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#### "Team + Service = Success"

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New Year's Greetings Lions of OH2!

Now that the Holidays are over, we have work to do! Service Projects, Fundraisers, and finding new members to help at each of those. Our District is down 16 members as I write this. We need new members to take the message that WE SERVE to our communities. The more members your club has, the more you can help your community with new ideas to serve them. It will also give you more options for new leadership. It is almost time to do that – elect new officers – the leadership your club needs for taking you into the 2023-2024 year and beyond. It is important NOT to recycle your club officers. You should have a President, 3 vice presidents, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurers, Directors, Membership Chair, LCIF Coordinator, Marketing Chair and Service Chair. Assistants to the Secretary and Treasurer you say, what's that? Well, how many times have these officers been absent due to illness or out of town (for extended periods of time, think snowbirds)? These are two important offices that CANNOT be neglected. They are responsible for a lot of information to LCI, not to mention issuing checks for service projects. All officers should attend their class at Leadership School on *May 6* in Ashland at Trinity Lutheran Church. I know it is a long way for some clubs, but carpool, enjoy each other's company and maybe on the way home discuss all the new ideas you heard! Bounce those ideas off your club, maybe make a few tweaks to make it work for your club and community.

While I am talking about learning new things, please be sure to make it to our District Convention, March 17-18 at The Mid-Ohio Conference Center in Mansfield. All activities will take place there. There will be learning sessions on different subjects, some Lions related, some not. Did you notice that there are only 2 days. We have shortened it to 2 days (actually a little more than 1, Friday night and all-day Saturday) to help with YOUR expenses. More on the convention can be found further back in this newsletter. I am more than excited!!

Can't help but add this: GO BUCKEYES! vs. Georgia, and beyond!

DG Cindy

#### Governors

#### **Visitation Schedule**

#### THE GAME GO BUCKEYES!!

| January 10 | ) | Firelands       |
|------------|---|-----------------|
| January 11 | - | Bucyrus         |
| January 19 | ) | Amherst         |
| January 24 |   | Norwalk         |
| January 29 | ) | GAT Meeting via |
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February 12 Council of Governor meeting Zoom

#### SAVE THE DATE

March 17-19 Friday-Sunday District Convention – Mid-Ohio Conference Center, Mansfield



Happy New Year! I sincerely hope the coming year is only filled with good things for you and your families.

I was inducted as a Lion November 26, 2001 by a very wise man who most of you knew, PDG Ray Miller. We joke about how he liked to talk, in all that talking he did, I learned a lot. I learned protocol and what those PIDs, IPDs, CCs, MDSs, PDGs, and ZCs stood for. I learned that back in the day when you wore your Red Lion's blazer you wore white shirt and dark skirt or pants. He also taught me the proper way to wear your Lions pin and your name tag. It is proper to wear your pin on the left over your heart and your name tag on the right so it is seen when you shake hands.

Something else I learned that makes a lot of situations much easier is you never talk politics or religion, this is a free country.

I really don't want to talk religion but want to thank God for giving Lions big giving hearts making them good loving people.

You are all totally awesome Lions. I was amazed and overjoyed when I saw all of the wonderful service projects that were done in December, projects like: Food collections, Clothing drives, Toy drives, sending greeting cards to Nursing homes, Fruit baskets to widows and shut-ins, Adopt a Family to name a few.

Thank you OH2 Lions for carrying out the Mission Statement; "Volunteer to serve communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace." Thank you also for working so hard to make the lives of others so much better by continuing to donate to LCIF to help people all over the world.

You are truly living my Motto: Going In First To Serve!

1VDG Julianne

#### 1st VDG Visitation Schedule

| Jan. 5  | Savannah        |
|---------|-----------------|
| Jan. 12 | Ashland Noon    |
| Jan. 19 | Hayesville      |
| Jan. 24 | Bucyrus         |
| Jan. 26 | Mansfield       |
|         | United          |
| Feb. 2  | Ashland Evening |

#### **2nd VDG Patty**

January is often the time we tend to look back over the past year and ponder what have been our accomplishments. We also tend to look forward and ponder what will be our goals for the next year. In 2022, I visited 29 Lions Clubs. That is 29 evenings learning about service projects and fundraisers; getting to know the Lions in these Clubs and what causes are near and dear to their hearts; and 29 evenings of enjoying the hospitality of these clubs. We truly are one big family of Lions that does not have any borders. I have often heard that being a Zone Chairman is the most enjoyable position in Lions because of the fellowship you share with the clubs in your Zone. And while I did truly enjoy being a Zone Chairman and then a Region Chairman, the world of Lions opens up even more when you take that step to become a 2VDG. Being a 2VDG is my favorite position, so far. I have had the privilege of presenting Melvin Jones to well deserving Lions, and it humbles you to hear about the years of service these Lions have given and to be the person who hands this award to them. I have also had the honor of installing many new Lions, telling them about the history of Lions, and inspiring them to become great Lions and future leaders in their Clubs and District. Kudos to those Lions who asked or kept asking these folks to become Lions. As I meet these new Lions, especially the older Lions, I wonder, what took them so

long. But I think the answer is simply that no one asked or invited them to join their club. If you talk about Lions, wear your Lions Pin, wear that Lions shirt to places other than a meeting or project, people do notice. Ask people if they want to be a Lion. If no one asks them, they most likely will never just show up at a meeting.

I had an amazing moment recently with someone I work with. As we were driving to a meeting, he casually mentioned Pilot Dogs as we were driving by the building. I jumped right on that and said, "You know about Pilot Dogs?" I am a Lion. He said yes, I know you are. And He proceeded to share with me that Jay Gray is his uncle. Patrick grew up helping

with the pilot dogs, giving them baths, walking and playing with them. How awesome would that have been as a teenager. He is active in helping with Lions projects in the Columbus area, though not a Lion. Yet. Such a small world.

#### 2nd VDG Visitation Schedule

January is going to be the calm before the storm for my schedule.

| January 9     | Lindsey Lions     |
|---------------|-------------------|
| January 10    | Milan Edison      |
|               | Lions             |
| January 12    | <b>Avon Lions</b> |
| January 13-15 | Winter Retreat    |
| January 29    | GAT               |

February will begin the storm with on February 11 COG February 13 Cabinet Mtg. February 14 Zone 7 February 15 Zone 6 February 16 Zone 4 February 18 Zone 5 February 20 Zone 3 February 21 Zone 2

Zone 1

And then we are on to the District Convention. I hope to see you all there.

Yours in Lionism, 2VDG Patty Moorman

February 23

#### DISTRICT CONVENTION INFORMATION FOR THIS YEAR.

#### **2023 OH2 District Convention**

Governor Cindy is looking forward to seeing all OH2 Lions at the 2023 district convention. The OH2 District Convention will kick off Friday March 17th at 6p.m. With the Buckeyes Bash. At the Mid-Ohio Conference Center located at 890 W 4th St, Mansfield, OH 44903. An evening of socializing and entertainment. The guest speaker for the evening will be Larry Loki, most people recognize him as The Buckeye Man. Larry is a retired Agriculture Education teacher as well as being a major Ohio State University supporter and fan. Our International guest for the weekend will be PID Billy (B.J.) Blankenship and his wife Lion Carolyn, they are from Lafayette, Tennessee.







#### LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

District 13 OH 2 District Governor Cindy Beat

#### OFFICIAL CALL TO CONVENTION

District Governor Cindy Beat hereby issues the Official Call for the 2023 District 13 OH 2 Convention, to be held March 17-18, 2023 at the Mid-Ohio Conference Center, 890 West 4. Street, Mansfield, Ohio, for the purpose of recognizing the efforts of our Lions, providing Lions learning sessions, discussing district business, holding district elections, and remembering our Lions that have passed away. The Convention Business Meeting and Elections will be held Saturday, March 18, 2023 beginning at 9:00 AM. To be elected are District Governor, First Vice District Governor and Second Vice District Governor for the Lions Year 2023-2024; also to be elected for three (3) year terms beginning with Lions Year 2023-2024 are: State Sight & Hearing Committee Representative, State Pediatric Cancer Foundation Representative, Ohio Lions Building Committee Trustee, Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation Trustee.

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

Cindy Beat, District Governor, Lions Clubs International District 13 OH2 lioncindy.beat@outlook.com

#### 2023 District OH2 Convention Schedule

#### Friday March 17

4 p.m. – 7p.m. Registration, Delegate Certification, Silent Auction drop off.

7 p.m. Buckeye Bash Convention Kickoff. Guest Speaker "Buckeyeman" Larry Lokai

8:30 p.m. Euchre Tournament, Corn Hole, Bring your own game, Social time.

#### **Saturday March 18**

7:30 a.m. Registration, Delegate Certification, Silent Auction drop off.

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Necrology Memorial Service

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 Blue Frog open, Silent Auction open.

9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Business Meeting

10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Learning Opportunity

11:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m. Parade of Banners, Awards Luncheon

1:30 – 2:30 Delegate Certification

1:30 – 5:30 p.m. Registration Open, Blue Frog Open, Silent Auction Open.

2:00 p.m.- 2:30 p.m. Club President's meet the International Director

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Elections

4:15 – 5:00 p.m. Learning Opportunity

5:15 p.m. Silent Auction Closes

5:15 – 6:00 p.m. Learning Opportunity

6:30 p.m. Grand Banquet

# MULTIPLE DISTRICT OH-2 CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Mid-Ohio Conference Center 890 W 4th St, Mansfield, OH 44903 March 17 & 18, 2023

# HOTEL RESERVATION

This year there is no hotel directly associated with the convention. You are free to choose any in the area. The International Director will be staying at the Hampton Inn 1051 N Lexington-Springmill Rd, Mansfield, OH 44906; (419) 747-5353

| CONVENTION REGISTRATION   | MEALS  |   | 21                       | CONTACT INFORMATION             | KMAIION           | PLEASE PRINT |   |
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| - Conventions Activities Only (NO Meals) - \$15   |  |   |                          |                                 |                   |              |   |
| 3 – Saturday Awards Luncheon - \$35   | Saturday Grand Banq  | Saturday Grand Banquet: Buffet w/ chicken | ŏ                        | Contact Person:                 |                   |              |   |
| 4 - Saturday Grand Banquet - \$45   | cordon blue, and pot roast                                       | roast                                     | EI                       | Email:                          |                   |              |   |
| 5 - Child Registration (12 and under) - \$15/meal (Please Specify which meal(s))  |  |   | Pho                      | Phone:                          |                   |              |   |
| PRINT or TYPE   | Registration   |   | Special<br>Dietary Needs | Check if<br>Attending<br>Friday | **Room<br>Special | Amount       |   |
| Name as to appear on name tag.  | 1,2,3,4,or 5   |   |                          | Night<br>Program                | Needs<br>Y or N   |              | - |
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| Make checks payable to: Ohio Lions District OH-2<br>Send to: Convention Chair PCC Kenny Schuck<br>1126 Township Road 1875<br>Ashland, Ohio 44805<br>ionsoh2convention@gmail.com |  |   |                          |                                 | Total Due         |              |   |

\*\*\*\*DUE TO REQUIREMENTS OF THE CATERER REGISTRATION COUNTS ARE DUE FRIDAY FEBRUARY 24TH.\*\*\*\*

## **DISTRICT 13-OH2**CONVENTION DELEGATE REGISTRATION--2023

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 insure 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, 2023. It is the duty of each Club to send a full delegation to the District Convention.
- 2. All Past District Governors of 13-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 by March 3, 2023.
- 5. Each delegate must be a member in good standing with their Club and must pick up, from the Certification Desk, prior to 9:00 AM on March 18, 2023, their authorization to receive a ballot for the business session. It will be necessary for the delegate to present their SIGNED and CURRENT Lion's Member Card.

| LIST BELOW, by name, y  | our Club's official delegates  | s and alternates:  |                   |                   |
|-------------------------|--|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| CLUB                    |  | _ Number of        | delegates         | -                 |
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| Signed:                 | Secretary  | of Club            | Date:             |                   |
| RETURN BY March 3, 2023 | TO: Lion Craig Wiley ( <u>craigtw</u><br>Cabinet Secretary<br>137 West Congress Street | iley@frontier.com) | 419-945-2747 home | 330-234-4723 cell |

Polk, OH 44866-9770

#### The Buckeye Bash Friday March 17, 2023; 7:00 p.m. Mid-Ohio Conference Center

As everyone knows, Governor Cindy is a BIG Ohio State Buckeyes fan. So this year we will kick off the OH2 District Convention with a Buckeye Bash. It will be an evening of partying, socializing, hospitality, games and a little entertainment also.

Most everyone who has ever watched an Ohio State football game on television has seen our guest speaker for the evening. With his scarlet face paint, crazy hair and ever present Buckeye necklaces, Larry Lokai aka: The Buckeyeman is a highly recognizable character in the OSU fan base. He is the 2015 NCAA Fan of the Year. To date Buckeyeman has donated over 46,000 buckeye necklaces to special fans, given away 2,000,000 buckeyes either collected or supplied to him plus given fans and students over 1,800 buckeye seedlings and 55 buckeye wreaths.

There is however, much more to Mr. Lokai than just being a super fan. Lokai taught at Northwestern-Clark High School from 1967 to 1989 and was named the Ohio Vocational Teacher of the Year in 1985 while the Northwestern-Clark program was selected as the Outstanding Vocational Agriculture Program in 1988 for Ohio and one of the top six in the nation. In the 1990's he also taught at EHOVE JVS and Keystone High School.

Each year Larry serves as a poultry judge at county fairs and specialty shows with an average of judging 20 shows annually. To date he has been the official poultry judge in 84 of the 88 Ohio county fairs plus shows in California, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky and Pennsylvania. He served as a 30 year 4-H advisor and a 30 year FFA advisor and has been honored by 15 different FFA Chapters as an Honorary Chapter Farmer, plus won the Honorary American FFA Degree in 1967. Since retiring he has coached students in 20 different FFA chapters special CDE contests focusing on the Poultry CDE and Milk Quality & Product CDE. He is married to Elaine Caldwell-Lokai, has four grown children, 17 grandchildren and 7 great grand children.

We are sure you will enjoy the evening and our guest speaker. Join us Friday night for the Buckeye Bash Convention Kickoff!



Please have this form Returned by February15 for each Lion that has passed since the last District Convention. It is needed for the Necrology service at the District Convention.



#### District 13 OH 2 Necrology Information

Club Secretary:

Please complete the following and return to the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor.

At the District Convention, we honor our deceased Lions, Lioness, Leo

members at our Necrology Services on Sunday morning. This service is for members that have passed away since the last District Convention.

If you have had more than one member pass please duplicate this form and return one for each member.

| Name                             | Club           |  |
|----------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Date Joined club                 | Passed away on |  |
| Club Offices held                |                |  |
|                                  |                |  |
| District Offices held            |                |  |
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| Major areas of service to Lion's |                |  |
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| Comments                         |                |  |
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#### (If more space is needed use another sheet or back)

It would be nice if the club President, family member and or club members could be present at the Necrology Service on Sunday Morning to place the flower for the departed member. After the service, feel free to pick up the flower and return it to the family or the club.

Thank you again.

Return forms to:

1st VDG Julianne Zody

P.O. Box 236

Perrysville, Oh 44864

or

Email to <u>cozcurl@earthlink.net</u> Any questions Phone 419-606-4890

## **District Committee's Information**

#### Poinsettia Notes for January Newsletter

Another OH-2 poinsettia sale is history. Twenty clubs participated this year in some way. Some clubs picked up their flowers in Avon; while others retrieved theirs from several clubs who chose to have deliveries. A few clubs purchased poinsettias from other clubs or simply made a donation to the District. Total poinsettias purchased this year were 990, eclipsing last year's record of 878. Thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make this a successful District fundraiser.

Lion Ann Miller OH2 Poinsettia Sale Chair

#### What to Monitor When You Have Diabetes

When people talk about monitoring for diabetes, most of the time they mean testing blood glucose (sugar) or A1C. Because diabetes can affect all parts of your body, there are actually many different things that should be monitored when you have diabetes.

If you have diabetes, testing your blood sugar at home is something you should be discussing with your primary care provider, endocrinologist or diabetes educator. Discuss if this is something you should be doing routinely at home as well as what those results should be. There are a few ways to test blood sugar at home. You can use a home blood sugar meter where you poke your finger for a drop of blood and place it on a test strip that is in the meter. Some of these meters use a very tiny drop of blood allowing you to use other parts of your body, like the forearm, to obtain the blood, instead of using fingers. There are also continuous glucose monitors that you wear. These are worn on the back of your arm or on your stomach that can give you results every minute. Results can be obtained using either an app on your smart phone or on the reader provided with the monitor. Knowing what your blood sugar results are throughout the day can give you and your health care provider information to help you make changes in lifestyle including diet and exercise as well as changes needed in medication.

The A1C is a blood test that can be done through a lab, although some health care providers have Point of Care A1C machines in their offices and can test with just a finger stick. This test gives an average of your blood sugar over the last few months and is usually done every 3 or every 6 months depending on if your blood sugar is under control.

Because diabetes can affect so many parts of your body, there are other things that should be monitored:

- -Lipid profile otherwise known at cholesterol levels
- -Blood pressure
- -Weight
- -Heart health
- -Sleep
- -Medications
- -Eve health
- -Kidney health
- -Foot health
- -Tooth and gum health
- -Skin health

- -Food intake
- -Activity levels
- -Mood

Information about all these things can be discussed with your health care provider or endocrinologist.

If you have diabetes and need more information about keeping it under control, contact your health care provider and ask for a referral to a diabetes education program in your area.

## Club News Past, Present and to come

#### **Ashland Evening Lions**

We rang bells for Salvation Army on four Fridays between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Through Associated Charities, we fulfilled the Christmas wish list of an 8-year-old girl. Ashland's Christmas parade on Dec 3 was a success thanks to the leadership of Ashland Main Street and sponsorship by our club. Ashland Evening accounted for 382 of the 990 poinsettias sold during our latest OH-2 fundraiser.

Zone 7 Chair Gene Kopp was our speaker on Dec 1 and we enjoyed fellowship at our Christmas gathering on Dec 15.

#### **Avon Lions**



November and December have been very busy for the Avon Lions Club. Avon Lions Club members and Avon Leos staffed a refreshment tent in support of the City of Avon Arbor Day celebration. We raised \$325.00 to support the Avon Leos Monarch Milkweed Highway project. On November 16th, we were happy to host the November Zone 4 Advisory meeting. The Avon Lions participated in Cabela's "Santa's Kick-off to Christmas" event. Members staffed a membership/information table, and the Avon Lion was chauffeured in a classic Chevrolet. The club partnered with the Avon Police Department and donated turkeys and sorted food for food baskets for 23 local families.





The Avon Lions Club also held its annual Night at the Races Fundraiser on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Over 325 people attended, and the event raised \$15,000.00 to support the William H. Bommer/Avon Lions scholarship fund and donations to other community organizations. On December 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, Club members and their families staffed a kettle in support of the Salvation Army and Avon/Avon Lake Community Resource Services.

On December 18<sup>th</sup>, Avon Lions will once again partner with the Avon Police Department to donate hams and put together Christmas food baskets for local families.

#### **Bascom Lions**

Bascom Lions had their Christmas party on Dec 20 th at Hopewell Loudon School. We had a chicken dinner, gift exchange and entertainment provided by the Hopewell Loudon Traveling Ensemble. We had our annual tree lighting for the Bascom Memorial tree on Dec 4 th . We are currently selling gun raffle tickets to support the Hopewell Loudon Senior class.

#### **Bellville Lions Club**

The Bellville Lions Club had their annual Christmas party on December 15. Our guests were 1<sup>st</sup> V Governor Julianne Zody and PDG Dana Zody. The members enjoyed a great meal and played Christmas Bingo and the Christmas left/right games.

The Club adopted two families for Christmas. A family of five with a special needs child and a family of three.

The Club donated \$50.00 to Ohio State School for the Blind's marching band.

On December 3 we gave out free hot dog sandwiches at the Bellville Christmas Parade with the Clear Fork Chamber of Commerce serving hot chocolate and cookies to those that attended the parade. Lion Edward Brook was dressed as the Grinch and had pictures taken with children.

Since our party Lions Ron Shinabarker passed away on December 23. Lion Ron served with the Lions for 54 years. He was honored in November by the members for his years of service. He will be missed by community.



#### **Bucyrus Lions Club**

PCC Jeff Hillis inducted the club's newest member, Pastor Tanyce Addison, at the December noon meeting of the Bucyrus Lions Club. Her sponsor is PDG Terry Spiegel, club president. Lion Tanyce will be in charge of the club's eye screenings. The club enjoyed the boxed meals brought in by Cooper's Mill & Market and the iced cookies brought by Lion Janet Harer. The club continues to meet at the FC Bank's community room for their monthly noon meeting. The monthly evening meeting is held at the County Engineer's building.

PDG Terry and Lion Linda Spiegel will pack food for the children's backpack program that provides weekend meals for students in need. Club members donated toys, games and sports equipment to the Bucyrus Firefighters' Christmas present drive.

We had a request for eyeglasses and Lion Carol Iiams approved it. The club approved increasing the amount we pay to the optometrists for eyeglasses. PCC Jeff Hillis was presented with a toy car showing him driving people to the monthly Vision Problems Support Group meetings. He did this early on Saturday mornings for several years.



#### **Butler Lions Club**



The Butler Lions Club and Volunteers met on Monday, December 5. The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Lion Ericka Lowe. We welcomed the Girls Scouts and their advisor, Callie. The Girl Scouts helped the club at the Pancake Breakfast the previous weekend. Thank You, young ladies for your help.

Issues discussed at the December meeting include: Christmas Cards for the participants of Meals on Wheels.

TREX Collection – program to start in January. Discussed was where the boxes will be placed in the village.

Donation of twelve dozen cookies will be collected for the 5K Lifesaver Project on

December 10, 2022. Lion Mary Lee will take the cookies there.

The club has been invited to sell raffle tickets again this year on February 4<sup>th</sup> at the Fairgrounds for Phil Dirt and the Dozers. Plan on signing up to sell tickets at the January meeting.

Following the business meeting we sang Christmas Songs with the music provided by Cathie and Barb. Lion Ericka conducted a fun gift exchange challenge.

Next meeting will be on Monday, January 2, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. JoAnn, Judy, and Patsy will oversee refreshments and Mary Lee will provide the door prize.

Rest in Peace – Lion Ron Shinabarker and Past District Governor Sharon Parker! Thank you for your service to Lions Club for all those years.

#### **Elmore Lions**

The Elmore Lions Club has donated to the Community Thanksgiving Dinner which served over 450 dinners. We have also sent a generous donation to the Ottawa County Holiday Bureau this year. The club also packed 100 sacks of candy for the children that visited Santa Claus at the Log Cabin in Elmore on Dec. 16 &17. At our Christmas Party held at The Mockingbird on Mill Road, we presented 2 of our members with Melvin Jones Fellowships. We are looking forward to another great year!

#### **Fremont Lions**

Four members of Fremont Lions attended the Zone 1

Advisory meeting in Marblehead on November 15<sup>th</sup> and delivered 50 pounds of plastic to the Marblehead Lions to aid in their efforts with the TREX plastic recycling program. We also enjoyed their delicious perch dinner and received 7 letters to present to members who have achieved Anniversary membership milestones ranging from 15-40 years.

The December 6 meeting was well attended including 4
Students of the Month from our 2 high schools, parents and grandparents and guest speaker, Charlie Horne, Deputy Director of the Sandusky County Task Force. He gave a very educational presentation and explained and showed various drugs that have become widely available and used in the area.

Members were on hand on December 15 distributing candy canes, with a promotional White Cane sticker attached, to visitors to the Court House where an awesome musical Light Show is taking place through the end of December. The last gathering for the year will be a Christmas party and dinner on December 20 at the Victor Center. Donations will be received for the homeless shelter, the Liberty Center at the party. Donation was also made to LCIF for Hurricane Ian Relief in Florida



Fremont Lions at Court House Light Show

#### **Hayesville Lions Club**

The Hayesville Lions Club held their annual Christmas Party at Hayesville United Methodist Church. A lovely dinner was served and a White Elephant Gift Exchange followed.

Chevrons were presented to the following people: Jim Tugend- 10 years; Tresa Hess -15 years; Shirley Slater - 25 years; Nate Hess - 10 years; and Jim Denny 10 years.

The business meeting will be on January 5 at Greg and Tresa Hess' home. The dinner meeting will be on January 15 at Stone Lutheran Church.

#### **Loudonville Lions Club**

Loudonville Lions held their annual Children's Christmas Carnival after the local Christmas Parade, with games, treats and pictures with Santa. The Club also sponsors a large lighted star on the hill above town and provides a Nativity Display in Central Park during Advent.. Our first TREX bench is now installed at the 24 hour library in Perrysville. Finally, Lions enjoyed a Holiday Party for members and guests, with special Christmas music and a silent auction. Canned goods were also collected for Helping Hand, our local food pantry. Happy Holidays!



#### **Lorain Harbor Lions**

With a heavy heart the Lorain Harbor Lions Club has turned in its Charter. Health issues & high average age are the main reasons. And the Covid pandemic unfortunately left lasting effects.

The club Chartered 35 years ago in April 1988 as the FIRST all women Lions Club in Ohio. Many doubted the future success of the club because of the gender & the low annual dues.

Lorain Harbor Lions Club was honored to have the first female District Governor & Zone Chairman. And we hosted what we believe was the best ever District Convention. The Club awarded 8 Melvin Jones Fellowships over the years. LHL was privileged to receive many grants from local companies for our work with vision projects. During the next 35 years the club collected over 10,000 pair of eyeglasses and provided hundreds of eyeglasses for children & adults. We recycled plastic, aluminum & collected soup labels for the schools & pill bottles for medical missions. A LHL member delivered 8 huge boxes of eyeglasses, medicine, books and toys to a Mexican Lions club. We hosted a Walleye Tournament for several years, entertained children at the Lorain International Festival for over 20 years. The Club held Mother's Day & Sweetest Day flower sales; Amish cheese sales: l ad bake sales, craft shows, garage sales, and steak frys. LHL did handwritten Santa Letters, candy sales, Home Interior, Avon & Tupperware sales. We even published our own Cookbook.

LHL has supported area homeless & abuse shelters, the Clothe-a-Child & Clothe-a-Student programs, Food for Guns, and foster care luggage. We adopted local families providing financial support & Holiday cheer for a year, The Club even sponsored bone marrow testing & blood drives. We collected food for Salvation Army & the food bank and household items for tornado & flood victims numerous times.

Lorain Harbor Lions hosted a huge Child Safety Event serving over 300 children with important information from local police & Fire Dept.; bicycle safety and provided Child IDs. We sponsored camperships and provided hundreds of masks during the pandemic & blankets to the homeless. We participated in the Genesis House Christmas Tree Auction for many years. And provided DVS (narrated videos for the blind) & books for the library.

We have provided Sight & Hearing Impaired Classes with wish list class items to improve the quality of the class and gave free books to 1st graders at a local school to encourage reading. LHL participated with building a wheelchair ramp, planting trees, working in many area marathons.

As our last act we donated substantial funds to Second Harvest, St Elizabeth Homeless Shelter & Genesis House, and Lorain County Health & Dentistry. We also purchased a Braille label maker for Lorain Opportunity Vocational Center and a large amount of equipment & class supplies for a local Vision Impaired Class to improve student education for years to come. LHL also donated a park bench to the new fire station.

Yes many doubted us in 1988, some even now may think

'told you so'. But in 35 years the Lorain Harbor
Lions Club is proud to have left our mark on our Community.
And our members will endeavor to continue their commitment to Lions by transferring to local clubs.
Thank you to everyone who believed in us and supported us through the years.
The Lorain Harbor Lions Club 1988-2022

#### **Lucas Lions Club**



At our Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Julianne Zody and past District Governor Dana Zody were our guests. Along with a wonderful informative talk about district activities that are coming up Julianne also inducted our new Lion Kristin Wilson into our club membership. Dec.1st Region-C- Chairman Gene Barrier inducted Grace Krupa into our club membership.

Dec. 5 was our annual Christmas tree lighting in Lucas. This year our tree was donated by the family of our newest member Grace. Santa was there to light the tree and pass out candy canes to the children. Everyone received a frosted Christmas cookie made by a friend of our club.

The Pioneer students made and donated a Christmas mail box for the children to put their letters to Santa in and then members of the Lions Club wrote letters back to the children.

Dec, 10 was our annual craft show at the high school and this year we had 2 Lion members as vendors. Our Lions made Traveling Tacos for a donation and drinks. Santa and Mrs. Clause were on hand for pictures. The proceeds from the event is usally donated to the Lucas Area Food Pantry.

Dec. 15 was our annual Christmas party/dinner at the Lucas Community Center. It was a very fun way to finish out the 2022 Lions Club year.

#### **Madison Twp Lions**

Hello from, a Cold and Snowy Madison Twp Lions We start off our month with a very ambitious members meeting. That end of year type of meeting can be a little testy. However, this meeting went relatively smooth. More importantly we were able to complete our donation to Project Life Savers for the 5k/10k.

Our last service activity was very well attended by members and family, we were able to achieve 65% participation, not to mention having 1 of our more youthful members run 5k with a personal best (albeit this was the

first time he ran). Even our very own Buckeye clad DG Cindy Beat was able to complete the 5k

Regarding our Christmas
Party, this year we were able to
reach out and invite some of our
past members who left our club
for various reasons. We even
enjoyed hosting some wives of
recently deceased members.
Unfortunately, we finish up the
month by having to say goodbye
to Bobbi Minard, a very
ambitious spouse and driving
force behind Charter Member
Lion Ronnie Minard.

We are currently preparing for the hopeful onslaught of Ticket sales for our Lions Club Awareness Dance with Phil Dirt and the Dozers Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup> at Fairhaven Hall at the Richland County Fairgrounds in Mansfield.

Tickets can be purchased online at <a href="www.Madisonlions.org">www.Madisonlions.org</a>, or you can send a check to Madison Twp Lions P.O. Box 594 Mansfield Ohio 44901. In closing we hope to see everyone at our awareness dance. Stay Warm and please be safe

#### Marblehead Peninsula Lions Club

The Marblehead Peninsula Lions Club recently held its Annual Tree lighting ceremony with Santa (Past Lions President) at James Park. Many Children attended to share their wish list with Santa and receive a few gifts.

In other news, with the help of those who recently attended the zone meeting and the dedication of our members, the club was able to collect enough plastic to qualify for our first trex bench. In addition, the club donated three new benches to Marblehead Lighthouse Park and renovated several others to be place throughout the community.

Next quarter we plan to focus on completing our 501c3 project and new member outreach.

Happy Holidays to all.



# North Ridgeville Lions Club

The North Ridgeville Lions Club has had a busy December! Several of our elves...err, I mean Lions shopped until they dropped on Saturday, Dec 3 to donate over \$1800 of presents to children and teens in the community. This is an annual event, in collaboration with North Ridgeville Community Care and one we all enjoy!

On Wed, Dec 14, some of our Lions volunteered with our parks and rec department to put on their Santa calling event.

Dozens of children enjoyed phone calls with Santa and Mrs. Claus, as they count down the days until Christmas!

We also held our annual Chili Dinner for our members! This is a yearly social event with all of our family and friends invited. We raffle off a basket of cheer, eat a lot of delicious food and enjoy the great company!

Coming up, we have our very popular Night at the Races, to be held Friday, March 10 at St. Clarence in North Olmsted. Keep an eye out for more details to come!

We hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season enjoying time with family and friends!







#### **Ontario Lions Club**

## MERRY CHRISTMAS AND GREETINGS IN SERVICE!

Over the quarter, the Ontario Lions Club has been very blessed to be involved in many more service projects, (in addition to end-of-year trailer outings).

In October, we hosted the Area Boy Scouts at our park for their Family "Adventure Camp", where over 300 scouts and family held a variety of activities, including, camping, archery, marksmanship, (BB guns), cooking over fires, etc. We participated with a "Trunk or Treat" event, serving over 800 kids and adults with Halloween candies and free hot dogs. We participated in the annual "Literacy on the Lawn" Elementary school event at Stingel Elementary school, where we sold popcorn, with all proceeds going to the school.

In November, we held our second, annual "Pancake Day", serving near 550 area folks and free meals to kids 12 and under. We were helped out by our local 4H kids and advisors for duringevent table services and table clean-up. We held an eye glass collection contest at Stingel Elementary school, with all participating home rooms collecting over 100 pairs of old glasses for recycling. We awarded the winning home room with a pizza party, (the winning room, of over 40 participating, was, in fact one of the pre-school classes for the most collected. FYI - the new School Superintendent has now stated interest in becoming a Lion member of our club, (a potential WIN - WIN for our

Lions!). Five of the Ontario Lions attended our quarterly, Zone meeting providing our report. The Zone meeting was hosted by the Madison Lions on November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

In December, the Ontario lions judged a school, Christmas coloring contest for grades kindergarten through grade five, with the first and second place winners provided a gift card at the annual, Community Christmas tree lighting in Marshall park. The tree lighting, hosted by the City, provided music, hot cocoa, cookies and of course, a visit by Santa himself! The Ontario Lions provided its annual support of the Ontario Craft show via collecting admissions and new toys at the door. The City of Ontario gifts a percentage of the door admissions to the Ontario Lions for its support. Our Lions Club held several phone and inperson meetings with the Area Boy Scouts Director and local Representation, resulting in Our Club becoming primary sponsor of the local Boy scout troop for the 2023 year. The sponsorship is to be updated on an annual basis. As a follow-up to City of Ontario's Craft Show collections, the Ontario Lions helped the Ontario Police Department with toy distributions, serving over 30 families and near 100 kids, to help make their Christmas a little brighter.

As a "wrap to the Season" our Club held it's annual, club Christmas party, with <u>dozens</u> of cookies and <u>lots</u> of ice cream and toppings, donated by members, (with any excess treats given to Springfield Twp. Fire Department for their enjoyment!).

Once again, we say MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL! (and a PROSPEROUS, <u>SERVING</u> New Year!)

#### **Perrysville Lions**

We held no meetings in December but we were still very busy.

We partnered with the PFD and held a very successful Toy drive/give away. We were able to give 315 bags of toys. We also partnered with the local Churches and gave away food and clothing which we had collected last month through our Food collection and Clothing drive.

We continue collecting plastic bags for the Trex bench recycling project; we have received our third bench.

We will hold our January Swiss steak luncheon January 8, 2023, serving 11:00 – 1:00 at the Perrysville Community Center. It will be Carry Out only. The proceeds will be given to Diabetes Research.

#### **Plymouth Lions Club**

Plymouth Lions have resumed their Student of the Month program. October students Sarah Hoak and Shae Sparks, and November students Bree Fellows and Mackenzie Back were honored at our October meeting.

For our "Fall Into Service Project" we collected clothing and household items for the Domestic Violence Shelter in Mansfield. Our collections were many and the Shelter was very appreciative of our donations. Approximately 40 doz. roses from our Sweetest Day Rose Sale were donated to nursing homes in Willard and Shelby. In December we donated 22 hats and 30 pairs of gloves to the Upstairs Store in Plymouth.

Our Club will host the Zone meeting on Feb. 11th at Lowe-Volk Park, and also the OH-2 Bowling tournament at Dynasty Lanes in Willard on Feb. 5th

#### **Sandusky Lions**

Sandusky, OH - On December 15th, the Sandusky Lions Club held its annual holiday party, complete with games, raffles, and more. The event was a great success, raising more than \$200.00 for our mission.

The Sandusky Lions Club is dedicated to supporting the community and helping those in need. The funds raised at the holiday party will go towards supporting important causes and making a positive impact in the lives of those in the Sandusky area.

"We are so grateful to everyone who participated in and supported our holiday party this year," said a John Duesenberry, Sandusky Tail Twister "It was a great opportunity to come together, have fun, and give back to our community. We can't wait to see the positive impact these funds will have on those in need."

The Sandusky Lions Club would like to thank everyone who attended and supported the holiday party.



#### Savannah Crestview Lions Club

Savannah-Crestview Lions met for our Christmas party in early December. CC Kevin Reidy inducted our two newest members, Ervin and Teri Yoder. Instead of a gift exchange, we were able to donate 12 pairs of sweatpants and 12 pairs of socks to the Elementary clinic. The following Saturday we held a pancake breakfast with proceeds going toward Lions State Charities.

We packed and distributed 70 Christmas bags to local widows and shut ins. The bag contained assorted fruit, a word search book, and several pieces of candy. We also included a personalized Christmas card with each bag signed by Lion's members.

Our next pancake breakfast will be at the town hall Jan 7<sup>th</sup> with proceeds going toward Childhood Cancer Research. We are continuing our Race for Hunger Raffle. Winner will receive 2 tickets and a parking pass for the 2023 Indianapolis 500.



# Shelby United Lions Club

Shelby United Lions have been busy this holiday season! In December we did three events, Pictures with Mr. & Mrs. Claus at the Shelby Fire Dept, HELPLINE Food Distribution and Mathew 25 Food Distribution. For the three events, we served more 1600 people.

We would like to invite all the clubs to attend a presentation from an E-Sight user on Jan 25<sup>th</sup> 6p.m. in the Kerr Garden Room at the Shelby Memorial Library. We will be serving refreshments so rsvp's would be appreciated. You may call or text 419-709-5568 or mail linjenkins5457@gmail.com.











#### **Tiffin Lions Club**

Tiffin Lions have been busy since November 1 assembling equipment and supplies for the annual Popcorn Ball Project. December 19 will be the tenth night of production on Mondays and Thursdays since night November 14, 2022. Community members, spouses, Sentinel students and the schools they represent, Calvert H.S., Columbian H.S., and of course Lions from Bloomville, Fostoria, and Tiffin Lions

worked two to four hours each night. Then there were popping crews and delivery crews. Equipment will go into storage until next year when we will be back to the same site, in partnership with Tiffin Community Kitchen (or maybe the newly built Tiffin Community Kitchen.)





Donations of bags of Popcorn balls have been made to local schools, church food banks and other food banks, Toys for Tots, and VFW stockings.

A Christmas party was held December 16 at Reinos Party Room on Washington Street. A gift exchange with the option to keep or trade for someone else's gift ended the event with laughs and groans.

#### Upper Sandusky Lions Club

We worked at Upper's Winter Fantasy of Lights taking donations one night.

We prepared and served a Christmas meal and gift cards for residents of a local Senior Village.



Members rang the bell for the local Salvation Army on two different Saturdays. Members shopped for local children for Christmas, who's named were on a local community Angel Tree. Merry Christmas to everyone!

Our club also assisted a local food pantry with relocating to a different location by moving the food to the new location.

#### **Vermillion Lions**

Our Food Pantry Chairman, Dan Dean, collected \$101 at our first meeting of the month. Our year to date amount is \$1025 given to our local Food Pantry..

We helped with bingo at Kingston and Mill Manor Nursing Homes.

Our Christmas dinner/auction was held at The Nest on Tuesday, December 6. Spouses came also. \$590 was collected from the auctioned Christmas gifts. Music was played by Lion George Harizal. on his keyboard. Everyone had a very nice time.

Some Lions and Leos helped with Operation Christmas Joy by packing food, Some Lions delivered food and gifts.

The ringing of the bell for the Salvation Army has been going on since the Saturday after Thanksgiving at Giant Eagle. The Lions and Leos have been helping out with it.

The Leos had Cookies and Crafts and Santa on Wednesday, December 14, at the Vermilion High School cafeteria. Many community children had a very enjoyable time there. They also had a food drive for the Second Harvest.

Hope that everyone had a Very Merry Christmas. And got through the Blizzardy Christmas weather. Wishing everyone a Prosperous Blessed New Year of 2023!

#### Wellington United Lions Club

A few pictures from our Breakfast and Photos with Santa which took place on December 17. Smiles were everywhere. It was a beautiful day with just a few flurries to help spread the Christmas spirit.

The Wellington United Lions Club would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas.











### Lions that have Passed this month

It is with great sadness that I announce the passing of Bobby Minard, Bobby was the wife of Lion Ronnie Minard. Lion Ronnie is a Charter member of the Madison Township Lions. Lion Ronnie has announced due to incoming weather event expected this weekend that his family will have a memorial service later this spring. Please keep Lion Ronnie, and his family in your prayers.

It is with great sadness that I announce the passing Lions Ron Shinabarker he passed away on December 23. Lion Ron served with the Lions for 54 years. He was honored in November by the members for his years of service. He will be missed by community.

PCC Sharon Parker Passed away the morning of December 7, 2022. She will be greatly missed by District OH2 Lions and Family.

# **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.





# Savannah Lions Pancake Breakfast

Savannah Town Hall
Saturday, January 7, 2023
Serving from 6:30 A.M. until 11:00 A.M.

Menu: Pancakes, Sausage, Sausage Gravy & Biscuits and French Toast Price Per Donation

Proceeds go to: Pediatric Cancer Research

Accepting Used Eye Glasses to Recycle

Door Prizes donated by Miller's-Hawkins Market

Enter by printing your name and phone number on back of ticket. Drawing will be held at 11:00 A.M.



# **Plymouth Lions Club**

# hosting District OH-2 Bowling Tournament

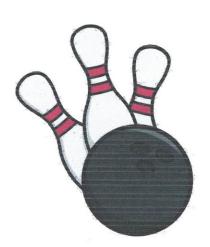
#### Dynasty Lanes, 3105 St Rt 103, Willard, Ohio

Date: Feb 5th, 2023
Time: 11:00 am
4 Person Teams
3 Games, 9 Pin No-Tap
Entries Paid by Jan 15th, 2023: \$15 per person

Last Date to Register: Jan 15th, 2023 Shoe Rental Included

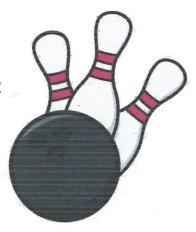
Mail Entries by Jan 15th, 2023
Checks to Plymouth Lions Club
C/O Lion Mindy Bigelow
P.O Box 129 Shelby, Ohio 44875
Cell: 419-571-1516
Email: mindybigelow@hotmail.com

We kindly ask each team to bring a door prize



Family members may join if you need extra players

50/50 raffle and prizes throughout the day



# **Plymouth Lions Club**

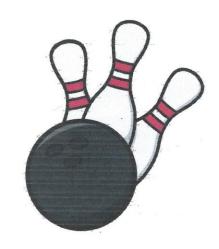
hosting
District OH-2 Bowling
Tournament

Dynasty Lanes, 3105 St Rt 103, Willard, Ohio

# Sign Up

| Club Name: |         |  |
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| Member:    | Member: |  |
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#### Savannah-Crestview Lions Club Lions "RACE FOR HUNGER" Raffle



# 106<sup>th</sup> Running of the Indianapolis 500

Sunday, May 28, 2023 \* Speedway, Indiana



Winner gets 2 seats and a parking pass at the race

WHEN: Tickets on Sale Now through March 31, 2023

WHERE: From Savannah-Crestview Lions Members or

Cattleman's Restaurant - Savannah, OH

Olivesburg General Store- Olivesburg, OH

WHY: Savannah-Crestview Lions Hunger Project

Support

**HOW:** Purchase Raffle Tickets at \$20.00/each

No Limit on Raffle Ticket purchase

Prize Drawing held at conclusion of

April 1, 2023 Lions Pancake Breakfast

Savannah-Crestview Lions Offer the opportunity of attending the Greatest Single Day Sporting Event in America.

Thank you for your support!!! "We Serve"

# 7-11 JULY

# SPONSOR OUR OSSB MARCHING BAND

2023 #LCICON Boston

The Lions Club International Convention is returning to the United States - Boston July 2023!

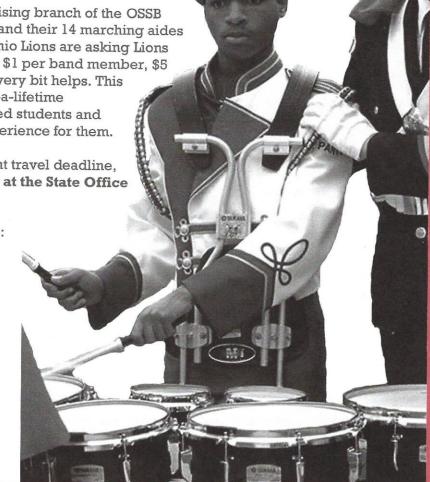
With the convention in our backyard, the Ohio Lions are sponsoring the Ohio State School for the Blind Marching Band to march with us in the Parade of Nations and to perform at special venues.

We are teaming up with the fundraising branch of the OSSB Foundation to send these 26 youth and their 14 marching aides to Boston. To reach our goal, the Ohio Lions are asking Lions and clubs to sponsor these youth -- \$1 per band member, \$5 per member, \$10 per member -- every bit helps. This year only. This parade is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our visually impaired students and we want to make it a GRRREAT experience for them.

For all payments to meet the student travel deadline, all donations need to be received at the State Office by March 1, 2023.

Checks should be made payable to:
Ohio Lions, Inc
4074 Hoover Rd.
Grove City, OH 43123
(Band Fund on the memo line)

Ohio State
School for
the Blind



**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2023**