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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- May 11 Regular Meeting, Pizza House Restaurant, 6:30
- May 18 Board Meeting  
Huntington Center, 7:00 p.m.
- May 25 Regular Meeting, Pizza House Restaurant, 6:30
- May 21-23 Ohio Lions Convention  
Embassy Suites, Dublin, OH
- June 4 Memorial Tournament Week
- June 25-27 Ohio Special Olympics

**MISSION STATEMENT OF  
LIONS CLUB  
INTERNATIONAL**

To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet Humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions Clubs

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

- May 9            John Strahan
- May 12        Van VanArsdale
- May 27        Matt Hall

**LION MARK WRITES**

Fellow Lions,  
 Our fundraising season has arrived and it has started out very well. I want to thank all involved in our Rose

Sale. It looks like we started off the season in a big way. I believe that we have sold over 300 dozen roses for Mothers Day! Great Job everyone. A special Thanks to Lion Ray in his efforts of selling over 100 dozen. Also a very special Thanks to our Rose Sale Chairperson, Lion Linda Dutcher for her efforts in coordinating the large order and delivery of the roses. She has done another wonderful job on this her third year as chairperson.

Our second fund raiser was our last minute organization of the White Cane Sale. Thank you again Lion Ray for stepping up to chair this event. Lion Ray had set a goal of \$1000.00. The project was only for one day instead of the usual two, but we still came very close to reaching Lion Ray's goal! This is, again, a great effort by all who worked the event and it was a great day weather-wise to help us out.

The Eyesight Newspaper is our next fundraiser, so let's keep the momentum going and make this project another successful event. I believe that Lion Paul will have our packets ready for us to get started at our next meeting.

We also have our District Wide fund raiser, The Memorial Tournament!! Lion Ray is again heading up this event and he really needs our help as well as the help from the other clubs. I know he will be missing a couple of his regular workers and will certainly need to fill in for them. I

unfortunately am one of the ones he will be without this year.

Let's not forget the last event of our Lion Year, Special Olympics!!! I am sure Lion Rick will be reminding us as soon as he receives the information.

Also, we have the State Convention this month!!

Thank You All,  
President Lion Mark Dutcher

### MAY PROGRAMS

May 11	TBA
May 25	TBA

### STATE CONVENTION

The 91<sup>st</sup> State Convention of Lion District 13 takes place on May 21-23 at the Embassy Suites in Dublin, Ohio. The opening banquet of the convention is at 6:00 p.m. on Friday night. This is followed by "Suites Hop" from 8:30 p.m.

On Saturday the Business Session begins at 9:00 a.m. At 9:45 there are four seminars with more of them following at 10:45. The multiple District 13 awards luncheon takes place at 12:15 and the Business session resumes after that. At 3:00 p.m. District Caucuses will be held and the voting begins at 4:00 p.m. Dinner is on your own that evening. At 8:30 p.m. there is entertainment for all and more "Suite Hops" after that.

On Sunday morning there is a Memorial Service. The Council of Governors Grand Banquet starts at noon. The special guest is International 1<sup>st</sup> VP Lion Sid Scruggs and Lady Judy.

The cost of full registration is \$75. For convention activities (no meals)

is \$8. Registration for Friday and Saturday only is \$60 as is Saturday and Sunday only.

### WHITE CANE REPORT

Twelve Lions participated in the shortened White Cane Sale at three locations, Carfagna's, Chase Bank on SR 161, and Kroger's Northern Lights. These lions collected a total of \$699.12. Additional donations brought the total to \$769.12.

Most of the money came from Krogers (\$353.89) primarily because we had two Lions working each shift. Lion Ralph Stacy collected the most money (\$83.78) with Lion Paul Zyambo coming in second (\$77.88). Congratulations to these Lions.

### LION BETTY GRIFFETH

At the April meeting of the Board of Directors a unanimous decision was made to make Betty Griffeth an Honorary Lion and at the April 27 meeting Lion Mark made it official by presenting her a Lions pin.

It is now officially, Lion Betty. We welcome her to the club but she is no new comer. She has long been associated with us, the district and state through her late husband, Lion Dick Griffeth, a great Lion. She has more knowledge of our club than most of us and has worked at many of our projects, her latest being the recent White Cane Sale. You are appreciated, Lion Betty.

### A REAL SIGHT PROJECT

---Lion Ralph Stacy

The Columbus Northeast Lions Club has for many years helped needy people obtain eye examinations and

eyeglasses. For some time many applications were received at the Helping Hands Clinic at 1421 Morse Road. This clinic is open two evenings a month from 4 pm to 7 pm. The clinic helps individuals with no insurance and no or very low income.

Since July 2009 a total of 96 applications for help with eye care were completed during these clinics. Forty four of these individuals were provided eye examinations and eyeglasses by the Columbus Northeast Lions Club. Forty three individuals living outside the 43224, 43229 postal zip codes area were referred to the Lions District 13-F Eye Care Fund for servicing. For unknown reasons nine individuals did not follow through to use their eyeglass vouchers. Their vouchers were re-issued to other individuals

Since this is a Club project it seems logical to have more than one member doing the work. If a member receives a request for help for eye care, suggest to that individual that they go to the Helping Hands Clinic to complete an application. We need to have a Lion member there to interview the individual and help get the application completed.

### **MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT.**

The Memorial Tournament is fast approaching. Volunteers are still needed for the District 13 F clean-up project for which our own Lion Ray is Chairman. If you can work any day or days of the tournament, please contact Lion Ray.

### **OHIO SPECIAL OLYMPICS**

It's in the "Dates to Remember" and Lion Mark made note of it in his comment, the Ohio Special Olympics is coming up fast, June 25 to 27. This has

long been a special project of our club. Several of us were talking about it at the last meeting. As best, as we could figure, we've been participating since 1974. That's a long time.

Lion Rick is again in charge. Please, plan on being there to lend a hand at this event. You won't be sorry. Also this was of special interest to lion Doug Smith.

### **LION DOUG'S CONDITION**

In an e-mail on April 28, Kay reported that Lion Doug had been moved to Wesley Glen Retirement and Health Center where he is to undergo physical rehabilitation which is going to be a long, slow, uphill process. He has gained a few pounds but is still very weak and tires easily. Kay will keep us informed through Lion Ray. In the meantime, keep those cards coming.

### **NEWS FROM LION RAY**

Lion Ray has tickets for the Westerville Lions Club Barbeque, June 4 from 4 to 8 p.m. for \$7.50 per person. This is GOOD CHICKEN!! He also has tickets for the Corn Festival (\$5). Our club can keep half of the money raised from these tickets.

Lion Ray is also taking orders for Lions hats. He sent an e-mail on May 1 that had pictures of the hats. They sell for \$8.95 to \$9.45 If an order of 12 can be made, they can be customized. If you still have it, check the May 1 e-mail and let Lion Ray know if you are interested.

He also reports that the Gahanna Noon Lions Club is having a Golf Outing at Kyber Run Golf course on May 22.

## MAY 13 MEETING

Guests for the evening were two students from OSU SVOSH, a program of the School of Optometry. They talked about their program of visiting 3<sup>rd</sup> world countries to fit indigents with glasses.

Lion Linda Dutcher reported on the up-coming rose sale. Ideas were discussed for additional sales at the time of delivery.

Lion President Mark Dutcher reported:

- The club donated \$100 to a family to help their ill father get home to New Orleans.
- Lion Doug Smith was awarded the Visionary Award.
- A governor's Appreciation award was made to Lion Ray Empson.
- The CLAUSE was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Governor's newsletter competition.

## APRIL BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors met on April 20, 2010 at the Huntington Center.

### **Membership Chairman Report:**

Members were reminded of the visits scheduled for New Albany, Whitehall and Plain City. Lion Ray also discussed the Memorial Tournament and the need for volunteers to work 8 days.

### **Eyesight Report:**

Lion Dave Atkin reported that he would be meeting with the NABA Executive Secretary to seek their help in selling ads. Lions Mark and Linda would go with him. He suggested that Lions pair up in selling ads.

### **Rose Sale Report:**

Lion Linda reported that she will order some extra roses.

### **Donations:**

A motion was made and passed to donate \$100 to the Race for the Cure.

### **Installation:**

The Installation Dinner will be held at Pilot Dogs. The cost will be \$15 and the choice of entrees is steak or chicken. Lion Harold Fryman will be the installing officer.

### **New Business:**

A motion was made and passed awarded Betty Griffeth the status of "Honorary Lion" because of her long and active association with our Lions Club.

## MAY 27 MEETING

The speaker for the evening was our own Lion Lou Mazzoli, retired Superintendent of the Ohio School for the Blind. Lion Lou reported on and showed pictures of the School's band trip to the Rose Bowl. It was very interesting.

Lion Linda reported that as of this date 270 dozen roses have been sold. She ordered an additional 25 dozen.

Lion Ray organized the White Cane Sale which is to be on April 30.

Lion Dave reported on plans for the News Paper Sale. Packets will be ready at the first meeting in May.

President Mark presented a Lions Pin to Betty Griffeth.

## INTERNATIONAL

Attending the annual convention of the International Association of Lions Clubs is a highlight of any Lion's career. All Lions should consider it. Sites of future conventions are:

July 4-8, 2011 Seattle, Washington

June 22-26, 2012, Busan, Korea

July 5-9, 2013, Hamburg, Germany