



# Lions Newsletter

Ohio Lions District 13-E

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## *A Beacon of Hope*

### “SERVICE IN THE COMMUNITIES”

Lions, Lionesses, and Leos,

It is hard to believe that this is the last newsletter of the year 2010 – 2011. It seems like yesterday that I was elected to the position of Deputy District Governor of District 13-E.

In looking back over the past three years, I want to thank everyone for the hospitality my husband Leo, and I have received when visiting all the clubs. Thank you for sharing your lives with us the past three years.

One of the great things about our organization is the way we transition from one Governor to another. District Governor Bill is ready to step into the leadership position and has had a great deal of training from our state Leadership Team and he will receive intensive training in the week before the International Convention in Seattle. 1<sup>st</sup> VDG elect Jack Preston has done an outstanding job this year and will work well with District Governor Elect Bill. I am very pleased to let everyone know that ZC Darlene Roll of Waynesfield Lions will serve as 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG. Her experience and leadership skills will make our District 13 – E leadership team complete.

I would also like to congratulate everyone for all of their hard work on doing “Service” this year, also on working membership this year. A number of clubs have had positive membership. It is critical to continue to work bringing in new members into our clubs. New members not only bring us extra hands to help with our service projects but they also bring with them new and exciting ideas, and fresh enthusiasm for our clubs.

Finally, I am very proud of each and every Lion in every Club for all of your help this past year within your communities, for everything that you do. I know that Service will continue in all your communities. No matter what you do it is always appreciated.

We want you all to know that we are very proud of all the accomplishments that you do. All your clubs and no one else deserve the credit for these successes. It is always amazing to hear the many good services provided by District 13-E Lions. You are truly remarkable “Beacons of Hope” and we recognize and praise your clubs, your work, and your programs.

Thanks again for allowing me to serve as your District Governor. *DG Sheryl*

**WE SERVE**

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**DG/1<sup>st</sup> VDG/2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Visitation Schedule –June**

DG Sheryl Schlater	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Bill Keller	2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Jack Preston
June	June	June
June 7 <sup>th</sup> – Marysville Club (tentative)		June 14 <sup>th</sup> – Wapakoneta Lions Ladies Night
June 13 <sup>th</sup> – Bradford Lioness Club 25 Years		June 28 <sup>th</sup> – Zone 9 Meeting/Clark Fairgrounds



**Peace Poster Contest Theme Announced**

**2011-2012 Kits Now Available**

***“Children Know Peace”***

For more than 20 years, the Lions International Peace Poster Contest has given young people a chance to express their visions of peace. And now, we're excited to announce the theme for our 2011-2012 Contest - "*Children Know Peace.*" If your club would like to sponsor a contest in a local school or youth group, Peace Poster Contest Kits are on sale now from Club Supplies.

Contest is open to students who will be 11, 12, or 13 years of age on November 15<sup>th</sup>. Eligible birthdates can be found under the Contest Rules & Conditions found in the Peace Poster kit.

Artwork must be no smaller than 13 inches by 20 inches and no larger than 20 inches by 24 inches. Do not mat or frame artwork.

Only one entry per student per year, and each entry must be the work of only one student. All artwork must be the individual student's original creation. Duplications are not accepted.

All media are accepted. Note: Chalk, charcoal and pastel entries should be sealed with a fixative spray to prevent smearing. Do not laminate entries. Three-dimensional entries will not be accepted. Nothing may be glued, stapled or attached to the artwork in any way. The use of lettering or numbering on the front of the poster, in any language, is not allowed. All artist signatures or initials should be written on the back of the poster. Artwork should be done on a flexible material, so it can be rolled for shipping in a mailing tube. Do not fold poster.

***“And that’s the news” from your 2010-2011 District 13-E Newsletter Editor***

This is the last newsletter I put together for the Lions of District 13-E. Next month, Lion Jack Scudmore of the West Milton Lions will take on the duties. Lion Jack will continue to use the [lionsnewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:lionsnewsletter@yahoo.com) E-mail address. I know that you'll all be as friendly and helpful to him as you've been with me and that Lion Jack will do a wonderful job getting the news to all of you.

After eight (8) years off and on – more on than off, it's time for me to move on to other challenges and opportunities. Next month, I'll be on the other side of the newsletter – writing an article as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor.

Thank you for all your support throughout the years. I look forward to the new adventures and I'm sure there are plenty of PDGs who are happy that they no longer have to think about the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month deadlines that I asked to put in place – because as a working person, I had to juggle getting a newsletter done in a timely manner – and still do all my other work.

See you at a club, zone or district event! Best wishes for a successful year! Lion Darlene



### 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Bill Keller's Corner

Fellow Lions, Lioness, and Leos of District 13E

As I start to take the reigns of my governorship, I want to thank all the club secretaries for getting their PU 101s to me in a timely fashion. This will help me complete my district directory on time.

I want to thank the Membership and Leadership team for their hard work in preparing and presenting the officer's training in April and May. I know that what I say may make heads turn and eyes roll, but one of my goals as District Governor is to have a 100% online WMMR reporting by our secretaries by the end of May 2012. If secretaries want additional training, we can set up another session or I can work with individual club secretaries. I might add, LCI will be making changes to the WMMR reporting site very soon. I want to mention that *our district is far more advanced in completing activity reports online than any other sub-district in Ohio*. Congratulations club secretaries on a job well done!!!

The 2011-2012 district 13E Newsletter Editor will be Lion Jack Scudmore of the West Milton Lions Club. All articles and up-coming activities for the newsletter should be sent directly to him (address below) no later than the 20th of the month prior to the newsletter. July's newsletter information due by June 20th!

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I am looking forward to visiting clubs during the summer and posting my goals and new changes in our district as your newly elected Governor in the July issue of our newsletter.

Until the next newsletter,  
DGE Bill Keller

*Bill Keller*

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### *Upcoming Lions Club Pin Swaps*

***Branson, Missouri Family Vacation Pin Swap – August 12-13, 2011***

***5M Minnesota Traders Pin Swap – September 10-11, 2011***

***Kentucky Pin Swap – September 16-17, 2011***

***Western States Pin Swap – October 9-12, 2011***

***Virginia Pin Swap – November 10-11, 2011***

(Check out the Ohio Lions web site for Pin Trader links!)



### Words & Actions from 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Jack Preston

This month finds me wrapping things up for this Lion's year and organizing myself for next. We attended the MD-13 Ohio Lions Conference in Columbus this past weekend and had an excellent time of camaraderie with Lions from all over Ohio. DG Ron Keller from District 13-K was elected to serve as Council Chairman next year. My congratulations go out to him and his wife Kitty.

This year I visited the clubs in the southern region of our district and have enjoyed myself immensely. I now know many friendly faces and hard working Lions and Lionesses. This coming year I will visit the clubs in the northern half of our district and look forward to meeting them and helping out on some of their projects.

Early last year I was reminded that the leadership of the District serves at the pleasure of the Lions in District 13-E and that my efforts should be to make things easier on the clubs and not more difficult. I fully agree with that statement and hope that I have lived up to those expectations as viewed from the clubs that I supported this year.

DG (E) Bill Keller and his wife Cindy will travel to the International Convention shortly to be sworn in as our next District Governor. I wish them a safe and speedy trip and hope they make many friends there.

Yours in Lionism,

1<sup>st</sup> VDG-E Jack Preston

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### **Mixing Up Officer Names Results in Finding Family "Roots" – The Preston Way! *Apology to the Mechanicsburg Lions Club***

In last month's newsletter, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG-E Jack Preston inadvertently listed Mechanicsburg Club's treasurer, Jim Preston, as their club secretary.

Below is 1<sup>st</sup> VDG-E Jack's apology to Mark Breon, who truly is the club secretary. (Comment – Lion Jim Preston said he doesn't want to appear more important than he is – Ha! Ha! – and wants to make sure that we recognize Lion Mark appropriately.)

Lion Treasurer Preston and Lion Secretary Breon: I offer my sincere apology for mixing up your positions of service within the Mechanicsburg Lions Club. I hope my mistake in the District 13-E Newsletter has caused you no embarrassment nor ribbing by your fellow club members.

Sincerely, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Jack Preston

As the Newsletter Editor, I must have received 10 E-mails from Lion Jim and 1<sup>st</sup> VDG-E Jack as they "replied all" numerous times to further their discussion of how they are related – if in fact, they are. And to add more "fuel" to the fire, I told them that my great-grandmother was Mary Preston so we might all three be related!

You never know who might be related to you in Lions! (I'll have to tell you another story sometime.)  
Lion Darlene Roll, District 13-E Newsletter Editor



# God Bless Our Military!

SPC Gerald (Gary) Norris, Army National Guard  
Serving in Balad, Iraq with the 1-174<sup>th</sup> ADA RGT Army  
National Guard Unit from Cincinnati  
Grandson of Rushsylvania Lions Bruce & Louise Norris

2LT Amanda Preston Johnston, U.S. Army Nurse  
Daughter of 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG/Wapakoneta Lion Jack & Cindy Preston

CPT Brian Johnston, U.S. Army  
Son-in-law of 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG/Wapakoneta Lion Jack & Cindy Preston

SGT Jennifer Preston, Ohio Army National Guard  
Daughter of 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG/Wapakoneta Lion Jack & Cindy Preston

SGT Jack Preston, Jr., U.S. Army  
Son of 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG/Wapakoneta Lion Jack & Cindy Preston

SPC Kent T. Ransbottom, Army National Guard  
Son of Rockford Lions Tom & Neva Ransbottom

Master Sergeant Terri Edwards  
Wife of Gettysburg Lion Bill Edwards

Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class William Edwards (Billy)  
Son of Gettysburg Lion Bill Edwards



## ***Serving in the Military***

*If someone in your family is serving in the military, please send a note to "District 13-E Newsletter Editor Darlene Roll" via E-mail or U.S mail at the address listed on the back page of the newsletter and I will include their names in the next newsletter.*

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## **New LCIF Chair for District 13-E**

From CST Dewey Vulgamore: Lion Bill Nevius has volunteered to finish out the term of LCIF Chair for Lion Pam Palmer, who has been sidelined with some health and personal difficulties which were not planned or projected this year. Please send all Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) donations to Lion Bill Nevius, 1601 Sierra Avenue, Springfield, OH 45503, until the end of the current Lions year (June 30, 2011).

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## ***From Lions Clubs International***

### **Make LCI Your LCI (For Club Officers)**

Have you heard the news? WMMR, the online membership and service activity reporting system, is being updated to better serve you. The updates will be phased in gradually. In [May 2011](#), three new features are being added.

**Your Password** - You will be able to register for your own password

**Your Statements** - You will be able to view your club statements

**Your Payments** - Club Treasurers will be able to pay their balance online

### **2011-2012 Lion Officers**

New Officers - Incoming 2011-2012 officers will be able to create their own user name and password to WMMR. On the log on page, click "New User? Click here to Register Now" and follow the onscreen prompts to select a user name and password. You will be asked questions to confirm your identity. You will also be required to provide a unique e-mail address.

You will only have one password - If you hold more than one office (e.g. club president and district governor), you will only register for one password. After you log on with your new password, you will be prompted to select the role you will use for your computer session.

Continuing Officers - 2010-2011 officers that become officers for 2011-2012 will keep their password and will not have to register again.

### **Lions Help Reduce Blindness by 26 Million**

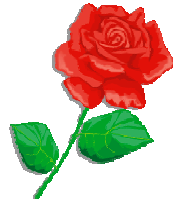
A 2010 study by the World Health Organization shows that blindness has been reduced globally by nine percent, or 26 million people, since 2004. Through SightFirst, Lions have had a significant role in this achievement.

*Thank you, Lions, for your continuing support of sight-related projects world-wide!*

***“Don’t you hear those Lions ROAR?”***



### Club Information



#### In Our Thoughts

Please remember the following Lions in thought and prayer as they continue to deal with health issues:

- PDG Bill Price – health issues
- PDG Paul Harris who is in a skilled nursing center
- PDG Don Kepler – continuing health issues
- Lion Mary Mutschler of the Troy Club
- Lion Leo Schlater – new pacemaker implanted
- Lion Joe Mesarvey – injured in an auto accident
- Lion Brenda Hays – injured in a fall during Ohio Lions Winter Retreat (but not at the Retreat)
- Lion Larry Slusser – health issues
- Lion Gerald Miller – fell, broke bones, and surgery

#### In Sympathy...

Our thoughts and prayers are with Lions and their families who are dealing with deaths of family members.

- Andy Chiles, son of Waynesfield Lions Dave & Darlene Chiles and grandson of Lion Kathleen Chiles passed away in early May.

We don't always get notification but our sympathies are with all families.



#### Memorial Service Held for West Milton Lion Ron King

A memorial service was held on Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, in West Milton for Lion Ron King. Lion Ron was a Past Zone 7 Chairman and served as District Membership Chairman. He passed away February 13<sup>th</sup> in Fort Myers, Florida

#### District 13-E Directory Updates: See the District Web Site or Previous Monthly Newsletters for All Directory Updates Previously Listed Here

Lions Mike & Kathy Myers	klopmyers73@hotmail.com	New E-mail address (02/09/2011)
Lion Kathy Myers	klopmyers73@hotmail.com	New Bradford Club Secretary (03/07/2011)
Lion William Vondrell	wvondrell@hotmail.com	New E-mail address (04/11/2011)

**1st VDG-E Jack Preston**  
**New E-mail address: [jpreston5@woh.rr.com](mailto:jpreston5@woh.rr.com)**  
**(Effective immediately)**

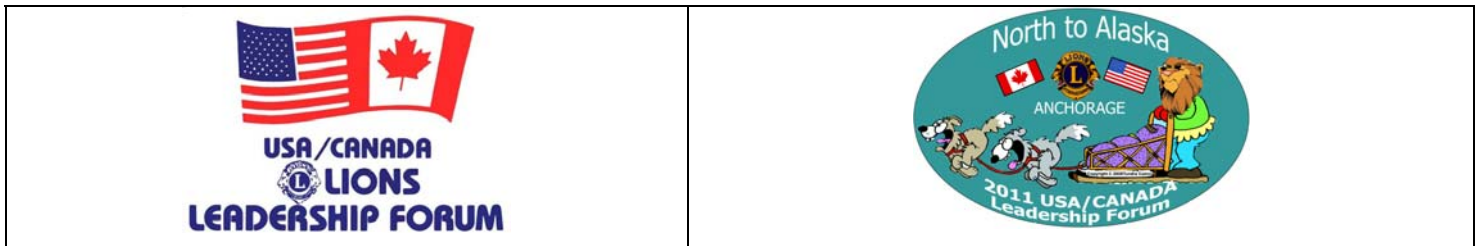


# In the Zone

This page is reserved for zone information.

**Thank you, Lions, for your support of the Zone Chairs this year!**

<b>Zone 1</b> <b>Lion ZC Bob Hare</b>	<b>Zone 2</b> <b>Lion ZC Darlene Roll</b>	<b>Zone 3</b> <b>Lion ZC Robert Cline</b>
<b>Zone 4</b> <b>Lion ZC Marvin Gilbert</b>	<b>Zone 5</b> <b>Lion ZC Mike King</b>	<b>Zone 6</b> <b>PDG ZC Ed Mann</b>
<b>Zone 7</b> <b>Lion ZC Steve Kaplan</b>	<b>Zone 8</b> <b>Lion ZC Jim Ballard</b>	<b>Zone 9</b> <b>Lion ZC Karl Cox</b>



The Early Bird Registration Deadline for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is just around the corner. Register now for the 35th Annual Forum to be held **September 22-24, 2011** in Anchorage Alaska. Registration fee goes up after **June 15th**. Click on the Forum link below for all the information on the Forum and to register online or print out the registration form: <https://usacanalionsforum.org>

Click on the link below for our **April 2011** newsletter, jam packed with the latest Forum information. <https://usacanalionsforum.org/Newsletter042011.pdf>

Come join us for the Best Forum yet as we proudly present "*I Believe in Lions Leadership.*"

*District 13-E Lions: If you are receiving the district newsletter via U.S. mail and would like to have a copy of the registration form or newsletter for the USA-Canada Leadership Forum, please call District 13-E Newsletter Editor, Lion Darlene Roll at (937) 599-1111 and I will send a copy your way.*

***“If you don’t ask, they can’t say yes!” – Unknown***



Lions,

I found the following information on one of the Lions Clubs International web site/blogs:

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has awarded 11 emergency grants to districts in Alabama, North Carolina, Virginia, Mississippi and Missouri. Local Lions will use these grants to provide immediate relief supplies, including food, water, clothing and medication. LCIF has also established a designated fund for donations, the *U.S. Southern States Tornado Disaster Fund*. LCIF can accept donations by check, wire or credit card.

**If you are interested in making a donation to help those affected by the southern U.S. storms/tornadoes, you can donate through the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) on-line. On the link below, there is a drop-down box where you can designate where you would like your funds to go. Note: Restricted donations to Sight and Disaster Relief are not eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowship recognition.**

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/lci-foundation/supporting-our-work/make-a-donation/lions-lcif-online-donation.php>

If you'd like to donate by personal check or bank check:

Make checks or bank drafts payable to "LCIF." If the gift is restricted for a specific purpose, write the name of the account to be credited on the face (memo line) of the check and on related documentation. For example, "Campaign SightFirst II."

The Foundation has begun using a lock box service to receive and process all donations. Donations should be mailed to the below address, not LCIF headquarters.

The address for sending a donation to LCIF is:

Lions Clubs International Foundation  
Department 4547  
Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547  
USA

To contact LCIF directly: fax 630-571-5735, telephone 630-571-5466 or e-mail [lcif@lionsclubs.org](mailto:lcif@lionsclubs.org).

Thanks, Lion Darlene Roll  
District 13-E Newsletter Editor

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*Lions International Convention  
July 4<sup>th</sup> - July 8<sup>th</sup> - Seattle, Washington*

**June 1 – Helen Keller Day  
June 5 – World Environment Day**



### Focus on Service Projects

Lions,

Since this year's Lions International focus is on service projects, this page will be devoted to publicizing club service projects through June 2011. Please let me know when you have an upcoming service project or have recently completed one and we'll highlight in the newsletter. In addition, the state office plans to showcase the projects throughout the Multiple District.

Project	Club
Held Golf Outing	Arcanum Lions Club
Leo Club Scholarships awarded	Coldwater Lions Club
Preparing for 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition Program	Cridersville Lions Club
Preparing for Firecracker Festival	Mendon Lions Club
Preparing for Garage Sale	Northridge Lions Club
Working on Fall Fest 2011	Pitsburg Lions Club
Held Eyeglass Collection Contest at School	Waynesfield Lions Club
Getting park ready for summer activities	West Liberty Lions Club
Donations to Food Pantries	Zone 9 Clubs

**Please send your club's service activity information no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the newsletter. July newsletter information due by June 20<sup>th</sup>!**

### *Update on Donations in Memory of PDG Dick & Lion Gladis Russell*

While donations continue to be made in memory of PDG Dick & Lion Gladis, we wanted to thank everyone who has donated and give an update on the amounts:

Pilot Dogs - \$3,000.00+ (We're still reconciling what Pilot Dogs has received to what we know was donated)

Bellefontaine Lions Eyeglass Fund - \$50

Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation (OLERF) - \$50

Report from PDG Barney Roll/Sight & Hearing Committee Chair & Lion Andy Collings/Bellefontaine Treasurer

### ***Bowling Down Alzheimer's Tournament Raises \$3,700+!***

***Thank you, Lions, for your support of this year's bowling tournament. PDG Hank Kies reports that \$3,724.61 was raised for Alzheimer's.***





**Ohio Lions  
District 13-E**

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For These Upcoming Lions Events!***

*July 4<sup>th</sup> – July 8<sup>th</sup> – Lions International Convention*  
*September 22<sup>nd</sup> – September 24<sup>th</sup> – USA/Canada Leadership  
Forum*



***Be a “Beacon of Hope”***

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*An Invitation*

*Community Gathering*  
*Featuring*  
*President Gordon Gee*  
*The Ohio State University*

The officers and members of the Saint Paris Lions Club and Urbana Lions Club invite you to a community gathering featuring OSU president, Gordon Gee, as the speaker.

Monday, June 27th

8:00 a.m. – Coffee, juice and muffins

9:00 a.m. – Gordon Gee brings the message

Graham Middle School  
U.S. Rt. 36 at the east edge of Saint Paris

There is no cost to attend this community gathering and all are welcome (do not have to be a Lion). *If you would like, please bring a canned good or non-perishable item, which will be donated to a local food pantry.*

President Gee offered to speak in the Champaign County area and the Lions Clubs accepted his offer. (This event is open to anyone – not just Champaign County residents).

While RSVPs are not required, please consider contacting Lion Dale Thornton of the Saint Paris Lions Club to let him know if you are attending. They would like to know about how many people to plan for.

Dale Thornton – (937) 689-6498

Please leave a message if he is not available