



Lion Pride Through Service

2019-2021

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LCI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Service is Still Joy

Greetings Lions,

In my role as your International President I have been very busy trying to be the best representation of you that I can possibly be. In the day-to-day I am often absorbed with the details of my schedule – who I'm talking to, what we are discussing, how our efforts can strengthen Lions.

It is work.

And every day, as I read your stories and speak to you (through virtual meetings these days), I am reminded of the amount of sustained effort that goes into being a successful club. Coordinating email addresses to ensure everyone gets invited to the monthly meeting over Zoom, spending hours researching ways to sew masks from donated fabric, networking with local authorities to ensure your help gets to where it's needed most – this is work.

And yet, it is also joy.

I see it in the passion and remarkable energy you bring to everything you do. Whether it's service with masks on or service at a distance, Lions are continuing to put in the work that drives our mission and makes Lions Clubs International the greatest service organization in the world.

So, I want to take a moment to thank you, Lions, for your continuing hard work in the face of extreme global hardships.

And I want to thank you for bringing a little more joy to the world.

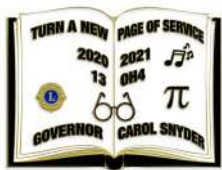
Sincerely,

Jung-Yul Choi

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi,
International President, Lion Club International



We Serve



District Governor Report October 2020



Lions of OH4,

Another beautiful day, and I will be on the road, heading out to visit one of our active Lions Clubs, this time completing my Zone 1 visits. It has been my privilege to meet with a lot of clubs in the past few weeks, both in person and on the computer screen. We are blessed to have both options available to us. All clubs should be meeting in one form or another, although I know of a couple who have been struggling with this. Keep communicating!! Even if it's by telephone you can continue to serve.

We look toward the future, beyond present Covid concerns and nostalgia for the past! For example, my convention committee is at work getting plans in place for a District OH4 Convention on April 9-11, 2021. Save that date, watch for further details of the site, and keep positive thoughts that it can happen. Getting together and celebrating is such a good part of being a vibrant organization.

I send congrats to those club Secretaries who have successfully reported their service activities & planning on MyLion. I calculate that 40% of our clubs have done so since July 1. Let's keep on working to aim toward 100%. Also, recent stats show that we have brought in 13 new members, but lost 23, giving a net loss! Keep inviting friends and neighbors to join in service, plus be very aware of how important it is to retain those Lions we have. We can't afford to get complacent. Communicate with each other so everyone feels valued and an essential part of the club's planning and activities. Share your enthusiasm for serving and building fellowship.

By the time you read this, we should be well into planning and doing service as part of the "Fall into Service with Lions" week. It might be sending cards, small-group cleaning a park, hosting a distanced parade at a nursing home, or collecting glasses. Report and share your projects on social media. Secretaries, if you haven't yet sent the form to say you are participating, feel free to send it in late! (The form can be found on page 5 of this newsletter.) The walks described below also count as service.

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Speaking of social media, I'm hoping a lot of you have already walked, or plan to do so, in honor of our District's STEPS program and/or the JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research) that we have been encouraging at the end of September and throughout October. Walk with Lions, neighbors, family, in a park or your neighborhood! "Just Ask" someone to join you so they can feel the impact of service. (Thanks to DG Kerry from OH2 for the following.)

1. Take pictures of your walk (Masked of course)
2. Email to me czs50@aol.com so I can put them together, or
3. Post on your Facebook Page. Type in #weserveOH4 #childhoodcancerOH4 #juvenilediabetesresearchOH4

The # phrase will make a social media collecting of our efforts to raise funds and awareness for the causes visible to everyone who searches <<we serve>> or <<childhood cancer>> or <<juvenile diabetes>>. I hope I explained that correctly.

That's my speech for now. I certainly look forward to continued visits with you Lions. "We Serve" and "United in Kindness and Diversity" are realities, not just mot-tos.

District Governor Carol Snyder



*"What you do speaks so loudly that I cannot
hear what you say."*

Ralph Waldo Emerson



OHIO LIONS FALL INTO SERVICE WEEK OCTOBER 4-10, 2020 Letter of Commitment

Please include the Lion/Leo/Lioness Club as a participant in **Ohio Lions Fall Into Service Week**. This club will participate and report a service project(s) performed or completed October 4-10.

Club Name: _____ District _____ Zone: _____

Contact Person: _____ Email: _____@_____

Local/Community Paper: _____ Phone: _____

I would like help (check all that apply):

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| _____ Service Project Ideas | _____ Learning How To Report Service |
| _____ Learning How To Advertise Service | _____ Using Service As A Membership Tool |
| _____ Working With A Leos Club | _____ Other: _____ |
| _____ Learning How To Work With Other Organizations In The Community | |

Date

King Lion or Secretary

Please email the completed form to your District Governor on or before September 5:

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First Vice District Governor Report October 2020



Hello Lions of OH4!

It is hard to believe summer is over and the “Fall” season begins to see our clubs back in action. This has been difficult with our ongoing pandemic but clubs are beginning to find ways to gather together either by Zoom or Facebook Live, meeting in person practicing social distancing and masks. And a few clubs are blending technology gatherings with live meetings. There are choices there for each club. The challenge is finding what works for your club.

I have been so glad to have had the opportunity to meet with some clubs since our last newsletter. The Willoughby Evening Club is meeting by Zoom. They recently conducted their annual golf outing at Lost Nation Golf Course. I know now why it is called lost nation as I lost many golf balls on the course. Courtland was my next stop with an in-person meeting. The evening was filled with discussion of plans for service activities and their food trailer stops within the community. North Coast also is meeting in person. They presented a drive for paper products and personal care items and they provided a yummy take-out meal. The Painesville club is planning on participating in their Community Cleanup event on October 10th. This club has been meeting outside and providing individual subs for their meal. Windham has also been meeting outside using social distancing, and they are operating their food trailer in the community. Our Niles Lions have also begun meeting at their favorite spot. Plans for service during the October Fall into Service week were discussed and being finalized. In all, where there is a way these clubs are keeping in touch with members unable to attend and are actively visible serving their communities following safety guidelines during this pandemic time. Awesome efforts Lions!!!

Here is my challenge to the Lions of OH4 this month. Will you be visible this month within your communities? Can you build membership without visibility? Recently, I attended the USA/CANADIAN Forum virtually on my I-phone and computer. The sessions reinforced that for our organization to grow in membership, we need to be visible. We need to be proud of our accomplishments and share them with our

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friends, neighbors and fellow Lions. How do we do that as a group? We can use the traditional newspaper, radio and TV methods or embrace some technology in addition to these methods. Lions can embrace the use of Facebook to advertise our service and fundraising events. We can use Facebook Live and Zoom platforms to keep in contact with each other as well as messenger and our phones. These are some ideas to share with you all.

Have a safe and great month serving your communities! Thank you for your efforts to make this world a better place. If I can be of any help to you, please do not hesitate to reach me by e-mail at: lion513jmyoung@zoominternet.net.

Lion Judy Young
FVDG District 13-OH4 2020-2021

New Announcement Concerning Training

See pages 8-10 of this newsletter for information and application for the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI) to be held in Toronto, ON, Canada on March 13-15, 2021. IVDG Judy Young and IPDG Tony DeLuke have attended this training and report that it is awesome.

Watch for more information in the next newsletter

“An optimist is one who takes the cold water thrown on an idea, heats it with enthusiasm, makes steam and pushes ahead.”

Source Unknown



ADVANCED LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (ALLI)

Location: Toronto, ON, Canada

Dates: March 13-15, 2021

Application Due Date: December 13, 2020

Applicants: Lions from Constitutional Area 1 & 2 - United States of America, Its Affiliates, Bermuda & The Bahamas & Canada

Languages Offered: English

Purpose of the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI)

The purpose of the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute is to provide Lions leaders with an opportunity to enhance skills in preparation for leadership responsibilities at the zone, region and district levels.

Participant Qualifications

1. Applicants must be Lions that have completed a successful term as club president, but have not yet attained the position of first vice district governor. Lions members who are currently serving as club presidents will be considered on a space-available basis.
2. Applicants must be willing to commit to attending all days of the institute, including group mealtimes, and understand that personal time is extremely limited. **Attendance at all classroom sessions and scheduled meals is mandatory.**
3. Applicants must be capable of understanding and participating in the language of instruction at this institute.

Cost of the Institute

Lions Clubs International will provide meals and lodging according to the schedule of the Institute. Please note a non-refundable fee of US\$125.00 is required for participation in this training event. This fee will be due no less than six weeks prior to the institute start date. Please do not send fees until you receive a letter of acceptance to the institute. Participants are also responsible for their own transportation and related travel expenses to and from the institute site.

Selection Process

Because of the high number of applications received by the association, acceptance into the institute is not guaranteed. **All applicants will be notified of selection status no more than three weeks after the application due date via the email address provided on the application form.**

The Leadership Development Division of Lions Clubs International reserves the right to cancel any institute or language-specific classroom due to insufficient applications submitted by the stated application due date.

Expectations of ALLI graduates

1. Pursue additional leadership roles and responsibilities in their respective zones, regions, and districts.
2. Help to develop Lions leaders and serve as a leadership resource in their respective clubs, zones, and districts.
3. Share their institute experiences with members of their zone and district and encourage others.

Application Procedure

Submit the completed application form by the application due date in order to be considered.

Application Due Date: December 13, 2020

Email completed form to institutes@lionsclubs.org

Upon submission of the application, senders will receive an automatic reply to serve as a receipt of the application. If no reply is received, check spam/junk folders and resubmit as needed.

If email submission is not an option, submit via fax to 630-468-6740.



ADVANCED LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
 Toronto, ON, Canada
 March 13-15, 2021

Part 1: Applicant Information

District Number: _____ Membership Number: _____

First/Given Name: _____ Last/Family Name: _____

Email*: _____ * PLEASE PRINT - Required information for all institute correspondence

State/Province: _____ Country: _____

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female Month and Year Joined Lions Clubs: _____

Club Number: _____ Lions Club Name: _____

Current Lions Title: _____ Highest position held in Lions Clubs: _____

Select Preferred Language(s) of Instruction: ☐ English

If you selected more than one language, please indicate your **first choice**: _____

☐ I confirm that I am capable of understanding and actively participating through reading, writing, and fluent speaking skills in the language(s) selected above.

Date of most recent term as Club President and Lions Club Name: _____

Lions Leadership Institutes Previously Attended (Locations & Dates): _____

Part 2: Experience and Skills Please type or print using additional sheets as needed

1. Offices held within current Lions Club: _____

2. Committee positions held within current Lions Club: _____

3. Previous Lions Clubs of which you have been a member and offices held: _____

4. Why is this institute of interest to you? _____



ADVANCED LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Toronto, ON, Canada

March 13-15, 2021

Part 3: Acknowledgements

- ☐ I understand that Lions Clubs International is not responsible for personal costs, including but not limited to, those associated with the following: illness, unanticipated or other personal events, lost or stolen property of participants.
- ☐ I understand that participants are requested to carry medical insurance information in the event they require medical services.

Name of Applicant: _____

Signature: _____

Part 4: Endorsement

The applicant's **District Governor or GLT District Coordinator** must complete this section.

Applicant's Name: _____

In what ways will this applicant benefit from attending the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute?

Completed by: _____

Title: _____

Part 5: Signatures. Applications missing ANY of the required signatures below will NOT be considered for participation.

1. District Governor

I understand and agree that in the event the above named applicant is selected to attend and does not cancel his/her registration for the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute in writing 10 days prior to the institute, or does not attend any portion of the institute, the district will be billed for one night's meals and lodging according to Board policy.

- ☐ I have read and agree to the above cancellation policy statement.
- ☐ I certify that this application has been reviewed and supported by the First Vice District Governor and Second Vice District Governor, prior to its submission.

Name of District Governor: _____

Signature: _____

Email (please print): _____

Member number: _____

Date: _____

2. GLT District Coordinator

Name of GLT District Coordinator: _____

Signature: _____

Email (please print): _____

Member number: _____

Date: _____

September 23, 2020

“Can We See” - The Possibilities?

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VISION: 1925 when Hellen Keller stated: “Will you not constitute yourselves Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness?” This request served as the vision for Lions Clubs for the past 95 years, thus we have aided the blind and worked toward preventable blindness. Maybe VISION can help preserve and grow Lionism. Words often have multi-meanings when applied to different situations. Here’s a different definition of Vision extracted from “Full Steam Ahead” by Ken Blanchard & Jesse Lyn Stoner, 2011, page 169:

What is Vision?

- *Vision is knowing who you are, where you’re going, and what will guide your journey.*
- *Knowing who you are means being clear about your purpose. Where you’re going is your picture of the future. What will guide your journey are your values.*

Why is Vision Important?

- *Good leadership starts with vision; leadership is about going somewhere.*
- *Vision helps you get focused, get energized, and get great results.*
- *Vision keeps you going during times of adversity.*

Thus, I am suggesting that each Lions Club search for their vision in today’s environment. Lions need to rediscover what it means to them to be a Lion. **Who they are?** Our Club leaders need to build a picture that we can see, not vague, be proactive not reactive, and focus on the end results. **Where are you going?** Lions should contribute to answering the question, “**how**”; using as a guiding for your daily behaviors and acting consistently on their values. **Guide you journey?**

Being a volunteer and having other responsibilities, you may not have the knowledge, skills, or time to construct a vision for your club. You can request outside assistance, research what is available, or participate in training. Each District has an assigned GAT, GLT, GMT, GAT, and a NAMI Champion, which may assist you in building a vision for you club and its members. NAMI – North American Membership Initiative Process is: Opt-in, build a team, build a vision, build a plan, build success. All the GMT Chairpersons has materials that covers several aspects of membership, also material can be found on line at LCI – Membership. If you have exhausted your contacts, you can contact ME. I will be happy to assist you and your club, zone, or district.

Leading with Vision Finish Strong

Lion Charlie

What's Next? - Will Power?

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Keep in mind that your vision should be about change/growth. After searching ourselves for the will power and energy to change, leaves the question what we have been comfortable doing? It is difficult to change ourselves but nearly impossible to modified our member's perspective. There is an eight-stage process of creating major change; the following has been taken from "Leading Change" by John P. Kotter, 2012, page 23:

1. *Establishing a sense of urgency ~*
2. *Creating the guiding coalition ~*
3. *Developing a vision and strategy ~*
4. *Communicating the change vision ~*
5. *Empowering broad-based action ~*
6. *Generating short-term wins ~*
7. *Consolidating gains and producing more change ~*
8. *Anchoring new approaches in the culture ~*

To teach ole dogs new tricks is difficult. The alternative to growth is dying; growth means change. We can not stay the same or go back to the good old days. Keep in mind that you can only change yourself, but can motivate others to change themselves. The work that needs to be done will come from the club/zone/district levels. Acquiring the data associated with the 8-stage process, will aid in moving forward to implement needed changes. The text offers a chapter on each stage.

A more subtle message (vision) toward where the Lions Organization should trend toward is to become a 21st – century organization. Page 181 compares the characterizes of a 20th to a 21st Century organization. There are differences in structure and systems; but here are some of culture changes:

20th Century Organization

- Inwardly focused
- Centralized
- Slow to make decisions
- Political
- Risk averse

21st Century Organization

- * Externally oriented
- * Empowering
- * Quick to make decisions
- * Open and candid
- * more risk tolerant

Stretching our vision is necessary in a rapid changing environment, and to put it in simple terms is difficult. LCI's NAMI PROCESS has outlined: [Opt-in ~ Build Team ~ Build Vision ~ Build Plan ~ Build Success] this outline can be applied to all levels of our organization.

In today's busy environment there are not enough hours in the day to learn how and do everything that is needed or available. In your environment or daily requirements, it's a matter of your priorities on what gets your attention. I am aware of three adjoining states wanting to grow but have completely different approaches. When all is said and done ~ more will be said than done! It's all a matter of priorities in the club's leadership. If there's will, there's a way!

LCIF

When I talk to people about why they give to Lions Clubs, most often they answer that they want to see the money they donate impact their local community in a meaningful way. If I ask why they do not consider giving to LCIF, I hear that they would rather give their money directly to a club than an international foundation, so their money can be more impactful in their own backyard.

So let me tell you all about LCIF grants.

Your personal or club donations to LCIF help fund grants that benefit communities around the world, as well as your own back yard. Grants are available at the club, district, or multiple district level. Some grants require a monetary percentage match from the local club or district. It's important to review the information provided at <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/grant-types> but here is a summary of the types of grants that may bring LCIF grants into your own community:

SightFirst Grants: SightFirst grants can help a child see the world for the first time. They can protect a village from a debilitating eye disease, or intervene before someone goes blind due to diabetic eye disease. They can upgrade hospitals and clinics in underserved communities by training doctors and nurses, distributing medicine and raising awareness around the world.

Diabetes Grants: The LCIF Diabetes Grant Program can help develop community environments that inspire and support healthy lifestyles and provide education about diabetes and pre-diabetes. LCIF Diabetes grants can increase access to diabetes care and enhance existing diabetes centers to provide greater service to the community. Diabetes Grants support diabetes youth camps and retreats, diabetes screening activities with comprehensive follow-up care plans, infrastructure and equipment acquisition for existing diabetes care facilities and training of professionals and community diabetes educators.

Disaster Grants: When natural disasters strike, Lions are among the first to offer help. With a disaster grant, they can do even more for communities devastated by hurricanes, floods, fires and other major events. As a foundation, we are proud to offer a variety of grant options to support various stages of disaster relief operations.

Lions Quest Grants: Lions Quest Grants aid the implementation and expansion of Lions Quest in schools around the world. Typical project activities include workshops to train educators, the purchase of textbooks and materials for workshops, program evaluation and research. Grants can go toward the initial implementation of Lions Quest or the expansion of an existing Lions Quest program.

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Leo Grants: Leos play such an important role in the service mission of Lions. We value the contributions of young people to their communities as volunteers and service leaders. Anything we can do to encourage and enhance their service is a win for us all—Lions, communities and the world. Successful applications will include a robust hands-on service or volunteer component. In addition, collaboration between Lions and Leos is required for the project.

Hunger Pilot Grant Program: There are nearly one billion people across the world that experience food insecurity. No one can truly understand the devastating physical and emotional impact of hunger unless they experience it. Through the LCIF Hunger Pilot Grant Program, Lions can support school based feeding programs, food banks, feeding centers, and similar facilities that provide food to people when they need it most.

Childhood Cancer Pilot Grant Program: Each year, more than 300,000 children are diagnosed with cancer. Improving childhood cancer survival requires supporting children and their families while they experience the unimaginable social, economic, and emotional burdens of having a child with cancer.

Even though the COVID-19 Grant cycle has concluded, we should know that LCIF awarded over \$5,000,000 to local communities in COVID-19 Frontline Relief Grants.

There are specific rules about when applications for grants are accepted, limits to grant amount requests, and how many grants may be active at the same time in a single district. You can find out more at <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-foundation/mission>.

As you can see, there are opportunities to put the money we donate to LCIF individually and through our clubs to good use around the world and potentially in our own district.

Please let me know if you have questions or want to know how you can contribute to Campaign 100 and our foundation.

Yours in service,
Lion Maureen Lerch
LCIF District Coordinator



Uniontown Lions Paul Ruley Eyeglass Recycling Center!

As Uniontown Lions celebrated 75 years, our keynote speaker was Dr, Brady Kail, an ophthalmologist and member of the Magnolia Lions Club. He spoke about his numerous mission trips providing sight to thousands of people.

A major focus of International and Domestic Lions has been sight conservation. Lions took up sight as their major goal after a speech given by Helen Keller at the Lions Clubs International Convention held at Cedar Point, Ohio in 1925 where she challenged Lions to become “knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness.” Since then, the Lions have worked tirelessly to aid the blind and visually impaired. Likewise, since 1944, Uniontown Lions have been in the crusade.

The origin of the Uniontown Paul Ruley Eyeglass Recycling Center occurred during a regular meeting of the Uniontown Lions in February 2001. The featured speaker was Dr. Brady Kail. He spoke about his recent mission trip to Honduras, where he spent a week fitting 400 Hondurans with eyeglasses. As a result of that meeting, Uniontown Lions under the direction of Paul Ruley began a recycling center where we prepare glasses for Mission Teams by receiving glasses from various District 13OH4 Lions Clubs.

Thanks to Dr Kail's on-going Mission efforts, Uniontown Lions are still supplying him and others with glasses to provide sight to thousands of people.

Since the Uniontown Lions Paul Ruley Eyeglass Recycling Center was created in 2001, over 233,000 glasses have been delivered for various Mission efforts.

For additional information about eyeglass recycling or need for eyeglasses for a Mission Project, **please contact Bill Watts, watts.bill46@gmail.com.**





Voicecorps Ambassadors available as a Lions Club guest speaker!

Voicecorps reading service, long known for reading newspapers and other print for blind and disabled Ohioans, has expanded its geographic service area. Voicecorps is asking for your help by telling your Club members the good news. Plus, you can now book a speaker from Voicecorps at your next virtual Lions Club meeting.

Established in 1975 in central Ohio and serving thousands of people living with blindness, low vision and other conditions that prevent reading print, Voicecorps provides daily news and information 24/7. Originally available in central Ohio, Voicecorps is now in the Black Swamp area of northwest Ohio and the Appalachian corridor leading from mid-Ohio to the southeast corner of the state. Voicecorps Ambassadors can tell you how.

A long-time friend to Lions Clubs, Voicecorps had to cease in-person outreach with the outbreak of the pandemic. Now that Lions Clubs are using Zoom for meetings online, Voicecorps Ambassadors can fill your guest speaker needs with a relatively short notice.

Voicecorps continues seeking guest speaker opportunities with central Ohio clubs. To schedule a Voicecorps Ambassador, e-mail Shari Veleba, Voicecorps Marketing Coordinator at sveleba@voicecorps.org or call the Voicecorps office at (614) 274-7650. Please schedule at least two weeks prior to your Club meeting.

Why MyLCI ?

Club Officers Can:

- Maintain member names, addresses and phone numbers
- View and pay LCI statements
- Print membership cards
- Track club service activities
- Create club rosters and mailing lists
- Designate next year's officers
- Report monthly membership

District Officers Can:

- View membership for district clubs
- View newly chartered and status quo clubs
- View reports such as "Monthly Membership Reporting History" or "Missing Club Officers Report"
- Prepare for club visits
- Set up and view: regions/zones/district officers and chairpersons
- View service activities for clubs in your district

Help is here for Club Secretaries!

If you are a Club Secretary and you're having trouble using the MyLCI app to do your club's membership reports, or using the My Lion app, or have questions on all you need to do as a club secretary - we can help you!

Please contact PDG Michael Tyler at 440-975-0477 or cell 440-478-4535.

PDG Michael can help you through any questions you have regarding being a Club Secretary. Lion Sharon Hall is another great resource and available to help any Club Secretary at 330-385-3632 or cell 330-932-9356.

Please don't be afraid to pick up the phone and ask us for help. We are both very understanding and will take our time to help you.

We look forward to talking with you,
PDG Michael Tyler

Club Reports

DG Carol Snyder visited **Conneaut Lions Club** on September 24, 2020 and installed new Officers and inducted two new members.



L-R: King Lion Lew Shiley,
DG Carol Snyder



L-R: New Lion Tim Church and his
sponsor KL Lew Shiley, Treasurer
Lion Angel McVoy who sponsored
her husband new Lion Sean McVoy,
DG Carol Snyder

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New Lion Travis Boyd was inducted at a recent meeting of the **Magnolia Lions Club**, and awards were presented to Lion Jim Hunter and Matt Whitted.



L-R: PDG Jeff Snyder in-
ducted new Lion Travis
Boyd



L-R: PDG Jeff Snyder pre-
sented Lion Jim Hunter
with an award for over 40
years of service as the
Sight-Saving Chair



L-R: PDG Jeff Snyder pre-
sented Lion Matt Whitted
a "Knights of the Blind"
award for his strong lead-
ership

Club Reports

Unfortunately, **Kent Lions Club** has made the decision to cancel it's annual carnation sale for 2020. A recent increase in Covid cases in Kent and Portage County, the "life experience factor" of many Lions and the necessity to work in close proximity to others in preparing the carnations for delivery made this decision necessary. This was the second of the club's three main fund raisers cancelled, as the Sweet Corn Festival in August was also cancelled. The Lions wish to thank all those who have purchased carnations over the years, as well as Richards Flower Shop, the ladies of Delta Gamma and members of other local Lions' clubs for their years of supporting our flower sales. We look forward to a much better 2021.



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Austintown Lions Club donates used eyeglasses

On Thursday, September 24, Past District Governor Bob Whited of the **Austintown Lions Club**, along with wife Joyce, delivered close to 750 pairs of used eyeglasses to the Uniontown Lions Club Paul Ruley Eyeglass Recycling Center. Uniontown Lion Bill Watts, Eyeglass Coordinator, met PDG Bob and Joyce to receive the donation.

Most everyone knows somewhat of the history of Lions Clubs International who took up sight as their major goal after a speech given by Helen Keller at the Lions Clubs International Convention at Cedar Point, Ohio in

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1925, where she challenged the Lions to become “Knights of the Blind” in the crusade against darkness. Since then the Lions have worked tirelessly to aid the blind and the visually impaired.

The origin of the Uniontown Eyeglass Recycling Center started during a regular meeting in February, 2001 when the speaker was Dr. Brady Kail, an ophthalmologist and also a member of the Magnolia Lions Club, who spoke of a recent mission trip to Honduras where he spent a week fitting 400 Hondurans with eyeglasses. His biggest difficulty was the preparation of eyeglasses, since they had to spend much time in cleaning, sorting, and reading prescriptions of thousands of glasses just to find 400 that would meet the needs of the tested Hondurans. After an approval from the Uniontown Lions club to collect used eyeglasses at several locations led by Lion member Paul Ruley, a retired optician, an inspection and processing area was set up in the basement of the Uniontown Community Park Building, which is also the meeting place for the club. They started with one analog lensometer to read prescriptions of eyeglasses. The glasses were then sorted, cleaned prescriptions read and placed in marked zip-locked plastic bags ready for the mission teams to select specific glasses to enhance people's vision. The Melvin E. Jones Lions Eye Care Foundation then provided two additional lensometers.

Soon after, the Uniontown Lions became renowned for their great work. At present, the recycling center has nine lensometer stations and eight volunteers who (since 2001) have spent over 10,464 hours, have received 242,782 glasses, have processed over 224,088 eyeglasses, and delivered 194,333 glasses to various mission teams.

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Eyeglasses processed in Uniontown have brought sight to thousands of people in poverty in Haiti, Bolivia, Honduras, Peru, Guatemala, Mexico, El Salvador, Belize, Colombia, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Las Cannas, Dominican Republic, India, Ukraine, Thailand, Stark County Jail, a Native American reservation in Arizona and Lake Township.

Anyone interested in becoming an Austintown Lion please contact Bob Whited at 330-792-7907 or olebertl@aol.com.



L-R: PDG Austintown Lion
Bob Whited and Uniontown
Lion Bill Watts



Uniontown Lion Bill Watts

Still time to help Painesville Lion Ernie Richmann, District 13 OH4
Diabetes Chair, reach/exceed his goals:

- 100 Walkers (now at 38)
- \$5000 Donations (now at \$5245 !!)

JDRF One Walk

Ernie's Walk - October 11
Virtual Walk - November 1, 2020



Ernie welcomes all Lions from all districts, all Lion family members (including children) and all Lion friends to join his team with the opportunity for 2 different walks.



Option 1

The originally scheduled walk at the Cuyahoga County Fair Grounds has been cancelled due to the Covid shutdown. It is replaced with a virtual walk. Signup for the team and walk on your own. Miles walked can be reported on-line, or send your miles to Lion Ernie and he will record.

Option 2

Upon learning that this year's event is to be virtual, Lion Ernie decided to walk 30 miles in the Girdled Road Reservation on October 11.

This is a beautiful Lake (county) Metropark.

For more information on Ernie's walk, contact him at:

erichmann49@yahoo.com

Or call him at: 440-668-8310, leave a message and he will get back to you.

You can also sign-up for the team and make donations at:

<http://www2.jdrf.org/goto/OH4Lions>



At the district celebration, Lion Bill Humphrey mentioned to me that the North Canton Lions Club would be making a donation to the Lions JDRF Walk Team in honor of Lion Mike Lintner who was struggling with diabetes. I never met Lion Mike Lintner but I do understand the struggles of living with diabetes. Yesterday I learned that Mike passed away. I will be dedicating my 30 mile walk on October 11 to Lion Mike Lintner.

The following information is from Lion Bill Humphrey.

Some things I can tell you about Mike. I think someone said he had diabetes for over 50 years. Mike had a great voice and was a member of A Chorus For A Cause (several members of our club are part of this group). The group sings twice a year and raises money for local charities. They once put on a concert for our District Eye Care Foundation and raised \$6000. Mike was a past president of our club and he enjoyed baking items for our bake sale at our craft shows that we hold twice a year. He also set up our Christmas Party every year. He was a very confident public speaker and I enjoyed listening to him at our meetings. He was divorced and had 3 older children: Ellen, Alex, and Lauren who were his greatest pleasure. He retired from the Ohio Bureau of Workman's Compensation. He was a active member of our club and will be missed. He was also my next-door neighbor. He was 63.

If you would like to make a donation to the Lions District JDRF Walk Team go to:

<http://www2.jdrf.org/goto/OH4Lions>

Lion Ernie Richmann
District 13 OH4 Diabetes Chair





**Come and Join us
for the 2021 Winter
Retreat as we
“ROAR INTO THE
20's”**

WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

- THEME FOR THE WEEKEND THE 20'S
- FRIDAY NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT WITH ERIC MELLEBY
- LIONS TALENT SHOW ON SATURDAY
- SCAVENGER HUNT ALL WEEKEND
- FUN SESSIONS
- SERVICE PROJECTS-NOTE CARDS, FOOD DRIVE, EYE GLASSES/BALLCAPS COLLECTION

Salt Fork State Park

January 15-17, 2021

\$120.00 if paid by Dec.1,

\$140.00 after.

Register at www.ohiolions.org

Winter Retreat Service Projects:

- 1. Note Cards- write “pick me up” notes to others.**
- 2. Food Drive-bring a can or two of food**
- 3. EyeGlasses/Ballcaps Collection**

*At the end of the weekend
the Food Drive and EyeGlasses
and Ball caps will be split
between the districts.*



Lions Got Talent!



**Calling all Lions,
If you got talent
WE NEED YOU!**

We are having a talent show at the Winter Retreat on January 16, 2021. You can register at the retreat or contact Lion Debbie Horn @ country_girl740@yahoo.com



2020-2021 Peace Poster Contest

For more info contact District OH4
Youth Chair, Lion Pat Bissler at:
youthOH4@ohiolions.org

Theme - "Peace Through Service"

Lions have provided an important reminder to the world that, through service, we can give and receive so much - joy, kindness, hope and PEACE. This year, young people have the opportunity to express their visions of peace through the lens of service.

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest.

Kits can be ordered through Club Supplies.

Please consider sponsoring a Peace Poster Contest in Your Local Schools.



1988-1989
Mustapha El Tawokji
Lebanon



1993-1994
Jill Giovanelli
USA

2019-2020
Zhou Zhang
China



Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

- October 1: Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. Kits are on sale now.
- November 15: Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.
- December 1: Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson.



WINDHAM LIONS CLUB

OCTOBER 2 - 3

Fridays 10 AM - 7 PM, Saturdays 10 AM - 2 PM

**Our Sausage and Steak Sandwich Trailer
will be serving the best sandwiches
in Portage County.**

**The trailer will be located on
St Rt 303 at the 2nd traffic light.**

**The Windham Lions have been serving the
Windham community for over 60 years.**



Jackson Township Lions Virtual Reverse Raffle October 15, 2020



Larger payouts - with a top prize of \$1800

Ticket Price: \$75 each

Bonus options for multiple purchases

For more information visit:
www.jacksontownshiptions.org

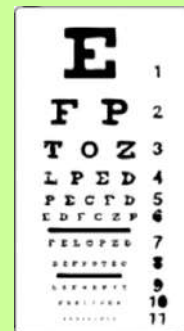
Or, call Lion John at 330-309-4140



Beautiful Tim Hortons gift basket.
To be raffled by East Liverpool Lions.
Watch for details coming soon!

Important Announcement Concerning Training For Vision Screeners in Schools

Changes to Ohio law require that all persons participating in school vision screening of **kindergartners and 1st graders** must be certified by completing 3-4 hours of online training. There are no changes from recent years for those screening 3rd graders and above.



- Training is conducted online with 5 training modules:
 - Course ID 1015273
 - Course ID 1028321
 - Course ID 1055521
 - Course ID 1028320
 - Course ID 1079367
- The training modules are opened at:
www.train.org/main/welcome.
- You will need to set up an account the first time that you go into the site.

You will not be able to participate in screening kindergartners or 1st graders until you complete this training.

Contact your local school district for information on when and how schools will be opened this fall, and details on if and how vision screening will be conducted.



The Sebring Lions Club is selling
ceramic Lions mugs.
The cost is \$5.00 each.
To place an order please contact:
PCC Chuck Allcorn at 330-938-1566



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UPCOMING CLUB ACTIVITIES

Mark Your 2020-2021 Calendar



OCT 2-32 - WINDHAM LIONS CLUB SAUSAGE AND STEAK SANDWICH TRAILER, ST RTE 303, WINDHAM, FRI 10 AM - 7 PM, SAT 10 AM - 2 PM.
For more information see **page 28.**

OCT 15 - JACKSON TOWNSHIP LIONS, VIRTUAL REVERSE RAFFLE, TOP PRIZE \$1800.
For more information see **page 29.**

AVAILABLE NOW - OHIO DEPT OF HEALTH TRAINING FOR SCHOOL VISION SCREENERS - TRAINING MUST BE DONE ONLINE.
For more information see notice on **page 31.**

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UPCOMING DISTRICT & STATE ACTIVITIES

Mark Your 2020-2021 Calendar



OCT 1 - DEADLINE TO PURCHASE 2020-2021 PEACE POSTER KITS.
POSTMARK DEADLINE FOR CLUBS TO SEND ONE WINNING POSTER TO DISTRICT GOVERNOR IS NOV 15.
POSTMARK DEADLINE FOR DISTRICT TO SEND ONE WINNING POSTER TO MULTI DISTRICT CHAIR IS DEC 1.
For more information see **page 27.**

OCT 4-10 - OHIO LIONS FALL INTO SERVICE WEEK.
EMAIL COMMITMENT LETTERS TO YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR NOW IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE SO ALREADY!
For more information see commitment letter on **page 5.**

OCT 11 - JDRF WALK WITH LION ERNIE AT GIRDLED ROAD RESERVATION. VIRTUAL WALK NOW THRU NOV 1.
For more information see **pages 22-23.**

JAN 15-17, 2021 - WINTER RETREAT, SALT FORK STATE PARK, REDUCED REGISTRATION FEE DEADLINE DEC 1.
For more information see **pages 24-26.**

MAR 13-15, 2021 - ADVANCED LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (ALLI), TORONTO, ON, CANADA
APPLICATION DEADLINE DECEMBER 31, 2020.
For more information see **pages 8-10.**