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The pessimist complains about the wind. The optimist expects it to change.

The leader adjusts the sails.

What has Lion Charlie been up to? – Well! He attended State Committee Meetings at the Ohio School for the Blind, Council of Governors Meeting at the Lions State Office Building, worked one day with a Lions Quest Workshop held at Summit Country Day School in Cincinnati, visited the Chillicothe food booth at the Ross County Fair, visited six club functions, attended seven zone meetings, conducted our 1st cabinet meeting, rode in Bellbrook’s Lions Parade, attended the Extension/Certified Guiding Lions Training in Columbus, wrote an endorsement for “Yes! Eye can See!” a grant request for South-West Ohio, completed the “Speaker’s Bureau” handout, introduced information about Personal Development & Growth (PD&G) and a Mentor Program to District, Zone, and Club leaders, baled 35 acres of hay and planted a Ginkgo tree. These actions are the easy button stuff.

The real hard tasks are the things you are expected to do in building relationships in your club and community. You are traveling in uncharted waters in a changing world.

*Here is a quote for thought from “Developing the Leader Within You”
By John C. Maxwell*



Gov. Charlie planting a ginkgo tree in his front yard. (Photo by Jay Newland)

An advisor to President Lincoln suggested a certain candidate for the Lincoln cabinet. But Lincoln refused, saying, “I don’t like the man’s face.”

“But, sir, he can’t be responsible for his face,” insisted the advisor.

“Every man over forty is responsible for his face,” replied Lincoln and the subject was dropped.

“No matter what you think about your attitude, it shows on your face!”

“Lead with Vision”

Lion Charlie

BUCKEYE NOTES BY 1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR JAY

Last month, I explained how to start compiling a viable list of possible new members. Where do you go from there?

The first month, during which members are compiling potential new member lists, the membership chair, the membership committee, and any or all club officers should spend the time compiling a brochure or at least a fact sheet about your Lions Club. Include in it any pictures of Lions activities and contributions to projects which benefited the local community. (It is probably a good idea to order some membership brochure/applications at this time. You will use them later in this process but if someone indicates they are ready to sign up, you do not want to miss the opportunity.)

When the lists are returned at the beginning of the second month, make sure that there is a list from each member. If not, go after them. Make sure that as many members contribute to this process as possible.

Then go through the list carefully and weed out any duplications. This is likely to happen in small communities where many members know the same people. Try to give the duplicated name to the one best connected to the potential member, if that information is known.

Next, compile a list for each member to hand back to them. This list may be identical to the one they submitted. It may be minus a duplicated name. If so, it should be explained to them that someone else had listed the same name.

Also give them a copy of your brochure or fact sheet and ask them during this third month of the process, to contact each person on their list, have a conversation about Lions to ascertain interest in joining, and hand them a copy of the brochure/fact sheet. This work must be completed in the third month of the program.

Next issue: compiling the list of recruits, inviting members to a membership event, and planning that event.



1st VG Jay Carey and wife Carol participating in the Bellbrook Parade August 22, 2009

Jay Carey

GO BUCKS



Chillicothe Evening Lions Club 85th Anniversary

submitted by PDG Norman Cupps

October 2, 2009 is going to be a special day in Chillicothe! On this day we will celebrate 85 years of Lionism in Chillicothe Ohio. We will gather together at the Christopher Conference Center on North Plaza Blvd to reminiscence about what the Lions did in the past 85 years.

Our guest speaker will be PID Steve Sherer of Dover, Ohio. He and Mary Ellen have traveled many miles as members of the International Board. They are indeed special people.

Cost is \$20 per person and payment in advance is appreciated. Reservations deadline is Sept. 20th. To reserve a place, notify PDG Norman Cupps at 37 N. Courtland Dr., Chillicothe, OH 45601, or phone him at 740-775-1655 or email him at ncupps@horizonview.net.

BLANCHESTER CHARTER NIGHT

Guiding Lion Bill Pierson, members of the extension team and the Wilmington Lions Club has worked hard for two years to help establish a new Lions Club in Blanchester. On Saturday, July 25, 2009 the new Blanchester Lions Club celebrated their Charter Night at Blanchester High School Auditoria. Lions from ten other clubs were present to add their contributions and congratulations to the 26 members of this new club. A catered meal was enjoyed by all.

PID Steven Sherer from the Dover Lions was the guest speaker. Lion Steve spoke of the good feeling of helping others in the tradition of the Lions motto "We Serve". Some of the gifts given to the club were a Gavel, Club Bell, Club Banner and a US Flag flown over the U.S Capital.

Governor Charles Newland inducted the new members. IPDG Debbie Lloyd installed the new officers. They are: President- Richard "Zeke" Baker II; Secretary - Parker Beebe; Treasurer - Terese Hamilton; Membership Chair - Randy Davis and 2nd Vice President & Tail Twister - Rob Richmond.

Welcome to the new Charter Members of the Blanchester Lions Club. They are: Raenell Baker, Todd Bandow, Florence Brock, Harry Brock, Geneva Brown, Haney Burris, Paul Burris, Mary Davis, Charlene Docter, Don Gephart, Richard Greimann, Tina Hamilton, Kimberly Holland, Chad Hollon, Joel King, Claire Ledford, Bill Martin, Lee Miller, Vernia "Elizabeth" Nichols, Teresa Pratt and Brian Ruckel. Plus the newly installed officers as listed above.



PID Steven Sherer and
Blanchester Charter Members

(Photos by Jay Newland)



COLEB NEW LAB



The Eye Bank was awarded a three-year accreditation in June 2008, from the Eye Bank Association of America.

300 patients received the Gift of Sight between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009!

For more information check out the website: www.coleb.org

OUR VISION: TO OPEN GREATER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SIGHT RESTORATION

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The Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank (COLEB) is a non-profit organization dedicated to restoring, improving and preserving vision by connecting eye donors and transplant recipients, educating physicians, and enhancing eye research through quality eye banking services.

The Lions built COLEB from a tiny organization to one with nine full-time employees; from a cubby-hole to a 2200-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility. Thanks to the Lions, over 10,000 patients in our community have received the gift of sight through COLEB's efforts. New patients are added to the COLEB surgery lists every day. With the Lions' ongoing support, COLEB is committed to serving the community through its sight-restoring mission. The Eye Bank looks forward to a future of strength, growth, and success.

For those who are not yet aware, the relationship between the Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank and OSU has changed. This was the choice of the Chairman of the Department of Ophthalmology there. He is no longer working with COLEB, although COLEB continues to supply other OSU surgeons with surgical corneas and sclera. COLEB also continues to supply OSU eye researchers with donor eyes. Although COLEB is disappointed by what has occurred at OSU, the Eye Bank remains a highly successful District Project of Ohio Lions Districts 13F, J, and K. COLEB continues its work as a technologically advanced, nationally accredited, full-service eye bank. The 36-year-old Lions Eye Bank (founded in 1973) continues to function as it has in the past, working with corneal surgeons and eye donor hospitals in its 45-county service area – with an emphasis on quality and on serving the patients and surgeons in the community who need its help. COLEB's reputation in the medical community remains high. A recent survey of surgeons rated COLEB's work as excellent.

BE A PART OF THE VISION OF Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank:

Eye Donors: Do you have a family member or friend with glaucoma, macular degeneration, or retinitis caused by diabetes? The treatment, care, and prevention of all of these depends on eye donors to advance knowledge of how the eye functions, and what causes impaired vision. In addition to corneas for transplantation, the mission of the Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank includes providing donor eyes for eye research and medical education.

Eye Express Drivers. Eye Express Teams are formed by local Lions Clubs for the purpose of delivering donor eyes in a timely and economical manner to the Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank, saving the Eye Bank transport costs and making it possible for corneas to be expeditiously prepared for transplant surgeries.

Information obtained from COLEB website, Phyllis McNabb Exec. Director, & COLEB Lions Board Chair PDG Norman Cupps.

District 13-J Members of the Lions Eye Bank Board

Zone 1: James Weeks; Zone 2: Robert Dawson; Zone 3: Norm Neuberger III; Zone 4: Paul Geiger;

Zone 5: PDG Norman Cupps; Zone 6: PDG Chris Homer; Zone 7: Dr. Robert Nelson

Contact your Zone Chair Representative for further information



Ohio Lions Foundation by Jim Faust, District Trustee

The **Ohio Lions Foundation (OLF)** was established on December 6, 1985. It has functioned since its inception as a Section 501 (c) (3) charitable organization and therefore all contributions, gifts, and bequests from individual Lions members, friends of Lionism, community businesses, and other foundations are tax deductible. The OLF is governed by a Board of Trustees that is made up of an elected Lion from each of the Districts in Ohio plus a member “at large” and three honorary trustees. This Board meets at least four times per year to administer the OLF operations and to make decisions that affect the distribution of funds for OLF various projects.

The OLF is proud of its record of responding quickly with **disaster relief grants** for food, clothing, blankets, temporary shelter, home heating fuel, medical expenses, eyeglasses, and sanitation supplies for victims of floods, tornadoes, ice storms, fires, and other Ohio disasters. Since the OLF began it has awarded more than \$141,000.00 in disaster relief grants. The OLF also administers the **Helen Keller Scholarship program** which awards \$3000.00 annually to each recipient who is selected by the students’ respective universities. Selection is based on financial need and academic ability of visually impaired students at the undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree level. Seven state universities in Ohio are currently involved in this scholarship program. The OLF has awarded more than \$415,800.00 in Keller scholarships to date.

The OLF continues to support the “**Building Blocks for Better Future Family Seminar**” presented by the American Council for the Blind. OLF contributes \$1000.00 each year to this seminar. Another project involves **pre-school vision screening grants** that are awarded to defray costs of supplies, film, camera maintenance, etc. for screening pre-school children.

One of the most successful recent programs of OLF has been the matching grant program for **Low Vision Reader/Video Magnifier units**. This program began in 2002 to place these units in public libraries and community-based senior citizen centers. At this time Lions clubs may apply for matching funds up to \$1200.00 for each unit placed. To date 64 units have been provided at a cost to OLF of over \$83,000.00.

In addition to the Low Vision Reader units, the OLF has awarded **capital and program grants** in excess of \$195,000.00 to various educational, sight-related organizations, and other charitable organizations for various items of adaptive equipment and sight-related programs.

The OLF operates with both “**advised restricted**” and “**unrestricted**” funds”. Most regular donations from individual Lions and Lions Clubs are donated to the unrestricted fund so the Board can use it where it is most needed. Advised restricted funds are used for such specified projects as individual eye exams, eyeglasses for the needy, maintenance of the **Lions sensory garden at the Ohio State School for the Blind**, grants for school youth projects, and support for other sight-related organizations. The OLF has distributed more than \$367,000.00 for these restricted fund projects.

A project that OLF is currently administering is the **Ohio State School for the Blind Marching Band trip to the 2010 Rose Bowl Parade in Pasadena**. The funds needed for the trip is over \$120,000.00 and the goal of the Ohio Lions committee is for local clubs to contribute \$80,000.00 of this total. As of mid August the clubs have donated approximately \$47,000.00 toward the goal. The OLF Trustees are responsible for collection of funds and keeping the records for the various clubs. Since its formation in 1985, more than \$1,294,240.00 has been channeled through the OLF. Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the Foundation and I urge everyone to continue their support for OLF in the future.

Editor Note: Lion Jim Faust has been a Lion for more than 38 years. He is currently a member of the Lynchburg Lions. Lion Jim promotes the OLF each year through contacts with clubs at zone meetings, informational letters to each individual club, and with personal club visits. Lion Jim recognizes the clubs annually at the District 13-J Convention with plaques and certificates presented for various levels of support. **Lion Jim can be contacted at 2400 State Route 131, Hillsboro, Ohio 45133. Phone: (937) 288-2235.**

Ohio State School for the Blind Marching Band to march in 2010 TOURNAMENT OF ROSES

The Ohio State School for the Blind, the **ONLY BLIND** marching band in the nation, possibly the world, have applied, and their application has been accepted to march in the **2010 TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE!**



Ohio State School for the Blind Marching Band

(Photo: OSSB website)



The funds needed for the trip is over \$120,000.00. The goal of Ohio Lions is to contribute \$80,000.00.

Golf Tournament planned by Westerville Lions Sept. 28th at Little Turtle Golf Club

100% proceeds to OSSB

Check out information at www.ohiolions.org

Co-Directors are Dan Kelley and Carol Agler. The band became a marching band in 2005 when the Ohio School for the Deaf revived its football program after a 30+ hiatus. There are currently 35 members in the band and about as many sighted marching assistants. The 2008-2009 17-member band performed at an Ohio State University Skull Session in St. John Arena. Video of that performance can be found at www.ossb.oh.gov/musicnews.html. Check out OSSB's website for more information of this remarkable school. More information can also be found at the Ohio Lions state website: www.ohiolions.org.

To Help: Address your envelope to: Jeffrey W. Brantner, Executive Secretary
 The Ohio Lions Foundation
 1720 Zollinger Road, Second Floor
 Columbus, Ohio 43221-2879

(Please detach and return with your check)

All checks payable to *Ohio Lions Foundation* .

Enclosed is a check for the amount of \$ _____

Name/Company/Club: _____ District: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____

Checks for donations should be made payable to The Ohio Lions Foundation and in the memo line indicate Ohio State School for the Blind Restricted Fund (OSSB)

Editor's note: You can see the OSSB Marching Band in action on the following dates: Millersport Sweet Corn Festival Parade Sept. 2nd at 6 pm; Wellston Coal Festival Parade Sept. 12th at 6:30 pm; Jackson Apple Festival Parade Sept. 26th at 7:30 pm; and Circleville Pumpkin Show Parade Oct. 22 at 8 pm.

Check out www.ohiolions.org website for more information about giving to this Lion project and the Little Turtle Golf Club Scramble September 28th.



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



By IPDG DEBBIE LLOYD

We finished the 08-09 Lion's Year with a plus 57. That placed us second in Ohio for membership growth. I believe that with a strong effort we can be number one this year! Wouldn't that be a great achievement? How can this happen? If you believe it, we can achieve it!

Region One Chair, Dave Jordan and I will be continuing the Helen Keller pin reward for anyone sponsoring two new members. There will be a change in that anyone sponsoring a new member last year only needs to sponsor one new member this year to get the pin. A lion can get the special pin by sponsoring two new members during this year. This program will only last as long as the supply of pins is available. Just contact us to let us know that you have earned the pin or a club Membership Chair or President can notify us. We would love to run out of pins this year!

This year's challenge is to better last year's membership gain. We will be on target to do this if we gain 61 new members by December 31, 2009 and another 61 by June 30, 2010 and add two or three new clubs (which is the Extension Chairs, Rick Tipple's and PID Floyd Newberry's job). We also need to better our retention. We gained 181 members but dropped 124. That is fewer dropped than in many years but we still need to improve that number. I will be keeping in touch with the membership chairs on the club level.

NEW LION MEMBERS IN JUNE/JULY 2009

<u>Club</u>	<u>new member</u>	<u>sponsor</u>
Bellbrook	Craig Gatzulis	Kirk Barrett
Chillicothe	Stewart Jr. Skinner	Michael Hathaway
Martinsville	Janet E. Quigley	Karen S. Gibson
Blanchester	See article on page 3 for the names of the 26 Charter members	

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of the following deceased Lions:

7/03/09 Thomas L Smith Good Hope

7/11/09 Lenore Scott Chillicothe Lioness

7/13/09 Otto Zink, Jr. Beaver creek

If we have missed any names please let us know so that we can include them in the next issue. The names of the new members were found on reports the clubs sent to Lions Club International and taken from the Membership Report (MMR). All secretaries should be sending a report to LCI each month.

In July twelve (12) Lions were dropped as reported by seven (7) clubs.

In August two (2) clubs reported dropping a Lion member.

PDG Bob Richmond is Retention Chairperson for the District.

Address: 500 Water St., Mt. Orab 45154 Ph: (937) 444-4791 E-mail: bobrichmond@cs-xs.net

Lion Bob has important information and tips for keeping members interested in remaining Lions.

Governor Charlie's Schedule

September

- 1 Chesapeake
- 3 New Holland
- 7 Labor Day- Fair parking
- 8 Ripley
- 9 Waverly
- 15 Circleville
- 17 Sardinia-Mowrystown
- 22 Jamestown
- 23-26 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Memphis, TN

October

- 1 West Union

1st Vice Governor Jay's Schedule

September

- 2 Sabina
- 15 Vinton County
- 16 MERL Team
- 23-26 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Memphis, TN
- 28 Lynchburg

Preview for next Month's Newsletter:

- **Ironton Lions Club Haunted House**
- **Pilot Dogs**
- **Zone 1 challenge of "eyeglasses" collection**
- **Disaster Preparedness continued**
- **Your story ?** Deadline is the 20th of the month



WANTED One Dedicated Lion to serve
 District 13-J as 2nd Vice Governor for 2009 - 2010
If interested call: Governor Charlie (937) 780-6204



Last Call for President Excellence Award and 100% Secretary Award for 2008-09

IPDG Debbie Lloyd has announced that she needs to receive your club application for the Club President Excellence Award and/or the 100% Secretary Award for this past Lion year **by September 20th** in order to have the Presidential form to LCI by their deadline of September 30, 2009.

The requirements for the Club President Excellence Award can be found in the District Directory for 2008-09 on page 45. The Club President Excellence Award is awarded by Lions Clubs International. The form to use is at the LCI website www.lionsclubs.org. Enter Club President Excellence Award in the search box. (at the right upper corner). At the new window make sure you chose the 2008-2009 form (the second one).

The requirement for the 100% Secretary Award for this past Lion year can be found on page 46 of the same directory. This form is on the district's website at www.district13j.org. This is a District award.

So you didn't make all the requirements for this award last year? Turn to page 53 and page 54 of the 2009-2010 District Directory; read over the requirements and strive to meet each one. Next year at this time, your club will be eligible to receive these rewards.

Zone 4 Chair Sherry Bingamon (submitted by Lion Sherry)



Just a few things about me:

I grew up in Sardinia, Ohio, graduating from Eastern Brown High School in 1967. On August 16, 1969, I married my husband, James Bingamon. We have resided in Mt. Orab for the last 40 years. We have one daughter, Carrie Davis, and two granddaughters, Courtney and Kelsey Davis who also live in Mt. Orab.

My career has lead me down several different paths; from a General Office manager, a Human Resource Manager, to a Bank Manager. My current occupation is an Insurance Sales Agent.

PID Floyd Newberry invited me to become a Lion in 2003. I didn't at that time because of my schedule at work. In 2004, Lion Floyd again invited me to become a Lion. This time I accepted and brought my husband along with me. (My husband Jim is Mt Orab's Club President this year.) I enjoy the people who are Lions. They are by far some of the most generous and giving individuals I have met.

During 2005-2006 Lion Year, I was president of the Mt. Orab Lions Club. During that year our club started a Leo Club. We also had a plus in new members. At the end of the year, I received the 100% Excellence President award. As an active member of my club, I have served on the Membership Committee, the Car Show Committee and various other projects and committees. I served on Extension during PDG Elaine Newberry's year and attended state training sessions in Columbus, learning about Membership, Extension, Retention and Leadership. This year I was part of the team that campaigned in Blanchester for members to start a charter club there. I have completed training for a Guiding Lion and now waiting for LCI to certify me as a Guiding Lion.

Goals: During my term as Zone Chairperson, I hope to be able to help the clubs who are struggling to get new members. We want to be able to retain the membership we currently have by coming up with new ideas to keep members interested. I would encourage the clubs in my zone to have at least one member at all zone meetings. Club members need to get involved in other activities such as inter-club visitations, and helping other clubs with their projects and fundraisers if needed. I believe as Lions we need to become more involved with the communities surrounding us so that we are better able to serve our individual communities. We need to work together as a team instead of each club acting as a sole entity. We have to work together so that all of us will have a chance to work and grow and get Lions back the recognition of being the Leaders in their communities.

Editor Note: Zone 4 is the largest Zone in District 13-J with 10 clubs, 1 Leo and 1 Lioness Clubs. The Clubs are: Aberdeen, Georgetown, Lake Waynoka, Peebles, Ripley, Seaman Lions and a Leo club, Sardinia-Mowrystown Lions & Lioness, Manchester, Mt Orab, and West Union.



Thanks Lion Sherry for your dedication and willingness to serve the Lions of your Club, Zone 4 and Lions of District 13-J as you work to bring Lions of all clubs together to better serve their communities.

You are living the mottos "We Serve" and "Move to Grow"

PID Steven D. Sherer for 2nd Vice President



The Ohio Lions Council of Governors voted unanimously to support the Candidacy of PID Steve Sherer for the position of 2nd Vice President of Lions Clubs International. This will be the third opportunity the Ohio Lions will have to elect a president from MD 13 to follow in the great tradition of PIP W.R. Dick Bryan and PIP James T. Coffey.

Steven D. Sherer from New Philadelphia, Ohio, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 89th International Convention, held in Boston, Massachusetts, USA, June 30-July 4, 2006.

Past Director Sherer is a school treasurer and CFO. A member of the Dover Lions Club since 1980, Past Director Sherer has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chairperson, cabinet secretary/treasurer, district governor and council chairperson. He also served as a member of the Finance and Long-Range Planning Committee, Youth Committee and International Convention Committee.

In recognition of his service to the association he has received numerous awards, including the 100% Club President Award, 100% District Governor Award, the Council Chairperson's Award of Excellence, three International President's Certificates, two International Leadership Medals, three International President's Medals and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor bestowed upon a member by the association. He also has 29 years perfect attendance and is a James T. Coffey Fellow, W. R. "Dick" Bryan Fellow and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Past Director Sherer is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He is a member of the Buckeye Council BSA and serves on the Eagle Board of Review and Property Committee. Past Director Sherer and his wife, Mary Ellen, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two children.

Campaign Pledges

There will be two things needed to help with the campaign, manpower and finances. We are asking Lions who are able to make a contribution to the campaign. There will be various levels of contributions. Those who participate in the gold (\$500), silver (\$300) or bronze (\$150) level will receive a pin to wear which denotes their commitment to the campaign. They will also be able to make their campaign contribution over three payments. We would appreciate your help and commitment regardless of what level you decide. We thank all Ohio Lions for their support in what will be a successful campaign.

Ohio will once again be home to the President of our great association.

Mail checks made payable to Ohio Lions 2nd VP Campaign to:

PDG Dave Luttrell, Campaign Treasurer

2034 Fraley Dr.

Columbus, Ohio 43235-7544

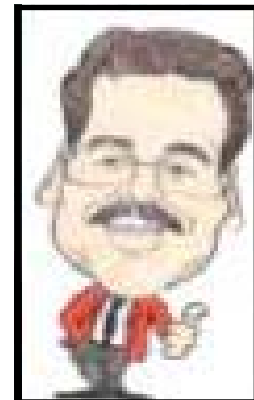
Steven D. Sherer (Lion Mary Ellen)

1090 Thomas Dr. SW

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Editor's Note: PID Steve Sherer is no stranger to District 13-J as he has been a guest speaker for our two new charter clubs, plus the Wilmington 75th Charter Night and is scheduled to speak at the Chillicothe Evening Lions 85th Charter Night. Check out the state website at www.ohiolions.org for a PID Steven D. Sherer for 2nd Vice President Campaign Pledge Form.

Pandemic Influenza Preparedness (Information from LCI website & PCC Ron Barber)

In July 2007, The International Association of Lions Clubs agreed to help the US Department of Health and Human Services disseminate information about pandemic influenza (flu) preparedness . The Association can work with health agencies in other countries to provide similar life-saving information.

Lions ALERT plan for the community: Many communities already have pandemic preparedness plans. If this is the case in your community, volunteer to help local government and healthcare officials prepare the public for this healthcare emergency. In communities without pandemic flu preparedness plans, use the basic Lions ALERT plan format to develop a Lions ALERT pandemic flu preparedness plan.

Basic guidelines: Flu germs transfer through close personal contact such as shaking hands, sneezing, and the sharing of common surfaces including doorknobs and table tops.

To minimize the spread of germs during a pandemic, minimize contact with others and follow these basic guidelines.

- Use a disposable tissue when sneezing or coughing. If a tissue isn't available, sneeze into the sleeve of a shirt. Sneezing into one's hands can further spread germs.
- Use soap, alcohol-based hand wipes, or gel sanitizers to wash hands.
- Avoid contact with the eyes, nose, or mouth.
- Stay home if infected with the flu virus. This will minimize the spread of germs.



A personal Lions ALERT plan:

Good personal hygiene will help reduce the spread of flu germs. However, during a flu pandemic, the following preparations may be necessary.

- Eat well and exercise daily to stay healthy.
- Wash hands. Clean off surfaces that are frequently touched such as telephones and computer keyboards.
- Avoid close contact with others. Consider alternatives to daily routines including working from home and watching worship services on television.
- If a family member contracts the flu, decide who will provide nursing care.
- Stockpile two weeks' worth of drinking water, non-perishable food items, and prescription medicines in case you become ill or are providing nursing care and cannot go to the store.
- Expect temporary closings of some businesses, schools, and forms of public transportation. Also, expect limited supplies on store shelves.
- Maintain updated health information including allergies and the blood types of all family members.
- Maintain an emergency contact list.

Information about pandemic flu is available on the following Web sites:

- World Health Organization: www.who.int
- US Department of Health and Human Services: www.pandemicflu.gov
- Lions Club International: www.lionsclubs.org

(Windows to Open: 1. Member Center, 2. Planning other projects, 3. Community projects, 4. Lions Alert Program)



HOW TO DEVELOP A LIONS ALERT PLAN

to define Lions ALERT team responsibilities, tasks, procedures, and actions as well as receive advance training and certification or credentials required of volunteers in a disaster site.

- Begin by reading the **Lions ALERT Emergency Preparedness Guide (IAD 911)** available on the Lions Web site.
- During your next club meeting, introduce the Lions ALERT Program. Ask the club president to **appoint a chairperson** to investigate the possibility of developing a Lions ALERT plan. Ask the chairperson to report back to the club.
- The Lions ALERT chairperson should **meet with the local emergency manager**. This may be a government official or a disaster relief expert from a non-government authority such a local chapter of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies. Ask how Lions can help in the event of a natural, man-made, or healthcare emergency. For ideas, review the Lions ALERT Disaster Relief Opportunities checklist.
- Report back to the club. **Vote on the suggested involvement of a Lions ALERT team**. If the club approves, form a Lions ALERT team committee.
- Develop a list of resources** from among Lions, e.g., a building that can serve as a shelter, members who are experienced in preparing meals for many people, medical experience, access to a warehouse, skilled carpenters, the availability of a large truck, childcare expertise, etc.
- Meet with the emergency manager. Discuss Lions resources, assistance and expertise. **Together, develop a Lions ALERT plan**. Ask the club to review and approve the Lions ALERT plan.
- Participate in local emergency preparedness drills. Work with other local emergency preparedness organization as well as other local lions ALERT teams. If necessary, amend the Lions ALERT plan.
- Meet annually with the emergency manager** to review and update the Lions ALERT plan.

The information provided in this checklist is intended as a guideline. Lions should work with local emergency officials and first responder organizations to define the Lions' role, responsibilities and operational actions needed for a coordinated response. For detailed information and resources on developing a Lions ALERT emergency preparedness plan, view Lions ALERT (IAD 911) and the Lions Web site (www.lionsclubs.org).

Suggested List of Food and Non-Perishables

Foods that can be stored to use when you can not go to the grocery store due to a pandemic event.

Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits, vegetables and soups

Rice Protein or fruit bars Dry cereal or granola

Dried fruit Crackers Peanut butter or nuts

Canned juices Canned or jarred baby food and formula

(See next Month's issue of this Newsletter for a more detailed list of non-perishable foods and a storage rotation and how Lions can be prepared to serve others in their community)

Information compiled by PCC Ron Barber from various websites & publications.

UPCOMING LION FUNDRAISERS

Lions & Odd Fellows

Open Car Show

Motorcycle Classes

September 20, 2009

Entry fee: \$12.00

Registration 8 - 9 AM

Lynchburg Lions Park

Food available

Lynchburg Lions Club

Ph: (937) 288-2215



Jackson Apple Festival

Sept. 22 - 26

See the Lions Booth
For great tasting Veal
or Fish Sandwiches.

Millersport Lions

Sweet Corn Festival

September 2-5

Good Food

Entertainment

Raffle - Parade



www.sweetcornfest.com

To advertise your upcoming Lion event, Notify the editor by the 20th of the prior month before the event

geobarber@cinci.rr.com

(937) 780-6140

Jamestown Lions

Bean Festival

September 18-19

Parade 19th at 6 pm

Bingo Food
Beans/cornbread

Auction

Raffle

1st Prize \$2500

2nd Prize \$500

Tickets 6 for \$5.00

Book of 30 for \$20.00

(937) 675-5931

Frankfort Lions

Sunflower Festival

September 5 - 6

Ice Cream Social

Frankfort Firehouse

Root Beer Floats

Pies, Cakes, Cookies

Friday 11-7

Saturday 11-6

Also selling

Sunflower Jewelry



Mt. Orab Lions

Golf Scramble

Registration 9am

Saturday, Sept. 12

Tee Time at 10 am

White Oak Golf Course,
Tri County Highway east of
Mt. Orab (old 32)

\$50 per golfer

\$200 per team

Lunch & Dinner included

(937) 444-2576

Chillicothe Eve. Lions

Golf Scramble

September 27th

Jaycee Golf

Course

Shotgun start 1:00

Entry fee: \$200 per team

Food & Beverages provided

Registration closes 9/23/09

(740) 772-4896 or 773-6836

Teams: 1st-\$300 2nd-\$200 3rd-\$100

Prizes for longest and shortest
drive, closest to pin, on green
farthest from longest putt.



Peebles Lions

Old Timers Day

September 17, 18, 19 & 20

Downtown Peebles

Raffle

Quilt, Blue Ray,

Remington 870

20 ga. Shotgun

(937) 587-3781

Lynchburg Lions

Monthly Breakfast

September 5

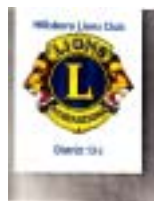
(1st Sat. of the month)

All you can eat

\$4.00 donation

Hillsboro Lions Club

Cookbooks



Cost: \$15.00

Martinsville Lions

Monthly Breakfast

September 19

(3rd Sat. of each month)

All you can eat

\$4.00 donation

Lake Waynoka Lions

Car Show

Sept. 6 at 10 am

Registration 10.00

Spectators \$2.00

Trophies given a 4 pm

Food available

(937) 446-3365

Wellston Coal Festival

September 8 - 12

See the Lions Food

Booth for delicious

Veal Sandwiches

Golf Scramble hosted by Westerville Lions/
OSSBPTS/Sean Harrington LTGC member.

Entry: 18 holes golf, cart, range privileges, raffle
ticket, box lunch, T-Bone steak dinner, Prizes, hole in
one receives car sponsored by Coughlin Automotive

Shotgun start September 28th at 11 am

Little Turtle Golf Club, 5400 Little Turtle Way, in
Westerville

Cost: \$100 individual, \$400 foursome.

Helicopter golf drop 10:30 am.

Purchase 1 ball \$10 3 balls \$25.

Hole in one or closest to hole wins \$500 cash.

Silent auction at 5 pm (more info at ohiolions.org)





PDG Elaine Newberry was presented an engraved gavel for her service as District Governor of 13-J



Glasses collected by the Bellbrook Lions to donate to VOSH. Guess how many?



CST Sue O'Rear has a ginkgo tree in her yard



Tail twister and 2nd Vice President of the Blanchester Club has a well known Lion father. Can you guess who his father is?



PDG Bob Richmond
Retention Chair



Hillsboro Lions Tail Twister
Lion Larry Cole



Ironton Lions President
Lou Pyles



Lion Jay & Gov. Charlie at Bellbrook Parade

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South Point Lions President Donald Schritter
and his wife Judy, Club Treasurer



New Holland Secretary
Lion Nancy Davis



Lion Jeff Bennett announcing the Bellbrook Parade

Web Sites to checkout:

- www.companycasuals.com/ohiolions
- www.district13j.com
- www.ohiolions.org
- www.lionsclubs.org

Emails to remember:

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- buckeyejcarey@yahoo.com
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- geobarber@cinci.rr.com
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Important Dates to Remember

- **District 13J Cabinet Meeting**
11/15 - 2nd Cabinet - Jackson
02/20 - 3rd Cabinet - Wash. CH
04/24 - 4th Cabinet - District Convention
05/22 - District Caucus - State Convention
- **USA/Canada Lions Forum 2009**
September 24 - 26
Memphis, TN
- **Fall Conference 2009**
Nov. 8, 2009 - Crown Plaza, Dayton
- **State Convention 2010**
May 21 - 23
Embassy Suites, Dublin
- **International Convention 2010**
June 28 - July 21
Sydney, Australia

TIP to the Treasurer

When your club sends donations to any of the district or state projects please double check the district directory for the accurate address before you mail.

