



District 13-B Lions Convention April 19-21, 2013

Fellow Lions,

We are getting ready for this year's District 13-B Convention on April 19-21 at the Westlake Holiday Inn. Governor Forrest Conrad and his team have put together a great convention with a few changes and all the convention favorites. We will be continuing the traditional euchre tournament and corn hole tournament. The hospitality rooms are on the main floor this year with a different design. They will feature typical appetizers and desserts, ice cream, and room to gather with fellow lions. We will have live music on Friday evening. Saturday evening will feature the Kroc Center Big Band for your dancing and listening enjoyment. Club scrapbooks and boards will be on display, so bring something to show off your club's hard work for the past year. Registration for tournaments will be taken upon check-in Friday evening.

We are still working on the programs to ensure that every Lion that attends the convention will find a seminar that he/she will find interesting and will help "recharge" those batteries for service.

We are encouraging everyone to visit their local Red Cross Blood Banks. We are eliminating the blood drive at the convention. The participation wasn't great enough for the blood banks to economically visit. The participation for the spouse's program has continued to decline because a lot of our ladies are joining their local Lion's Club. We will have a room where the spouses (men and women) may go on Saturday afternoon. Drinks and snacks will be furnished. This will allow a place to meet to go shopping or talk to other spouses.

The convention registration fee was raised by only \$3.00 to cover the extra cost of the meals from the Holiday Inn. The room rates went up to \$75 after being the same for a couple of years. We are encouraging families to bring children/grandchildren and have added a child price for meals. Any special needs for food, such as allergies, can be e-mailed directly to the convention committee at L13B13C@zoominternet.net or written on the registration form. The Holiday Inn takes great pride in being able to accommodate special circumstances.

We are asking each club to bring an item for the silent auction to help raise additional money to support Lions Club foundations and projects. We are also asking for raffle prize donations. Please bring any silent auction and/or raffle prizes to your next Zone meeting. PDG Forrest Conrad and Co-Chairman Glen McClure will pick them up at that time. Any donations will be greatly appreciated. Call or e-mail us if you have any questions or need assistance with a donation.

Get your registration in as soon as possible to ensure that you will not miss this opportunity for education and fellowship with your fellow Lions of District 13-B, the best Ohio has to offer!!

In Lionism,

Glen and Sue McClure
Convention Co-Chairpersons