

“LIONS TRACKS”

**Lynchburg Lions Club Newsletter
Lynchburg, Ohio**

**Spring Issue, 2017
(Summary of Events Since Late 2016)**

(Lion Jim Faust, Editor)

1. Three members of the Lynchburg Lions Club attended the recent Zone 7 meeting representing the Lynchburg Club. The meeting was held at the Leesburg Fire and Ambulance District's Community Room on February 28. The meeting was hosted by the Leesburg Lions Club. Lion Jim Faust gave the club's report on behalf of President Kathy DeRose who could not attend. Lions Maxie Green, Jim Faust, and Janet Florence represented Lynchburg. Associate members Roger Pence and David Grover also represented Lynchburg plus their home clubs of Martinsville and Hillsboro.
2. Four members of the Lynchburg Club attended the Zone 7 meeting that was held on November 16 at Ponderosa and hosted by the Hillsboro Lions Club. Five Lynchburg Lions had also previously attended the August 23 Zone Meeting at the “Y” Restaurant hosted by the Mowrystown club.
3. Lion Jim Faust attended the District Lions Cabinet meeting on February 27 at Chillicothe. He represented the Ohio Lions Foundation and he also serves as the Cabinet Parliamentarian.
4. The Club continues to conduct a pancake and sausage breakfast on the first Saturday of every month from 8:00 am to 11:00 am at the Lions Club Building. The money raised at these monthly breakfasts is used to support the various Lions projects at the local, district, state, and international levels. The breakfasts have been very successful.
5. Lynchburg Lions Club sponsors the Local Boy Scout Troop #120. One Lynchburg Lions member is currently serving as Merit Badge Counselor for several scouts. One member serves as Liaison to the Scouts and also serves as the Chaplain Counselor for the Troop. Several Lions members have attended the Scouts' Court of Honor programs.
6. Lynchburg Lions Club conducted its annual Christmas Candy sale this fall and early winter. Several candy varieties were on sale at the Beech Street Candle Works, the Southern Hills Community Bank, and at the Lynchburg-Clay Schools. The sale this year was the best ever.

7. The Lynchburg Club has donated to numerous special Lions projects again this year. Recent donations of \$50.00 each have been made to the Ohio Lions Foundation, Pilot Dogs, Sight and Hearing, Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation, Youth Activities (Kamp Dovetail), Diabetes Research and Awareness, LPCCI Canine Companions, International Relations, Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank, P.E.T., Lions Quest, the Ohio Lions Band, Tour de Cure, Lynchburg-Clay Athletic Boosters, and LCIF. The Club also purchases eyeglasses for needy persons in the community. Additional donations will be made as needed and as funds are available.
8. Lion Jim Faust attended two of the zone meetings that were held during November. He had previously visited four zones during the August series of Zone Meetings. Lion Jim gave presentations about the Ohio Lions Foundation disaster relief program, the "Low Vision Reader" project, and other activities of OLF that are being conducted state-wide. He attended the State OLF Board of Trustees meetings in Columbus on October 29 and February 4.
9. The Lynchburg Club held its annual Christmas party on December 12. An excellent meal was part of the evening's activities. Several visiting Lions and guests joined the group. Lions district Governor Gary was the featured guest speaker. Following the meeting the club weighed and bagged additional candy that had been brought in to add to the current sale.
10. The Club had members attend some of the Christmas Parties and other events of neighboring clubs.
11. The club held its annual Car Show on October 8 at the Lions Club Park. The weather was cooperative and the show went well. The Southern Ohio Antique Tractor Pullers' Association held one of its regular pulls on the same date at the Lions Club Track. The combined events made for a good day.
12. The Club held its annual Peace Poster Contest for Middle School students in the fall. Over 90 students competed and all were recognized by the Lions Club. The top three were presented special cash awards and certificates. The winner competed at the District level. His name is Landen West. Congratulations Landen!!
13. The officers for 2017-2018 will be nominated this spring for installation at the dinner meeting in June.
14. Mrs. Carolyn Hastings presented an outstanding program about the underground railroad and its impact on our area. She and her husband Don were guests at the dinner meeting in October.

15. The club hosted the Southern Ohio Antique Tractor Pullers' Association pulls during 2016. Nine pulls were scheduled at the Lions Club Track and the Lions club provided food for half of the pulls and the L-C FFA provided the food for the other half. Some of the Pulls were cancelled due to bad weather but the others were successful.
16. The club heard a good program about the school district's Track and Field program. Lynchburg Lion member Casey Smith did an outstanding job of describing the rules of track meets and an overview of the District's teams and accomplishments.
17. The club hosted a special funeral dinner for the family of Lion Bob Roth due to the death of Bob's wife Carol. The club extends its sympathy to the Roth family as well as the families of former Lion Charlene Lewis and PID Floyd Newberry.
18. The Club hosted Mr. John Levo and his wife Kathy at a dinner meeting early last year. Mr. Levo presented a program about the Ohio Heritage Farm Program. Kathy discussed the family's extensive blueberry production enterprise.
19. The club hosted Lion Beth Cauley at a dinner meeting last Spring. Lion Beth is the chairperson for the LPCCI program (canine companions) in District 13-OH6. The Peace Poster winners and their families were also honored at that meeting.
20. The club provides the facilities for the area W.I.C. program each month.
21. The Club will host and sponsor Lion Ron Derry with the GOOD program on April 4 at the Lynchburg-Clay Elementary School. All fifth graders will hear Lion Ron's presentation. He will present a general session and then conduct special demonstrations in each of the fifth grade classes.
22. The Club donated door prizes for the Buford Farmers' Institute on February 24.
23. The club provided the award medals for the first annual 5K run held on April 2. The run is coordinated by the Boy Scouts and the Lions are co-sponsors. The club plans to sponsor the same type of awards at this year's event.
24. Lion President Kathy DeRose is still battling cancer. The club wishes her the best as she deals with this terrible disease.
25. The District Lions Convention will be held on April 22 at Blue Ash. Lynchburg will have representatives in attendance. At least one Lynchburg Lions member plans to attend the State Lions Convention in May at Sandusky.
26. The club plans to help fund the local Food Pantry as part of the Legacy projects and it also plans to plant a tree and do a community clean-up day for the environmental portion of the project.