

# OHIO LIONS

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## District Governor's Report



I am back from Seattle, and now I need to get everything I saw and heard into an article to share with you. I don't think it is at all possible. There were so many new experiences gained from attending the International Convention, and I am in awe at what Lions are doing throughout the World! I know that there are 1.4 million Lions out there, and I think a large share of them were in Seattle with me. There were Lions from everywhere, and watching the opening session with all the flags from 206 countries and geographic territories was incredible. The International Parade, which lasted over three hours, with all the costumes from around the world, was an experience of a lifetime.

Our new Lions International President, Wing-Kum Tam, is very personable, and he discussed his theme for 2011-2012. His National Theme is "I

Believe," which expresses the thought that the Lions of the world have created a culture organized around the value of giving back. And a belief that one person truly can make a difference. He wants all Lions to believe in themselves and believe that they can make a difference. He compared Lions with the bumblebee that, given size and wing span, should not be able to fly; however, no one told that bumblebee that it can't fly. I am summarizing his theme as follows:

- Believe in Service. President Tam asks that the Lions around the world plant 1,000,000 trees. He received pledges from the District Governor Elects during the convention for over 4,000,000 trees.
- Believe in Club Members. Develop our members with an effective orientation and encourage member involvement. He would like us to promote the My Club, My Family Program and enhance our Leo to Lion Program.

- Believe in Nurturing our Future. Promote our Lions Quest Program, expand youth activities and increase awareness of Services of Children Program.
- Believe in Leadership. Listening to the training needs of Lions and provide opportunities to develop and lead through the Global Leadership Team.
- Believe in Projecting our Image. Promote awareness of Lions and encourage our clubs and districts to have web sites and Facebook pages.
- Believe in Giving Back. Emphasize the need to increase our support of the Lions Club International Foundation's programs by increasing an understanding of these programs and promoting LCIF in our Districts.

I encourage everyone who can participate to mark their calendars for the upcoming event that will help promote Lions - the Twins Day Parade on August 6<sup>th</sup>. This will truly meet one of the 2011-2012 objectives by projecting our image in the community and maybe even nationally as this parade receives great coverage with the media all over the world.

Our first Cabinet Meeting will be on August 18<sup>th</sup>, and I

encourage everyone to attend. This will be a great opportunity for you to learn more about the goals and objectives for your Lions District 13-C.

**DG Lion Mary Chentnik**

## **First Vice District Governor's Report**

OK...we're off and running in the 2011-2012 Lionistic year. Our new Governor, Lion Mary, will be out and about during this year visiting the clubs and promoting her agenda. Please let's all get behind her and give her all the support we can.

As a reminder IPDG Lion Marty will be our district GLT liaison with the state. And PDG Lion Dona will be our GMT liaison with the state. Please give them your help.

The upcoming year should be a great one with Lion Mary at the helm. I'm looking forward to working with her and 2VDG Wallie for the 2011-2012 year. Remember this...we need to recruit new members at a 7% rate just to maintain our current numbers!

New this year...Lion Dave Garee is your web master. Please send him all your news, pictures and events in a timely manner so he can publish to the web. Look for some new features...maybe a calendar of events? He can be reached via e-mail at

[davegaree@gmail.com](mailto:davegaree@gmail.com). I had fun being your web master since the 2000-2001 year. Please give Lion Dave your full support.

Let Lion Mary or myself know if there is anything we can help you with for your clubs.

Yours in Lionism,



1stVDG Lion Dan Lester

## **Second Vice District Governor's Report**

Well, it is official. Can't turn back now! I have taken the first step on the ladder (I only climb three-step ladders). This will be a year of OBSERVING; I was told that I am not allowed to SPEAK; but no one said anything about WRITING. So, here it goes.

I am truly honored and excited to be representing our District as 2VDG. After finishing the weekend training, I realized how FUN this is going to be. I already met some wonderful new Ohio Lions and am sure I will be forming some strong bonds. Knowing that I am beginning this adventure with eight other 2VDGs has squashed some of my concerns.

Yes, I will be observing. So, wait for the email and/or phone call as I schedule my club and/or Zone visitations. Lion Dave and I enjoyed a delicious steak roast with the Mogadors

Lions Club. This month we will be trekking to Broadview Heights Lions, Cuyahoga Falls Lions, Wadsworth Lions and Medina Lions.

I would ask that all of you do me one favor: please respond to my emails or phone messages. Scheduling visits is my main job right now; and I would need to know if the date I select does or does not work, so I can schedule another club. So, please, please work with me. I can see why VDG Dan has a personal scheduler.

Remember, if you have any questions, requests, or suggestions, please call me (440-944-3947), or email me [wdburnet@att.net](mailto:wdburnet@att.net)

As always, yours in Lionism,  
2VDG Wallie Burnett

## **CABINET FINANCIAL ADVISOR COMMENTS**

### **ANOTHER LIONS YEAR END**

It is June 30<sup>th</sup> and the end of another Lions year for most of our clubs. This is the time to summarize what the club did for the year and to begin planning for the next Lion year.

It is a good time to review the fund raisers and evaluate the returns on the fund raisers in relation to the amount of cost and effort. Maybe its time to look at other ways to raise funds.

It is also a good time to summarize the financial activities of the club and prepare a financial statement and Federal 990, which can be made available to all club members as well as to have a document to give to non-Lions who may request an annual financial report.

Keep in mind that your club must file with the IRS at least once in each 3 year period.

Also keep in mind that the threshold for filing a "full-form" (990EZ) has increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000, effective 1/1/2011.

If you would like to have a speaker at one of your club meetings, the District Financial Advisor is available to discuss topics of interest to Lions.

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District 13-C Financial Advisor  
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### **GALEP Report**

#### **GALEP ACTIVITIES**

GALEP will hold its next Board meeting **August 1, 2011** at Tallmadge Lions Hall. Please call 330-633-5739 and leave message on answering machine letting us know if you plan to attend and have dinner.

**Election of GALEP President**  
**Lion Maggie Dellmore was elected GALEP President** for

the 2011/2013 term at the June Board meeting.

### **Officers for the 2011-2013 Term.**

**Lion Maggie Dellmore**  
**President**  
**Lion Walter Park**  
**Vice President**  
**Lion Ray Dellmore**  
**Secretary**  
**Lion Neil Sheeley**  
**Treasurer**

#### **Applications**

Lions Shirley Frazier, Bill Hixon, Walter Park, and Grant Frazier will continue to review and approve applications for eye exams and eyeglasses. Any requests for assistance from GALEP which are not in the "traditional" mission of GALEP will be held and presented to the Board for approval.

Non-traditional services would include prosthetic eyes, surgeries other than cataract surgeries, and all requests which exceed the budget submitted by the Treasurer at the August meeting.

Requests for assistance from an Optometrist other than Dr. Thomas Adams, or an Optician other than Osman Optical must be presented to the board for approval.

#### **Officers and Directors** **Attendance**

It is important that all elected and appointed officer and directors attend GALEP board meetings. The Code of Regulations specifies that any

office held by a director missing more than *three* consecutive board meetings may be declared vacant by a majority of the Board of Directors and a replacement Director may be appointed by the appropriate Zone Chairperson or by the Board of Directors if a replacement is not appointed by the Zone Chairperson.

### **Club Referrals**

All club referrals will still be handled by Dr. Thomas Adams, OD and Osman Optical.

### **Finances**

GALEP has \$116,402 in cash reserves as of June 30, 2011. For the six months ending June 30, GALEP provided 19 pairs of eyeglasses, 2 eye examinations, 2 special contact lenses, and 1 prosthetic eye.

### **GALEP Service Policy**

It is the policy of GALEP to pay for eye exams for children which cost \$30. Adults are referred to Summa for eye exams or if the applicant prefers, they may go to Dr. Thomas Adams of Osman Optical and have their eye examination at a cost of \$50.

### **The GALEP**

**PDG Maggie Dellmore**

**President**

**Lion Walter Park**

**Vice President**

**Lion Raymond Dellmore**

**Secretary**

**Lion Neil Sheeley**

**Treasurer**

## **Lions Eye Clinic at St. Vincent Charity Medical Center**

Lions Eye Clinic at St. Vincent Charity Hospital

Next Board Meeting September 14, 2011

Next Delegate Meeting

September 19, 2011

Lion Eye Clinic Reverse Raffle

November 11, 2011

### **Applications**

We have finally cleared up the backlog of applications. Wait for review and release of applications is now 2 weeks. Appointments for eye examinations are now being scheduled into September. Wait for eyeglasses once ordered is about 2 weeks.

### **Purchase of Equipment for Lions Eye Clinic**

Dr Kapadia requested Lions financial assistance for replacement of an Ultrasound Eye Scanner to replace an unrepairable unit. The Board approves the donation of \$5,000 toward the purchase of the \$16,000 unit.

### **Year End Results**

For the 12 months ending June 30, 2011, the program paid for 476 prescription eyeglasses, and 2 club referred cataract surgeries. Received \$31,734 from Parade of Checks, \$6,797 LCIF Grant, \$4,425 from Dividends on investments. Total Operating Assets at June 30, 2011 \$189,851. Total Endowment Fund Assets at June 30 \$40,881.

### **Co-pay Policy**

The new co-pay policy has now been in effect for 6 months and so far there have been no problems in implementing of the policy.

### **Follow Ups**

PDG Dona Klages is conducting a Follow-up investigation to determine why applicants who have been approved for eye examinations and eyeglasses have not returned after approval to receive their eyeglasses. Once PDG Dona .determine reasons, we will publish in bulletin.

We now have a very conscientious Optician on duty from 9:30 to 3:30 daily. We have had nothing but positive comments from our patients as well as the staff of St Vincent Charity Medical Center.

### **Delegate Meeting Reminder**

**PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT YOU MUST LET US KNOW PRIOR TO 10 AM FRIDAY BEFORE THE DELEGATE MEETING IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND AND ENJOY DINNER WITH US. WE HAVE TO PAY BASED UPON THE NUMBERS WE CALL IN ON FRIDAY.**

### **Use the Program**

The Lions Eye Clinic Inc is YOUR program. Please use it. It is an important part of the mission of District 13-C Lions and when someone asks what Lions do, you can point to the St. Vincent and Akron

programs which provide over 650 pairs of prescription eyeglasses annually, as well as prosthetic eyes, cataract surgeries and financial support to those who otherwise would not be able to afford eye care.

The programs are an important PR tool for the District 13-C Lions. The programs tell the public what we as Lions do.

### **Other**

We are still looking for volunteers to come down on Wednesdays to help with various jobs, from boxing up used eyeglasses, filing applications, answering the telephone, printing envelopes, maintaining the offices, printing and mailing postcards and notices to the clubs, and visiting the clubs to keep them up to date on activities of the eye clinic. Thank you for support of this most valuable service which we as Lions of District 13-C perform.

**Lion Grant Frazier**  
**President Lions Eye Clinic**

### **Club News**

#### **Tallmadge**

The club voted to have the

Tallmadge Lions Club provide funds to assist the Visitation of St Mary's Health Fair on August 21<sup>st</sup>, and provide glasses for those in need in the community. The Health Fair is at 87 Broad St in Akron. The club also will be sending a sympathy card and a donation to the family of the late Lion Jeff Ennis, who passed away suddenly last month. The new Lions Year will see new Zones in District 13C. Instead of Zones 1 through 6, we will have Zones L, I, O, N and S.

### **LION OF THE YEAR**

The Lion of the Year award was presented by 1st Vice President Lion Robyn Lotz to Lion Roy Morrow at the June 22nd meeting. Lion Roy had been out of town, so the award was not able to be presented at the Awards and Induction meeting on June 8th.



*1st VP Lion Robyn Lotz and Lion of the Year for 2010-2011 Lion Roy Morrow.*

Lion Roy has worked tirelessly on ensuring a steady income from the rental of Tallmadge Lions Hall, as a delegate to the Lions Eye Clinic at St. Vincent's Charity Medical Center in Cleveland, and is currently completing a term as a delegate to the Greater Akron Lions Eyecare Program (GALEP).

### **CALENDAR**

#### **July**

**25** – Lions Night at the Captains see below:

#### **August**

**6** – Twins Day Parade – see below:

**18** – District Cabinet Meeting  
**25** – Mayfield Heights Reverse Raffle

#### **September**

**18** – Pawfest – Stow/Munroe Falls – See below

#### **November**

**11** – Lions Eye Clinic at St. Vincent Reverse Raffle

*ATTENTION LIONS OF DISTRICT 13-C*



SAVE THE DATE!!

Twins Day Parade

August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Twinsburg, Ohio

More details to follow ...  
Contact: Lion James Feils  
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Join the Captains at Classic Park as we celebrate  
**Lions Night of North East Ohio**



**Monday July 25 at 7:00PM**

Advanced Tickets are \$9 each for you & your guests.

*Ohio Lions District 13c 2nd Annual Event:  
Collecting Used Eyeglasses & Hearing-Aids at the Gate*

PNC "Buck Night" \$1 for most items including  
hot dogs (2 for 1), fries, popcorn, onion rings,  
soda and beer!

*GREAT night of fun for the whole family!  
Time to enjoy an evening of baseball & help cheer  
on the Captains as they battle the Cedar Rapids Kernals.*

**Activities include pre-game "Lions Parade",  
National Anthem, On-Field Contests & "Lions"  
airtime in the Radio Booth!**

Tickets Payable to: **North Coast Lions Club (by 7/11)**  
([www.lionwap.org/OHNorthCoast](http://www.lionwap.org/OHNorthCoast))

Send Checks to: 31701 Chardon Rd, Willoughby Hills 44092  
Contact Club Secretary: Lion Wallie ([wdburnet@att.net](mailto:wdburnet@att.net))

**Phone: 440-944-3947**



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Eastlake, OH 44095-3142  
(440) 975-8085  
[captainsbaseball.com](http://captainsbaseball.com)

[captainsbaseball.com](http://captainsbaseball.com), "classic park" tab, "directions" link  
From South: I271-N to I90-W to Rt 91, turn right (3 miles)  
From East: I90-W to Rt 91, turn right (north) (3 miles)  
(alternate E): Rt 2 West to Rt 91, turn right (north) (.4 miles)  
From West: I90-E to Rt 2 East to Rt 91, turn left (north) ("")  
**Stadium=on Right+ ♿ parking; Genl Parking=on left**

## MAYFIELD HEIGHTS LIONS CLUB REVERSE RAFFLE

Sunday September 25th 2011  
James Catering Italian-American Club  
29717 Euclid Ave., Wickliffe OH  
Doors open at 4:00 Dinner at 5:00  
\$30.00 per ticket  
\$1000 Big Board-Sideboard-2 Basket of Cheer Raffles  
For tickets see any Mayfield Heights Lion or call 440-683-4653

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The members of the Stow-Munroe Falls Lions Club are busily preparing for their **FIFTH ANNUAL PAW FEST 2011**, scheduled for Sunday, September 18, 2011 at Stow, Ohio's Bow Wow Beach Dog Park. This year's event is being dedicated to our military and service dogs who risk their lives each day to protect many lives around the world.

Paw Fest 2011 is a free event beginning at 10 AM and ending at 4 PM. Parking will be available at \$1.00 or a donation of used eyeglasses.

Last year's event was attended by over 1,900 visitors where owners and their dog(s) experienced an array of dog-related vendors, animal rescue groups, dog training exercises/exhibits, dog contests, raffles and more.

Proceeds from this Lion club's fund raiser benefit various community projects, Lion's foundations, in addition to aiding those individuals with impaired vision through eye exams, glasses, and assistance dogs.

Vendors and rescue groups who would like to be a part of this popular fund raiser, should contact Marty Dennis at [Duhstoy2@aol.com](mailto:Duhstoy2@aol.com) or 330-655-2302. The club's web site is [SMFLions.com](http://SMFLions.com).

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