

The Evaporator

"Boilin' It Down Every Month"

"Relieving the Hunger" Global Service Action Campaign

Today, there are more than one billion people who do not have enough to eat. One person out of six lives in a state of chronic hunger. Lions have an opportunity to show the strength of our worldwide network during a special service action campaign, "Relieving the Hunger."

Take Action

During December and January, we invite you and your club to join Lions around the world to help relieve hunger.

Organize projects that mobilize your club members to make a difference in your community by helping those who don't have enough to eat.

Visit The Global FoodBanking Network or Feeding America for volunteer opportunities near you. If your local food bank does not have volunteer opportunities available, you may wish to consider other service projects such as preparing and delivering food baskets to families in need or planting a community vegetable garden.

Campaign Resources

Use the following resources to plan and promote your "Relieving the Hunger" Global Service Action Campaign project.

Call to Action Flyer: Get an overview of the "Relieving the Hunger" Global Service Action Campaign – and ideas to jumpstart your project.

Planning Guide: Use this step-by-step guide to organize your very own "Relieving the Hunger" project.

Project Ideas: Review ideas you and your club can use to participate in the campaign.

Food Drive Project Sheet: Use this project sheet to organize a food drive to alleviate hunger.

News Release: Send a news release to local media to help publicize your "Relieving the Hunger" project.

2010 Campaign Results

Dedicated Lions helped feed more than 7 million people during our "Relieving the Hunger" campaign in December, 2010 and January, 2011. Our members reported participating in nearly 2,000 projects worldwide, totaling more than 150,000 volunteers hours.

Note: To access the above resources directly from the electronic newsletter, click on the title of the resource while you are connected to the Internet. The embedded link will take you to the document. To find the links to the resources otherwise, type 'Relieving the Hunger' in the search box on the Lions Clubs International website, www.lionsclubs.org. Click on the first link returned and you will be taken to the planning and promoting resources.

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Canfield Lions Annual Food Drive

Our Holiday Food collection has been in high gear. Bags were distributed on Saturday Oct. 29th by many Lions, Leos and helping spouses, parents and friends. Approximately 2,400 bags were placed on porches and picked up again the following Saturday Nov. 5th by the same group. The bags of food were then transported to St. Paul's Monastery, where it will be sorted and packaged for delivery to the needy. We also provide Turkeys for Thanksgiving and hams for Christmas.



The Draw-Off from District Governor Dave Gauch

I'll start my column this month with a couple of clarifications from the November newsletter. First, in the picture from the PDG banquet, PDG Ron Anderson was listed as the Lisbon club and PDG Ron Clifton was listed as the Youngstown South Side club. While PDG Ron was in the Lisbon club during his term as district governor, he is currently a member of the Easy Liverpool club and while PDG Ron was in the Youngstown South Side club during his term as district governor, he is currently a member of the Youngstown club. Second, you may have noticed that in the picture from the Boardman tree planting "A Buckeye for Bud" that PCC Bud Jenkins is holding the shovel. There is no truth to the rumor that the Boardman club had PCC Bud plant his own tree! That tree planting was a great way to honor a great Lion.

This time of year many are looking forward to a little slow time. And many others are getting geared up for the busiest time of the year. Still others are going to do some catching up on overdue tasks. I am going to roll all those into one; some slow time, some busy time, and some catching up time. As my club's treasurer, I've got to get caught up on my reports. If you are your club's treasurer or secretary and you're a little behind this may be a good time to get caught up. I will remind the secretaries that the membership reports need to be filed with International each month, whether there was any activity or not. There are a few clubs in our district that fall into this category. Also, if you file your monthly activities report online to LCI the annual report will be much easier to complete at the end of the Lions year. Keep in mind that much of the information used to tally points for the Governor's Contest will come from those monthly reports, but the district activities reports will also be used if those are sent to me.

As the calendar year winds down and our Lions year continues there are some exciting numbers that I will share. As of November 28th, 5,952,945 trees have been planted worldwide as reported to LCI. Have you planted any trees? Has your secretary reported those to LCI? Are you formulating plans to plant any trees in the spring? A number that is more pleasing to see is -6. That may not seem like a good number, except on the golf course, but it looks good to me. Going into the end of November, District 13-D is at a net -6 for the year. What you can't see in this figure specifically is the 40 new members we've taken in this year. And not counted in the -6 are the new charter members (approximately 25) who have paid their one-time fee for the clubs that are being formed in the Ellsworth/Berlin area and in East Palestine. Add all that up and we are on the grow! Thanks to all who have invited their friends and neighbors to join our cause and welcome to all those who have joined our ranks!!!

There are many project opportunities this time of year. Remember the special service action campaign that continues in December titled Relieving the Hunger; providing food could brighten the holidays for many. Assisting your local food cupboard or giving food baskets to needy families are great ways to help the less fortunate in your community. Activities like these will give your new members some of what they were looking for when joining, meaningful service.

Merry Christmas to you and yours!!!



Yours in Lionism,
DG Dave



Greetings from International President Wing-Kun Tam



My Fellow Lions,

A few weeks ago I had the pleasure of attending a ceremony in Nairobi, Kenya, where more than 2,000 trees were planted by Lions and representatives of the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN). These trees are just the beginning of a new partnership between Lions and the AKDN that will result in the planting of at least one million trees in Kenya by December 2012. Think of it -- our entire worldwide goal for tree planting equaled in one nation alone!

This is certainly cause for celebration, not only because it will provide great environmental benefits, but also because growing and nurturing those trees will provide employment opportunities for young Kenyans.

It reminded me that growing and nurturing the Lions family is the most important work we do as Lion leaders. I am proud to report that this work is going very well. More than 337 district governors have qualified for Excellent First Believer awards by chartering two new clubs or achieving positive membership results, or for Superior First Believer awards by chartering five new clubs and achieving positive membership on October 31, 2011. [View the list at the Lions Clubs International Web site.](#)

District governors' teams share the work of growth and nurturing with the worldwide [Global Membership Team](#) and [Global Leadership Team](#). The [Club Excellence Process](#) provides additional nurturing for Lions clubs around the world.

I hope that you will join me in congratulating the First Believer recipients for their success in helping to grow our Lions family. I also hope that you, your club or district will take full advantage of the nurturing opportunities provided by the GMT and GLT and the Club Excellence Process.

Thank you for all you do.

Wing-Kun Tam
International President

From Your First Vice District Governor - FVDG John Woodside

There is a saying "Times flies when you're having fun". I must be having fun because this year serving as your First Vice District Governor is certainly "flying by". My November, 2011 District activities included visitations to the Youngstown, Cortland, Southeast Portage County, Garrettsville, Rootstown and Austintown Lions Clubs as well as attending the Kent Lions 65th Charter Anniversary and the West Point 18th Charter Anniversary celebrations. I also attended Zone Advisory meetings in Zones 1, 5, 6, and 7; a District Cabinet Meeting and a Multiple District 13 Council of Governors meeting. I would like to congratulate the Kent Lions Club for their 65 years of service to their community and our Association and their fantastic record of financial support to the Pilot Dogs organization.

Are you a regular visitor to the Lions Clubs International web site (www.lionsclubs.org)? If not, you should go there to see the wealth of knowledge available to Lions and information about our Association. At this site you will also find tools to help us, both as individual Lions and as Lions Clubs, to better serve our organization and our communities. I encourage Lion members to avail themselves of the information provided at the Leadership Resource Center that provides training and development opportunities to promote personal growth and leadership excellence which are part of the goals of our Global Leadership Team (GLT).

The most recent report I have received from Lions International indicate that during the first four (4) months of our current Lions year (July thru October), our District has added 30 new members and dropped 44 members for a net loss of 14 members. This is an improvement from the previous month's data but we need to continue to keep recruiting new members and retaining those we have so we can continue our service to our Association and our communities. Our District Global Membership Team (GMT) is continuing to develop plans and tools to assist clubs with their membership efforts and to provide orientation programs to educate new members about our Association.

As your First Vice District Governor I will be continuing to make visitations in Region One of the District. To date, of the twenty-six (26) clubs in Region One, I have scheduled or made seventeen (17) club visitations. I am requesting those clubs that have not provided me a visitation date to contact me soon.

At this special time of the year, while we and our families are enjoying the Christmas season, let each of us remember whose birth we are celebrating on Christmas. Midge and I wish all Lions and their families a Merry Christmas and a healthy, Happy New Year.

Remember, "We Serve" is not only our Motto – it is our commitment.

Yours in Lionism,

FVDG John

From Your Second Vice District Governor - SVDG Tom Zickefoose

We are almost midway through the Lions year and I have visited a little more than half of the Club's in region two I'm very proud at the hard work all the Club's have put in to help their community's have a better place to live. All the club's have active like Community Park clean-ups, raking leaves, having parties for the kid's and helping the elderly with anything they need help with around the house to made their lives a little better. The most important things is they are out doing eye screening for the children and adults. We all know the earlier you screen the better chance we have to catching a problem with the child's eyes so we can get them corrected. That's why we became Lions to Help and to Serve others in need so keep up the Great work and be proud to be a Lion.

Yours in Lionism

SVDG Tom Zickefoose

First Annual District 13D Tail Twister Night

On October 8th, the first ever District Tail Twister Night was held at Don Poncho's Restaurant in Alliance, OH. District Activity Chairman Jim Harshman did an outstanding job of organizing this event. Special Thanks also to those who assisted – Lion Keith Wolfe, PDG Bob & Lion Peg Booher, and Zone 6 Chair Elva Summers.

The food was delicious and plentiful. The door prizes – well you had to be there to really appreciate the huge variety. There were useful items, decorative items and some that were just items! Oh yes and there was a 'dirty' item. Rumor has it that a dozen dirty golf balls got passed around to several people and CST/PCC Paul Metrovich was the lucky one to take them home. A GRRRREAT time was had by all Lions!!

All the proceeds from this event went to the District 13D Convention Fund. Additional funds for the Convention will help offset the rising cost of everything so that the Convention will remain affordable for all of the 13D Lions.



King Lion Jim Harshman presented District Governor Dave a special gift in honor of this special event!!

**District D GLT Committee
Identifying Future Leaders**



Fellow Lions,

The mission statement specifically states that the GLT committee is to "facilitate the identification and development of present and future leaders for the clubs and sub districts within District 13-D.

Our districts, and clubs have many exceptional individuals who have shown themselves to be outstanding leaders, and yet for one reason or another, they have remained behind the scenes, and virtually unknown. We all need to help to bring these Lions to the forefront, and we need your help in identifying these exceptional individuals.


How do we begin? One of our first identification tools is a simple postcard, which will be a resource of each zone chair, and district officer. All we ask is that as you make your visitations, you keep your eyes open for anyone who you feel would be a good future leader and who deserves being brought to our attention.

We purposely have not asked for a great deal of information on the card - but only the basics. Once they have been completed, we would ask that you return them to your GLT District Coordinator. Our intent is to then create a database of potential leaders for use by all levels of Lionism - from the Multiple District, Districts, Zones, and Clubs.

A sample of the postcard is shown below and they are available from your District GLT Coordinator. You can also email the information to the District GLT Coordinator, just follow the outline on the card.

Please don't hesitate to call with any questions or concerns.

**PCC Paul Metrovich
Global Leadership Team**

 Leadership Recommendations	
<p>1) Leadership potential for which areas? Club? ___ Zone? ___ District? ___</p>	<p>4) Background and Contact information. Please include any information that would provide us any insight as to why the candidate should be included in the Global Leadership Program. Please return this form ASAP to your GLT District Coordinator.</p>
<p>2) Submitted by: Name: _____ Phone Number: _____</p>	
<p>3) Candidate: Name: _____ Club: _____ Dist: _____ Current Office: (if any) _____ Address: _____ Phone number: _____ Email: _____</p>	

Jackson Township Lions Host District Meeting

The Jackson Township Lions Club hosted the District 13-D Cabinet Meeting at John Knox Presbyterian Church on November 13th. Our district is composed of 53 Lions clubs and 11 Leo clubs in 5 counties; Columbiana, Mahoning, Portage, Stark and Trumbull. The district cabinet meets four times annually to assist the District Governor in the formulation and implementation of administrative plans and policies affecting the welfare of the Association in the district.

District Governor David Gauch, a member of the Crestwood Lions Club in Mantua, Ohio, was the presiding officer of this meeting. Others hearing reports at this meeting were First Vice District Governor John Woodside of the Jackson Township Lions Club, Second Vice District Governor Tom Zickefoose of the Girard Lions Club and Cabinet Secretary Treasurer Paul Metrovich of the Calcutta Lions Club. Reports from the Zone Chairmen, State Committees, District Committees, Governor's Advisory Committee and Governor's Honorary Committee were entered with information to be passed on to Clubs in visitations throughout the coming months.

Midge Woodside, spouse of FVDG John Woodside, hosted the Spouses Program about the healthy benefits of laughter.



From the desk of Newsletter Editor, Lion Patti Gauch

I hope that everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday. We have so much to be thankful for living in this great country. Now the big rush begins for the Christmas season. It is also a time to take a step back and remember what is really important to us - FAMILY and FRIENDS. It's wonderful to have our "Lions family" during this season too. Being part of a large organization offers us opportunities to serve our communities in ways we might be able to accomplish on a personal basis. It really makes me proud to be a Lion when I see all the good that is being done here in our District and around the world. Please have a blessed Christmas.

**Yours in Lionism,
Lion Patti**

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Please keep PDG Tom and Nancy Kirkbride and family in your prayers. Their 10 year old Granddaughter, Olivia Coontz has been diagnosed with Osteosarcoma, a form of bone cancer.

AMAZINGLY SIMPLE HOME REMEDIES

You should only need two tools in life - WD-40 and duct tape. If it doesn't move and should, use WD-40. If it shouldn't move and does, use duct tape.

DAILY THOUGHT

Remember - everyone seems normal until you get to know them.

**What will you get out of it?**

A great, relaxing weekend with friends and family, Terrific food, Interesting Topics, Open, Cozy fireplaces, heartwarming drinks, and Knowledge for the taking.

What are some of the outstanding Sessions?

- a. Guiding Lion Certification (and re-certification)
- b. Club Excellence Refresher
- c. Intro to Facebook and Twitter
- d. Pin Trading
- e. Presidential History
- f. Zone Chairperson Roundtable - "What works? What doesn't?"
- g. Nature Photography
- h. For the Gastronomically inclined: Cooking classes and cake decorating
- i. Lions in Brazil! "Ola!"
- j. Leo Clubs
- k. Quilts: Do YOU have a treasure on the bed?
- l. Newsletters - How to put your best foot forward
- m. Beer making and Cheese tasting
- n. Mahjong - Wanna know how to play?
- o. Retention - Learn how to Keep 'em!
- p. Refresher on "The Ohio Plan"
- q. Club Officer Roundtable

PLUS

- a. President, and Mrs. Warren G. Harding
- b. PDG Judy Smith: "Life in the International Director Lane."
- c. Antique Road Show! Bring your treasures (and see if they are... or not)

IMPORTANT

- a. Are planning on attending?
- b. Have you turned in your Reservation?
- c. Have you publicized the Winter Retreat Flyer in your District Newsletter?
- d. Have forwarded the Flyer to your clubs for their Newsletters?
- e. Have you promoted it at your Cabinet Meetings?
- f. Have you publicized it at Zone Meetings?



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Mark Your Calendar



JANUARY 6 - CANFIELD LIONS MONTHLY FISH DINNERS ON FRIDAYS

This event is held at A La Carte Catering at 429 Lisbon Street, Canfield. Main Course dinners choice of Haddock (baked or fried), Macaroni & Cheese, or Haluski with Pierogi and choice of side dishes, dessert and beverage. Served from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Cost: \$10.00 per person Take out available
 The next Fish dinner will February 3rd, 2012.

JANUARY 13 - 16, 2012 WINTER RETREAT 2012 DEER CREEK STATE PARK RESTORT

It may be warm outside but it's time to think winter.Winter Retreat that is!!
 Be sure to register for the 2012 Winter Retreat. Cost is \$125 per person through December 30th. Hotel reservations can be made by calling Deer Creek directly and asking for the Ohio Lions rate (\$75 + tax) 1-740-869-2020 by December 30th. **AT THIS TIME ALL ROOMS AT DEER CREEK ARE SOLD OUT BUT YOU CAN CALL THEM TO SEE IF THERE ARE ANY CANCELLATIONS.**



MARCH 16-18, 2012 DISTRICT 13D CONVENTION - MCKINLEY GRAND HOTEL, CANTON

First Call to Convention has gone out so get your reservations in early. The cost for entire Convention is \$60.00/each. This includes Friday Buffet, Saturday Lunch, Sunday Grand Banquet. Room costs are \$78.00 per night including tax. This will be a fun filled "FAIR" event so please plan to attend. More details will be posted on the district web site (www.lions13d.org) and in the Jan. 2012 newsletter.



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Third Zone Meeting Schedule

<u>Zone</u>	<u>3rd Meeting</u>	<u>Zone</u>	<u>3rd Meeting</u>
1	Feb. TBD	6	Feb. 23
2	Feb. 16	7	Feb. 23
3	Feb. 2	8	Feb. 28
4	Feb. 9	9	Feb. 28
5	Feb TBD		

Zone Chairs - Please send in the dates for your Zone meetings as soon as confirmed.