

# Ohio LIONS

## District 13-C

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### District Governor's Report

I hope everyone had a Happy New Year and is ready to get out there and promote Lionism! This year got off to a great start as I was again invited to the Garfield Heights Lions Club meeting on January 9<sup>th</sup> and had the honor of inducting four more new members to their Club. This Club had eight members beginning in October, and they have added 16 new members, and they are not finished. This is definitely the Club to beat for membership growth. I have noticed that at many Club meetings I have attended, guests are present who were potential new members. This is a great way to get people to join, and I am happy to see this occurring as membership growth is essential to maintaining Lions into the future.

Our current count is at 970 members for the District: we have gained 34 new members and lost 80 members so far this Lion year for a net loss of 43.

Keep working; we will get these numbers up if everyone gets involved in promoting membership.

As I have been traveling around to the various Clubs, I have also noticed an increased interest in our Clubs' sponsoring Red Cross Blood Drives. I recently met with Sandra Prochaska, a Donor Recruitment Representative from the American Red Cross. Sandra is willing to work with our Clubs in planning blood drives and providing informational material. The Red Cross has a brochure entitled Lions Share of Life which was developed for Multiple District 13 for our use as we partner with the Red Cross in the promotion of Blood Drives. Any Club interested in sponsoring blood drives can contact Sandra at [prochass@usa.redcross.org](mailto:prochass@usa.redcross.org) or call her at 440-864-9135.

I want to also remind everyone that there is still time to start a Leo Club in your community. If any Club is interested in starting a Leo Club please

contact our Leo Chairperson, Lion Dick Dennis at [duhstoy2@aol.com](mailto:duhstoy2@aol.com) or call him at 330-655-2302. This is a great opportunity to involve children in service projects for their community, promote Lions by working with youth, teachers, and parents, and can lead to potential new members for your Clubs.

Mark your calendars for the next Cabinet Meeting on February 16<sup>th</sup> at the Hilton Cleveland East in Beachwood. I look forward to seeing you there.

DG Lion Mary Chentnik

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

**“When you believe... nothing is impossible!”**

Happy New Year to all my fellow Lions! I truly wish you all the success in the upcoming year. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year celebration.

I am hoping to see some of you at the Winter Retreat at Deer Creek State Park in January. It has been a fun filled, fact filled experience the last two years and this year will be bigger. If you cannot attend please keep in mind for next year...it is well worth the time and effort. My remaining club visits will be upon me fast as the New Year is moving by quickly, in fact in just 3 months we will have our own District

Convention and I would like to see a great turnout from you all. The convention is where you can come, have input on where the District is heading and socialize with fellow Lions. Your club's input is very important so please have a rep at the business meetings. Remember every vote counts! As a reminder, please try to get all your members who have passed away in the last year to Lion Bob Ahrens so we can compile a list for the Sunday Service at the convention. Send the list on names and your club to me at [lionsdistrict13c@aol.com](mailto:lionsdistrict13c@aol.com) or Bob at [ahrensarch@aol.com](mailto:ahrensarch@aol.com).

Thanks for all you do,

*Dan Lester*

Lion 1VDG Dan



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

‘ON THE ROAD AGAIN....Well, I do not have very much to report. Lion Dave and I are in Okeechobee, Florida, and had a safe travel down south. The weather has been very nice, but today we have gusting winds and cooler temps; so no pool today. I searched for the local club and the Okeechobee Lions still exist; we will try to attend a meeting

tonight. Last year we tried to attend several times, but no one showed. So, we will try again. Unfortunately, no phone number listed.

My advice to all our clubs is to update and keep current all information with LCI; so if a visitor wants to attend your meeting it won't be such a hassle.

Hope all of you had a good start to a wonderful New Year, and we will keep in touch.

**2VDG Wallie and Lion Dave**

**LEO Clubs**

**Why a Leo Club ?**

**Over 50 years ago Coach Jim Graver started the ball rolling and formed the first Leo Club in 1957.**

**Coach Jim was a member of the Glenside Lions Club and he realized the need of getting youth involved in the work of the Lions.**

**The goals were established to include high moral standards, personal responsibility, an attitude of cheerfulness and understanding and in addition , extending a helping hand to those less fortunate.**

**As you look at your present membership please notice how the average age of your members is increasing at a rapid rate. Soon a lot of us won't be physically able to help on service projects and**

**fund raisers as we did when we were much younger. WE NEED THE HELP OF YOUNG MEMBERS AND LEOS'.**

**Youth between the ages of 12-18 can be brought together through schools, churches, youth groups, and etc to establish a Leo Club .**

**If your club would like to explore the possibility of starting a Leo Club please feel free to contact me at 330-655-2302 or duhstoy2@aol.com and I would be more than glad to help your club explore the possibility of starting a Leo Club.**

**Lion Dick Dennis**

**Leo Chairman 13C**

### **CABINET FINANCIAL ADVISOR COMMENTS**

#### **FEDERAL FORM 990**

For those clubs which have a June 30, 2011 year end and have applied for an extension to file until February 15, 2012, you now have until March 30, 2012 to file. The IRS has shut down the electronic filing site for two months until the end of February for updating.

Requirements for filing 990  
Gross Revenues in excess of \$200,000 and assets in excess of \$200,000.

Requirements for filing 990-EZ

Gross revenues are in excess of \$50,000 and less than \$200,000 and assets under \$200,000.

Requirements for filing 990-EZ  
Gross revenues less than \$50,000

#### **STATE OF OHIO FILING**

All tax exempt organizations with in excess of \$5,000 in Gross Revenues or in excess of \$15,000 in Assets must file annually with the Ohio Attorney General under either the Ohio Charitable Trust Act (501c3) or the Ohio Charitable Solicitations Act (other tax exempts).

#### **DUE DATE**

15<sup>th</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup> month after the Organization's year end. May 15<sup>th</sup> for December 31 year ends and November 15 for June 30 Year ends. Extension automatic if Federal 990 extended.

**Lion Neil Sheeley  
District 13-C Financial  
Advisor**

#### **Diabetes Chairman Report**

Signs & Tests for Diabetes:

A urine analysis may be used to look for high blood sugar. However, a urine test alone does not diagnose diabetes. Your health care provider may suspect that you have diabetes if your blood sugar level is higher than 200 mg. To confirm the diagnosis, one or more of the following tests must be done:

Blood tests:

\*Fasting blood glucose level – diabetes is diagnosed if it is higher than 126 mg twice. Levels between 100 & 126 mg are called impaired fasting glucose or pre-diabetes. These levels are risk factors for type 2 diabetes.

#### **\*Hemoglobin A1c test**

\*Normal: Less than 5.7%

\*Pre-diabetes: 5.7% – 6.4%

\*Diabetes: 6.5% or higher

\*Oral glucose tolerance test – diabetes is diagnosed if glucose level is higher than 200 mg after 2 hours (This test is used more often for type 2 diabetes)

Diabetes Chairman

Lion Pam Abrams

### **GALEP Report**

#### **GALEP ACTIVITIES**

GALEP next Board meeting is **February 6, 2012** 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.

#### **Activities to Date**

Through the Year ending December 31, 2011, the program has paid for 42 pairs of prescription eyeglasses, 2 eye examinations, 2 medically necessary contact lenses and 2 prosthetic eyes. During the year, the program also donated \$5,000 to Summa Hospital for

an upgrade to a piece of equipment originally donated the hospital over 10 years ago. The Program has \$113,295 in cash and money markets at December 31, 2011,

### **Purchase of Equipment**

The Board approved the purchase of a Suresight Vision Screening Device for \$5,435 to be used by GALEP and the Lions clubs in the Southern part of the District. The unit will be used at health fairs, and similar venues to promote Lions Vision mission. The equipment will be in the custody of Lion Bill Hixon and will be kept at the Tallmadge Lions Hall which is now the main office for GALEP operations. Any club wishing to participate in a health fair and do vision screening should contact Lion Bill Hixon at 330-633-5739 and leave message on the answering machine. Lion Bill is good at responding quickly to messages.

### **Osman Optical**

Terry Osman has been having health problems, but the Optical Center has continued to provide eyeglasses for GALEP patients.

### **Dr Thomas Adams, OD/Dr Thomas Flickinger, OD**

Dr Adams has announced that he is retiring and will no longer provide eye examinations for GALEP.

Dr Thomas Flickinger has announced that he will be willing to provide the necessary eye examinations for GALEP at Osman Optical. The Board will be meeting with Dr. Flickinger

before the February Board meeting to establish an understanding of services to be provided and reach an agreed upon fee schedule.

### **Surgeries**

The Board has expressed a desire to do cataract surgeries, but is still in process of establishing a relationship with a local Ophthalmologists who will agree to do the surgeries at reasonable cost.

### **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 the GALEP designated Optometrist 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.

### **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 the GALEP designated Optometrist associated with 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**

#### **Dates to remember:**

Next Board of Directors Meeting :  
Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at  
11:30 am in the Main Boardroom.  
Next Delegate Meeting: Monday,  
January 16, 2012 – St. Vincent  
DePaul Room at 6:30 p.m.

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PDG Maggie Dellmore

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Officers for 2011- 2012:

President – PDG Grant Frazier

First Vice President – PDG Ken Marshall

Second Vice President – Lion Joy Dobson

Secretary – Lion Arldon Smyth

Assistant Secretary – PDG Dona Klages

Treasurer – Lion Neil Sheeley

Assistant Treasurer – Second Vice District Governor Wallie Burnett

Delegate Meeting Reminder:

Please keep in mind that you must let us know prior to 10:00 a.m.

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.

Other:

All applications not meeting the two year or federal poverty guidelines are being sent to Prevent Blindness Ohio.

**2011 IN REVIEW**

July 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011

Eyeglasses dispensed - 288 pairs

Surgeries - 1

Prosthetic eye - 2

Donation to St. Vincent's for equipment purchases - \$5,000

Required Federal and State forms filed in timely manner.

Many thanks to Lion Carmen Tranchito for the donation of \$27,000 in Memory of Lion

Sarah Tranchito. These funds were placed in the Endowment Fund.

Funds as of December 31, 2011

General - \$157,641

Endowment - \$69,497

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

Lions Eye Clinic Poor Mans Raffle

Date: Friday, May 11, 2012

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Location: Catered Elegance - 1160 Broadway Avenue - Bedford, Ohio

Contact person: PDG Lion

Dona Klages - 216.299.2813

General information:

Doors open at 6:00 pm

Dinner at 7:00 pm

Cash bar

PDG Maggie Dellmore

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**DISTRICT CONVENTION NEWS**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**DISTRICT 13-C CONVENTION**

APRIL 27, 28 & 29, 2012

The Hilton Cleveland East  
I-271 & Chagrin Boulevard  
Beachwood, Ohio

Details and registration forms will be sent to all Club Secretaries in early February. We hope to see a big representation of all Clubs in District 13-C. Come, learn, participate and ENJOY!

District Governor Lion Mary Chentnik

Convention Co-Chairs

PDG Lion Jim Ferritto

(440) 259-2627

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Lion Jean Sheeley

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[nscpa@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nscpa@sbcglobal.net)

**"Service through Leadership  
- MD 13-C"  
Global Leadership Team -  
GLT  
Identifying Existing and  
Future Lion Leaders**

*The CEP (Club Excellence Process) program is designed to provide all Lions with the resources to strengthen their club. Every club within MD 13-C can be provided this program at no cost and on their time schedules.*

*The 2-part series/workshop (with 4 steps) will be conducted with your club members through a trained facilitator. The 4 steps are reviewed at approximately one hour each over 2 dates that are convenient to your club's schedule.*

*Our district has already provided this valuable program to two clubs, and is currently scheduled with 2 dates for the Painesville Lions Club in January and February.*

*Two surveys are required to begin your club's involvement - a "Community Needs Assessment" and "How*

*Are Your Ratings" - both on LCI's web site and easy to print for use. Participant's booklets are provided at the on-site club training, along with visuals from the Facilitator to assist the club's involvement - NO cost to your club.*

*The 4 steps include sessions of: "Why Are We Here?"; "What Makes An Excellent Club?"; "How Can We Determine Our Needs?"; and "What Can We Do Next?". Input from your members is essential during this workshop!*

*This important program is essential to all of our clubs, no matter their membership numbers or activities. We cannot take advantage of our ongoing projects/fund raisers - Lions need to "take the temperature of their clubs" frequently to avoid the status quo.*

*I would like to present a preliminary review of the CEP to your club and would be happy to schedule a date convenient to your schedules. Call me at 330-655-2302, or*

*send me an email at  
Duhstoy2@aol.com.*

*Yours in Lions Service,*

*IPDG Lion Marty Dennis  
GLT Coordinator for MD 13-C*

## **Zone News**

**Attention Lions of District 13**

**C**

**Save the Date!**

**Tuesday January 31, 2012**

**6:30 PM**

**The Second Zone O Meeting  
will be held at Simon's**

**Restaurant**

**Located at 7770 Chippewa  
Road (Rte 82) in Broadview  
Hts.**

## **NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION!!!**

**Additional information TBA**

**Please contact Lion Kevin**

**Barrett at**

**440 779-1025 or**

**kevinbpepper@aol.com**

**LION Kevin Barrett**

## **CALENDAR**

**January**

**31 – Zone O Meeting**

**March**

**3 – Stow- Munroe Falls Race for  
Sight**

**April**

**27, 28, 29 - District 13-C**



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**American  
Red Cross**

# BLOOD DRIVE

Westlake Recreation Center  
Sponsored by the  
Westlake Lions Club  
Community Room  
28955 Hilliard Rd.  
Friday, January 13, 2012  
2:00 PM to 6:00 PM



Come to donate blood and receive a Lions Lapel Pin,  
while supplies last.



# Bedford Lions Club

*P.O.Box 46185  
Bedford, Ohio 44146*

## Scholarship Fund Monthly Raffle

Drawing  
Held  
3<sup>rd</sup>  
Tuesday  
of  
Each  
Month!

**\$50.00 for the Entire Year**

**January 2012 - December 2012**

You  
Can  
Win  
Multiple  
Times!

12  
Chances  
To  
Win  
Per  
Ticket!

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Monthly \$250**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place Monthly \$125**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place Monthly \$ 50**

Only  
**200**  
Tickets  
Sold!

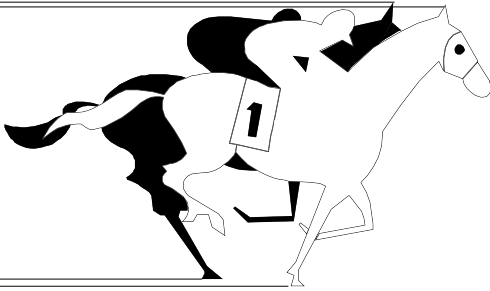
**Winners need not be present!**

Winners may be contacted by phone, mail or e-mail.

Winning numbers will be posted in the Bedford Lions Roar newsletter  
and on our website <http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/bedfordoh>

Contact Lion Bob Schroeter 440-408-3759  
or any Bedford Lion member for tickets

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**We Serve**

# ***Stow-Munroe Falls Lions***

**Presents "Race For Sight"**

**(Formerly "Night At the Races")**

**Saturday, March 3, 2012**

**@ Stow Youth Baseball Center**

**4157 Hudson Drive, Stow, OH 44224**

**Doors Open 6:30 – Dinner 7:00 - Post Time 8:00**

**Appetizers, Buffet Dinner, Beer & Pop**

**10 Video Races, Auction Race, 50/50 Raffle, Silent Auction**

**Tickets: \$25 per person - Tables of 8 can be reserved\***

**Horses are \$10.00 each\***

**\* All Advertising and Contributions will be displayed in the Race Program and in the Salute to Our Contributors.**

**For all Advertising, a high resolution PDF is required for any artwork**

**Business card size ad \$25.00      Half Page Ad \_\$50.00      Full Page Ad \_\$100.00**

**\$50 Race Sponsorship (also includes a free Business Card Ad, Only 11 available)**

**\* FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: See our web page at [smflions.com](http://smflions.com) or contact Lion Tony Cocozzo at 330-338-3676.**