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Namaste! The divine in me salutes the divine in you. Welcome to our new century. My goal over the next 12 months is very simple—to reach a new level of service to Lions and from Lions. Before I ask you to reach a new level of service, Lionism will reach a new level of service to you.

So how can I serve our 1.4 million Lions? I cannot give everyone senior positions. I cannot give you money. I cannot meet all of you. However, I plan to touch all of your lives with the power to serve.

So let's examine every stage of one's Lionistic career and how I can help. The first stage is becoming a new member. When I became a new member 43 years ago, I suddenly felt as if I had left my hometown and become a man of the world. This year, I want every member to download our new mobile app. This will connect all our members on one global platform.

The next stage is beginning to serve. As a member of the Batala Smile Lions Club in Punjab, India, I was proud of how the community began to respect me. This respect depended on the number of people I served and how many people were aware of this service. We now have a new Global Service Team. Your District GST leader will identify projects that serve the maximum number of people per dollar and per hour. They will also train Lions on how to convert a normal project into a Legacy Project via Lions branding and public relations.

The third stage is aspiring for leadership. While I enjoyed rising up the Lions' ladder, I sometimes wished that our leaders focused more on work than on long speeches. A new awards system will incentivize the efforts of Lion leaders in the right direction. We plan to reward retention of members, hence keeping the focus on you—our existing members. New awards will also be given for involving over half the club in service and for creating the most Legacy projects.

As a global leader of Lionism, I want to keep every Lion connected to Lionism. Our new Welcome Home program is an international online club for members unable to attend club meetings. Meetings and fee payments are conducted entirely online.

The last stage is now. I want to give every Lion the same goal for the next 12 months. My dream is that every Lion will serve 10 people each month. If this happens, we will serve 170 million people this year— a big increase from our current level of 100 million and a big step toward our goal of serving 200 million annually by 2020. This is the focus of all my meetings around the world.

All the best. See you as I travel around the world.

Sincerely,

Dr. Naresh Aggarwal Your International President



Did you know that 175,000 U.S. preschoolers struggle with common, but untreated, vision problems? And those problems don't just impact sight. They impact learning. That's why Lions KidSight USA Foundation is bringing Lions' vision screening programs together to protect the sight of our

Read the latest KidSight USA newsletter to learn about the program's innovative plans for collecting screening data and its new vision-screening certification program, and get highlights from Lions' screening programs. And find out how you can be a part of KidSight USA.

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From Your District Governor - DG Wayne Christen

Greetings, Lions of OH4.

The International Convention in Chicago was awesome. Lions from all over the world converged on Chicago for a long weekend. On July 4th I was installed as your 2017-2018 District Governor along with over 730 other new DGs. It was quite an experience. And I thank you again for giving me this opportunity to serve along with all the Lions of the greatest district in Ohio. I look forward to a wonderful year.

We have already had our Mini-Cabinet Meeting with the Zone Chairs and Ist and 2nd Vice Governors. We appear to all be on the same page with what we want to accomplish this year and how we are going to go about reaching our goals. Our main thrust is to serve. But we know to accomplish that we need to increase our membership. So, much emphasis will be put on retaining our current members and, of course, bringing in new ones. Please set your sights on gaining members. Do not settle for yearly membership drives where we "only" lose I or 2 members for the year. If we have fundraisers in which we lose money, we try something different so we gain money. Let's do the same with membership drives. Do something different so we gain members. I am convinced that OH4 can show a substantial gain this year if we ALL put forth the effort. Will you help?

Over 1/3 of our clubs are already scheduled for my visit. I have already made 1 visitation and was very happy to induct a new member while I was there. Welcome aboard, Lion Midge Woodside. I hope to have my visitation schedule completed within the next 2 weeks.

Many new things are happening this year. LCI has added Pediatric Cancer Awareness to our list of projects. A new Global Service Team (GST) has been established. It along with the present GLT and GMT will fall under the umbrella of the new Global Action Team (GAT). All this is being done so that Lions can continue to increase the number of people we serve. You can learn more about these on LCI's website, so please browse around and see what is new and exciting.

Thanks you for all you do in Lionism. And remember - WE SERVE. IT IS GREAT TO BE A LION!!!!





Yours in Lionism,

DG Wayne Christen





















From Your First Vice District Governor - FVDG Mike Tyler

How to keep your Lions Members and RETENTION!

Fellow Lions,

I am deeply involved in keeping all the Lions we have now but it's not easy. Retention of Lions members takes just a few minutes but these tips can help.

Keep members involved in anything the clubs does.

Sponsors should mentor their new members and keep them in the loop of club matters and explain things to the newer members. CALL a member just to see how they are doing if they haven't been to a meeting in a while.

Start meetings on time and try to keep long winded members under three minutes with the use of the Tailtwister. Put the Tailtwister in charge of the three minute clock and make talking more a high value.

Keep meeting moving and at all costs try to conclude them in less than an hour.

Have a different member start the pledge, invocation, and let a 1st or 2nd Vice President run a meeting with the President at their side to Mentor and help them learn how to run a meeting from the hot seat!

Make sure the Tailtwister has a game for each meeting or something fun put together. It should be fun and fines should be minimal (except for going over their 3 minute time speaking..... sheesh!)

Get a guest speaker but be cautious to make sure the speaker is not boring. Plus keep the subject matter of the speaker appropriate. **MAKE IT FUN!** We are all doing Lions without any return so having fun is a must!

Please remember most of our members are Lions Members and they only get paid with smiles from those we help. So remember those you've helped from the past and remember those images so they can be brought up when you need a good review of those you've helped.

Cheer's to keeping all your current members!





Thank you,

FVDG Lion Mike Tyler





From Your Second Vice District Governor - SVDG Tony DeLuke



SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR



This is my first report as District 13-OH4 Second Vice District Governor. It started off in June when I went to Salt Fork for the Vice Governor's Super Weekend Training. After that I was privileged to go to my first International Convention for the 100th Anniversary of Lions club. It was absolutely amazing. Great seminars, great concerts, great interactions with Lions from around the world and a tour of the LCI headquarters. A special shout out to Janice Mundy for a wonderful bus trip!

Then it was time to get back to business. I attended the Zone Chairman Training in Ashland where we had 7 out of 11 Zone Chairman represented. We also had our mini cabinet meeting where we where given Governor Wayne Christen's goals & expectations for the 2017-2018 Lions year. I am in the process of setting up my first round of visitation for Region 2. It's an honor and a pleasure to be your Second Vice District Governor. Grow the Pride One Step(s) at a Time!

Respectfully Submitted,

Tony DeLuke 2VDG 13-OH4





OUR FOUNDATION

LCIF Reaches \$1 Billion in Grant Funding

In January, LCIF crossed a historic milestone by **surpassing US\$1 billion in grants** funded! This incredible accomplishment was made possible by the generosity of Lions. But it's only the beginning. In order to support our goal of serving 200 million individuals annually, LCIF is preparing for an increase in Lions-led projects by committing to raise US\$50 million annually by its 50th anniversary in 2018.

It's hard to overstate the value of our Foundation. For nearly 50 years, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has supported the life -changing work of Lions, serving some of the most vulnerable people and the neediest places on Earth.

LCIF will play a key role in supporting our new global service framework and reaching our LCI Forward goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021. That kind of life-changing service requires the commitment that only Lions have. But it also requires funding. LCIF supports the work of Lions through grant funding so we can have a bigger impact, bringing long-term help to more people than ever hefore.

LCIF supports Lions, but how will you support LCIF? Every act of kindness and every dollar matters when you're investing in hope. Every dollar flows back into our communities through the effort of Lions. And each dollar is spent where it will have the most impact.





Global Action Team

The Global Action Team consists of the GLT, GMT and the newly created GST. By working together as one team, the Global Action Team, along with LCIF, will enable us to expand on our motto, "We Serve," as it takes on a new and unified approach to service, membership and leadership development at all levels of the association. The Global Action Team will launch on July 1st.



If you are attending Convention, please join the Global Action Team Chairperson, Past International President Dr. Wing-Kun Tam, as he shares the vision and mission of the Global Action Team and how the Global Action Team will be a valuable resource to all Lions!

If you are unable to join us at Convention, Past International President Dr. Tam will also present information on the Global Action Team during the area leadership forums throughout the year.

Additional information will also be available on our Lionsclubs.org website after July 1st.

Engage Young People in Your Community this August

Young people are the future leaders of service—and of Lions! Inspire youth to get involved in your community by giving them an opportunity to serve with you during the **Worldwide Week of Service for Youth this August 7-13**. Your club can even take it to the next level by reaching out to local Leos and youth organizations, and inviting them to take leadership roles in your service



EYE CARE FOUNDATION ANNUAL FINANCIAL/ACTIVITY SUMMARY



This report is a financial and activity summary of our Melvin Jones Dist. 13 OH4 Lions Eye Care Foundation (ECF) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016–2017 (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017).

The following statements describe District club activity in proving financial support to the ECF:

Since this was the initial year of new District 13 OH4 there is no historical data to compare 2016-2017 results with previous yearly data. If a yearly comparison can be made with previous results it will be indicated.

Forty-four (44) of the sixty-four (64) District Lions Clubs, those being the number of District clubs as of July 1, 2016, provided financial support to the Foundation, our only District service project.

The amount donated to the Foundation in the fiscal year through direct club contributions was \$29,550. This amount is \$3,829 lower than the largest ever contributed (\$33,379 in FY 2012-2013) by District clubs in any fiscal year and is the 3rd largest amount received since the formation of the ECF.

There were no grants, corporate donations or estate bequests received during the year. Corporate donations and estate bequests from individuals are encouraged and gratefully received.

The total income for the FY 2016-2017 realized by the Foundation was \$58,429. This was an increase of \$8,057 from the previous fiscal year.

ECF expenditures for the fiscal year were \$37,261 and this amount is \$13,247 higher than the previous year, FY 2015-2016, primarily due to increased medical billings. During the fiscal year twelve (14) new cases were approved by ECF Board of Directors for individuals with confirmed financial need who resided in our District and needed vision care assistance that individual District clubs could not provide.

During FY 2016-2017 District Lions clubs reported conducting 15,535 vision screenings with an individual referral rate of 12%. Of this total, 3,612 were screenings provided to preschool children. Twenty- four (24) District 13 OH4 Lions Clubs participated in performing vision screenings. The twenty-four District clubs represent 40% of the total District clubs. All District clubs are encouraged to provide vision screenings to individuals in their service areas. The ECF can provide the equipment and also training if needed. The ECF thanks each District Lions Club and each individual District Lion member for your support of our only District Service project, the Melvin Jones District 13-D Lions Eye Care Foundation. Any questions regarding this summary should be directed to me. Any club that would like a program presentation on our ECF can contact me or any ECF Board member.

PDG John Woodside, Treasurer

Melvin Jones District 13-OH4 Lions Eye Care Foundation

ELLI and **ALLI**

The next Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI) and Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI) for the Lions of United States of America, Its Affiliates, Bermuda & The Bahamas & Canada will be offered in Denver, Colorado, on November 11-13, 2017. These institutes will be held concurrently but independently of each other.

The ELLI teaches valuable leadership skills at the club level and is targeted to Lions who have not yet been club president. Download the application form for more information.

The ALLI teaches valuable leadership skills at the zone, region and district levels and is targeted to Lions who have completed a term as club president but have not yet attained the position of first vice district governor. Lions who are region and zone chairpersons, as well as second vice district governors, are encouraged to apply to this institute. Download the application form for more information. Lions Clubs International will provide meals and lodging according to the schedule of the institute. Please note that according to board policy, a non-refundable participation fee of \$125.00 will be required to offset a portion of these costs for all institutes, but it is not due until the applicant receives a letter of acceptance into the institute. Participants are also responsible for their own transportation and related travel expenses to and from the institute site. Final details have not been set, but it looks like the institutes will be held at a hotel in Aurora, Colorado, a suburb of Denver.

LCI will be accepting (75) Lions for the ELLI and (125) Lions for the ALLI. Completed forms must be received by: **August 28, 2017.** If you have questions or need further information, do not hesitate to contact me at 330-527-2048 or pzcdave@cebridge.net.

PCC David Gauch

District Global Leadership Coordinator

FIELD LEOS

The Field Leo's are encouraged to help others. Their vision was to have a fundraiser to benefit the Akron Children's Research Department. With the support of Field Middle School administration and staff, the students were able to have a homeroom penny challenge. The challenge started March 13 and concluded on March 31. Mrs. Goodwill's 6th grade homeroom class won the challenge and was treated to a class pizza party...but the real winner was the hospital. The Field LEO's were able to present Denise Zahner, a representative from Akron Children's Research Center with a check for \$ 267.13

Ist Picture with leprechaun buckets: Trinity Kryinicky, Christian Gressman, McKenzie Denison, Teagon Dean, Braden Antonelli, Heather Earley

Back Row: Cassidy Herendeen, Audrey McAmis, Naomi Earley, Christina Whyde, Kaitlyn Antonelli, Carter Anderson & Rhiannin Winkleman

2nd Picture presenting Akron Children's Research Department with fundraising check

Sitting: Carter Anderson, Denise Zahner, Sylvia Langstaff

Standing: Christian Gressman, McKenzie Denison, Heather Earley, Emma Monk, Teagon Dean, Rhiannin Winkleman, Audrey McAmis, Cassidy Herendeen, Naomi Earley





Can you help my brothers and sisters at Pilot Dogs?

They are in need of Johnson's Baby Shampoo, any spare towels for drying and Nylon Bones or Kong Toys. Please bring them to your Zone Meeting or the OH 4 Cabinet meeting in August. A donation would be nice too if you hold a 50/50 raffle. My name is Diesel and I'm a career change Pilot Dog.





TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

COME JOIN US AT THE *MAHONING VALLEY SCRAPPERS* GAME TO BENEFIT YOUR MELVIN JONES OH-4 EYE CARE FOUNDATION



DATE: AUGUST 23rd WEDNESDAY FIRST PITCH 7:05

TICKETS ARE \$8.00 EACH
Checks made payable to Mahoning Valley Scrappers
ALL TICKETS MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE. DEADLINE: August 01

Send reservations to Lion Dee Pamer 2079 Tallmadge Rd Kent Ohio 44240 330-673-6481

*** (meal on your own) ***

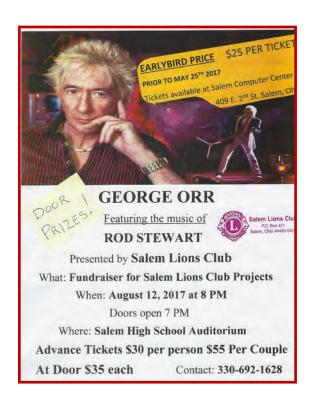
Lets make this first event fun and successful Meet some new Lions or bring some prospective new members and have fun!

Directions with be mailed with your ticket one week before game!













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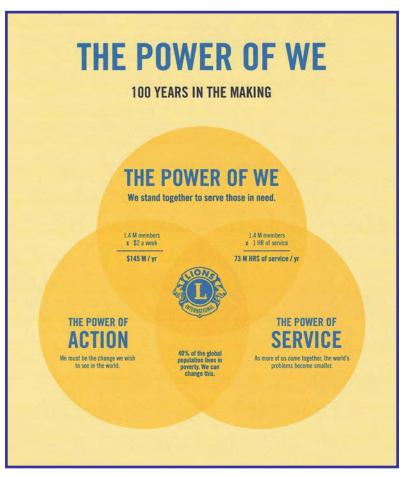


Support Our Global Service Framework

There's a lot to love about our new global service framework. The service framework helps us achieve our LCI Forward goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021. It encourages clubs to engage young people in service. And our new service focus, diabetes will give us new ways to unite Lions and caring people around this global epidemic.

Explore the service framework page to learn more. Be sure to engage youth in your service, report your service and support the framework through the Centennial Service Challenge.







Raising Research Dollars for a Children's Hospital Near You

Don't let them walk alone!



Sunday, October 1, 2017 Wingfoot Lake State Park

993 Goodyear Park Blvd. Suffield Ohio 44260

5K Run /Walk 9:00 AM

Registration \$30 (through 9/7 includes shirt)

1 Mile Walk 9:30 AM

Registration \$30 (through 9/7 includes shirt)

Late registration \$30-NO Shirt

We welcome all participants, regardless of age or physical abilities. Walk, run or roll to support the cause.

More information: Lion Dee Pamer

330-221-0720

Register or Donate on-line: https://sites.google.com/ site/lionssteps/home/akron



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Ш	August 21	West Point

Zone Chairs please send me the dates of your Zone meetings so the information can be included in the newsletter

Cabinet Meeting Host Club

August 20, 2017 Calcutta

November 9, 2017 Highland Heights

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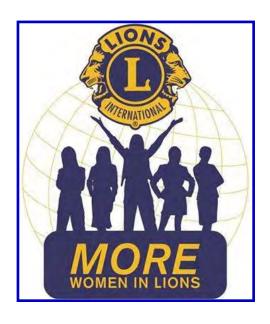
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Please check out the information on page 9 about 'OHIO LIONS TEAM JERSEYS' to wear for the 2018 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum that will be held in Columbus!!!

GRINS & GIGGLES

I don't suffer from insanity, I enjoy every minute of it!

I work hard because millions on welfare depend on me!



CLUB ACTIVITIES

Mark Your Calendar 2016-2017

AUG 4 - CANFIELD LIONS FRIDAY NIGHT FISH DINNERS

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This event is held at A La Carte Catering at 429 Lisbon Street, Canfield. Main Course dinners choice of Haddock (baked or fried),
Macaroni & Cheese, or Haluski with Pierogi and choice of side dishes, dessert and beverage. Served from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Cost: \$11.00 ea.

AUGUST 5 & 6 - KENT LIONS CLUB SWEET CORN FESTIVAL For more information see flyer on page 7

AUGUST 9 - CONNEAUT LIONS CLUB ANNUAL GOLF OUTING For more information see flyer on page 7

AUGUST 12 - SALEM LIONS CLUB PRESENTS "ROD STEWART" For more information see flyer on page 7

AUGUST 26 - GIRARD LIONS CLUB 23rd ANNUAL GOLF OUTING For more information see flyer on page 8

AUGUST 23 & 24 - A CHORUS for a CAUSE for MEJ EYE CARE FOUNDATION For more information see flyer on page 8

DISTRICT OH4 & STATE ACTIVITIES

Mark Your Calendar 2016-2017



AUGUST 23 - DISTRICT OH4 NIGHT AT THE SCRAPPERS BASEBALL GAME

For more information see flyer on page 6



The USA/CANADA Forum will be held in Portland, OR. More information coming. See flyer on page 9



OCT I - OH4 STEPS Run/Walk for Pediatric Cancer at Wing Foot State Park

For more information see flyer on page



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