



The Lingo

Bellbrook Lions News

January & February 2010

President: Rick Robertson
1st Vice: George Simmons
2nd Vice: Tad Barnes
3rd Vice: Open
Treasurer: Doc Wright
Secretary: Ernie Josche

The Lion's Den

with Lion President, Rick Robertson



We made it through the end of the year, when most of us take time to slow down and think about our life and family. I hope you had time

to do a little relaxing, and remember those that are dealing with health issue.

As Lions, we have had another busy year the cumulated with a Christmas Party and the Widow Baskets in December -- both were a great success.

With the New Year starting, we will be busy with Basketball and planning for the Festival, the Pancake Breakfast and the Baseball and Softball seasons. In addition, we are planning on restarting Club Visitations - if anyone is interested, please let me know.

New Year, New Look

Lingo Editor, Lion Tad Barnes

I decided to update the look of the Lingo. I hope you like it. If you want to provide feedback, I'm glad to take hear from you. I want the Lingo to be the best Lions Newsletter in the District!

Lion Andy Shupe

Bellbrook Lions Newest Member



Lion Andy has been in the area for about three years. He works at the B-52 Systems Program Office at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

He is married, and lives in Bellbrook with his wife

Annastacia and their kids.

Lion Harry Bennett sponsored Lion Andy and has been introducing him to club members during the last few meetings. Please take the time to welcome Lion Andy into the club.

March 6th Triple Play

Food, Fun, & Blood

Pancake Breakfast: 7 am to 11:30

Lion Kirk Barrett -- Chairman

If you can work it, please call him @ 239-0581.

Workers: 6 am to Noon.

Basketball Tournament -- Morning

Lion John Dorn -- Chairman

It's time to come watch the kids battle it out to see who's the best! The level of play is really good.

Blood Drive: 9 am to Noon

Lion L.D. Johnson is chairman

Appointments: www.donortime.com

Requirements:

- General Good Health
- 17 years old, 16 with prenatal permission
- Social Security Number -- NOT Required
- Photo Identification

Widow Basket Delivery -- December 19th, 2009

By Lion Tad Barnes



We did our annual Widow Basket delivery on December 19th, 2009. Under the Guidance of Lion Harry Crowe and Lion Ernie Josche, we delivered approximately 175 baskets this year.

This was the first year in the past three or four we didn't have to fight the weather too much. The last two years we had a couple inches of snow fall during delivery.



As you can see in the picture, the

numbers of Lions participating in the basket delivery is down, I think we had 23 total. Those of us that did come had a good time as you can see ...



The Lionesses delivered baskets to the Widowers under Lioness Jeanie Josche's leadership.



They had about 18 or so to deliver 75 baskets to the Widowers in Bellbrook and Sugarcreek.

This year they also attached a card to each basket outlining their new Helping Neighbors project. Under chairmen of Lions Gregg Sparks and Walt Worthington, the Lions assist people in the Bellbrook and Sugarcreek with small project around their homes. This includes removing brush, cleaning gutters, turning bed mattresses, to other odd jobs around their homes. The Lions did this project in the Spring and Fall of 2009, helping about fifty families.



Lions Festival 2010

with 1st Vice President,
Lion George Simmons

Lion George's first festival meeting will be on February 10th at 8:00 PM in the Lions Grange Center.

This meeting will finalize several aspects still open, with the biggest being Major Prizes. The cost of the car is going up (inflation) and our sales have been somewhat static over the past several years. At our last regular meeting, discussion from the membership on the possibility of a cash prize was discussed. This meeting will decide that as well as other things.

Some other points of interest we already know.

- We have the same rides vendor -- a good thing

We will have a booth coordinator to work with the schools providing continuity from year to year. The 1st Vice at festival time will still be the booth chairman, assigning volunteers and making sure everything is manned



Lions & Lioness Christmas Party

by Lion Tad Barnes

Our Christmas Party was held on December 4th, and a GREAT time was had by everyone that came.

We had good food, great fellowship, and a tree



decorating contest put together by the Lionesses that brought smiles to everyone. I knew we had a lot of talented people in the club, but did not realize the competition decorating a 15" tree would bring out. The creativity was lots of fun.

Thanks to Lion Harry for Coordinating, Lion Walt for calling everyone, and the Lioness Club for



decorating and putting together the tree decorating contest

It's a Small World!. Believe it or not, both Lion Alan and me (Lion Tad) bought this same tie approximately 20 years ago and wore it (unbeknownst to the other) to this party. What's the odds. I should have bought a lottery ticket that week!



Help Needed

Lion President Rick is Looking for A Few Good Lions to Step Forward!

By Lion Tad Barnes

We have some open positions that need to be filled. Changing work commitments with some of our Lions have left open positions that need for someone to step forward and take on the roll

- Baseball Coordinator: Works directly with Lion John Dorn to oversee the running of the Baseball, Softball, and T-Ball programs.
- Dish Pitch Co-Chair for the Festival to work with Lion Bob Havard
- Reservation Chair -- Coordinates events for the Lions Club -- Lion Harry Crowe will train you

We still have an opening for the 3rd Vice President too. If you are interested in fast-tracking your leadership commitment with the Bellbrook Lions, we want to know. As the 3rd Vice this year (2009/10), you will get familiar with Festival happenings. As the 2nd Vice for 2010/11, you will work with the 1st Vice to put the festival on, and be the booth chairman for the 2011 festival. As the 1st Vice for 2011/12, you will run the 2012 festival. You will be President for 2012/13, fulfilling your leadership commitment.

All these positions provide you a chance for you to help shape the future of our club -- It's fun, I promise!

Thoughts & Prayers

Calls & Cards are Appreciated For:



Lion John Dorn
Lion Doc & Gerry Wright
Lion Roy Hensley
Lion Willard Wilson
Lion Norm & Judy Clay
Lion Andy and Maria Asaro
Lion Walt Worthington
Lion Bob Havard
Lion Don and Lioness Marcie Brawner
Lioness Velma Roney

Local Star -- Lion

Jerry Wannemacher

This article was taken from the State Office Lions Newsletter for January

Bellbrook Used Eyeglasses Project

Christy Noyes, the store assistant manager at THE GOODWILL STORE of Xenia, Ohio was talking with her fellow workers about used eyeglasses and was concerned that eyeglasses were being donated and were not being used or sold. They were sorted, placed in a barrel in the corner and after some time being disposed of as trash.

Christy knew that the Lions Club collects used eyeglasses. She said, "Why don't we collect the glasses and donate them to the Lions Club". She took the idea to her retail district manager, Tom Kingery. Tom liked the idea of helping the Lions Clubs and told her that since it was her idea that the project was hers and she should contact the Lions Club.

Christy made some phone calls and made contact with the Bellbrook Ohio Lions Club in District 13-J. Christy said that if the Lions Club would furnish containers for Goodwill, she would make arrangements to take them to their district meeting and distribute them to the 24 Goodwill store managers.

The project was presented to the Bellbrook Lions Club board of directors and the project was approved. The Club would fund the project and supply Goodwill with what they needed to help with eyeglasses collection. All that the Lions Club needed from Christy was a list of the Goodwill Stores, addresses of the stores and the manager or contact person at each store.

Christy was informed of our decision and a sample box was delivered for her approval within the week.

Christy liked the sample container. Arrangements were made with Christy for all the containers to be delivered to Xenia Goodwill store on January 22, 2008.

Tom informed Christy that he would like to start the Goodwill/Lions project at their district meeting on February 9, 2008. Christy would put the containers in storage until Tom picked them up for the district meeting with all stores receiving them on the same day.

This project with Goodwill is how you can make a difference and help "LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT"

The project started out with 24 Goodwill stores within a 75 mile radius of Dayton, Ohio. Bellbrook Lion Jerry Wannemacher made 24 identical collection boxes to be distributed to the 24 stores. The boxes have the Lions logo and "Recycle for Sight" stickers on them and pick-up contact information. Lion Jerry, along with his wife Evelyn, pick-up the glasses every 7-8 weeks. Recently, Lion Jerry has contacted Lions Clubs that are close to 16 of the 24 Goodwill stores and offered to let those Clubs take over the collection process and to donate those glasses in their Club's name. They were told to keep the collection box and were given all the Goodwill stores contact information. To get involved with Goodwill Stores, local Clubs can call direct to gain approval from the store's District Manager. If there is a problem, you can call Lion Wannemacher and he can put you in touch with the Miami Valley Goodwill District Manager, who is 100% behind this project. Lion Jerry also has collection at all area optical vision centers, schools and libraries. The entire Club has gotten behind this project. At every meeting, someone brings Lion Jerry a bag full of used eyeglasses. The Goodwill store collection started in March of 2008. Since that time, the Lions have collected 9,034 pairs of glasses and have donated them to VOSH for recycling. Lion Jerry has made a big impact with this service project and deserves all the credit. He has done a great job and many people will benefit.

Lion Jerry built the display trailer that contains the used eyeglasses. The trailer, which was pulled behind his truck, was a focal point of our annual festival parade this past August. Lion Jerry also put 6181 pairs of eyeglasses in the display, which resembles a huge Lions eyeglass collection box. After the parade, the display was set up at the festival site for festival

attendees to guess the number of glasses contained therein for a 50-50 raffle, half of the proceeds to the person with the closest guess and the other half was donated to Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation. At the same booth, our Lions and Lioness membership chairpersons answered questions pertaining to Lionism. Because of the interest shown we now have 5 prospective Lions, 9 prospective Lioness and 1 prospective Leo member.



Bellbrook Lion Jerry Wannemacher standing by truck at Pandora Ohio - V.O.S.H.

Marilyn Hensley

Lion Roy Hensley's wife Marilyn passed away on January 29th. I do not have any further information to pass on at this time. Please keep Lion Roy in your thoughts and prayers.

Zone 1 Meeting

Lion Ernie Josche -- Zone 1 Chair

The Third Meeting for 2009-2010 for Zone One, Region One will be held Wednesday, February 24, 2010, at the Fairborn Lion's Den. It is located at 1043 Rona Parkway Dr. in Fairborn.

The meal will start at 6:30pm at a cost of \$10 per person. The business meeting will start at 7:15pm. For reservations, call Lion Ernie Josche at 937 435-0995 or e-mail to ejjosche@sbcglobal.net.

Editor's Note: Let's give a good showing for our own Lion Ernie, one of Bellbrook's Finest Lions!

February 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Guest meeting Dayton Dragons Tom Nichols 8:00 PM	4	5	6
7	8	9 Baseball Signups Yellow Springs Site-Visit	10 Festival Meeting 8:00 PM	11 Baseball Signups	12	13
14	15	16 Spring Valley Site Visit	17 Regular Meeting 8:00 PM	18 Baseball Signups	19	20
21	22	23 Board Meeting 8:00 PM	24 Zone 1 Meeting Fairborn @ 6:30	25	26	27
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March 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Guest meeting 8:00 PM	4	5	6. Triple Play Pancake B-Fast BB Tourney Blood Drive
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28	29	30	31			