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October Newsletter

All right Lions - it's time to **FALL INTO SERVICE** ! From October 4th through the 10th, Lions around Ohio will be boots to the ground serving in any multitude of ways. How will you serve ?



And who ? This is one of the most important opportunities we have as Lions since Covid hit us last March. We have worried about our fundraisers, we have worried about where to meet.

FALL INTO SERVICE is a chance to take a moment and do what we do best – serve. <u>Reach out to your entire membership</u> and see what each member can do to contribute. Can they send a card? Can they rake leaves for someone? Can they count eyeglasses or donate canned goods? This can be our opportunity to reactivate some of those members we haven't seen in a while and remind them of the difference that Lions make in our communities.

Then – Lions Presidents and Secretaries – don't stop there ! Remember to collect all of the hours – hours worked, prep hours and follow-up hours – and record them in MyLion. On October 10, a reminder email will be sent out with instructions for those that are a bit rusty. The only way we can keep accurate count at the state is through the MyLion system. If you are having trouble, you can contact me (440-670-7746 ; kep121@msn.com) or DG Ric Houser (ranger3201@gmail.com) and we will walk you through. Our goal is 2,000 hours for District OH2 and every club's hours count!!

The District Poinsettia Sale will be starting soon. Please support the leadership initiatives of the district by participating in the sale. Lion Ann Miller has included the form in this newsletter. You can sell the plants at the costs as listed or modify the form to make a bit of profit for your club. Make note of the pick up dates. Thank-you for your support of this Global Leadership initiative.

And, check out later in the newsletter for information for ways to get involved this month in Red Ribbon Week and support the K.O.P.E. Lions.

I want to send a HUGE shout out and THANK-YOU to Zone Chair Mona DiCesare, all of the clubs, and the individual Lions made this year's STEPS Walk a success. We are proud to be able to help families in the area and to sponsor research to make life better for families down the road. The response to this cause was *phenomenal*! With over \$7,000 raised to date and hundreds of members participating, the Lions of 13 OH2 never cease to impress. In that vein, I want to call on the Lions of the District to look to our fellow members. As I looked at the twenty members dropped in our district over the last quarter, nearly half of them have been members for less than three years. And, while I realize that there are people that move, Lions that are getting on in years, and so on, the underlying fact remains that many of us, myself included, don't reach out to the Lions we sponsored to make sure they still feel connected to the club. We don't ask them to see what service projects they want to see happening. We can do better. So, while we want to reach out and bring in new and energized members, take a moment this month and reach out to those Lions that sponsored you and the Lions that you have sponsored. Let's get back to serving together. In membership, building a great club starts here.

Lastly, mark your calendars for

Updated

Governors Visitation Schedule

OCTOBER		
Thurs Oct 1		
Mon Oct 5		
Tues Oct 6		
Wed Oct 7		
Thurs Oct 8		
Mon Oct 12		
Tues Oct 13		
Wed Oct 14		
Thurs Oct 15		
Thurs Oct 15		
Sun Oct 18		
Mon Oct 19		
Sat Oct 24		
Tues Oct 27		

NOVEMBER

Cabinet Meeting
Old Fort
Fostoria
Zone 6
Zone 7
Bellevue
Zone 1
Zone 2
Zone 5
Polk

Mon Nov 2 Tues Nov 3 Thurs Nov 5 Tues Nov 10 Wed Nov 11 Mon Nov 16 Tues Nov 17 Wed Nov 18 Sat Nov 21 Tues Nov 24



First Vice Governor Kevin Reidy

Lions, our first quarter of this club year has drawn to a conclusion. How are you faring in accomplishing your clubs' goals? As a Lion, how are you informing others and inviting others in your community to join the Service Journey that is Lions Clubs International? As we enter the second quarter of this club year, I ask that you redouble your efforts to "Just Ask" and grow your club's membership. As previously mentioned in this column, LCI has waived the \$35.00 per new member service fee to incoming Lions through the end of 2020. Let us ROAR North Coast Lions!

Thank you to all those who participated in STEPS Walk events in September! In addition to the virtual "bandanarama" pictures and walks locally by your own clubs, nearly \$5,000 dollars was raised (to date). Congratulations to District Childhood Cancer Coordinator, ZC Mona DiCesare, and her team for another successful event held at Fostoria Reservoir Park. On the way home, Lion Debbie and I were fortunate enough (and early enough) to enjoy the Bloomville Lions' annual Ox Roast to go meals...it was a delicious lunch...and a visible and successful project. Congratulations to Bloomville Lions.

Service will highlight the November round of Zone Advisory meetings. I challenge and encourage you and your club to participate in the Ohio Lions: "Fall Into Service" week, to be conducted during the week of October 4 though October 10. Lions, how are we embracing our motto of "We Serve!" I stand with District Governor Kerry's hope to have OH2 lead the state of Ohio in total service hours completed during this activity!

International President Choi's theme for this year, "United in Kindness and Diversity" is a complement to DG Kerry's theme, "Think Globally, Act Locally". Lions of OH2 have a legacy of selfless service to others. The notion of volunteer service is the fabric upon which this nation was founded. It is indeed our legacy as <u>Lions</u> to perpetuate, to teach younger generations within our communities, <u>the value of</u> <u>service</u>.

Current 21st Century societal norms seem to reflect a materialistic, instantaneous data and 'what have you done for me lately' attitude. Most young adults typically communicate, transact business, monitor markets, and schedule their lives in the palm of their hand (or other electronic device).

It is <u>vital</u> that Lions reach out and embrace these individuals, share the Lions vision of service, and enable this next generation of Lions to use these daily technological advances to expand the Lions "Pawprints" upon your city, town or village. To Form a More Perfect Union, as the preamble to the U.S. Constitution states, begins with YOU and your CLUB, in your hometown...keep ROARING, Lions!

Visitation Schedule October

Galion United Lions	Tues Oct 6
Jeromesville Lions	Wed Oct 7
Perrysville Lions	Sun Oct 11
Polk Lions	Tues Oct 13
Plymouth Lions	Wed Oct 14
Hayesville Lions	Thurs Oct 15
GAT/Mini Cab.	Sun Oct 18
Ontario Lions	Tues Oct 20
Rowsburg Lions	Tues Oct 27

2nd VDG Cindy

Lions of District OH2,

Fall is upon us and it came too soon! I enjoy the warm weather too much!

Hopefully you have submitted your Fall into Service Commitment Letter to Lion Ann Miller so that the hours can be calculated. It's not too late to get them in; we want everyone's hours to be counted.

During my club visits, I spoke about USA/Canada Forum being cancelled and the opportunity to register for the Virtual Leadership Experience coming up this weekend. Registration ended at Midnight on September 23, and checking the site this morning 2,393 Lions had registered with 606 spaces available. I hope that you enjoy the Virtual Forum and encourage you to register for Des Moines Forum next September 9-11, 2021. It is an enjoyable time spent with many Lions!

If you haven't already seen it, Lions International has a new video available on YouTube, called We Serve The World. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch</u> <u>?v=XwjGNBsaxNk&fbclid=IwAR2JI3</u> <u>R9JixyNw56zGxD_lilyBunodptvF_a</u> <u>_3Y4qUdcwSr2JcuZHNqg4Js</u>

If you are "young" enough to remember the music video put together by many musicians in 1985 (was it really that long ago!?) called We are the World, it is the same format, using Lions. I recognized one I met at USA/Canada Forum in 2019 at Columbus!

As CC Kenny recently posted on Facebook in the Ohio Lions, Inc. page "Whether you believe you can or you believe you can't, you're right!" – Henry Ford" regarding the Bloomville Lions Club 55th Annual Ox Roast (article is in this newsletter). However you have to reconfigure your fundraisers/service projects, "if there is a will, there is a Lion". It can be done!

To those clubs that I had a "virtual" visit with, please let me know when you start meeting in person, as I would really like to see you in person! Below is my

Yours in Lionism, 2nd VDG Cindy Beat

Visitation Schedule October

AmherstThur. Oct 1North FairfieldMon Oct 5LindseyMon. Oct 12Sheffield VillageMon Oct 13GAT/Mini CabinetSun Oct 18

Bellevue	Mon Oct 19
Old Fort	Tues Oct 20
Republic	Mon Oct 26
Oak Harbor	Tues Oct 27

November

Zone 4 meeting	Mon Nov 9
Firelands	Tues Nov 10

Zone Chair Reports

Pictures from Zone 2 1) CC Kenny presenting Connie and Keith Cole Hall of Fame Awards. 2) CC Kenny presenting Sandy Best the PDG Ray and Lion Ann Miller Leadership Award at the Steps walk in Fostoria. 3) PDG Pete and Lion Floyd donating \$225 of supplies to Fostoria Elementary School (hand wipes, sandwich bags, kleenex). 4) Photo of PCC Horst Herzog's children at his memorial service. Thanks, Zone 2 Chair Mona



Living Well with Diabetes

DID YOU KNOW??

- 1. Every 80 seconds: an adult with diabetes in the United States is hospitalized for heart disease.
- 2. Every 2 minutes: an adult with diabetes in the United States is hospitalized for stroke.
- 3. Compared to people without diabetes,

→ People with diabetes are *twice as likely to die from CVD (Cardiovascular Disease)*.

 \rightarrow People with diabetes tend to *develop heart disease at a younger age*.

- 4. \$373 BILLION = the estimated cardiovascular-related spending per year associated with diabetes. (*American Diabetes Association 2017 cost study*)
- 5. Diabetes raises your risk for heart attack and stroke even when your blood glucose levels are well managed.

Lifestyle changes go a long way toward protecting your heart health. A healthy eating plan, regular exercise, and taking your medications as prescribed can help you keep you A1C, blood pressure, and cholesterol within goal range. And, if you smoke, stop.

(Source: Diabetes Forecast, July/August 2019)

District Committee's Information

STEPS Walk Update from Chairperson Mona DiCesare

Our District Annual STEPS Walk for Pediatric Cancer was held in Fostoria on Sunday morning, Sept. 13th. The rain moved east in time for a wonderful walk. We had approximately 40 people participate in person at Lakes Mottram and Lamberjack.

Our youngest participant was 2 month old Lion Cub Grace, the daughter of Lion Sarah Wonderly of Fostoria Lions. We also had several in the 70+ category. Thank you to all. Lion Brent Parker achieved his goal for running the course with his daughter, Lilly, and came in under 35 minutes. Congrats.

I want to THANK Lion Floyd Lawless (Fostoria Lions) and his wife, Susan, and Lion Bob Swartzmiller (Bascom Lions) and his wife Alicia for handling the registration duties.

At this time, we have raised over \$6,400 for this cause. What a wonderful achievement in this COVID environment. Keep those checks coming !!!

Numerous Lion Clubs have STEPED UP as major sponsors; those being Bascom Lions, Bellevue Lions, Colonel Crawford Lions, and Fostoria Lions.

We also had several Club Walks that participated virtually in their own communities and wore their RED BANDANAS !!! These clubs also provided significant contributions towards our objective. Some of the clubs that I am aware of: Crestline Lions, Lorain Lions, North Ridgeville Lions and Leos. We had a great turnout in those participating virtually and purchasing their red bandanas. DG Kerry had a great idea with the bandanas.

Many of us tried to run over to Bloomville for their annual Ox Roast but unfortunately for us, they were sold out by the time we arrived. It was FORTUNATE for them.

Keep the support coming in. I still have red bandanas. Thank you to all that have participated in any manner towards this cause. Lion Ann Miller sent a check as a memorial for Lion Glenn Baker from Zone 1; what a great idea.

Also listed in the newsletter is a THANK YOU from Natalie Freed, a single mother that received a donation from our district fund for her son that is recovering from pediatric cancer.

As of today, Sept. 26th, we have reached the \$7,000 mark and we have additional Sponsor Clubs with Plymouth Lions and Crestline Lions.

Again, I want to thank anyone that has been a part in raising these funds !!!

Pictures from the Steps Walk







THANK YOU email from Natalie Freed.

Our STEPS Fund assisted Natalie and her son, who is recovering from Pediatric Cancer. I thought it would be nice to include her thank you and pictures in our newsletter. Natalie lives in Norwalk and is a teacher for Bucyrus School District. She is a single mother.

I did receive the check and can not thank you enough for the support. It was so helpful right now for me to use it to get new shoes, uniforms and school supplies. Thank you all and god bless. Your

generosity was so so appreciated

Thanks again for everything. It really does mean the world to all of us!



District Committee's Information

Fall into Service with Lions

October is here and with it comes Ohio Lions Fall into Service slated for the week of October 4-10. This is a chance for your club to help show the world that the Lions of Ohio truly do live up to our motto "We Serve." The sky is the limit – be as creative or as traditional as your club desires. Do it alone or in cooperation with

other Lions Clubs or organizations. Wear your Lions gear and be visible in your community. Then remember to report those service activities and hours. Let's show everyone that OH2 is using this week to "Think globally and act Locally!"

Submitted by Lion Ann Miller OH2 GLT Coordinator

Ohio Lions Foundation Representative: PCC Stan Kopp (419) 289-1943 <u>sekopp@bright.net</u>

What is the Ohio Lion Foundation?



<u>Ohio Lions Foundation</u>, or OLF, is philanthropic arm of the Ohio Lions. Most of its funding is used to help Ohio residents with disaster relief, annual Helen Keller scholarships for the blind, and grants for vision related items including pilot dogs and low vision readers. They also have grant programs for visually impaired persons with financial need and they provide program grants for preschool vision screenings.

Contact PCC Stan Kopp with questions or invite him as a guest speaker for your club. You are also invited to come

for information and updates at the (socially distanced



) round table discussion at our March convention.

REMINDER TO ALL DISTRICT CLUB SECRETARIES AND TREASURERS:

It is time to get your 990's filed with the IRS, and also your Ohio Attorney General registrations. These should be done by November 15.

Here are some links to state web site resources on filing these reports: (http://www.ohiolions.org/resources-links), video (http://www.ohiolions.org/cog), username COG and password "lions" its under the COG link, and the OAG websites (https://charitableregistration.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/).

If you have not filed with the Ohio Attorney General within the past three years you will be deemed noncompliant. You can get a form from the Ohio Attorney General's office to file for the past years or just start filing your current reports. If you do not do this with the Ohio Attorney General and get behind with IRS you can be revoked. With the Ohio Attorney General there may be some fines to get reinstated, but with the IRS it is a very long and expensive undertaking to get reinstated. We already have a couple clubs in the district who are attempting to get this done. Once you are revoked you cannot legally raise any funds from the public, and if you cannot raise funds then you will have no money to support local, district and international projects. You might as well become the any town men's and women's club where you just meet and eat.

So please get these reports filed on time and save yourself a lot of headaches. Also do not forget the Compliance report that is sent to me. You can find a copy of this report on our district web site www.OhiolionsOH2.com. Also do not forget about your Incorporation filings which are done every five years, and if your club is not incorporated you need to start the process. You can contact the Ohio Attorney General's office for the paperwork to start this process.

You can contact me at rlutz3@neo.rr.com, phone 419-994-4356, or mail me at 122 East Pendleton St., Loudonville OH 44842.

PDG Ron Lutz, Compliance Chairman

Voicecorps Ambassadors available as a Lions Club guest speaker

Voicecorps reading service, long known for reading newspapers and other print for blind and disabled Ohioans, has expanded its geographic service area. Voicecorps is asking for your help by telling your Club members the good news. Plus, you can now book a speaker from Voicecorps at your next virtual Lions Club meeting.



Established in 1975 in central Ohio and serving thousands of people living with blindness, low vision and other conditions that prevent reading print, Voicecorps provides daily news and information 24/7. Originally available in central Ohio, Voicecorps is now in the Black Swamp area of northwest Ohio and the Appalachian corridor leading from mid-Ohio to the southeast corner of the state. Voicecorps Ambassadors can tell you how.

A long-time friend to Lions Clubs, Voicecorps had to cease in-person outreach with the outbreak of the pandemic. Now that Lions Clubs are using Zoom for meetings online, Voicecorps Ambassadors can fill your guest speaker needs with a relatively short notice.

Voicecorps continues seeking guest speaker opportunities with central Ohio clubs. To schedule a Voicecorps Ambassador, e-mail Shari Veleba, Voicecorps Marketing Coordinator at sveleba@voicecorps.org or call the Voicecorps office at (614) 274-7650. Please schedule at least two weeks prior to your Club meeting.

"Can We See" - The Possibilities?

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VISION: 1925 when Hellen Keller stated: "Will you not constitute yourselves Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness?" This request served as the vision for Lions Clubs for the past 95 years, thus we have aided the blind and worked toward preventable blindness. Maybe VISION can help preserve and grow Lionism. Words often have multimeanings when applied to different situations. Here's a different definition of Vision extracted from "*Full Steam Ahead*" by Ken Blanchard & Jesse Lyn Stoner, 2011, page 169:

What is Vision?

- Vision is knowing who you are, where you're going, and what will guide your journey.
- Knowing who you are means being clear about your purpose. Where you're going is your picture of the future. What will guide your journey are your values.

Why is Vision Important?

- Good leadership starts with vision; leadership is about going somewhere.
- Vision helps you get focused, get energized, and get great results.
- Vison keeps you going during times of adversity.

Thus, I am suggesting that each <u>Lions Club search for their vision in today's environment</u>. Lions need to re-discover what it means to them to be a Lion. **Who they are**? Our Club leaders need to build a picture that we can see, not vague, be proactive not reactive, and focus on the end results. **Where are you going**? Lions should contribute to answering the question, "**how**"; using as a guiding for your daily behaviors and acting consistently on their values. **Guide you journey**?

Being a volunteer and having other responsibilities, you may not have the knowledge, skills, or time to construct a vision for your club. You can request outside assistance, research what is available, or participate in training. Each District has an assigned GAT, GLT, GMT, GAT, and a NAMI Champion, which may assist you in building a vision for you club and its members. NAMI – North American Membership Initiative Process is: Opt-in, build a team, build a vision, build a plan, build success. All the GMT Chairpersons has materials that covers several aspects of membership, also material can be found on line at LCI – Membership. If you have exhausted your contacts, you can contact ME. I will be happy to assist you and your club, zone, or district.

Lion Charlie!

District Poinsettia Sale

The District 13 OH-2 poinsettia sale will soon be here. Money raised through this sale helps to fund a number of district expenses. Your club support of this fund raiser is much appreciated. At the same time, it makes a great club fund raiser.

District pricing will again be the same: \$8.50 for the 6-1/2" poinsettias and \$16.50 for the 8-1/2" poinsettias. Red, white, pink and marbled are available in both sizes. The 8-1/2" pots contain three plants of the same color - and there is a tri-color 8-1/2" poinsettia which contains a red, a white, and a pink flower. Poinsettias will be available for pick up at Pinehaven beginning November 23. Contact past customers to remind them that you will be happy to take their orders. Reaching out to new customers is a great way to add sales.

Complete information and order forms will soon be on the district website and in the hands of all zone chairs and district officers – or contact Lion Ann Miller at babba4ajm@gmail.com. Remember that all orders are to be placed thru us and not directly to Pinehaven.

This is an easy way to help fund OH-2 projects and to promote our clubs as we reach out to the public.

Lion Ann Miller OH-2 Poinsettia Sale Chair

Club News Past, Present and to Come

Ashland Evening Lions

Rotary and AEL Service Activities 9/12/20

Members were busy Sept 12 doing community service. We assisted the Ashland Rotary Club "Make Ashland Sparkle" cleanup activity by registering volunteers. Then we did heavy pruning and yard cleanup for a Senior Citizen whose yard had not been touched for years. The food trailer served hot dogs at Miller/Hawkins on Sept 25-26. Several members provided logistical help for the COVID- 19 drive through screening at the fairgrounds on Sept 26 and the Recycling Committee continues to search for metal to recycle.

New member Teresa Clark Chamberlain created lively discussion at Sept 5 meeting with program on "End of Life" considerations, especially wills or passing without one (Intestate). Zone 7 Chair Craig Wiley was highlight of our Sept 17 meeting. Club has decided at least through December to hold one meeting each month plus board meeting and then reevaluate. Submitted by IPP Lion Ann Miller

Ashland Noon

The Ashland Noon club held their first meeting of the year September 10th; which was well attended with 20 members and 4 guests including VDG Kevin Reidy. With comfortable spacing and masks all felt safe. Highlights were the induction of 2 of our newest members, installation of officers, and attendance awards including Lion Al Garrett at 65 years of perfect attendance! Lion Jennifer Whitmore was named Lion of the Year for her hard work on the rose sale while starting a new job and working on a degree at the same time. Also, Lion Tom Rohr was honored with a Melvin Jones Fellowship, presented by VDG Reidy. He is the 11th recipient in our 100 year history. Due to the limitations imposed by the covid pandemic protocols, our centennial committee decided to postpone the celebration to June 5th, 2021. Hopefully by then we can have a true celebration in Lions fellowship, more details will follow so save the date.

Attica Lions

Upcoming events for the Attica Lions:

Wednesday, October 14th: Red Cross blood drive from Noon to 6:00 p.m. at the Attica Fairgrounds. Its best to register in advance with the Red Cross.

Sunday, Nov. 1.: Attica Lions Reverse Raffle and Drive thru Chicken/Pork Chop Dinner. See our Facebook Page for more information or contact <u>atticalionsohio@gmail.c</u> <u>om</u>

Bascom Lions

Bascom news for October

The Bascom Lions were able to meet 2 times in the month of September. At our 1st meeting, 2nd VDG Cindy Beat was our quest speaker and we had 18 members present. Our 2nd meeting was our membership drive. We had a steak dinner provide and cooked by Larry Gosche and John Park. We had 25 members present with 3 guests as prospective new members. Of the 3 quests we had 2 of them fill out applications and then were voted in by the board.

We are thankful to have 2 new members Wes Swander, and Mike Steve. Thank you to Rick Osterwalter, Dan Pelton, and Jerry Swander for bringing the guests.

For the month of September, we had members assist with the Steps walk in Fostoria and the Fact bicycle ride. We also Sent cookies overseas to a local soldier in the military.

For the month of October, we will be attempting a safe hybrid version of Trick-or-Treat in the Bascom community. We are working with the local school to come up with a safe plan. Hopefully it works out and the kids have a safe and enjoyable time. We also will be picking up trash along County road 7.

Bloomville Lions

Bloomville Lions Thankful for Support with Ox Roast

The Bloomville Lions Club would like to extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who supported us as we set a historical milestone earlier this month. We held our 55th Annual Ox Roast on September 13, 2020. For the first time, we converted to drive-through only, adding an additional serving line to accommodate additional vehicle traffic. People from near and far turned out in droves to pick up our juicy and tender beef sandwich meals. Thanks to this awesome show of support, we sold out just 90 minutes after the first vehicle came through the line. This marks the first Ox Roast sellout in our 55-year history.

In that 90 minutes, we are proud to report that over 1,200 pounds of meat, 80 dozen buns, and a combined 25 gallons of macaroni and potato

salad were served. If you were one of the ones who came to the line but drove away with an empty stomach, we are sorry to hear that. Thank you to everyone who supported us and everyone who had intentions to support us that day. Along with the Lions International mission of promoting and protecting eyesight, diabetes, and pediatric cancer research, thanks to successful fundraisers like this, we are able to support important local causes like the junior fair livestock sales at the Attica and Seneca County Fairs, the **Bloomville Community Center** and Community Park. as well as programming at Bliss Memorial Public Library. We are also able to support our local individuals and families in need. Thank you once again for your support and we look forward to seeing you at our next event!

Butler Lions

The Butler Lions resumed in person meetings on September 8. We had many exciting things happen at our first meeting! PDG Carolyn Brook was present at the meeting to award Butler Lion Past President Gary Mathes with the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. The Butler Lions are excited to bestow this highest honor on Lion Garv for all he has done for our club in the past, and all he continues to do to help quide our club into the future. At this first meeting, we also approved two donations, in conjunction with the Bellville Lions Club, to help veterans through the Love Our Hero's Organization. We purchased a bed for a veteran in need, as well as a flag pole that will be installed outside of the Love Our Hero's Building, located in Bellville. The flag for

the pole is being donated by the Elyria Lions Club.

At the Zone meeting on September 14, there were several Butler Lions who were awarded sponsorship pins, Lion Robert Snyder, Lion Gary Mathes, and Lion Natasha Waltz. Both Lion Robert and Lion Gary were given multiple pins and Lion Robert received the #2 Lion Catcher Pin!

We discussed a service project that all thought would be great. Refinishing the picnic tables in the pavilion.



PDG Carolyn Brook Presenting Lion Gary Mathes a Melvin Jones award from the club. At the first meeting of this year at Hitchman park.

Fremont Lions

Fremont Lions News It's been a long road for us with this pandemic, but we are plodding on and continue to make headway. Our members have been busy doing good work these past months. With all the shutdowns and community members stuck in their homes along with the Nursing Homes not allowing visitors we decided to step up and help out.

When we voted to take \$1000 out of our funds to help area food pantry's we received such wonderful responses from members. Many decided to

give extra dollars which enabled us to add the Liberty Center for Homeless Families to our list of donations. Due to the members generosity we were also able to buy an outdoor grill for the Community Fortress Homeless Shelter. When all done we had contributed to Fremont Food Pantry, Pontifex, Liberty Center, Share and Care and Community Fortress. Members Susie McGilton and Jeff Osborne volunteered to handle getting the grill at Ace Hardware. We added a propane tank and cover and Ace delivered and set the whole thing up or us.

This past month we set up an account, Alpha Project, at the Dog Kennel for veterans who want a dog for companionship. Spaying, shots and license will be covered by us. In November we are also sponsoring a Wall of Positivity in downtown Fremont. A chain link fence section has been erected on Front St. where people can write positive messages and affirmations on colorful plastic tags to attach to the fence.

We are currently working on a fantastic project for Service Week which we will share in the next newsletter.

Our club, as many others, has an aging membership and it is an ongoing worry about meeting in person. We have a wonderful member, Michelle Russell, who is able to host our Zoom meetings for us and so far, we are moving along very well. And, as most clubs, we have lost fundraisers this year, but we have some enterprising members who are coming up with some good ideas that do not require any face to face projects.

Fostoria Lions

PDG Pete DiCesare and Lion Floyd Lawless present hand wipes, kleenex, and sandwich bags to Fostoria City Schools for a safe return to school. The Club donated \$225 and Krogers provided the products at cost.



Hayesville Lions

The Hayesville Lions Club met at the JVS pavillion for pizza on September 17. Mike Kelly and Willie Daniels taught us and showed us how model planes fly. Willie makes his planes and the range of flight varies on the battery power.

It took Willie three years to build a large plane. Mike has a camera on his plane and he made many planes. His are electric planes and have a small computer on them. He makes them out of balsa wood or foam board.

Kenny Schuck handed out officer training certificates to those who attended it through zoom.

Our Hayesville Lions Club gave money to the Park District in memory of our "Dancin' Darlin' " Davy McClure.

October 1 is the board meeting at Lion Marc Morgan's home. October 15 is the dinner meeting at Hayesville United Methodist Church with Vice District Governor Kevin Reidy in attendance. Our sausage sale is now and you can order from any member or call 419-908-337. Bulk is \$3.00 a lb. unseasoned with no pepper or salt \$3.00 a lb. and stuffed is \$3.50 a lb. It will be processed in November.

Loudonville Lions

Loudonville Lions hosted another successful Drive Thru Chicken BBQ on September 5th, selling out within 90 minutes! So we have decided to do one more before cold weather. This one will be on October 3rd and will include a food drive for our local food pantry, Helping Hand. This will meet our commitment to "Fall Into Service." Lions also held our annual Golf Scramble on September 20th and opened our regular fall meetings with a visit from DG Kerry Parker who also installed this year's officers. Perrysville Lions have invited us to join them at Weltmer Park on September 30th to share information on each club's activities and events so that we can continue to support each other's efforts. The Club also decided to try doing our monthly fish fry as a drive thru carryout event.

Lucas Lions

The week of September 14 was a busy one for Lucas Lions. Monday we gathered with our Zone 6 membership hosted by Ontario at their beautiful Clever Park. We received some new bling for our club and a variety of certificates for our hard working members

Thursday of that same week we welcomed DG Kerry to our regular meeting. The work of that evening centered around goal setting to help us become a more productive group. In response to ZL Andy Brooks request for each club to add one new service project, we have collaborated with Thrivent Financial to provide noon lunches for the homeless in Mansfield on two different dates in October. Thrivent is providing the monetary piece and Lions will do the labor. The other October function is a tradition service to our community providing the parade, costume contest and refreshment for Trick or Treat. The village's new sidewalks give an opportunity to have a change in the parade route and a safer place for our "Ghosts and Goblins."

Marblehead Peninsula Lions

Following District Governor Kerry Parker's request to support childhood cancer, our club made a financial contribution to the cause. "As you know, a child is diagnosed with cancer every two minutes and tragically the average age at diagnosis is only six years of age," said Marblehead Peninsula Club President Tod Kelly. "We want to do our part and help children affected by cancer to survive and thrive." In addition, our club continues to support residents and organizations in our community with recent gifts to Danbury Local Schools and the Marblehead Lighthouse Historical Society. Our club is also finalizing plans for the Service Week project. We serve!



North Ridgeville Lions

Ready for some BINGO? Virtual Bingo that is!

Join the Lions Club of North Ridgeville for our very first virtual fundraising event on Friday, October 9th at 7pm est on Zoom from the comfort of your own home.

Here are the details: Follow the link in the flyer to the registration page. Scroll down to the Bingo event. Purchase the \$25 entry fee and any add ons you want to include.

You have the option of making 100% of your purchase benefit our mission by adding on the nominal processing fee. Review your cart and check out.

Once your registration is processed, you will receive an email confirmation.

The week of October 4th you will receive your Bingo Cards, any add ons you purchased, as well as instructions via email. Share the fun with friends and family by sending them this information.

We look forward to seeing you on ZOOM for Virtual Bingo on October 9, 2020 at 7pm (est).

Old Fort Lions

At out September 1 meeting Superintendent and Lion Laura Bryant introduced us to the new teachers. Brittany Faist – Assistant Elementary Principal and District Special Ed Director Jody Hanes – Third Grade Teacher Jason Miller – Assistant Principal HS and Athletic Director James Rader – HS Math Teacher Dream Vacation Raffle Tickets in support of PM Gillmor Community Park

The Old Fort Lions Club's ticket was drawn for the trip but since all 62 of us couldn't go we will receive the second place prize of \$750.

Old Fort Lions Club 6th Annual Gun Raffle November 14

Derek Hunker has packets of tickets to sell for the gun raffle. Please see him for your packet. The tickets are \$10 each. We want to sell at least 900. Early bird tickets bought before Nov. 1st will be entered in a drawing for \$100. For every 90 tickets sold over 900 a gun will be added.

The date is Saturday November 16th at the Green Springs VFW. Doors open at 6. Hog Roast from 6:30 to 8 pm. Raffle starts at 7 pm. 18 and over only. For more information call **Derek** at 491-618-6899.

If we can't meet in person we will conduct the raffle online like they did for the Old Fort Reverse Raffle. 1st – Ruger 350 Legend,

- 2^{nd} Del-Ton AR-15, 3^{rd} – Henry Golden 22LR, 4^{th} – Glock 17, 5^{th} – S&W 642 38 Special. 6^{th} – Ruger 450 Bushmaster, 7^{th} – Winchester 12ga, 8^{th} – S&W SD9, 9^{th} – Henry 45/70,
- **10th –** Glock 43

Perrysville Lions

Perrysville Lions hosted Zone 7 chair Craig Wiley at their September 13th meeting. Craig spoke of the Explores program through the Zones Fire Departments where the youth are trained to be firefighters. Craig would like to see this as a zone project.

We are planning a 70th Charter night celebration in May of 2021.

The club will be cleaning the Community Center and picking up trash along the walking trail in town the week of October 4th.

Next meeting will be October 11th before the Swiss Steak Luncheon served from 11-1 CARRY OUT ONLY!



This is the Perrysville Lions and Zone Chair before starting our Steps walk. Craig, Joe, Susan, Bernard, George, Carolyn, Julianne Traci, And Photographer Dana We were missing 2 members Mike who is on naval training and Casey who is in college.

Plymouth Lions

Plymouth Lions were guests of the Ashland Evening Lions on Aug. 30th at Brookside Park. It was an enjoyable evening visiting with our sponsoring club. We had a bloodmobile in September and are now gearing up for our annual Sweetest Day Rose sale on October 16 & 17.

Savannah Lions

Savannah Lions will be hosting their first Pancake Breakfast of this club year! The breakfast will be a Carry Out Only event. Serving three menu choices begins **Saturday**, **October 3**, **2020 beginning at 6:30 am until 11:00** am OR until all menu items have been sold out!

Customers will be asked to follow mask requirements and social distancing at the Savannah Town Hall while paying for and obtaining your meal selections. The event proceeds will benefit the Savannah Town Hall for facility upgrades of lighting, entry doors and internet capability. Savannah Lions look forward to providing the following menu choices for patrons to purchase:

Pancakes with syrup, Sausage Links and Applesauce;

Sausage Biscuits & Gravy, Sausage Links and Applesauce; or French Toast, Sausage Links and Applesauce.

The cost per meal is by donation.

The Savannah Lions express thanks to the Ashland County Health Department for their review and consent of the Savannah Lions Carry Out pancake breakfast procedures, which will be in place for this and future breakfasts until such time that the pandemic has ended.

Savannah Lions will be partnering with the Village of Savannah in the upcoming "Fall into Service" week beginning October 4 through October 10. Savannah Lions will hold a kickoff ceremony in the early afternoon of Sunday, October 4 to share the plans for cleaning, painting and "sprucing up" Academy Park in the center of the village (across from Post Office and Cattleman's Restaurant). Mayor Tom Kruse and the Village Council are excited to have the Lions Club visible and working to improve one of the village parks for the betterment of all in Savannah.

With fall comes is the approaching Village Trick or Treat night; Savannah Lions have typically provided "treats' ' for the youngsters during the Village's designated Halloween event. The club will once again be preparing Fruit bundles for the community elders and infirm. This tradition started in 1947, originated in the Village and surrounding area by Charter member and local arocer W.E. Henry, Although a local grocery no longer is located in Savannah, the tradition of serving others in this manner continues.

Savannah Lions wish all fellow Lions continued health and happiness as the season shifts from hot and humid to cool and colorful.

Tiffin Lions

President Steve Cochie opened the September 21 meeting with 21 Tiffin Lions and guest 2nd Vice District Governor Cindy Beat. She

encouraged all to register for USA Canada Lions Virtual Leadership Experience: Racing Into the Future with Kindness and Diversity, an opportunity to learn from Lions Clubs International Leaders in the safety and convenience of home.

Beat also reminded us of the opportunity to donate to Seneca County Project Lifesaver when placing an Amazon order. When shopping tap into 'Settings', tap 'Amazon Smile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the activation. Seneca County Project Lifesaver is a county wide project supported by Attica, Bascom, Bloomville, Fostoria, Old Fort, Republic, and Tiffin Lions. "We Serve the World" is a YouTube music video Beat recommended for a six-minute listening experience. She said we may recognize some people we know in the video.

President Steve installed Abegezz Mongistu as a new member. Lion Abegezz uses one of our low vision readers. He has a degree from Heidelberg and a master's degree from Kent State. He was a researcher until diabetes caused vision problems.

The October 10 Farmers Market marks the end of Lions "Fall into Service" week and Tiffin Lions have something sweet planned for the event. Jack Houck won the 50/50 drawing and Larry Baxa won the Membership Drawing.

District Governor Kerry Parker will be a guest at our next meeting October 12 at 7:00 p.m. Wear red!

Lions that have passed this month

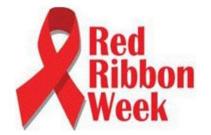
Lion Dave McClure, age 46 years, member of Mifflin Lions Club, He definitely will be missed dancing with the Hayesville Follies Dancing Dollies!

Upcoming District Activities

Red Ribbon Week

Greetings, fellow Lions and LEOs. You may be aware that LCI has adopted the mission of Awareness, Prevention and Recovery of drug abuse and addiction. In conjunction with that, the DEA has partnered with us and has invited us to be an integral part the Red Ribbon Week, which runs October 23-31, 2020. This year, we want to expand our involvement with this program to all District 13 OH2 clubs, and arming our communities, schools, law enforcement and other entities with information, as well as support into this timely and important matter. Drug overdoses, both accidentally and intentionally, are growing throughout the United States, so let's begin at home by drawing attention to the fact that we, the Lions, are here to support the DEA and local mental health/recovery centers in any way possible. The members of K.O.P.E (Knights of Prevention Education) who are in our district are at the helm of this project, and will supply all local

clubs with information packets for your contact person for the flyers, decorations and whatever other items you'd like to order (see attached order form). Lion Kathy Pickens form the Sandusky Lions Club is our local Liaison. Her email address is <u>buckeyesfan2016@gmail.com</u>.



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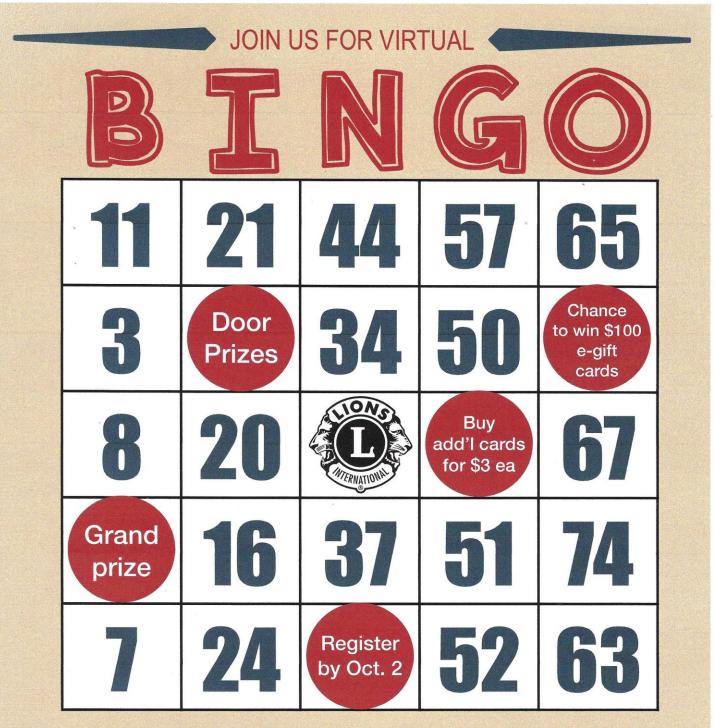
Calling all Lions, If you got talent WE NEED YOU!

We are having a talent show at the Winter Retreat on January 16, 2021. You can register at the retreat or contact Lion Debbie Horn @ country_girl740@yahoo.com



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Presented by the Lions Club of North Ridgeville

Friday, October 9, 2020 @ 7PM EST (on Zoom)

\$25 entry fee for 10 Bingo boards (1 for each game) and
1 Door Prize ticket. Visit our *Facebook page* or *website* for more information and to register.

Ontario Chions Lions Pancake Day

Saturday, October 15, 2016 6:30 am - Noon At Ontario High School Tickets: \$5.00 each

Kids 6 & under eat FREE

Door prizes donated by local businesses Winner need not to be present to win.

~ FOR ADVANCE TICKETS~ Contact an Ontario Lions Club Member