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District Governor's Report

February is upon us and with the Convention being this close, it is imperative that a Lion with the proper qualifications step forward for 2nd VDG. This must be done by the Cabinet Meeting on February 25, 2010. If you or a Lion you know meets the criteria, please submit the name by that February 25th Cabinet Meeting.

All of us have heard of the agreement between LCI and Walmart. LCI has a agreement with Walmart, that Lions will have a collection box at each Walmart. Walmart will empty the box and send the eyeglasses to an approved LCI center for processing. Trouble seemed to start when Walmart took out Lion Eyeglass Boxes at their stores, without telling anyone. If you wish to continue leaving your eyeglasses at Walmart, please do so.

Convention is very close and the Committee is working hard to see that everyone will have a good time. Friday night will be the Everyday Heros Award. Every Club has one or more members who should rewarded.

If your club has members that you feel should be rewarded, please call or e-mail IPDG Dona Klages 216-299-2813 or e-mail jdklages@yahoo.com or call DG Grant Frazier 330-794-8606 or e-mail grantfrazier@att.net

Saturday morning will be the Business Session and a great program on the subject of identity theft, something all of us need to know.

Sunday will be the Grand Banquet; our guest for the Convention and Sunday speaker will be ID Ronald Johnson from Sebago Maine and his wife Lion June. One of the best things of all, the price of the rooms is \$79.00 per night. Let's all meet at the Clarion Inn Hudson, Ohio April 30-May 2, 2010 and show ID Ron and June what the Ohio Lions are all about!

DG Grant's Schedule

February 9--Zone3
February 12-13 COG
Columbus, Ohio
February 25 Cabinet Meeting

**Yours in Lionism,
DG Grant & Lion Shirley
Frazier**

Vice District Governor's Report

Although the groundhog did see his shadow recently, we should realize that Spring is now a

little bit closer. 🐻 We'll get more of that "white stuff", but this is OHIO and SNOW is surely expected. So far my travels to visit clubs have been safe driving and I've enjoyed the adventures on Routes 271, 480 and 90 – but just one at a time! More importantly, Congratulations to those clubs who have added new members! As I always say... "teach them the history of your club and get them involved NOW". 🍌

Governor Grant is planning a great convention (April 30, May 1-2) and I am promoting this event within my visits as well as through individual contacts. We will be honoring our fellow Lions at the "Hero's" banquet on Friday evening; the Saturday business meeting is the forum to hear from the candidates for Governors and State office nominees, and you can visit the Lions-related exhibits, enjoy the array of FREE food on Saturday night 🍌, attend the Necrology Service on Sunday morning to honor our Lions who have gone before us, and to be among many others for the Grand Banquet. You will be receiving detailed information from Governor

Grant's Committee soon. Please honor Governor Grant and our First Lady, Lion Shirley, with your presence that weekend.

Our district's newest club, the Twinsburg Lions, is planning their first social event as a family afternoon in conjunction with their local Ministerial Consortium for April 18, 2010 - "Swing into Spring" plans to be a fun time with various church groups and their families to enjoy games, music, karaoke contests and other activities. The Lions members will be volunteering their time and are seeking donations to make this event a success. If you can help their endeavors, please contact Lion Melanie at 440-554-3121 or myself at 330-655-2302.

Although my year as your upcoming 2010-2011 District Governor is some months away, I have already been planning some events and gathering ideas from various sources. For example: at a MERL meeting it was mentioned that a "club president's gathering" would benefit so many who have never been a club president and for those who will be repeating this important role. This gathering is in the planning stages to aid those new/returning officers with helpful information, an open discussion and written materials within a casual

setting and with a good meal. You will be hearing more about this gathering within the near future from both PDG Lion Dave Faulx and me.

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Also (and during a recent club visit), it was mentioned that our district has not had a district-wide event (which involves all of our clubs) for several years. I replied that I ironically had an idea earlier that week to involve our local American Red Cross with our district Lions through a one-day event. I had previously received information from our State Lions Council Chairman, PDG Stan Kopp about the American Red Cross who had completed a partnership (Lions

Share of Life)  with our worldwide Lions clubs. As I receive more details and general information from our local division, I plan to have this idea as an agenda item at my first cabinet meeting and thus, will form a committee in hopes of scheduling this event in the Fall of 2010 or the first of 2011.

What a great opportunity TO
TELL OUR
COMMUNITIES WHO THE
LIONS ARE AND WHAT
WE DO FOR THEM!



13-Convention April 30, May 1-2...Twinsburg's Club event...a Club President's Gathering...and the American Red Cross project.

Doing great things for and with our Lions of District 13-C

Stay happy and healthy until we meet again,

1st Vice District Governor Lion Marty and Lion Dick Dennis

A NEW YEAR...A NEW RESOLUTION

Dear Ohio Lions MD 13-C Club Presidents & Secretaries,

Our District Lions Clubs are fortunate to have such a wonderful history of serving their communities, but our Lions Clubs International (LCI) does not always know of your successes.

As your MERL Chairman (this year), I receive a monthly update of membership numbers and activities that our 13-C clubs are to report (on a monthly basis). Unfortunately many of our clubs are not reporting, which does not give our LCI offices updated information of what and how they are doing to support your communities

and especially, induct new members.

Your assigned Zone Chairmen have been asked by our Membership Chairman, Lion Wallie Burnett, to contact each club secretary/president and remind them of these important/monthly reports to be filed in a timely basis. My email to you today is to help support their endeavors.

I am always proud of our district's clubs and I hope that you will create a New Year's **resolution** to reactivate/update this reporting process to inform LCI of your accomplishments - it's just a report, but it does prove we are "Special Lions" doing special things to help others!

In the meantime if you need assistance filing your reports through the internet, please contact your Zone Chairman otherwise, use "snail mail" to your advantage.

Yours in Lion Service,

1st VDG Lion Marty Dennis

Membership Chairman Report

MEMBERSHIP MOMENTS

100 Membership Ideas
(continued)

Recruitment:

21. Ohio Plan or Prospect wheel-Members identify prospective members they know, but haven't invited.
22. Create a list of advantages of membership-think about it and write it down.
23. Start a "too big for us" project list-ask for community help for a large visible project.
24. Start a new club-look for an under served area, community, business area or specialty for a new club.
25. Recruit husband and wives of members-if they are working for you anyway why not?
26. New and varied projects-if you do it the same way, you'll get the same results.
27. Run projects that your community wants, not projects that the club likes, or has always run. Projects need to be relevant to the real needs of the community. Use the LCI Community Needs Assessment form to get community input.
28. Free, family-oriented introductory breakfast-let everyone in the prospective member's family find out what's good about the club and what the club can do for the member.
29. Specialty Lions Clubs-Pilots, teachers, shopping mall merchants, soccer moms, health care workers, etc, can form workplace or special interest clubs.
30. "Adopt a student" Program-recruit high school or college

students as sponsored affiliate members.

Lion Wallie Burnett

Retention Chairman Report

FIX IT FAST

RETENTION is about recognizing all members. Socializing outside of club meetings is a strong tool. Use the happy occasions--birthdays, anniversaries, special achievement--to become more familiar with the membership.

Praise freely; spread the "thanks" to all members, especially the new ones. Some Ideas: a personal note; special thank you at the club meeting; a word of encouragement. Consider a KUDOS column in your club newsletter..

Lion Wallie Burnett

GALEP Report

GALEP ACTIVITIES

GALEP held its board meeting at the Tallmadge Lions Hall, February 1, 2010 at 6:30 PM. As usual, the Tallmadge Lions provided a very fine dinner of lasagna. Terry Osman of Osman Optical Center provided us with delicious pies. Thanks to Lions Freda Smyth and Roy Morrow, and all of the Tallmadge Lions for providing this meal and preparing the hall for our meeting.

Thomas Adams, OD and Terry Osman of Osman Optical Centers were our guests.

All Lions and guests are welcome to attend this meeting. Please call 330-633-5739 To let us know if you wish to attend and join us at dinner.

Since its reorganization, GALEP has approved 90 applicants for eye exams and eyeglasses.

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.

No surgery financial assistance is being provided at the present time, but may be considered in the future after discussions with Summa and also after the health care reforms now being considered the US Congress are concluded.

**The GALEP
Lion James Lostetter
President**

**Lion Walter Park
Vice President**

**Lion Raymond Dellmore
Secretary**

**Lion Neil Sheeley
Treasurer**

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

Backlog of Service Application

We caught up with the backlog of applications during the holidays and now the applications are coming in fast and furious. There is a great demand in the Greater Cleveland community for eye care assistance, as well as all health care assistance. The Lions program will continue to do its part.

Nautica Charity Gambling for 2010

We offer a special Thank You to Lions Jean Sheeley and Roy Morrow for helping Art on Wheels with their Nautica Charitable Gambling event this past weekend, January 28-31. We banked 60 hours and Art on Wheels has historically always helped the Lions with their event.

Please keep in mind the dates of **May 13-16** will be the Lions Eye Clinic Nautica Fund Raiser. We need as many volunteers as possible. For those who do not want to deal cards, there is a need for runners and observers to keep the seats filled with gamblers.

For those who know how to deal but do not feel comfortable with dealing, we can use your services as relief dealers. You will spend no more than 10 minutes at a time on any table and this will take some of the stress off the full time dealers.

This year we decided to use the Jacobs Vendor, Karl. He will provide all of our volunteers with soft drinks, snacks, hot dogs, pizza, and some type of hot meal. This will eliminate the need to haul cases of soft drinks, ice, ice coolers, and

sundry other items to the facility.

We will still have bags of hard candy for our volunteers.

The reason for using Karl is that we do not know whether we will be in the Powerhouse or another facility near Shooters. In addition, the gamblers are happy with Karl's food and beverages.

Next Board and Delegate Meetings

Board meeting **March 10** at 11:30 AM in the St Vincent DePaul Room. Directors may go to the cafeteria for lunch.

Delegate Meeting **March 15** at 6:30PM in the St. Vincent DePaul Room. Meal will be provided for \$12.

Delegate Meeting Reminder

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT YOU MUST LET US KNOW BY 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

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 Neil Sheeley
President
Lions Eye Clinic**

Club News

Cuyahoga Falls

REVERSE RAFFLE: This year's Reverse Raffle will be held in early May at Todaro's party center. The cost will be the same as last year. Main board tickets will be \$100.00 which includes one dinner with an extra dinner costing \$30.00. Watch next month's Newsletter for the exact date. Lions John Parman and Joe Bettio will be handling the tickets and making all the arraignments. We currently have 42 members in our club, so if each of you buy one ticket and sell two tickets, we will sell out in no time. Please try to think of two of your friends who would buy a ticket and get your list together. Lion John's phone number is (330) 645-4247 (cell) 330-645 4248. Lion Joe's is (330) 929-0546.

LION LOST: In case you did not see it in the obit's last week, former Cuyahoga Falls Lion Dick Beidler passed away in Arizona in late January. Some of you may not know that Dick was a very active member and a Past President of the club. Over

the years of his membership he was also the Lion Tamer and the Tail Twister. Our condolences to his family.

North Coast

North Coast Lions Club has lost one of its dear members, PCP Lion Virginia Mann 1/17 Sunday morning. She had been on some of the prayer lists at this past year's District Cabinet Meeting & was present at the Zone 2 Joint Installation Meeting in June 2009. She was very ill & just out of the hospital but wanted to be there for the presentation of the Helen Keller Spirit Awards as outgoing president. Her determination & steadfastness as a Lion, a presence of compassion & her positive attitude in the onset of her vision-impairment truly made her an example of a "King" Lion..."We Serve".

She was also past president, support group leader & active in the National Federation of the Blind, a church treasurer for many years & a faithful Prayer Chain warrior. She will be missed by her husband (Lion) Peter, her guide dog (Lion) Gamme & her grown children. Tentatively, her husband is noting 1/22 Friday for viewing/condolences & 1/23 Saturday for a memorial service at their church, Willo-Hill Baptist on Route 306 (& I90) in Mentor. Specific times & any changes will be forwarded as soon as they become available. We're also assuming details in the local papers may also be

available.

We'd appreciate everyone's thoughts & prayers during this difficult time for the Mann family...it has been a very long number of years of major health setbacks. We'll be in touch with last minute times & any changes.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Renee Silvaroli, VP,
PRaM~IT
Community Outreach Chairman
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NOTE

There are some updates on websites that could be done via our clubs and our own district cabinet. For instance, some clubs may now have an official web site to include; the MERL information still shows Dona as chair although I am for 2009-2010; and just other stuff that I know of but know that no one has informed the webmaster. Clubs and our District Cabinet should check the site and notify the webmaster of changes/updates.

February, 2010

25 - Cabinet Meeting, Clarion, Hudson, OH

April, 2010

30-May 2 - District Convention, Clarion, Hudson, OH

May, 2010

13-16 – Nautica Charity

Gambling

21-23 – State Convention, Dublin, OH

June, 2010

10 - Cabinet Meeting, Clarion, Hudson, OH

28-July 2 – International Convention, Sydney, Australia

CALENDAR

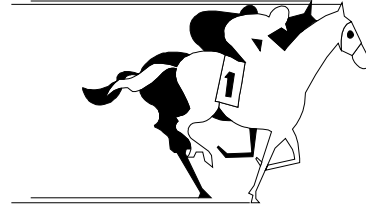


Stow-Munroe Falls Lions
Presents

A Race for Sight

(Formerly Night at the Races)

Saturday, March 6, 2010



Stow Youth Baseball Party Center
4157 Hudson Dr. - Stow Doors open 6:30, Dinner at 7:00

* Video Races and Betting * Side Boards * Raffles

Advance Tickets \$20.00 Per Person

Ticket Price includes:

* Buffet Dinner * Snacks * Beer * Soft Drinks * Coffee * Dessert

*All proceeds go to helping those in need in Stow and
Munroe Falls.*



NORTH ROYALTON LIONS



REVERSE RAFFLE

ONLY \$95/Couple

[Includes 2 chances at main board]

[\$55 for single & 1 chance at main board]

MAIN BOARD RAFFLE PRIZE IS \$2000!

A wonderful night of fun, fellowship and food!

Side Boards will be available at the affair

ONLY 150 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!

FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2010

COME JOIN IN THE FUN!!!

St. Michaels Woodside

5020 W Mill Rd.

Broadview Hts., Ohio

Doors Open at 6:30...Dinner at 8:00



E-Mail to: nrlions@aol.com

Contact any North Royalton Lion Member for Tickets

Visit Us On-Line at www.northroyaltonlions.org

Willoughby-Evening Lions

25th Annual



Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 28, 2010
8:00 AM-Noon

Browning Senior Center Gym

38032 Brown Avenue
Willoughby



ADULTS \$5.00
SENIORS \$4.00
CHILDREN 6-12 \$3.00
CHILDREN UNDER 6 –FREE
\$.50 OFF ON ADVANCE SALES

For Tickets or Info Call 440-942-5493

Net Proceeds Benefit Lions Eye Care & Community Service Projects



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