



"Service through Leadership"

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2 Lions from District 13 K join the list of Elite Graduates from the Senior Lions Leadership Institute

Congratulations are certainly in order for 13 K 2nd Vice District Governor Bill Schultz and Zone Chair David Roach for becoming the latest Lions from Ohio to graduate from the **Senior Lions Leadership Institute**.

To give you an idea of how rare this is in the last five years there have been only 12 Lions from Ohio graduate from the Institute. Lions Bill and David become the thirteenth and fourteenth Ohio graduates in the last five years.

The **Senior Lions Leadership Institute** is an intense four day institute that covers approximately 12 courses. Those taking the Institute must commit for the entire four days of the session and complete pre assignments before attending. The institute focuses on building the skills of Lions leaders to prepare them for leadership responsibilities at zone, region, and district levels. Qualified candidates are Lions that have completed a successful term as club president, but have not yet attained the position of 1st VDG. Candidates do not have to be currently holding a position.

Lions Clubs International will pay for each participant's meals and lodging during the actual days of the institute at the training facility. Participants are responsible for their own transportation and related travel expenses to and from the institute.

We would like to encourage more Ohio Lions to take advantage of this tremendous learning experience. We have listed the course titles with a brief description below so you can see the breadth of the curriculum and the experience

you would gain both in your role as a Lion and in your Professional career.

If you would be interested in trying one of these institutes you can get more information from your District GLT Coordinator.

Curriculum Description

Change Leadership – Discuss how initiative, risk-taking, being open to diverse opinions, and encouraging creativity and innovation are methods for promoting positive change.

Communication – Identify your communication style while learning strategies for working with team members who have communication styles different than your own.

Conflict Resolution – Learn how to define and identify sources of conflict, recognize personal conflict resolution styles, and apply strategies for resolving conflict.

Creative Thinking – Using a four-part creative process, communicate the importance of creative thinking as an effective planning and problem solving technique.

Diversity – Understand the dimensions of diversity, the difference between assimilation and pluralism, and the benefits of diversity for clubs, districts, and the association.

Leadership Fundamentals – Learn the practices and characteristics of effective leaders and complete an assessment of personal leadership behaviors to determine opportunities for further leadership development.

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) – Recognize the LCIF mission, grant programs, grant application process and recognitions.

Lions: Past, Present, and Future – Review the history and fundamentals of Lions Clubs International while focusing on service as a part of every Lion's commitment to the association.

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Hopefully everyone had a great Holiday season and is starting to refocus on their Lions roles. It is hard to believe but your year as a leader, whether you are serving at the club level, zone level, district level, or state level, is half over.

You have six months to make certain that the goals you established at the beginning of the year are going to be accomplished or forgotten. We would suggest that you take some quite time and consider the following questions:

A. *Have you taken the time to review your goals or have they been lost in the many things you are faced with on a day to day basis?*

As a Lion leader you are called on to make decisions on many things during the course of your term. Some are important and some are trivial. If you are going to reach your goals you must not let the trivial control your time. Take a chance and delegate the trivial to one of your team so that you can stay focused on achieving your goals.

B. *How is your progress on reaching your goals?*

Look at each of your goals and see if you are on track to accomplish each one. There is still time to work toward your goals. Make it a point to review your progress on a regular basis

C. *Have you taken the time to review your action plans that were developed to insure that you reached your goals?*

Our action plans to reach your goals were established at the beginning of the year and should be checked on regularly to see if they are actually working. It may be necessary to make adjustments to your action plans if they are not getting you where you want to be. In each action plan there should have been time lines and specific people to be made?

Do not let the year getting away without leaving your accomplished goals as a legacy for those who follow in your footsteps.

Mentoring – Learn the concept and benefits of mentoring, identify the roles of the ‘mentee’ and ‘mentor’, and discuss the two levels of the Lions Mentoring Program while creating a plan for a mentoring relationship.

Project Management – Discuss and use a case study and guided practice to demonstrate the four stages of project management: selection and definition, project planning, monitoring of the project, and project delivery and follow-up.

Presentation Skills – Enhance public speaking skills, learn how to prepare a speech outline, and sharpen interview techniques.

Supporting Teams – Recognize stages of team development, understand the roles of the team leader, and identify the effectiveness of a team.

Take the Challenge and try The Senior Lions Leadership Institute



ZONE CHAIRS



The GLT is in the process of reviewing and updating our Zone Chair Training.

We need your input if we are to be successful.

Please e-mail one of the committee listed below with your thoughts on what needs to be included in the Zone Chair School. Now that you have had the “Zone Chair Experience” for at least one half a year what was hard for you that we should have included in your training.

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