

13-J ROARING PRIDE

January 2006



It is hard to believe that six months have already passed for me as District Governor. It has been a great honor to serve 13-J to this point.

--We, as a District, have brought in many, many new members from all over the district.

-- Clubs are participating in other club activities.

-- Members are interested in learning about Lionism—we can tell that because the Orientation books for New Lions and Senior Lions are **all** gone and members are working on them to earn their “J” pins.

-- Clubs are looking at new aspects on how to bring in new members.

--Clubs are having fun and bringing in speakers instead of just having business meetings.

-- The clubs are getting the youth of their communities involved in Lionism. We are going to start a new Leo Club in Mt. Orab in January.

-- Most importantly the clubs are trying to make a difference in their community by doing service projects, fund-raisers, and helping those people that are less fortunate than they are.

You, as District 13-J, should be very proud of yourselves on what you are doing in your district and clubs. It's not about DG Chris, VDG Jay, or DDG Elaine. It's about the members of 13-J. We are your cheerleaders, motivators, and advisors. We are always here to help you and guide you in your endeavors of your clubs.

As we go into the next six months of our year, let's continue to keep up the great work that we are doing. Let's believe in our motto “WE SERVE”. The only way you are going to make a difference in your club and your community is by simply do something about it. Some suggestions are the following:

--Invite new members to a meeting. They aren't going to come to you; you have to go to them.

--Share what Lionism is all about. Stop keeping it the best kept secret.

--Give new members assignments right away. If you don't, they won't feel appreciated.

--Have a good Orientation program. There is nothing worse than someone asking you about what Lions is all about and you have no clue.

--Make sure your officers are doing their jobs. Example: If your Secretary is not sending in the reports to International, District Governor, Vice-District Governor, and Deputy District Governor, they are only hurting your club. Is your Tail-Twister active in your club? If not, you are losing out in some fun in your club.

--Make sure your meetings are interesting and fun. There is nothing worse than going to a boring meeting.

These are just a few things to help your club out within the future. Keep up the GREAT WORK and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone either at a club visitation or at the District Convention which will be held on April 28-30, 2006 in Rio Grande.

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From the Heart of Romeo, DG Chris Homer



WE ARE LOOKING FOR A \$30.00 DONATION FROM EACH CLUB TO HELP OFFSET THE COST OF THE DISTRICT CONVENTION FOR DOOR PRIZES, RAFFLES, AND AUCTIONS. ANYTHING WILL HELP. WE ARE LOOKING TO HAVE A GREAT AND AWESOME TIME AT THE DISTRICT 13-J CONVENTION.

Make checks payable to: 13-J Convention

Lion Bob Hennesy

181 Greenbrier Drive

Gallipolis, OH 45031

Many thanks! District Governor Chris "Romeo" Homer

DISTRICT 13-J CONVENTION

April 29-30, 2006

Lyne Center, University of Rio Grande

Convention Outline---Theme: Mardi Gras

Friday Evening starting at 7:00 PM – Casino Night at Holiday Inn in Gallipolis

Saturday Morning: Cabinet Breakfast, Business Session, Mardi Gras Lunch—with ID

Robert Eichhorn, and Wonderful Maxwell the Magician

Saturday Afternoon: Officers Training, French Dinner with ID Robert Eichhorn, Wright-

Patterson Air Force Band of Flight, Hospitality Rooms at Hotels

Sunday: Necrology Service, Election of Officers, and Grand Banquet

COME ALL AND JOIN THE GREAT FUN WE WILL BE HAVING AT OUR CONVENTION THIS YEAR

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**TO THE
DISTRICT 13-J OFFICERS
BEST WISHES
FOR A GREAT & PRODUCTIVE YEAR
FROM
IPDG RON BARBER
& LION GEORGIA**

Are you ready to greet the new year of 2006? What is the significance of New Year's Day? January 1 has been widely accepted only during the last four hundred years as the beginning of a new "year". However, the Romans used it as the beginning of a new year as far back as 153 BC. The calendar we know and use today was first developed by Pope Gregory XIII in 1582 and gives us our present method of dividing and calculating the year. During many early times European countries considered New Year's Day to be on March 25. This Gregorian calendar, as it was known, was adopted by Great Britain (including the American colonies) in 1752. Japan welcomed it in 1873 and China in 1912. Russia adopted it twice – first in 1918, and after trying out calendars of its own ideas, again in 1940.

There are just a few times when we start something fresh. A new baby is the start of a fresh new life. We start first grade, then we start high school, then college and we start a new chapter in our lives when we get married. We are now starting a NEW YEAR. It is often thought of as a time to start with a clean slate – fresh ideas, new challenges ...thus, the idea of New Year's resolutions. The New Year's resolutions, which we are so fond of, represent our effort to make the year brand new. Often we might say in the New Year we are "turning over a new leaf".

As we start 2006, now would be an excellent time to "turn over a new leaf" with our Lions endeavors. January 1 marks the halfway point in our Lions' year. How has the first half of your Lions year gone? What achievements can you see from your efforts during the first half of the Lions year? As a club officer, how well have you performed your duties – or are you just floating along? Do you know what you should be doing and what your duties are? As a member of the Lions Club, have you helped on projects and promoted Lionism in the community? Have you talked to anyone about becoming a Lion? Do you go to club meetings and take an active part – or do you just rush to the meeting, rush to eat and then rush to leave?

Half the year is behind us. We are "turning over a new calendar" – let us "turn over a new leaf" with our commitment to Lions. If you need some assistance in fulfilling your duties as an officer, or have some questions, just make a phone call to any of the district officers and ASK! Need ideas for club meeting programs, club service projects, money making projects – just ASK! Active members and energetic officers make for a healthy club. A healthy club helps make a healthy community and one where we all want to live.

Do your part and as we "turn over a new calendar", turn over a new leaf" for Lionism and "turn on for Lionism". Carol and I want to extend a hearty Happy New Year to each and all as we begin 2006.

VDG Jay Carey

JAY CAREY, LUTCF

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PIF Floyd and I would like to be among the first to wish you and yours a Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous New Year. May all of your good dreams come true and may your plans and programs develop into the best ever.

Here it is, January 1st, 2006, already! Half of this year's Lions' fiscal year is over, and it went so fast that it doesn't seem possible. We've still got six full months to reach, or better yet, to surpass our goals. So here we are, we've spent the first six months learning our jobs, making our plans, fine-tuning our programs and now we are **READY TO ROLL!**

This is that time of year when we all make personal New Year's resolutions, and I hope that you will find all of yours to come true. In addition, I believe that it's time for us to make Lions Club's resolutions also. Here's some suggestions for all of us:

- I resolve to work harder and smarter
- I resolve to be more optimistic
- I resolve to be more understanding
- I resolve to be more patient
- I resolve to share my pride in Lionism with others
- I resolve to be more generous in my praise of others
- I resolve to be less critical of others
- I resolve that I will live by the Lions Code of Ethics

“With a **PASSION TO EXCEL**” let us all individually and collectively, become that driving force for good that our communities, our nation, and our world so badly needs. If it's “going to be – it's up to me”. (If you agree with this article, why not read it to your club or insert it in your club bulletin?)

I serve to serve you,
DDG Elaine

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Our International President, Ashok Mehta, has developed the “PLUS ONE” program which is a very minimal goal set for each Lions Club. At the end of this Lions year (6-30-06), you are expected to end the year with at least one more member than you started with on 7-01-05. If you accomplish this task, your club will be a Plus One Club. If you are a plus two (or more) club on 6-30-06, your club president will receive a diamond encrusted pin, as you add even more in increments of 2 (up to 10), you will receive additional diamonds!

This incentive program alone is reason for you to “resolve to work harder and smarter” as suggested by DDG Elaine in her article (above), but also never lose sight of the fact that your club will have one more pair of hands and one more pair of legs to do the tasks of your club, and you will also gain the benefit of another mind to develop new and better programs for your club. **THINK MEMBERSHIP, TALK MEMBERSHIP, AND GAIN MEMBERSHIP.**

PID Floyd Newberry, Jr.
13-J Membership Chairman

Dear International Relations Committee for Lions Club,

I wanted to thank you for letting Student Volunteers for Optometric Services to Humanity (Ohio State SVOSH) come and present to the International Relations Committee back in October. Without your support, helping the 1,600 people in Masaya, Nicaragua receive the gift of sight would not be possible. You are doing a wonderful job of committing to the Lions Club International's *primary goal of preserving vision worldwide*. This year, more than previous years, we are in desperate need of your funding support.

As of now, we have \$11,500 in our SVOSH checking account. It cost our group of sixteen students and two doctors almost \$18,000 on average per trip with most of the trip cost being associated with air travel. Last year, SVOSH spent over \$16,000 on airline tickets. This makes it difficult to reduce the cost of the trip.

Unfortunately, the average optometry student will graduate with over \$100,000 worth of debt and we all currently live off of very tight budget with student loans. This makes paying for this trip with our personal funds very difficult. The Ohio State University and College of Optometry provide no direct funding of our trip. *It is completely the Lion Clubs of Ohio that make our trip possible.*

In this years past, your committee has generously donated \$12,315.80 in 2003 and \$14,843.00 in 2004, but in 2005 SVSOH received a reduced amount \$5,817.26. We were informed that everyone's funding last year was cut significantly and there was nothing that could be done. This is a completely understandable situation. However, SVOSH is in danger of canceling our summer 2007 trip if the donation amount in 2006 is similar to the reduced 2005 amount. Below, shows the financial reasons behind this.

Amount of money in SVOSH bank account	\$11,500
Possible 2006 Lions donation amount	5,800
SVOSH fundraising efforts	<u>1,200</u>
Total for 2006 SVOSH trip	\$18,000
Summer 2006 SVOSH trip	<u>18,000</u>
Balance	\$ 0
Possible 2007 Lions donation amount	\$16,000
SVOSH fundraising efforts	<u>2,000</u>
Total for 2007 SVOSH trip	\$18,000

In other words, if SVOSH receives a 2006 check that is similar to the amount received in 2005, then SVOSH needs close to a \$16,000 donation in 2007 to make the 2007 trip a possibility. I understand that the total amount that your committee can donate is often out of the members hands. However, if your committee does have the capability of helping it could make a world of difference for our organization. Thank you so much for your help and God bless.

Sincerely,

Corrie Ziegler
SVOSH President 2005-2006

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WHAT'S HAPPENED

Aberdeen Lions: Donated \$200 to Aberdeen Food Bank and installed town Christmas display.

Beavercreek Lions: Donated \$200 to Pakistan Earthquake.

Bellbrook Lions: Donated \$160 to Police Dept. for Safety Pup—Drug and Alcohol Program, 325 pairs of eyeglasses were turned in, and Lion Bill Edwards was awarded the Dick Bryan Fellow.

Bellbrook Lioness: Managed a Lioness Booth at the Bellbrook Business Expo, prepared and served drinks, cooked and served hot dogs, and served donuts at Bellbrook's Halloween in the park, donated \$500 to the Katrina Hurricane Relief Fund, decorated the Christmas tree and meeting room for the Family Violence Center in Xenia, decorated the Bellbrook Community Center for the annual Lioness/Lion Christmas dinner, wrapped Christmas gifts at the Fairfield Commons Mall—all proceeds go to the Family Violence Center in Xenia, and delivered 52 fruit baskets to widowers in Sugarcreek Township.

Chillicothe Lions: \$1,200 approved to help purchase eyeglasses for 4-5 adults.

Chillicothe Lioness: Successful Christmas Candy sale.

Fairborn Lions: 410 used eyeglasses turned in, Eddie Eyeglasses came and visited the second grades, provided new eyeglasses, provided vision screening, donated \$200 to Fairborn Senior Citizens, donated \$500 to FISH, and donated \$300 to Fairborn coordinating council Christmas project.

Frankfort Lions: Sold Afghans with Historical Pictures of Frankfort and collected eyeglasses.

Gallipolis Lions: Collected eyeglasses, purchased eyeglasses and exams and put out flags.

Good Hope Lions: Had a successful sausage and pancake supper which they sold 983 meals and had a successful 50th Anniversary Dinner, and had successful Christmas Candy sale.

Hillsboro Lions: Successful Christmas Candy Sale, helped served a meal at Veteran's Day Dinner, installed Holiday decorations downtown, helped with Leo Blood drive, donation was made to Turner Funeral Home to pay for an urn for a baby that passed away—family needed financial assistance, donation of \$1,000 to LCIF, additional \$1,000 was donated to LCIF for Hurricane Katrina relief efforts, and a snowy Christmas party but had lots of fun.

Hillsboro Leos: Successful Blood Drive.

Jackson Lions: Donated \$378 for 2 eyeglasses and exams, \$100 donated to Canine Companions, collected mints, 8 lions participated in the highway clean up, \$200 donated to Jackson YMCA, 3 lions donated 31 hours volunteering in the Jackson schools, \$300 donated to Secret Santa, flags put out for Veteran's Day, participated in American Cancer Society for the Festival of Trees, and helped with CROP work.

Jackson Lioness: Successful Christmas Candy Sale.

Jamestown Lions: Purchased 3 sets of eyeglasses, judged 170 children for Trick or Treat and gave out prizes, and had an appreciation dinner for the bean festival.

Jeffersonville Lions: Successful highway pick-up, had a successful Sunday Dinner for a fundraiser, had a successful blood drive, and successful Christmas Candy Sale.

Lake Waynoka Lions: 128 pairs of eyeglasses collected, donated to Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation, allocated \$300 for a needy family for Christmas, and contributed \$100 to Creighton University in the name of Dr. Tom Joyce, a Lion member who passed away in October.



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WHAT'S HAPPENED (Continued from Page 6)

Leesburg Lions: 102 pairs of eyeglasses collected, \$400 donated to Christmas food baskets for Leesburg American Legion, \$250 to Hillsboro American Legion for Veteran's Day Dinner, successful highway pick-up, successful Luminaria contest, and helped Greenfield Lions with mailing preparation for Eyesight Seals.

Lynchburg Lions: Successful Pancake Breakfast, successful Christmas Candy sale, helped with Luminaria Candle Kits, and received a grant from Wal-Mart.

Manchester Lions: Repaired Village building roof, purchased one pair of eyeglasses, met with Manchester Women's Club, and took down flags.

Mount Orab Lions: Successful Mint sales and Holiday nut sales, donated \$125 for bifocals, collected 110 used eyeglasses, collected one pair hearing aids, volunteered at Brown County Alternative School, helped with Hillsboro Veterans Day Dinner, Donations: OLF-\$50, Int. Relations-\$75, LCIF\$175, OLERF-\$150, Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank-\$250, Lions Pilot Dogs-\$50, Ohio Lions Band-\$0, Lions Quest-\$200, Kamp Dovetail-\$200, Diabetes Research-\$50, donations made to 7 Community Church food pantries, and \$100 to Light a Tree at Brown County Hospital.

Mt. Orab Leo Club: Installing a new club in January.

New Holland Lions: Collected eyeglasses and successful mint sales.

Peebles Lions: Donated \$200 towards a scholarship.

Peebles Lioness Club: Successful Christmas Party and inducted 9 new members.

Portsmouth Lions: Transported a pair of eyes to Columbus and collected 106 pairs of eyeglasses.

South Webster Lions: Purchased eyeglasses for individual, purchased a cane and eye exam for another individual, and working on spit the pot for scholarships.

Spring Valley Lions: Donated \$500 to Fire Department, Library, and Senior Citizens, and held a Senior Supper for 225 people.

Waverly Lions: Purchased a pair of eyeglasses, rented the club house for community services, put flags out for Election Day, Veteran's Day, and had a successful fruit and Christmas tree sale.

West Union Lions: Purchased one pair of eyeglasses, donated \$500 to an Adams County Neediest Kids, donated \$300 to the Adams County Ministerial Association for the Christmas Sharing Program, donated \$100 to LCIF, donated \$175 to Adams County Fair Board's Festival of Lights, and successful Salvation Army Bell Ringing to collect money for them.

Wilmington Lions: Successful Christmas Candy Sale and inducted 3 new members.

Washington Court House Lions: Successful Holiday Raffle is still going on until Jan10th. Get your tickets. Prize is \$500.

Xenia Lions: Successful Poinsettia sale.

FUTURE EVENTS

Bellbrook Lions: Blood Drive on Feb 4th in Memory of PDG Cliff Elliott from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Lions Garage Center.

Gallipolis Lions: Hosting the District Convention on April 28th--30th, 2006 at Rio Grande College in Rio Grande and Gallipolis, Ohio.

Hillsboro Lions: Valentine Party on Feb 9th and 60th Anniversary on April 8th, 2006.

Lynchburg Lions: Pancake Breakfast first Saturday of each month.

PEACE POSTER CONTEST

More great news for Kristen Ison of Chillicothe--She came in 2nd Place in the State for the Peace Poster Contest! Kristen is 12 years old and is in the 6th grade at Union Scioto Elementary School.

WHAT AN AWESOME HONOR TO ACCOMPLISH THIS. GREAT JOB KRISTEN AND LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AT THE DISTRICT CONVENTION.

Governor Lion Chris Homer

**Annual District 13-J Bowling Tournament
Held by Chillicothe Evening Lions Club
ENTRY FORM**

Date: Saturday, April 1, 2006 at 1:30 PM.

Place: Shawnee Lanes
1680 North Bridge Street
Chillicothe, OH 45601

Check-in time: 1:00 PM

**Deputy District Governor Elaine Newberry
Contact Persons**

Lion Arlan Cox
9715 County Rd. 550
Chillicothe, OH 45601
(740) 775-8638

Lion Herb Zickafoos
23 Heather Drive
Frankfort, OH 45628
(740) 998-5584

Sandwiches and relish plates will be furnished at the lanes after bowling. Drinks may be purchased at the establishment.

Visitors eating will be charged \$3.00

Cost per person (M or F): \$15.00

Team of 5 persons: \$75.00

Non-Sanctioned Tournament – no ABC card required.

Your handicap will be based on 80% of 200

Averages will be as of March 1, 2006

Anyone who doesn't have an average will bowl for an average that day.

Trophies will be awarded at the District Convention in April

1st and 2nd place team w/hd cp- trophies to Club and each team member (cash prize)

1st High series 1st high series w/hd cp (cash prize)

1st High game 1st high game w/hd cp (cash prize)

Club Name _____ **Team Name** _____
Team Captain _____ **Phone Number** _____
Number of Visitors _____

Name	Average
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____

Team Handicap _____

Please send Entry Form with payment by March 25, 2006 to Herb Zickafoos, P O Box 441, Frankfort, OH 45628. Make checks payable to Chillicothe Evening Lions Club. Some awards will be given during bowling. **Please reply if you are going to have a team.**

OFFICIAL 13-J REGISTRATION FORM
District 13-J Convention (April 28-30, 2006)
Lyne Center
University of Rio Grande
Rio Grande, Ohio 45674

Club Name _____

Make Checks Payable to: 13-J Convention & Send Checks to:
Lion Bob Hennesy
181 Greenbrier Drive
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DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS APRIL 12, 2006

Convention Fees:

Full Weekend=\$50.00 Saturday Only=\$25.00 Sunday Only=\$25.00

Name of (L)ion (L)ioness, (Le)o, (S)pouse, (G)uest	Fee Type	Delegate/ Alternate (Y or N)	Amount	Attend Spouse Program? (Y or N)	Special Diet?
<u>L. Chris Homer</u>	<u>Full</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>No</u>
<u>Li Mary Temple</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Diab.</u>

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