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A Vision of Hope: This month we feature



MT. OLIVET LIONS CLUB

The Mt. Olivet Lions Club was Chartered on May 29, 1974, with thirty-four members. Today, one Charter Member, PDC Paul Amrhein, remains. Though the need has changed over the years, it is true to say that: **"Where there is a need, there is a Lion".**

As Lions, Mt. Olivet's goal is to make a difference. Service to people who are blind and who are visually impaired has always been one of their most significant projects. Also, more than ever, people with vision problems, the senior community, the youth, and the disadvantaged around the world need our help. Mt. Olivet's commitment to serve holds strong.



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WEIRTON LIONS CLUB

Sponsored by the Wellsburg Lions Club in August of 1936, the Weirton Lions Club takes pride in their Sight Conservation Program and involvement in community affairs. Many fundraisers contribute to the Sight Programs success. Broom sales, fish fries, white cane sales, food sales at diverse festivals, horse shows, college football games, all-star basketball, variety shows, carnivals, waste paper drives, raffling off an automobile and airplane, plus many other activities.

The club's involvement in community and state affairs has become numerous over the years: the President's Birthday Ball in 1936 to raise funds for aid to Infantile Paralysis victims; securing lights for the high school stadium; an electric score-board; erection of the Honor Roll for men in Armed Services; participating in March of Dimes; purchase of an Iron Lung; ringing of the bells for the Salvation Army; Glaucoma Tests for Senior Citizens; installation of a fluorescent system in the ten rooms of the Public School System; Multiple Sclerosis Program; Red Cross Tuberculosis Society; Negro College Fund; Cancer Fund; donations for construction of the Community Center; sponsoring Boy Scout Troops; sending children to Boys State Camp; Camp Horseshoe; entertainment of Boy and Girl Scouts, Weir High Athletes, sons and daughters of Lions and children from nearby orphanages; stated Billy Love in business who was handicapped by accident.

The Weirton Lions Club has spent over \$300,000 toward community, state, and national projects with approximately \$90,000 on sight and hearing conservation. The club has purchased several hundred pairs of glasses for needy children.

Realizing the importance of expanding Lionism in Hancock County, the club sponsored the Chester, Newell and New Cumberland Lions Clubs.

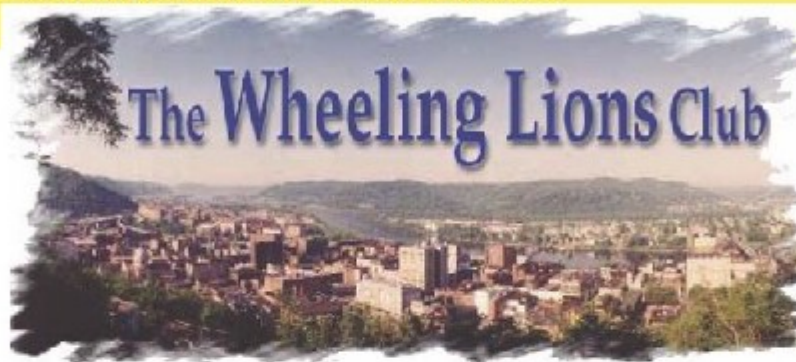
WEIRTON LIONS NEWEST PROJECT: FLAGS FOR HEROES

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Chartered by Lions International on January 18, 1922, the Wheeling Lions Club is the second oldest club in Multiple District 29 and the first oldest club in District 29-L. They strive to define the motto "WE SERVE" through time, talents, and gifts.

During the 90 years of its existence, the Wheeling Lions Club has been increasingly recognized as an essential service club in the community. The first club to collect "old gold" eye glass frames and use the proceeds from the frames for its sight programs, continuation of recycling used eye glasses with over 4000 collected each year, donation of testing and other sight related equipment to Ohio County Schools and WV Northern Community College and supply eye exams and glasses to approximately 300 people yearly in the community. They also provide hearing exams and devices to those in need.

It was the first service organization in Wheeling to participate in the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle drive and continues this service as well as Christmas Stockings for the Salvation Army. Easter Seals "Cookie Caper", Feed the Hungry program at St. Luke's, Laughlin Chapel after school program, Heritage Trail clean-up, and eye equipment for WVU Children's Hospital.

Current fund raisers include: Spaghetti Dinner, Steak-Fry, Golf Scramble, and Reverse Raffle and they honor school nurses in Ohio County with a luncheon and gift of appreciation; the Peace Poster Contest winners with a luncheon, savings bond, and plaque; and the Eye Glass recycling sites with a luncheon and certificate.

They promote youth in the community by sponsoring two LEO Clubs, at Wheeling Park High School and Wheeling Middle School. We are also Partners in Education with Wheeling Middle School.

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Williamstown Lion Club

Seventy-five years ago in Williamstown, WV, the Williamstown Lion Club started their vision of helping others with eye exams and glasses for those in need, vision testing for children, and donations to the local food bank. This was only the beginning of the strength and passion the Williamstown Lions Club have set in place to serve their community.

Nestled along the Ohio River, Williamstown Lion Club was proudly chartered in 1946. Since, the club has been very active in the community, particularly in the area of Tomlinson Park. Williamstown Lions have installed competition league horseshoe pits, a large picnic pavilion with grills, helped build and refurbish park restrooms and the pool's bathhouse. The Club currently manages the soda machines onsite as well. Their current Centennial project is to have accessible playground equipment so that all children may enjoy the town's beautiful, shaded park!

Additionally, Williamstown Lions completes yearly environmental projects, maintains selling their traditional Christmas wreaths each winter, and hosts a wonderful 4th of July pancake breakfast in the park!