleeting notion that my concept would result in the term regaining respect rather than the negative implication that has evolved. It appears that use of the term "Elders" in an effort to connect with younger generations resulted in many elders being turned off. Since discretion appears to be the better part of valor, I have made this change.

Also attached as Exhibit B is an excerpt from the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission booklet describing Special Improvement Districts (also known as "SIDs"). While a complete explanation is beyond the scope of this report, I wanted to convey that SIDs are potentially "canned projects" that are particularly well suited for service clubs to incubate in their communities. SIDs involve the establishment of a local charitable organization to manage the district and an affiliation with an existing service club to provide the volunteer resources should be a PR and membership boon.

And for a larger organization such as District OH3, SIDs represent a great opportunity to promote club incubation and membership. Simply, this canned project represents a "canned strategy" to go into a community without an existing Lions Club, identify centers of influence, and provide something tangible that results in a new club with committed members who are working on a specific objective. Once the beachhead is established, the more general objectives of a traditional Lions Club can be cultivated.

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# **EXHIBIT A**

# DISTRICT 13 OH3 CABINET REPORT – IT 20 February 2022

DG Deb:

The following sets forth the text of my report for the November Cabinet meeting. Operationally, not much is different:

The IT "department" responded to a few suggestions emanating from cabinet members and generally communicated to me through you. Generally, the e-District and the e-Clubhouse resources that Lions Club International provides has provided a platform for passive communication that is relatively easy to use, although some features are not as robust as we would like. But I would say that overall the platform is largely underutilized at the club level and so the effort to address the "nuanced" deficiencies of the platform would not be practical absent a higher utilization at the club level.

Since the deadline of a cabinet meeting forces one to think about things, I would like to suggest that we send out an email blast to the District leadership announcing a tech study group that would meet regularly via Zoom, Teams, GoToConnect, etc. The goal of the study group would be to get a larger percentage of the District "annoyed" with the shortcomings of the free platform. At that point there will be momentum to find pathways to even more effective engagement and outreach.

### **New Initiative**

My club, the Lions Club of Hudson Cyber, has been seeking ways to introduce service clubs in general, and Lions Clubs specifically, to a cooperative community foundation platform that is being incubated. The objective is to promote the ability of service clubs to do good in the communities that they serve while also doing well for the service clubs. Specifically, doing well means attracting and retaining new members and improving a service club's fundraising efforts through "curated event" opportunities. The mechanism to achieve this is for service clubs to adopt their local community foundation (existing or a new community foundation) that can join the platform and to provide the volunteers locally.

As explained in more detail below, while serving as both the promoter of this initiative and while also serving as IT Chair it will be possible to perform gap analysis on the IT tools that LCI provides as well as working to develop cooperative pathways for stakeholders and their positions to work together. Perhaps this initiative of seeking to fully combine a District role with a "service" project will result in an expanded knowledge base that can be applied to other leadership roles?

### ~ It's a marathon, not a sprint ~

Hudson Cyber has opted to promote an event concept that will leverage the naturally occurring "service energy" represented by members of high school classes that are planning reunions. This objective is obviously of a general nature and can be applied anywhere a service club operates. Further, it could form the basis to incubate new service clubs.

Considering my own experience, I have volunteered in the organization of my class reunions as well as attended them. Frequently, these efforts also include a fundraising effort. Even though any particular year will trigger several reunion organizing efforts within the same community, there is not much in the way of cooperation that I am aware of. Neither between classes holding reunions during the year, between the classes and the schools (not saying there is no cooperation, just not much), nor between classes and schools that are in close enough proximity to add to the cooperative leverage. A good crisis is going to waste because the individual classes are left running individual sprints rather than establishing a relay to cover the distance of a marathon.

As one who is both thinking about service as a concerned citizen, Lions Club officer, a District office chair, and observing the activity for my own 40<sup>th</sup> reunion, I immediately saw an opportunity. More recent graduating classes (5 and 10 year) have lots of energy and enthusiasm (as I recall) but perhaps lacked financial resources to do something special in the way of using the event to also do something for their alma mater. Classes farther from their graduation (30, 40, etc.) have more financial resources, might do something in the fundraising space, but my observation is that they do not have the energy to arrange a reunion event that draws in those that would not otherwise attend. Across the boards, there is also little if anything done to encourage some level of support from class members that simply can't make the event.

Service clubs operating within a community can fit into this gap by coordinating among classes, their schools, and nearby districts to arrange events that are worthy of making an effort beyond the motivation to simply attend a reunion.

The event I am exploring is currently titled "Festival of Elders." The basic concept is a music and craft food/drink festival. A national organization is anticipated to be developed to become the base of expertise. Modeled after the organization Main Street America, it is tentatively called Festival of Elders America. I anticipate that the two organizations will eventually cooperate with each other.

There are 611 school districts in Ohio and only around 400 Lions Clubs. A path to expand?

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# **EXHIBIT B**

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What is a Special Improvement District?

A Special Improvement District (SID) is a physical area in which property owners elect to pay an additional assessment in order to fund public improvements and services that benefit the district.

#### Is a SID different from a BID?

The Ohio Revised Code establishes Special Improvement Districts. Other states use the term Business Improvement District for similar programs, however the terms are interchangeable.

### What services can be offered by a SID?

Services must be for the public good and may include maintenance, physical improvements, cleaning, and additional safety among a variety of activities. The services are chosen by the property owners themselves, through a Board of Directors, and cannot replace city services.

### How is a SID set up?

A SID is established when owners representing 60% of the front footage or 75% of the land area of the district sign a formal petition to establish it.

### Why is a SID needed?

Business districts often establish SIDs to fund improvements and services that will help the district succeed. Establishing a SID allows property owners to directly control what their assessments fund.

### How will a SID be governed?

A nonprofit organization operates the SID and is governed by a Board of Directors comprised largely of property owners and businesses, keeping the operation and funds of the SID in local hands.

#### Merchants association or SID?

A merchants association is a great first step, but SIDs have certain advantages. SIDs provide a steady and reliable stream of funding that all property owners are required to pay.

### Will the city reduce its existing services?

No! A city is required to maintain its base level of services and frequency of service. A SID's services only act as supplemental services.

### How much will a SID cost?

Individual assessments are based upon your property and the assessment formula developed during the SID's formation.

### How long will a SID last?

The length of a SID is determined by the services plan approved by property owners and the city. While SIDs can last longer, most SIDs last for three to five years, after which the SID can be renewed.

#### Do SID assessments change?

Many, but not all, SIDs include an annual increase to cover increased operating expenses of the SID. Locally, SIDs schedule increases between 1% and 3% annually for the length of a SID.

### Will the SID leverage additional resources?

A SID establishes a nonprofit that can seek additional grants, loans, and other funding mechanisms to supplement SID assessments.

#### I want a SID! What do I do?

This document is a great place to start! Read through this Guidebook, contact your local government, and use the resources contained here.