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District Governor Kevin Reidy

Happy 2022 Lions of District 13 OH2:

Let's Get Social into the New Year! Although you may have thought I was referring to a live stream of the next OH2 Cabinet meeting (that is not planned, just a feeble attempt by the DG of New Year's humor), I invite you all to sign up for the February 20 OH2 Bowling outing.

Lorain Lions, celebrating 100 years of serving in 2022, are hosting this traditional winter event at Rebman's Recreation in Lorain. Teams of four will play three games of 9 pin no tap. I encourage Lions from throughout the District to join in on the fun and fellowship that distinguishes Lions from other service organizations. I look forward to seeing you there on February 20!

As you read late last month, OH2 is seeking <u>disaster relief donations</u> for victims of the devastating December 10-11 tornadoes in Kentucky. Clubs and/or individual Lions have until **January 31**, to donate through three methods: 1) write checks made payable to Ohio Lions, Inc. for direct assistance from Ohio Lions, Inc. to the Mayfield (KY) Lions Club Foundation. 2) write checks made payable to LCIF, with memo Midwest Disaster Relief; funds will be allocated among the 8 states impacted by the storms. 3) the OH2 website has a link for direct payment; follow the directions provided.

OH2 remembers all too well when others came to the needs of Ohioans impacted by tornadoes in Shelby and Ashland, as well as storms in other parts of the state. Clubs are reminded to report their contributions to disaster relief on MyLion to credit your club and its members for this important service to mankind.

In this issue of the OH2 Newsletter, you will find District OH2 Convention materials for the April 1-3, 2022 celebration of Lions efforts locally. The call for convention, official call for elections, club delegate certification and convention registration documents are included. Also available is club and individual Lions or business partners' opportunity to place advertisement(s) into this year's Convention program.

If you have never attended a District Convention or are continuing your personal streak of consecutive conventions attended, I encourage you to register as soon as possible. This will be the first full weekend convention since 2019 for our district

<u>Club Secretaries will be mailed</u> convention documents on Jan. 1.

We are pleased to extend a Buckeye welcome to Stillwater, Oklahoma resident and Lions International Director Michael Banks and his partner in service, Lion Anne Matoy-Banks joining us for the weekend. Kicking off the Convention on Friday, April 1 (no foolin') is Youngstown State University President and former YSU and Ohio State head football coach Jim Tressel, who will share his journey on motivation and servant leadership.

Lions learning sessions, awards acknowledging individual and club performance in membership growth, leadership impact and service engagement communities will with be shared. Elections for the 2022-2023 Lions officer team will be voted upon, as well as two Ohio Lions representative positions. A live band, Tom's Kitchen Table, will provide Saturday night entertainment following the OH2 Grand Banquet. Lions eternal will be recognized in a morning necrology Sunday service. Should your club have lost a fellow Lion. vour presence will honor their memory both locally and as a District family.

Cabinet members will be asked to join the Governor for a recognition luncheon immediately following this year's convention. I look forward to the April 1-3 celebration of Lions within and beyond District 13 OH2. Keep Roaring OH2 Lions!!! Let's catch some more Lions before Lions year end in June!

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Governors Visitation Schedule

January Schedule

January 3 Bu	tler Lioness Lions			
January 5 Jei	romesville			
January 6 Amherst				
January 11 Bucyrus				
January 14 – 16				
Ohio Lions Winter Retreat				
Maumee Bay State Park				
January 18 l	orain Harbor			
January 20 l	Lucas			
January 25 l	oudonville			



Happy New Year Lions!

Hope all is well with your clubs. That nasty bug just won't go away!! Don't forget that the District has a Zoom account if you need that to meet. You can also use email to vote on any urgent issues. Just use a "reply all" so that you can get all responses. The registrations should be out soon for our District Convention (April 1-3) and the Women's Workshop (May 14). Let's have a good turnout for both!

I will soon be starting to work on the Necrology for our convention. PLEASE get these into me, I'd rather have 2 for the same person than none. If you sent email, I replied that I received it, so please check your sent box. My email is <u>lioncindy.beat@outlook.com</u>

Continue to "just ask" for a new member. If you have someone in another district or state, write a letter to the secretary of that club asking them to invite that person to a meeting and for someone in that club to be their sponsor to look after them. I saw that on a Facebook page. and it resulted in that person joining and becoming Lion of the Year the next year. You never know what will happen!! If I missed your club visitation, please call or email me to reschedule. I think I have been to all in the southern part of the district now, but I could have overlooked you. Stay safe!

VDG Cindy

1st VDG Visitation Schedule

January Schedule

January 1 Happy New Year,			
Good Luck Buckeyes!!			
January 4 Bloomville			
Lions Board meeting			
January 6 Madison Township			
Lions			
January 7-9 Fair Manager			
Convention-Columbus			
January 11 Bloomville Lions			
January 13 Mansfield United			
January 14-16 Winter Retreat,			
Maumee Bay State Park			
January 19 Seneca County			
Project Lifesaver			
January 25 Bucyrus Lions			

January 27 Elmore Lions January 30 GAT Zoom Meeting

2nd VDG Tim

Happy New Year!!!! The Lions year is half way over already! My prayers go out to those that are struggling with illness and loss as the last year has been tough for many. Lions everywhere have joined together to help those that have experienced loss during the tornado in Kentucky.

For those clubs that I had to postpone or cancel my visits for due to illness, I will be talking with you during the February round of Zone meetings to see how things are going and if need be, visit. Thank you all for the understanding and patience you have shown me these last several months. I am blessed to be part of a district with so many great Lions!

I am excited for the great things coming down the road

and things that DG Kevin is doing for our district! Have a blessed New Year! 2VDG Tim

2VDG Visitation Schedule

January Schedule

No Visits Scheduled.





Good morning Lion Leaders of District 13 OH2,

Following the devastation of last Saturday's five state tornado outbreak, Lions of Ohio have committed to providing financial assistance through Lions in District 43K. The need for assistance is immediate and the loss of life and property damage is extensive.

As we in OH2 know all too well, tornadoes are indiscriminate in their path of destruction. Tornadoes in Shelby, Ashland and the Dayton area in the past few years are evidence of our needs being met by Lions.

As these were in state natural disasters, the Ohio Lions Foundation was able to provide direct assistance, along with LCIF, in those communities. As an out of state event has occurred, Ohio Lions Foundations are not able to be the fiscal agent for resource support. It is my understanding the District 43K is directly working with LCIF in Oak Brook to secure LCIF disaster relief funds.

District Governors have concurred to shift the MD13 service project based upon this recent, emergent and immediate need to serve others. Now is the time to show our Lions OH2 Pride by *individuals* or *clubs* donating to Kentucky disaster relief.

I would ask you to <u>consider a donation</u> with the check being made out to **Ohio Lions, Inc.** In the memo, you are asked to write: **KY Disaster Relief.** Send to: Ohio Lions, Inc. 4074 Hoover Road, Grove City, OH 43123. You may also donate electronically via the Ohio Lions website at: www.ohiolions.org

All donations (100% of money) collected by our Lions will be forwarded to the Mayfield (KY) Lions Club Foundation. Knowing that many clubs are currently pausing from activities due to Christmas and New Year holidays, donations will be accepted from today through January 31, 2022.

Thank you for your "Service from the Heart" Lions of OH2!

Kevin Reidy, Governor MD13 OH2





District backs tornado cleanup trip

After work on December 17, I loaded the last minute things into my Prius and headed to Kentucky to deliver a carload of supplies and love to people affected by the recent tornados. My car was loaded down with shelf stable food, hats, gloves and scarfs, animal food, sanitizer, water, kitty litter, tarps, work gloves, dental hygiene items and so much more. Many of these items were donated by Lions from the district especially Lion Donna Schroeder from the Bellville Lions Club and Lion Amy Davies. Lion Donna gathered items from Elzy Milling & Trade and Stoodt's market in Bellville to send along on my journey. Lion Amy brought food and water to our church to help stuff my car.

I spent the night about an hour outside of the disaster area sleeping in my car to save on expenses. On Saturday I traveled to Dawson Springs, Eddyville and Mayfield to help distribute the donations and help in any way I could.

I have never seen such widespread and absolute destruction in person like I did during my trip. I also saw amazing hope and a combined effort of area people, groups from all over the country and even the local military.

By late Saturday, I had done what I could and started to head for home. On the more than 7 hour drive, I stopped in Bowling Green, KY to make sure they were well on their way to cleanup also. I was very encouraged from everything I saw on my trip.





District Committee's Information

INTERNATIONAL LIONS PEACE POSTER

It is all over but the shouting and congratulations to our OH 2 District winner from the Savanah Lions Club—Kyla Belcher. She and parents will be invited to the OH 2 District Convention to be recognized. The theme this year was "WE ARE ALL CONECTED" and students from 11 to 13 years of age put there own thoughts into this theme. Pretty astonishing that kids from all over the world were participating in this same project. Only had 7 clubs participated and need to figure out a better approach to get into the schools, home schoolers, youth groups to get more participation. Those Clubs that did participate this year were—Amherst (Olivia Potts), Bellevue (Emerson Snyder), Colonel Crawford (Hayden Finney0. Hayesville (Jillian Cowger). Madison Township (Aubrey Ohl), Milan (Addison Chambers), Savanah (Kyla Belcher). And late entry Lucas Lions (Truvy Conn).

The posters will be displayed at the convention. New theme comes out middle of January 2022 so you could actually order two kits and finish the 2^{nd} .semester this year and 1^{st} . Semester in fall. Deadline to new Gov. is still Nov. 15^{th} . Lets go!!

OH 2 Peace Poster Chair Jim Pickering c-419 217 8435 jimdottiep@live.com

Zone Chairs Corner

Zone 5

Mansfield & Bellville clubs brighten holidays for local foster kids

The Mansfield United Lions and the Bellville Lions have teamed up to ensure every foster kid in Richland County has a holiday gift bag and knows they're loved. On December 15, members of both clubs meet up at the Burton Park Cabin in Mansfield along with local Boy Scout members to pack nearly 100 bags for kids within the Richland County foster care system. The bags and contents were purchased with funds from both clubs and included items such as hats, gloves, crafts, toys and candy. The bags will be delivered to Richland County Children's Services and distributed to the kids from there.



Club News Past, Present and to come

Ashland Evening Lions

We heard a presentation about "Power of the Pen" at the meeting on December 2. This is an Ohio 7th and 8th grade program encouraging creative writing through school clubs, area competitions and a state contest. Currentlyinvolves 270 schools. 3000 students, and fifteen thousand pieces of writing. ZC Craig Wiley and Asst. ZC Gene Kopp shared information about Lions activities. There is a Zone 7 Advisory meeting in February in Rowsburg. Ashland Evening will host the OH-2 Cabinet meeting on Feb

OH-2 Cabinet meeting on Feb 21. We raised \$1747 ringing bells for Salvation Army and held a successful poinsettia sale. Through the Salvation Army, we helped a family for Christmas. Submitted by Lion Ann Miller

Ashland Noon Lions

The Ashland Noon club met 3 times in December then took the last 2 weeks off for the holidays. The Dec. 9th meeting was our most popular, featuring AHS Sing and Swing performing a portion of their Christmas program for the club. Nearly 40 members and guests attended, our best turn out of the year. We also heard from Rebecca Jentes about the work of Safe Haven Domestic Violence Center which gave us all pause to reflect on the needs of many and the amazing people serving our community to help them. For our part this month the club supplied bell ringers for 2 days supporting the Salvation Army Christmas collections. As we break now for time with family and friends, we wish all Lions a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Attica Lions

The Attica Lions purchased 6 poinsettias and distributed them to neighboring Assisted Living homes along with a Holiday card We donated \$2000 total to the following: **Camp Echoing Hills LCIF** Lions Pilot Dogs Ohio Lions Eye Research **Ohio Lions Foundation** Sight and Hearing **Diabetes Awareness** Lions International Understanding District 13 B Hearing and Speech We also donated to the Attica Community Fund- a local fund used to help families in need.

We are currently working on a New Year's Day Bowl Game pool

Avon Lions Club

The Avon Lions Club has been busy this holiday season. We

completed our Thanksgiving food basket project helping 24 families s with boxes of food and a turkey. We are now on to our Christmas food baskets helping 22 families enjoy food and a ham for the Christmas season. The club took our turn at the annual Salvation Army/CRS ringing the bell for donations at a local store in Avon. A donation of \$3,000 was given to the city for help in fitting out the newly dedicated city park. Enclosed are two pictures, donation to the city ribbon cutting and the kettle bell ringing. Respectfully submitted Craig Witherspoon President Avon Lions Club





Amherst LEO Club

The Amherst Leo Club recently donated a park bench to the new Amherst Patriots Park, a memorial to honor veterans and first responders. This is the third bench the Leo Club has raised for the community through their Bags to Benches project, with the first two benches going to Amherst High School and Amherst City Hall. The benches are earned through a recycling program sponsored by the Trex Corporation, the maker of outdoor composite building materials. Trex donates a bench to the club for every 500 pounds of used plastic shopping bags and plastic packaging film collected within a six month period. The Leos are currently working to earn their fourth bench, although are not sure yet who their next recipient will be.

Meanwhile, Leo Club members volunteered to ring the Red Kettle Campaign bells for the Amherst Chapter of the Salvation Army over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend raising some \$1800, beating last year's record weekend take by almost \$300. Continuing in the holiday spirit, Leos made decorated chocolate covered pretzel rods that they handed out to children attending the Amherst community Christmas festival. In their regular ongoing projects, Leos monthly sort and pack food items at the Second Harvest food bank and serve food at a community kitchen, and weekly deliver bagged weekend meals for Amherst students in need.





Bascom Lions

The Bascom Lions Had a good Christmas part with 37 members and spouses attending. Food was catered by Rock Run Bulk Foods. There was a gift exchange and entertainment was provided by the Hopewell Loudon Traveling Ensemble. Business for the month included donations to the New Riegel American Legion to help pay for Hopewell Loudon Students to attend Buckeye Boys State.

Bellevue Lions

This past December 6th the Bellevue Lions held their famous Pizza & Ice Cream Sundae Party honoring the winners of the Lions **International Peace Poster** (Bellevue Chapter) contest. Meeting at Seybert Methodist Church we recognized our Bellevue Middle School winner Emerson Snyder, 2nd place Amelia Whitt and 3rd place Emma Lyon. Parents of these winners were also on hand and, as a special treat, we had a guest speaker give a presentation on raising geckos. You may access this uniquely different business at www.Leleopardgeckos.com



Peace Poster Winners: 2nd Place Amelia Whitt (L), 1st Place Emerson Snyder (M), 3rd Place Emma Lyon (R)



Leopard Gekko

Bellville Lions

The Bellville Lions Club sponsored a family of three for Thanksgiving. They also sponsored the same family for Christmas. She has two children ages 5 and 8. The Club partnered with Mansfield Untied Lions club to purchase gifts for 91 foster children in Richland County. Members from the club helped package the items in bags. The Club donated money to New Hope Industry, which serves MRRD clients in Richland County. The Clear Fork area has round 45 citizens that are clients of New Hope. The funds as to be used for Christmas.

Lion Donna Schroeder went to Stoodts Market and to Elzy Milling and Trade for items that the people in Kentucky could use. She really understands what serving is all about. Lion Donna Schroeder ad PDG Carolyn help with the Lions Richland County Lifesaver 5K/10K run on December 11. The Club had their Christmas Party on December 16. They were entertained by a group called "Granny Creek Boys and Girls". They were a lot of fun. BELLVILLE LIONS WISHES EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!





Bucyrus Lions Club

The Bucyrus Lions Club opened a "Time Capsule" of items saved by Bill Gifford from the '70's through the '90's. It brought back many interesting memories to club members from highway cleanup to parades. Bill had served as club president and zone chairman and was active in all the club activities from that time.

This month the club donated gloves, hats and scarves to the Salvation Army to give to those in need. The members also

agreed to give a donation for Kentucky tornado relief. We sponsored the Council on Aging Holiday Party on Dec. 21^{st} for 40 attendees. We received credit for this in their newsletter and on "Crawford County Now," the local e-news site. As a club we bought gift cards for 2 people on the "Angel Tree" at the Council on Aging. Some of the members also picked up gift request cards from the tree and fulfilled wishes for those people. There was one meeting in December where after attending to club business, we enjoyed playing "Family Feud" and answering holiday questions. The club is currently starting a membership drive.



Butler Lioness Branch Lions Club

Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and wishing you the best for the new year. We gathered on December 6, 2022 for our holiday meeting with a small gift exchange and members wearing their Christmas Hats (see photo); the ladies were very creative. We did get a little business done with sign ups for cookies that we provided for the Lifesaver 5/10K; helping Butler Lions with their December Pancake Breakfast. The ladies turned in

signed cards to go out with the Meals on Wheels program and Holiday Happiness families. We also gave \$200 to Childrens Lifeline (Haiti Mission). To date we have completed our 3 Local Service Projects and 3 International Service Projects. We have reached one of our club goals of implementing a new service project (Christmas Cards) and have a line on a new volunteer member for the Lioness Lions Club. Looking forward to the new year with another service project and fund raising opportunity. Cheers and bring on 2022!



Fostoria Lions

First picture, DG Kevin Reidy and new members Melinda Miller and Kim Rickle. DG Kevin and PDG Pete DiCesare installed these two members at the Lions Christmas party at the Fostoria Rail Preservation Society building in downtown Fostoria.

Second picture, the DiCesare's garage after delivery of over 160 poinsettias as part of the District poinsettias sale. These plants were for Old Fort Lions, Bloomville Lions, and Fostoria Lions. Fostoria Lions sold over 130 plants.

Other activities for the month was the drawing for the OSU Basket Raffle which was won by a Fremont man, members assisted with the Tiffin Lions popcorn ball making, donated \$200 for the purchase of hams for the Food pantry Christmas

Food baskets, donated two hams to the Sharing Kitchen for their Christmas dinner, and the purchase and donation of bags of popcorn balls to the Nursing

Homes and the Domestic Violence Shelter.



Hayesville Lions

The Hayesville Lions Club held their annual Christmas Party at Stone Lutheran Church December 7. Seven guests were included in the festivities. President Dick Dilgard treated all to a lovely meal that was served by the church.

Mike Kelly was honored for his birthday with everyone singing "Happy Birthday". Greg Hess honored Bill Harner with a special pin for the many years he served as secretary.

A white elephant exchange was enjoyed by all with much laughter and good will.

The business meeting will be January 6 at Darlene and Kenny Schuck's. The dinner meeting will be January 20 at Hayesville United Methodist Church.

Loudonville Lions Club

Loudonville Lions once again lit a star in the hills above the Village for Advent and completed the nativity display in Central Park. On December 4th, Loudonville Lions held their Children's Christmas Carnival after the Village Christmas Parade, complete with games and prizes and pictures with Santa. The Club also held its annual Christmas party on December 14, with members bringing guests and dinner provided by Stake's IGA. We also collected food for Helping Hand and held a silent auction. The Club donated use of the building to the local Head Start program for their family Christmas Party. The Club also donated \$250 worth of goods to a local

disaster relief effort by H & H Construction for Kentucky Tornado victims and also voted to donate an additional \$250 to Lions Disaster Relief efforts. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!





LaGrange Lions

The LaGrange Lions had a very busy Nov. & Dec. We have been collecting non-perishables, monetary donations and toys since Nov.1 for our annual Holiday Cheer event. Since we collaborate on this event with the Keystone H.S. girls softball team, we give them all the toys we receive. The team then counts and separates the toys by age groups and set them up on tables so parents/grandparents can feel as if they are shopping for gifts for their children/grandchildren. For some kids this may actually be all they will get so the girls make sure there is plenty to go around. We are so blessed to have them working with us and taking charge of the toys. They even provide a free pancake breakfast for those registered to receive a food box &/or toys and they feed us too. The team and coaches are truly happy doing this work and it shows in their smiles and enthusiasm.

Our Holiday Cheer event was held on Dec. 19 at our Lions Park from 9 a.m.- 2 p.m.,

a cold and blustery day, especially for those working outside. We served 46 families, encompassing 145 individuals including 40 children. Thanks to the generosity of local businesses, many people outside our area and especially our own community members, we were able to provide large boxes of food items (approximately 80 lbs. worth) as well as oranges, apples, potatoes, bread, butter, onions, hams, toilet paper and other personal care items to each of these 46 families. We also held a free raffle for 4 bicycles, 2 girls and 2 boys. These are going to be 4 very happy kids. This is a huge undertaking that involves a lot of work but we love doing it for our fellow community members in need. Fighting hunger is no easy task but we love serving others and helping to make their lives a little better. We had 24 Lions members and 5 volunteers (3 of them are daughters of our two newest families) doing the job with lots of laughs, hot soup and sloppy joes to keep their spirits bright. This is a labor of love and on Dec. 18, 2022 we'll be at it again.

In January we'll be planning our next service project.

Lucas Lions

December was a busy month of fun and service for our club. Shortly after Thanksgiving the annual village Christmas tree lighting took place on the square. But before that event could happen it begins with the village workers choosing a magnificent tree from the local nursery, Hatery and Chatlain. The workers get the gigantic tree anchored in place, adorn it with appropriately sized ornaments which are wired in place to prevent wind loss. When the switch is flipped and the lights all sparkle, it is magical in our little corner of Winter.

Next on the Lions calendar it is time to treat ourselves with a fun Christmas party. The Cabin on Route 603 outdid themselves with great food and a lovely ambiance where the entire facility was ours. The highlight of the entertainment was the traditional Ugly Sweater competition. The Best of show was one of our younger members and his very cute wife. They stole the show,

But maybe the best project was the Lions contribution to the Christmas Community dinner. We donated paper products for service of the delicious turkey and ham dinner at the LCC or home delivered for those who preferred or needed to have the meal delivered. About 150 people enjoyed the festivities and fellowship of a great community outreach. What a nice event that happens on Christmas day for anyone in the area.

And from Lucas Lions Merry Christmas to All and to all a Blessed and Happy 2022.

Madison Twp Lions

Merry Christmas Lions We have had one busy month. We started our month with our Club Christmas party. This might have been our most attended event of year thus far. We had a delicious meal; all the while being serenaded with Holiday favorites by our local Madison High School Jazz Choir. A fine evening was had by all including several potential new members, which we believe made this evening even more special.

This was followed up with the annual Project Lifesavers 5k/10k Walk Run or Crawl. Believe it or not, we were close to having 90% of our Madison Twp Lions Club members in attendance. Of course, not to mention Support from our brother and sister lions from Mansfield, Lucas, Bellville, and The Butler Lioness Lions. The Weather Held out until the last participant crossed the finish line.

We are ending our month just as exciting as we started. Our club had the opportunity to Vote in 3 new members at our last meeting of the month. Hopefully we will be able to install them at our first meeting of the New Year. During that meeting we also were able to make a much-needed donation to LCIF disaster relief. Our club is very excited of the progress we have made as far as our upcoming Lions Club Awareness Dance with Phill Dirt and the Dozers being held at The Richland County Fairgrounds Fairhaven Hall on February 5th, 2022. We hope to see you there.

Marblehead Peninsula Lions

What a great 2021! Our club held the best ever Perch Festival and we look forward to the 30th annual in 2022!! Even with Covid, we held an Easter egg hunt, pancake breakfast benefit and virtual Christmas tree lighting. We greatly appreciated help from The Beacon and the Marblehead Peninsula Chamber

of Commerce to promote our efforts. Our club supported scholarships at Danbury Local Schools, worked the schools' concession stands and made financial donations to individuals in need in the community. We spent a day cleaning up peninsula parks and purchased grills for visitors and the community. Lastly, we installed several Little Libraries throughout the area that are registered nationally. Our club will hold a membership drive in early 2022. Hope you will consider joining us!

Savannah Lions

Fruit gift bags were delivered to our elderly and disabled neighbors as we spread some holiday cheer. We are gearing up for another pancake breakfast scheduled for Saturday, January 8th. We serve from 6:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. with your choice of pancakes and sausage links, homemade biscuits and sausage gravy or French toast and sausage links. The rest of our pancake breakfasts are scheduled as follows: February 5, March 5 and April 9. Cost is by donation, so stop by and visit a while and have some breakfast with us.

Tiffin Lions

In November, Tiffin Lions provided eye exams and glasses for two Tiffin residents. Eighty bookmarks were prepared for World Diabetes Day, November 14. Three Lions cleaned and decorated Lions Park on Market Street with Christmas lights. We thank the city for turning the lights on.

President Margaret and Secretary Connie attended the November 11, 2021, Zone 2 Advisory meeting hosted by Attica Lions. Margaret brought a donation of hats and mittens for the Zone 2 Winter Apparel Project of hats and mittens. Donations will be distributed through the assistance of the following agencies: Seneca County Salvation Army, Hancock County Coats for Christmas, Clyde Food Pantry, Sandusky County Care and Share, and Fostoria First Step. Lions Popcorn Balls Project 2021 started Monday and Thursday production on November 8 after a brief club meeting and concluded December 13. New procedures for cooling formed balls and wrap stations were experienced by 23 members and two guests present. The tenth night of production was cancelled as supplies and vendors reached our goal. District OH2 Lions clubs were strong help. Students and instructors from Sentinel. Columbian, and Calvert, Tiffin University Soft Ball team and community members also helped us through nine nights of production. A Board vote was taken to donate \$100.00 to TU Softball.



The Popcorn Balls Project has become a fundraiser as well as a special project to bring cheer and treats to local schools, nursing homes, food banks, fire and police projects, and children's Christmas parties. Lions Christmas party was December 10 at Knights of Columbus dining room. Four Tiffin Lions rang the bell for Salvation Army at Big Lots store on December 15.

Vermillion Lions

Our Christmas dinner and auction took place on Tuesday, December 7, at The Nest. Spouses were invited. Many attended and all had a great time. Music was provided by Lion George Harizal. Gifts which were brought by Lions members were auctioned off. The proceeds will be donated to a local organization. Dan Dean, our local Pantry chairman, collected \$107 from our members at our first meeting of the month.

Light up Vermilion took place downtown. We served 12 gallons of hot chocolate to many in our community.

We and our Leos helped with bingo at our local Mill Manor Nursing Home.

Our poinsettia sales went well. Our profit went back to the District. Gloria Hendricks was our chairman.

We and our Leos rang the bell for the Salvation Army at our Giant Eagle.

Checks were distributed to our local organizations. They were Lucy Idol, Operation Christmas Joy, Salvation Army, our local Pantry, and Vermilion High School Speech and Debate.

On Thursday, December 16, we and some high school students unloaded a Second Harvest truck with boxed food which was packed by some of us as well as some of our community members for Operation Christmas Joy. Then on Saturday, December 18, we as well as other community people distributed 6 bags of food plus some refrigerated food items and some gifts for each child of needy families in our community. There were 86 needy families who received these plentiful bags of groceries as well as the children's gifts in our community. They were all so thankful.

We wish all of you a Happy and Blessed New Year!

Lions that have past this month

Bellevue Lions received the sad news on the passing of Lion Don West, from Lion Ann West.

Funeral Arrangements by Auxter Funeral Home 1105 Castalia St. Bellevue, Ohio 44811 The visiting hours will be Wednesday December 29th at the funeral home from 3 PM to 7 PM. Lion Ann has asked that the gathering of all Lions try to come to the funeral home at 6;30 PM. Lion Don joined the Bellevue Lions Oct. 1, 1978 and served faithfully for 43 years. Lion Don was Zone 1 chair, Bellevue Pres. membership chair, director to name a few things. Hopefully the members and District leaders will pass the info to your clubs. Any questions you may call Lion Jim Pickering c-419 217 8435 jimdottiep@live.com

Raymond J. Kasper, 85, of Mansfield went to be with the Lord on December 27, 2021. He was a member of the Madison Township Lions Club for 25 years where h

He was a member of the Madison Township Lions Club for 25 years where he was past president and Zone 6 Chairperson. Ray received the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award and was treasurer of the Richland County Project Life Saver Driving Force for the Lions Club. He was instrumental in starting the Awareness Dance with Phil Dirt and the Dozers. He enjoyed wearing his green fedora. For full obituary see the Herlihy website <u>Www.herlihyfh.com</u>

District OH 2 Convention Information



13 OH2 DISTRICT CONVENTION April 1-3, 2022 Best Western Plus Hotel 15471 Royalton Rd, Strongsville, OH 44136



LIONS CLUBS 13 OH2 CALL TO CONVENTION

Lions and Leos,

District 13 OH2 will meet for its annual convention beginning on Friday, April 1 through Sunday, April 3, 2022 at the Best Western Plus Hotel in Strongsville. We will gather for the purpose of recognizing the efforts of our Lions, providing Lions learning sessions, discussing district business, holding our district elections, and remembering the Lions that have passed away.

Our international guest for the weekend will be International Director Michael Banks and his wife Lion Anne Matoy-Banks, from Stillwater, OK.

Friday evening will be kicked off by Youngstown State University President, James P. Tressel. His life experiences in coaching and education mesh well with Lions commitment to service for a higher purpose. Socal time will follow, along with a euchre tournament to sign up for those interested conventioneers. Dress is Lions casual.

Saturday will include an OH2 business meeting, along with learning sessions from the West Ohio Lions Eye Bank, Pilot Dogs, Inc., and a Convention service project will be held. An awards luncheon will recognize OH2 Lions Clubs and individuals for their accomplishments in the areas of leadership, membership and service. Council of Governors awards and LCI awards will also be presented. Dress is Lions Red Coat.

International Director Banks will keynote the OH2 Grand Banquet Saturday evening. Dress is Lions/business formal. Following the banquet, relax and enjoy the music selections of Tom's Kitchen Table from Ashland, OH.

Sunday will include remembering Lions Eternal at a morning Necrology service, followed by OH2 elections to formally conclude the Convention. Cabinet members will stay for a recognition luncheon to end the Convention.

We are asking each club to donate an item or a gift basket to put in the Roaring Lions chance auction. As was done last year, tickets will be purchased and placed into each item's spot again this year, for drawing on Saturday night. The items donated assist in convention registration costs and expenses. Thank you in advance for your participation in the OH2 Roaring Lions chance auction!

Thank-you in advance to all Lions that help sponsor this event with an item(s) or a program ad. It has been quite a year and we look forward to celebrating our wins, big and small, at this year's convention.

Governor Kevin Reidy kreidy1960@gmail.com Convention Chair Marj Pond <u>davepond@juno.com</u> Convention Advisor Brent Parker lionsoh2convention@gmail.com

OFFICIAL CALL

District Governor Kevin Reidy hereby issues the Official Call for the 2022 District 13 OH2 District Convention to be held at the Best Western Plus hotel, located at 15471 Royalton Road in Strongsville, Ohio.

The Convention will be held Friday, April 1, 2022 beginning at 7:00 pm and conclude on Sunday, April 3, 2022 at approximately 1:30 pm.

The purpose of the Convention is to elect a District Governor, First Vice District Governor and Second Vice District Governor for the Lions Year 2022-2023. Also to be elected for a three (3) year term beginning with Lions Year 2022-2023 are the positions of Ohio Lions Finance & Planning and Ohio Lions Foundation committee representatives.

A letter of interest from OH2 Lions for the above elected state representative positions is to be submitted to Lion Steve Willeke, Cabinet Secretary, on or before February 20, 2022.

This call is issued in accordance with Article VI, Section 2 of the International By-Laws, the Multiple District 13 Constitution & By-Laws and District 13 OH 2 Constitution & By-Laws.

Sincerely,

Kevin Reidy, District Governor Lions Clubs International District 13 OH2

PLEASE PRINT ** Special Needs Rooms are for easier accessibility to the convention area.. Please only request rooms as needed. Easily accessible rooms are for those who may need a room a little closer to the All room reservations should be made directly through Best Western Plus by calling (440) 238-8800. Room rates are \$95 per night plus tax of 17.5% with breakfast for two Amount persons per room included Saturday & Sunday. When reserving, please mention that you are with OH2 LIONS to obtain this special rate. You must be registered for the CLUB CONTACT INFORMATION Total Due **Room Special Needs Y or N Check if Attending Friday Night Program Contact Person: Club Name: Email: Phone: Special Dietary Needs 15471 Royalton Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44136 April 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 2022 **Best Western Plus** B. Penne Pasta Grand Banquet Meal Choice A or B FOR HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE ROOMS: Please notify hotel when you make a reservation. Chicken Club Wrap, Apple Pie Saturday Awards Luncheon Saturday Grand Banquet: A. Chicken Parmesan 1,2,3,4, or 5 Registration Choice MEALS Make checks payable to: Ohio Lions District OH-2 convention to receive this rate. Cut off is 03/14/22. 2 - Conventions Activities Only (NO Meals) - \$20 3685 Olivesburg Road Mansfield, OH 44903 5 - Child Registration (12 and under) - \$15/meal Name to appear on name tag. Send to: Convention Chair: Lion Marj Pond **PRINT or TYPE** 3 - Saturday Awards Luncheon - \$35 CONVENTION REGISTRATION (Please Specify which meal(s)) 4 - Saturday Grand Banquet - \$45 HOTEL RESERVATION 1 - Full Registration - \$70.

MULTIPLE DISTRICT OH-2 CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

****AFTER MARCH 1st - ADD A \$5 LATE FEE TO EACH REGISTRATION****

elevators.





District 13 OH2 Lions Convention April 1- 3, 2022

Dear Lions, Lions Clubs and Area Businesses,

Thank you for your service and your support of District 13 OH2! We hope that you will consider supporting it again by placing an ad in the convention booklet. The ad may give you, your club or your business the opportunity to share what you're doing, a chance to 'toot' your own horn, or to pass on good wishes or a thank you to the District Officers. You could also support a candidate running for any specific office. To make it easier for you, we will be happy to help you design your ad. A list of the ad sizes and prices are below.

Please complete the convention advertising form below and mail it with your check:

- 1. By: March 1, 2021
- To: Convention Co-Chair Lion Dave Pond 3685 Olivesburg Road Mansfield, OH 44903

Make checks payable to: Ohio Lions District 13OH-2 In Memo: Program AD

Any questions, or need assistance designing an ad, please feel free to contact Convention Co-Chair Lion Dave Pond at (419)571-0027 or at <u>davepond@juno.com</u>.

District 13OH-2 Lions Convention Booklet Advertising						
Business, Organization, or C	Club Name:					
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Phone Number:	Email:					
Ad Size: Full Page - \$100	Half Page - \$70	Business Card (approx ¼ page) - \$30				
Print Ready Ad: If Y	Ves, Please attach the ad or busine	ess card				

If No, Please list the information for the ad in the space below or attach an additional page if needed

COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BY MARCH 1, 2022

DISTRICT 13 OH 2 CONVENTION DELEGATE REGISTRATION - 2022

Dear Club President and or Secretary:

According to the Constitution & By-Laws of Ohio Lions Inc. and the International Association of Lions Clubs, the election of district officers shall be conducted by secret ballot. To ensure a secret ballot and that the casting of ballots is done only by authorized delegates, clubs and delegates must comply with the following rules:

1. Each Club is entitled to one (1) delegate for every ten (10) members or major fraction thereof, that have been enrolled in the Club for at least one year and a day as of February 1, 2022. It is the duty of each Club to send a full delegation to the District Convention.

2. All Past District Governors of 13-B / OH2 shall be considered Delegates-at-Large to this Convention, in addition to the delegate quota of your Club. Any delegate shall have but one vote on each question or issue that is submitted to this Convention.

3. The Club must be in good financial standing with Lions International and District 13 OH2. All dues must be current and merchandise paid for.

4. This form, listing delegates, MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND RETURNED to the CABINET SECRETARY, by the Club Secretary, on or before March 1st, 2022.

5. Each delegate must be a member in good standing with your Club and must pick up his or her authorization to receive a ballot for the business session from the Certification Desk, prior to **12pm** April 2, 2022. It will be necessary for the delegate to present his or her SIGNED and CURRENT Lions Membership Card.

LIST BELOW, by name, your Club's official delegates and alternates:

CLUB	Number of delegates
1	6
2	7
3	8
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5	10
PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS:	ALTERNATES:
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
Signed:	Secretary of Club Date:
Ca 15	Steve Willekeemail: stevewilleke@gmail.compinet Secretaryphone: 419-895-10050 McMillen Roadloh, OH 44878

Upcoming District Activities

All Lions Clubs that would like to have their activities promoted in the District Newsletter are welcome to do so. This will possible get more lions to them. Please send flyer 2 month before the activity so it can be seen before the activity.



We Serve

Savannah Lions Club

Pancake Breakfast SAVANNAH TOWN HALL

Saturday, January 8, 2022

SERVING FROM 6:30 A.M. UNTIL <u>11:00 A.M.</u> MENU: Pancakes, Sausage, Sausage Gravy & Biscuits, French Toast and Hot & Cold Beverages PRICE PER DONATION

Proceeds go to:

Lions Pediatric Cancer Fund

Accepting Used Eye Glasses to Recycle

Door Prizes donated by: MILLER/HAWKINS MARKET

Enter by printing your name and phone number on back of ticket-drawing will be held at 11:00 a.m.

Lorain Lions Club District OH-2 Bowling Tournament

Rebman's Recreation

DATE: FEB 20, 2022 TIME: 12:00PM 4 PERSON TEAMS 3 GAMES, 9 PIN NO- TAP EARLY BIRD SPECIAL ENTRIES PAID BEFORE JAN 20, 2021 ; \$15.00 PER PERSON

> \$17.00 PER PERSON AFTER; JAN 20, 2021 LAST DATE TO REGISTER; JAN 25, 2021 SHOE RENTAL COMPLIMENTARY

> > Mail Entries by **Jan 25, 2022** Checks to Lorain Lions Club C/O Lion Joe Ksenich 2708 Robinhood Drive, Lorain OH 44053 Cell: 440-829-7390 Email: joeksenich@yahoo.com

We kindly ask each team to donate a door prize.

50/50 raffle and prizes throughout the day

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Return by January 20, 2022

Lorain Lions Club c/o Lion Joe Ksenich 2708 Robinhood Drive Lorain, OH 44053 Cell: 440-829-7390

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