

August, 2019

# OH5 Pride Report

***District Governor Jackie Christensen***

Ciao!

Italy was fabulous and I came home with many wonderful memories with my fellow governors and other Ohio Lions and beyond. Caught up with old friends and made some new ones. Although Italy is a **beautiful** country, I do appreciate where I came from and was glad to get home. Thought I'd share a picture of my induction with you all so you know it's official. ☺ I am anxious to visit with all of you and look forward to the next year!



I was thrilled to be able to share my vision service journey with the DGe's at our final training in Milan! (See attached picture) I was also able to share information about our District project for the first aid kits we put together at the Convention, and received many requests for that information from other DGe's. You all keep asking me about

those eyeglass cases and are saving them so we'll continue it again this year if we can get another grant. You've embraced it so well, many of you, like the Worthington Noon club I just visited, are doing this on your own now in smaller quantities. Keep it up! I love hearing

about it. I am also thrilled about those of you doing vision screening for the 1<sup>st</sup> time, such as the London Lions club! As with them, I am happy to visit and train any of your club members how to do vision screenings. Thanks for joining me in my vision of all clubs doing vision screenings!



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Please send me copies of your club newsletters and keep me informed about your upcoming events. I'd like to join you when I can and hear about the great work you are all doing when I can't.

Also, don't forget to talk with your club and come up with some ways you can share our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary with your community. Let's let our communities know we are here!

Our first District Cabinet meeting will be on Aug 10<sup>th</sup> and I look forward to sharing with my Cabinet what's happening at the state level and talk about what we need to do at the District level. Your zone chairs should be scheduling zone meetings for all of you after the Cabinet meeting where they can share the same information with all clubs in District 13 OH5.

What can our Cabinet do for you? Please reach out and let us know.

Yours in Lionism, DG Jackie



Happy August Lions,

Sometimes, we just need a good story to make us smile. I came across this story the other day and as I read it, I realized I had a smile on my face. I thought I would share it with you, with the hope that it put a smile on your face too.

*Firefighter Spencer Caradine, 21, of Dallas, Georgia, couldn't help but burst into tears when his colleagues at the Douglas County Fire Department surprised him with an enormous American flag draped over their fire engine on the Fourth of July.*

*"I was overwhelmed," Caradine told InsideEdition.com. "I didn't know what to think or say. It was like entering into a whole new world. I didn't know how to explain any of it."*

*His good friend and roommate, firefighter Jordan Gardner, said he organized the surprise because he knew Caradine wanted the first thing he saw in color to be the American flag.*

*"It's been almost three weeks, and every time I look over, he's just staring off at something," Gardner joked. "I can't help but smile thinking about how he can finally see like the rest of us."*

*They explained that they were on a hike together last December when Gardner was stopping to point out certain things in the scenery and Caradine realized he wasn't seeing the world around them in quite the same way.*

*"When we were on the hike I was trying to point stuff out. I would stop at all these places and look out at everything," Gardner said. "I love doing stuff like that, I love [looking at] the [water]falls."*

*Caradine added, "I couldn't figure out what he was talking about at all."*

*That's when they came to the conclusion together that Caradine was colorblind, and at that moment, Gardner decided he would eventually surprise him with a pair of EnChroma glasses.*

*Gardner then spent the next several months trying to figure out what kind of colorblind his roommate is, by asking him to do various colorblind tests under the guise of helping him learn more about his condition.*

*By the time Gardner placed the order, many of their colleagues at the fire department knew about the surprise and wanted to pitch in.*

*"I didn't know how to explain why we had a 6-foot-by-10-foot American flag hanging off the side of the engine," he said. "I was like, 'This is your first Fourth of July at the station. We're having a big breakfast, that's just what we do at the firehouse.'"*

*After breakfast, Caradine was given the glasses and led out to the courtyard to see the flag.*

*"Neither of us are emotional people at all and we both cried," Gardner said.*

*Ever since then, Caradine has rarely taken off his new glasses.*

*"We got him five coloring books, couple hundreds of pencil crayons. We color on shift just so he can learn his colors," Gardner said. "It's like I'm a proud dad; our fridge at the house is covered in all these coloring papers."*

*The pair has since watched fireworks, gone to the aquarium and hiked the route again that led them to their original discovery.*

*The next thing on Caradine's to-see list: "I want to see the sunset on a beach."*

I was struck by how one person could motivate a small group of people to change a someone's life. It is exactly what all of you do in your clubs and in your communities every day. Thank you for all your hard work, but more importantly, thank you for being a leader in helping people in your community.

Have a great month and as always, please let us know if there is anything we can do to help.

1VDG Jason Gray



**The  
Wonderful  
World of Color**

## What Is the F&P Committee?

The Ohio Lions Finance and Long Range Planning Committee (F&P) is a large committee of 17 members. There are 7 elected district reps who are the voting members and there are an additional 10 non-voting ex-officio Lions. Just as a reminder, “ex-officio” means “by virtue of office” -- whomever is the Council Chair, Chair of the Liaison Committee, and others by their position are included.

The Planning part of F&P looks at areas where we Lions can next serve, future concerns for Ohio Lions, growing Lion Clubs and new Lions Clubs, and the future opportunities that we Lions should explore. And yes, sometimes, this means looking at redistricting.

The Finance part of F&P looks at financial trends,

where our dues money is going, where it should in the future, and making sure the Ohio Lions have enough money to do its mission. And yes, sometimes this means a dues increase. The administrative part of F&P includes audits, contracts, recommending approval of financial documents, and regulations that we need to meet. Of course, with all this paperwork, there are still opportunities to explore.

The F&P committee has a strong presence to suggest and recommend changes to the Council of Governors. One of the strengths of F&P is that 4-7 voting members return each year while all 7 District Governors and the Council Chair change each year. This continuity of year after year is bolstered by the large number of ex-officio members. This allows F&P to look at longer term trends and issues.

Why would you think about running to be a Finance and Long Range Planning Rep? Mainly because you can shape and make a significant difference in where the Lions of Ohio go. How do we best manage money to drive our next set of needs and initiatives? How do we change our dues structure due to changes in our Ohio needs and Lion membership? How do we plan?

We must change. We must adapt. Lions on the Finance and Long Range Planning Committee get to influence these changes. This is why I choose to be on the Finance and Long Range Planning Committee. If you have an interest in getting involved, talk to me or the incoming Vice Governors. We are always looking for someone to grow the cause.

Yours in Service,  
Lion David Luttrell OH5 rep  
Current F&P Chair

## QUICK TAKES From 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Joe Jackson

### Peace Poster/Essay Contest

2019 Theme - *Journey of Peace*

Clubs need to order their Peace Poster/Essay kits now! The contest is for any students ages 11-13 in public or non public school including home schooling. Student work from any school or group must be submitted to DG Jackie by November 15, 2019.

### Veterans Wanted:

Veterans that become Lions are exempt from paying their entrance fee for membership.

### Flood/Fire/Tornado Damage:

Contact PCC Ben Cosgray

([jcosgray@gmail.com](mailto:jcosgray@gmail.com)) with claims for the Ohio Lions Foundation to consider. The OLF assisted relief efforts in districts OH5 & OH6. Thanks to PCC Lydia Houser and IPDG Mike Kerek for serving their districts!

### USA/Canada Lion Leadership Forum:

September 19-21, 2019, Spokane, WA.

## What Is A Club Administrator?

*(We hope this information from LCI is helpful for you!)*

In order to assist some club officers who may have difficulty operating certain technologies, Lions Clubs International created the role of “club administrator” to support a club president or secretary with administrative tasks that are completed through MyLCI/MyLion. This role has access to the same information in MyLCI/MyLion as the club president and secretary. Together and in consultation, the president and secretary may assign this administrative role if deemed beneficial for effective club operations. The club administrator is not a formal position recognized by LCI, but functions to provide administrative assistance only.

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Holding an online or event fundraiser is an excellent strategy for bringing a community together and increasing visibility and support for a local need. The Service Toolkit features a **Fundraising Guide**, designed especially for clubs looking to elevate their next service project. The guide includes:

1. Fundraiser planning checklists
2. Volunteer planner
3. Club service story template
4. Promotional checklist

**Invite Others to  
Invest in  
Service**

Download the Fundraising Guide to get started!

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/v2/resource/download/77920355>

## Are You On The List???

This is the first Pride Report to be distributed through our newly established mailing list. If you received it directly from OH5\_PrideReport@googlegroups.com , thank you for signing on to the list. If this newsletter was forwarded to you by someone else, and you would like to be on the mailing list for future monthly editions of the Pride Report, please follow these directions:

1. Send an email to Lion Jane Jarrow at [JaneJarrow@aol.com](mailto:JaneJarrow@aol.com)
2. In the subject line, write “Subscribe to Pride Report” (you need not put anything in the body of the email).
3. You will receive an invitation to join the OH5\_PrideReport group through Google Groups. At the bottom of that invitation, there will be a link that says, “Accept This Invitation.” Click on that link and you will be added to the newsletter mailing list, and receive all future Pride Reports through that listing (one post, once a month!).

# URGENT!

## Lions Club Logo Ohio License Plate Now Available – **ACT NOW!**

### WE STILL HAVE NOT REACHED OUR GOAL.

We need a total of 150 sold by 9/25/19. LET'S NOT LOSE THE HARD WORK WE PUT INTO GETTING THESE PLATES. We need MANY Lions to order these plates throughout the state. GET YOURS NOW!!

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



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

The deadline of September 25 means that Lions have less than 90 days to buy a Lion's License Plate. The plate fits collector and specialty cars as well as beaters, and new and used cars

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

Contact - If you have questions please contact PDG Joe Jackson, [shoelessjj71@gmail.com](mailto:shoelessjj71@gmail.com)

## SuperBraxton Challenge!!!

Ok, everyone, there has been a challenge issued for the SuperBraxton 5K on October 5, 2019. K-9 Officer Sean McGrew will run the 5K in his full gear along with is K-9 partner Summit. All we have to do is reach 100 registered runners/walkers or the amount of \$2,500 in donations/sponsorships by September 1st. We can make this happen with your help.

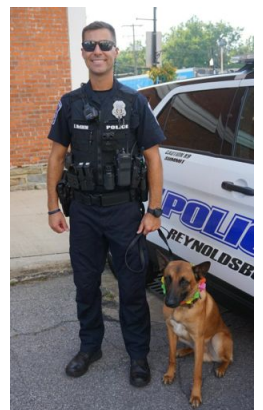
Click on link below to register or donate with a credit card.

<https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Reynoldsburg/SuperBraxtonPediatricCancer5K>

\$5 off per person if registered by 9/1/19 with Coupon Code: Super-Braxton.

100% proceeds all go to pediatric cancer causes.

*(see more information about the SuperBraxton 5K on page 10 )*





# The “Best Kept Secret” No More!!!

For too long, Lions Clubs have been “the best kept secret” around. We do so much, for so many, and yet those efforts go largely unnoticed by the community. The Ohio Lions Marketing & Communications Committee has developed a program to assist Lions Clubs with celebrating the Ohio Lions Centennial and to help in recruiting new members.

The program is a traveling tent with information handouts and an experienced Lion to answer questions about Lions Clubs International, local Lions clubs activities, and what we do to help the local community and the world.



To arrange for us to attend your club recruiting event, local festival, fair, or other event please contact PDG Dean Carruthers at 567-525-2582 or [bigb31353@gmail.com](mailto:bigb31353@gmail.com). Visits are scheduled on a first come, first served basis.

(The photo shows the set up at the Portage Lions Club 4th of July Parade and Picnic.)

## A Visit to Melvin Jones

The Lions of OH5 have been reading about Sydney Harrison, and her battle with Juvenile Myositis (JM) for several years now. Sydney is the daughter of Tri-Village Lions Zack and Sandi Harrison. She was diagnosed, at the age of 4, with JM – one of those rare diseases that strikes two – to –three children out of a million every year. The Tri-Village Lions have held a number of fundraisers for CureJM (the national organization that is looking for a cure for this devastating disease process). In fact, there is a golf outing (“Swing Fore a Cure”) coming up in August, highlighted elsewhere in this newsletter.



In June, the Harrisons attended the annual CureJM meeting in (wait for it!) Oak Brook, Illinois! While they were there, Lions Zack, Sandi Harrison, and “the girls” (Sydney and her little sister Madison) took a few minutes to sneak over to LCI headquarters and pay their respects to their Lions Club roots. They snapped some great pictures with some familiar faces!

June 21, 2019  
A Visit to LCI Headquarters

### Sensory Garden Update

The Sensory Garden was moved from Ameraflora in October 1992 to the Ohio State School for the Blind and for several years was enjoyed by students, staff and local residents. In 2007, the school started talking about a total renovation and the Garden had to be disassembled. It was in storage mode for approximately ten years.

Construction was finally completed in 2017 and the garden was put back together although in a different location and format but still allows students and staff to enjoy. At this time the Garden is in need of both financial and garden work. The heat and rain has taken its toll but the weeds are loving it!

Financial aid can be in the form of a purchase of a paver (\$300) or row of bricks (\$150) in honor of, or in memory of, a Lion.

Garden work entails volunteers to pull weeds and put in new plants. Donations for weed control, mulch and new plants are also welcome.

Please contact PDG Eileen Brenner (614-395-8591, [eileenlb2010@yahoo.com](mailto:eileenlb2010@yahoo.com)) with any questions you may have and to schedule a work day for your club.



**Have you been trained to do  
vision screening**

**OR**

**Are you willing to BE trained?**

We are looking for trained vision screeners to help out at St. Mary's School In German Village. We are looking at August/September to help out the school nurse. (If you want to work in an event in a public school, you will need to pass a background check.)

**OR** – if you are willing to help out but have not yet been trained, we can provide that training. We just need to know how many folks are ready to step up and volunteer so that we can set up a date(s), time and place for training.

Please contact Kathy Cosgray at: [jcosgray@gmail.com](mailto:jcosgray@gmail.com) or PDG Joe Jackson at: [shoelessjj71@gmail.com](mailto:shoelessjj71@gmail.com).

# Volunteers Needed

### LCI SERVICE INITIATIVES



## Opportunity to Serve and be part of Voicecorps Services

### Lions are Readers Day

**Tuesday, August 20**

Voicecorps is a 24/7 radio station that provides access to print for people who cannot read the printed word. **Anyone who cannot read a traditional newspaper because of a disability is eligible for our service.** Some listeners are totally blind while others have low vision from macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, cataracts, trauma or glaucoma. Some listeners can no longer turn the pages of a newspaper because they have had a stroke or have Parkinson's disease. Still others are unable to read due to dyslexia.

#### **You will be reading Live over the air waves**

The radio schedule features newspapers, magazines, assorted periodicals/journals and books. Some of our most popular offerings include grocery/retail ads, obituaries and live programs.

**We would love to get 2 lions per 20-minute reading shift...**

**You may do more than one 20-minute slot**

(Arrival time before your time slot would be 10 minutes)

#### **Voicecorps**

2955 W. Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43204

(The parking lot is located off Binns Street (North) and is the first driveway on your left.)

#### **Time Slots**

8 /8:20 /8:40	11 /11:20 /11:40
9 /9:20 /9:40	12 /12:20 /12:40
10 /10:20 /10:40	1 /1:20 /1:40

**Please email [Worthingtonnoonlions@gmail.com](mailto:Worthingtonnoonlions@gmail.com) with your name, phone number and time slot.**

You will be contacted closer to the event with any other details.





# SWING FORE A CURE COLUMBUS

*Presented By Simpson Strong-Tie Columbus*

**SIMPSON**

**Strong-Tie**

**Saturday August 17, 2019**

**Golf Club of Dublin**

5805 Eiterman Rd

Dublin, OH 43016

Registration 7:00 am

Tee-off 8:00 am

Banquet 2:00 pm



**Sponsors:**



**Cost:**

\$150 per individual golfer

\$500 per foursome

\$30 to attend the banquet only

**Registration:**

Includes entry into all golf contests, 18-holes of golf, cart, range balls, valet bag service with bag tag, and banquet following golf

***Hole-in-One Prizes including \$10,000 Grand Prize, prize raffle at the charity banquet, and more***

Golf attire is required. No steel spikes are allowed on the course. All participants must be at least 14 years of age.



**Questions?** Jeff Bornemiss [ohio.golf4acure@gmail.com](mailto:ohio.golf4acure@gmail.com) 770-315-7922

Net proceeds benefit Cure JM Foundation, a non-profit dedicated to finding a cure for Juvenile Myositis, a childhood disease affecting children in Columbus and across Ohio. Cure JM's mission is to find a cure and better treatments for Juvenile Myositis and improve the lives of families affected by this disease. [www.curejm.org](http://www.curejm.org)



**Who** - VOICEcorps (An agency supported by Ohio Lions)

**What** - 14th Annual David Liebchen Memorial Golf Outing

**When** - **Sunday, September 8th**, check-in opens at 11:30 AM, play begins at 1:00 PM

**Registration Deadline** - *Friday, August 30th*, 11:55 PM

**Where** - NorthStar Golf Club, 1150 Wilson Rd., Sunbury, OH 43074

**Details** - Registration is now open for the 14th Annual David Liebchen Memorial Golf Outing benefitting VOICEcorps! Join us at the beautiful NorthStar Golf Club on Sunday, September 8, 2019. Network with business associates, friends and potential new customers while supporting central Ohio's only reading service for people who are blind, have low vision, or other disabilities that prevent reading. Here's the link to our on-line registration page! [REGISTRATION](#)

This is a 4-Person Scramble. For your \$109 registration, you receive: 18 holes of golf with cart and Mulligan, a boxed lunch plus our now-famous player's gift! Shotgun Start. Golfers will have use of the putting green and driving range. You may also enjoy the appetizer buffet and refreshments. Silent auction follows play.

Our event will also feature an online auction of items useful, interesting, and must-haves for every golfer. Plus, we have sports memorabilia including an autographed football by Terrance Mitchell #39 of the Cleveland Browns; a Pittsburgh Steelers player photo and a Cubs player photo! Soccer fan? We've got Crew tickets! You may have an advanced look at our auction by clicking [this link](#). All bids are online using your smartphone, PC, or tablet. Don't delay! Register yourself or your foursome for the 14th Annual David Liebchen Memorial Golf Outing today!



100% of net  
proceeds will  
go to pediatric  
cancer causes.

2nd Annual  
**Super Braxton**

**Pediatric Cancer 5K Run/Walk**

**October 5, 2019**

**Reynoldsburg HS Summit Campus  
8579 Summit Road, Reynoldsburg, OH**



*YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!*



Braxton Long lost his 3 year battle with cancer on July 24, 2017 at the age of 8 years old. He loved life, was optimistic and kind by nature, and had a smile on his face to the end.

Each year in the U.S., the parents of approximately 15,300 kids will hear the words "your child has cancer." Across all ages, ethnic groups and socio-economics, this disease remains the number one cause of death by disease in children.

Yet less than 4% of funds raised for cancer research goes to pediatric cancer.

*REGISTER (ALONE,  
FAMILY OR AS A TEAM!)  
OR DONATE TODAY!  
EARLY BIRD DEADLINE 9/1/19*

**Event Schedule**

**8:00-9:00 Registration**  
(performing arts center)

**9:00 Kids Fun Run (FREE)**  
(event start location)

**9:30 5K Start**



For more information, forms, or to register, please  
visit the District OH5 Lions site at [district13oh5.org](http://district13oh5.org)





# WHITEHALL AREA LIONS

ALL YOU CAN EAT

# SPAGHETTI DINNER



SUNDAY, OCT 6, 2019  
NOON TO 4:00 PM

BERWICK MANOR PARTY HOUSE  
3250 REFUGEE ROAD  
COLUMBUS, OHIO

CHILDREN 10 & UNDER \$6.00      ADULTS \$11.00

CONTACTS: LION KATHY WHITEMAN 614-578-7580  
LION PAULINE ROGERS 614-491-8763



TICKETS AVAILABLE  
AT THE DOOR

ACCEPTING USED  
EYE GLASSES

CARRY OUT  
AVAILABLE



**BENEFIT for SUFFICIENT GRACE**  
**Saturday, Oct 12. 2019**  
**Noon to ???**  
**West Jefferson VFW**  
**Post 7005**  
**West Jefferson. Ohio**

*Entertainment by  
Local Musicians  
Food, Raffles, Live auction*



**PUBLIC INVITED**  
**FREE ADMISSION**

*Donation of food  
and auction items  
greatly appreciated*

*Sponsored by the  
London Lions Club  
& West Jefferson  
VFW Post 7005 Auxiliary*

*Reverse Raffle \$10.00/ticket  
No more than 300 tickets sold*

*Prizes 1st ticket drawn - \$10.00  
Then every 25th ticket - \$10.00  
3rd to last - wins \$200  
2nd ticket to last - wins \$375.00  
Last ticket drawn - wins \$750.00*

*DRAWING held 6:00 p.m.  
Saturday October 12th, 2019  
West Jefferson VFW Post 7  
Need not be present to win!*

**PROCEEDS to BENEFIT  
SUFFICIENT GRACE**

*For tickets call  
Lion Nera 614-736-8384*