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Happy Spring, OH2 Lions!

Spring has sprung, or has it? For Convention weekend, we started with warm weather, then moved to rain, wind and even snow! Ever try to plan this event and have to deal with what Mother Nature has up her sleeve?

Did you attend our District Convention in Mansfield? I'm sure there are pictures elsewhere in this edition of the newsletter. It was a short weekend, but I was so glad for the support. Buckeyeman, Entertaining Ed, PID BJ and PDG Carolyn Blankenship kept us entertained. District business was conducted, and elections of 2023-2034 Leaders were selected. Lions Teresa Clark-Chamberlain and Dr. Greg DeRodes educated us, along with Pilot Dog Executive Director Jim Galloway and his dog. The Grand Banquet and PID BJ along with awards finished the evening and convention was over! So short and

sweet! A big **thank you** to convention co-chairs PDG Steve Cochie and PCC Kenny Schuck, along with Lions Brent Parker and Darlene Schuck \Box for all their hard work the past couple months.

We have been issued a challenge by CC Kevin: From May 1, 2023 - to June 30, 2023. Each club that adds two (2) new members during this time period (5.1.23-6.30.23) will be recognized in 2024 (next year's) district conventions. As I write this, we are down 18 members for the year. If each club got one new member, we would have 55 new members, and be at a +37!! I don't want to be the only district governor to not come out on the positive side, help me out with this please!! If you need help, please reach out to our District Membership Chairman: Melody Barnes. She would be pleased to help.

I saw on Facebook just a little bit ago, that the WHOLE STATE OF OHIO HAS 100% SERVICE REPORTED!!!! CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE!! OH2 was 100% right before the convention. It is good to see the rest of the state follow. That doesn't mean you have to stop, keep reporting, and don't get out of the habit!

That brings me to something else to be reported: your new officers. Don't forget assistants to your Secretaries and Treasurers. Elected officers need to be reported to LCI, along with their EMAIL addresses.

Not only does LCI use these email addresses to communicate with you, but District Officers (DG, VDGs, Zone Chairs, etc) use this information to contact you. I understand that you don't want to answer the phone when you don't recognize the number calling. We need to contact you for various reasons. Secretaries, please be sure that vou also enter the cell number too. If we are on our way to a meeting, and we have an issue along the way, most generally, vou won't be home to answer the phone!!

Speaking of emails, Monday morning, right after the convention I received a couple of text messages that asked if I had sent an email to them. Unfortunately, someone was sending SPAM emails with my signature. It did not come from lioncindy.beat@outlook.com which is my email address. It had a different type of signature that closely resembled mine. One difference was that it wasn't in RED. I (or any other officer, District, State or International) would never ask you to get gift cards for an award or for anything else for that matter and send information from them. It doesn't make sense. If you ever receive anything like this (Lions or not), do not reply to it. Call the person it supposedly is from to verify the validity. If you can't reach them. contact someone else. Don't get spoofed. If you didn't get an email, count yourself lucky!

The State Convention is coming up May 19-21 at Marriot Columbus Northwest. LCI guest for the weekend is 1st Vice President Patti Hill and Lion Greg Holmes from Canada. Look for more information, including registration elsewhere in this newsletter. One reason to go to the State Convention is to voice your approval for the increase of state dues to \$17.16 per member (a \$5 increase). A short explanation is that a decline in membership, all prices are rising, and we cannot sustain any more cuts to the budget. It was a long discussion and no one wants to be the ones to send it to a vote, but the time has come to do it. After we made the decision, the heating system went out and a new one had to be put in immediately (end of December!). If you have any questions, please contact me, as I am the Governor's Liaison to the Building Committee and will be OH2's Trustee for the next 3 years.

Looking forward to seeing you again at the Leadership School, May 6 in Ashland. More information is included in this edition. If you would like me to induct your new officers, please contact me as soon as possible to get the date set up.

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DG Cindy

Governors

Visitation Schedule

- April 1 Seneca County Project Lifesaver Reverse Raffle April 9 – Happy Easter April 13 – Lucas Lions April 14 – OH1 Convention April 18 – Old Fort Lions
- April 19- State Bldg Committee

Meeting April 19- Seneca County Projecct Lifesaver meeting April 21-22 OH3 Convention April 27-28 Safety Training in Columbus for Attica Lumber April 28-29 OH6 Convention May 2 – Election Day (limited availabity -text me!) May 6- Leadership School



Hello District OH2 Lions.

WOW!! What a weekend!

Governor Cindy's Convention!

The venue was clean and spacious and with plenty of parking.

Thank you to the Bellville Lions, the Saturday Awards luncheon was very tasty and thanks to PCC Kenny and Darlene for all they did to keep things running smoothly. I also want to congratulate all the award winners and thank you for all you do to make District OH2 the Biggest and the Best.

More thanks: Thank you OH2 Lions for being such a fun loving bunch. The demonstrations for the elections were awesome. I said, I wanted to be surprised and I totally was. Thanks again to PCC Greg and all you rowdy Lions. Thanks to Lion Ann and PDG Ron for those heartfelt nominating speeches, I was really touched.

Thank you all from the bottom of my heart for making my election to District Governor fun and very memorable. NOTE:

Attendee Questionnaires:

I totally forgot about the questionnaires that were in your convention registration. I thank you for taking the time to fill them out and if you still have them I would appreciate you sending them to DGE Julianne Zody, P.O. Box 236, Perrysville, Ohio 44864 or email to <u>cozcurl@earthlink.net</u>. Thank you so much.

How many clubs have participated in the Liberty Day project? I would suggest you consider it. I had the opportunity along with Lion Pat Pearl from the Loudonville Lions club to present the program to the eighth grade classes at the Loudonville-Perrysville High School. I had the opinion that this age students would be a hard bunch to deal with. I was greatly surprised and the experience was very good. Lion Pat, by the way is a retired teacher, and I ask the question, what do you know about your local Lions Clubs? We were shocked; they had very little knowledge of the clubs. They however knew by the time we left, they knew who the Lions were. Lion Pat told of the Loudonville clubs projects and services, mentioning the 4 scholarships they present to seniors every year. I told them that when they drove through Perrysville at Christmas time that was the Perrysville Lions in action.

We gave each student a Liberty Day booklet containing the United States Constitution and Declaration of Independence and told them to read and hold on to them because the booklets will be helpful in their history and government classes when they become Juniors and Seniors. The students were very receptive of the booklets. Lions, there is another opportunity for a Service Project. You can contact PDG J.J. Jeavons to order the booklets.

I would like to do a few more club visitations before the end of the Lions year which is the end of June. I will contact the Club Presidents or Secretary. If I don't get the opportunity to see you before I will look forward to seeing you May 6, 2023 in Ashland at Officers Training. I also plan to celebrate with the Ontario Lions at their 70th Charter Anniversary May 13, 2023. Thanking you Kindly for serving,

DGE Julianne (GIFTS)

1st VDG Visitation Schedule

No visitation scheduled for April

2nd VDG Patty

What a fun weekend District Convention was. From the tailgate party on Friday night, the recognition of many Lions, the fun and fellowship with other clubs from around our District, the fellowship of those who attended from other districts, and the elections of our new officers. Thank you to all who cast a vote so I can move on to 1st Vice District Governor. And thank you to all who became 2 minute minions in a very loud parade around the room to support my run for this office. Thank you to PCC Kenny Schuck and Lion Bob Moorman for the nomination speeches. I have enjoyed my year as 2VDG and I am looking forward to my year as 1st VDG. And we also had three speakers. I especially enjoyed the speaker at our luncheon.

So you work hard to get those new members, but how do you keep them? That was the topic of PDG Carolyn Blankenship, wife of our ID, BJ Blankenship, at our District Convention. Don't just induct the new member and then send them off on their own, or you may find they stop coming to meetings, and eventually drop out before they have that ah hah moment that makes a person a Lion for life. Plan a special night to celebrate your new members. Retention is everyone's responsibility, not just the new member's sponsor. We are a Lion Family and it takes a "village" of Lions to maintain a top notch club.

Talk about when you became Lions, and why you stay Lions. Share your stories Talk about your projects and find out what their passion is. Ask if they have ideas for new service projects or fund raisers that you have not tried. Get them on a committee so they feel they are an important part of your club.

Did you send a welcome letter the first week that included meeting dates, times and place? Did it include upcoming opportunities for service, planned fund raisers. Did you send a text as a reminder for the next meeting? It takes a while to make meeting night a habit. Help them get into the habit. Show them they are welcome every time they walk into a meeting. Did you introduce the new member to other club members? Did you Talk about the history of Lions? Have you explained how Ohio Lions is set up? Districts, Zones, Clubs and how it all works?

At the District Convention Buckeye man had 5 people talk about their hobbies or talents. Do you know your club's hidden talents? Could these talents be utilized in service or fund raiser projects? Does your new member have a mentor, someone who will make a point of all the things above? It takes time to build those relationships, so get going. That is how you keep those new members.

I am currently working on my schedule for club visitations and hope to have it ready for Officer Training School May 6th in Ashland at Trinity Church. For Officer's Training School, I am putting together information to share with Clubs on where you money goes when you write those checks to LCI, Lions Foundation, and other District and State Committees. I will be attending the State Convention in May. I will be assisting with Zone Chair Training which will be June 17th . I will be heading to 1st VDG training the first weekend in June. My club visitations will then begin in July.. I am

looking forward to visiting the clubs in Zones 5, 6 and 7 this year. And I will be attending the second round of zone meetings, GAT meetings and cabinet meetings once the schedules are set. If you have service projects or fund raisers you would like me to attend, please send me an email and I will try to work them into my schedule.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve

1VDGE Patty Moorman

2nd VDG Visitation Schedule

No visitation scheduled for March

Ohio Lions State Convention



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Ohio Lions State Convention

May 19-21, 2023

Marriott Columbus

Northwest

5605 Blazer Pkwy Dublin, OH 43017

www.marriott.com 614-791-1000

PILL BOTTLE COLLECTION

FOR STATE RECYCLING PROJECT



The Ohio Lions Global Service Team wants your used pill bottles – prescription bottles, over-the-counter pill bottles, and vitamin bottles.

Bags of bottles are needed for the State Convention May 19 - 20, 2023. Volunteer Attendees will sort and bag the bottles for use by Matthew 25 Ministries in Blue Ash.

We are recycling all pill bottles – with and without labels. Label-free bottles will be shipped for reuse; labeled and sticky bottles will be recycled into road reflectors.

STEP ONE

STEP TWO

How can you participate??

Clean each bottle, please.

STEP THREE

Remove all labels; personal information must at least be blacked out

Make sure there is a

cap for each bottle.

STEP FOUR

Get the bottles to a drop off point: state convention or district location. Ask your District GST for drop off information.



Application for Sponsor-A-Table Sign 103rd Annual Ohio Lions State Convention

The Ohio Lions MD13 will be celebrating our 103th State Convention in May of 2023. The convention committee is raising funds to keep the registration cost down so all Lions can attend. We want to make this a memorable weekend for all Lions. To help defray expenses, we are asking individual Lions, Lion Clubs and Lion Committees to sponsor a table at one of our meals. For \$20.00 you can honor a PDG, a current District Officer, or in memory of a departed Lion. Your Sponsorship can be for Friday Night, Pilot Dogs Night, Saturday Luncheon, or Saturday Nights Grand Banquet. If you have no preference the committee will place your sponsorship where needed. You may sponsor one event, two events or all three, each sponsor helps keep our cost down and recognize your club or a fellow Lion.

We hope you will consider being a Sponsor-A-Table participant.

Friday Night	Pilot Dogs Night Table Sponsored By We Serve (Lions Club, Lion's Name, etc.)	# of Signs
Saturday Luncheon	Friendship Luncheon Table Sponsored By (Lions Club, Lion's Name, etc.)	, <u> </u>
Grand Banquet	Governor's Grand Banquet Table Sponsored By (Lions Club, Lion's Name, etc.)	

"Sample of Sponsor-A-Table sign"

No Preference

Make checks & money orders payable to OHIO LIONS INC. Please specify on the memo line that the payment is for a Sponsor-A-Table. Please no later than April 15, 2023.

Enclose is a check or money order in the amount of \$_____ covering the payment of our sponsors.

Lion Name/Lion Club/Etc.: _____ District _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

Send this form, payment to: PDG John Davis, 933 Thornapple Lane, Findlay, OH 45840 419-306-7003 jdavis1952@hotmail.com

Thank you for your support!

District Committee's Information



At our 2023 Convention CC Kevin Reidy and I received bronze medals from our District donating at least \$30,000 to LCIF while achieving an overall increase of 10% for the year 2021-2022. Our District donated a total of \$43,999.00. This medal that we received would not have been possible without the clubs and members giving to LCIF. We have a great District and great members that care about others that are in need here and around the world. THANK YOU!

Our goal this year is \$44,000 and we are very close to meeting this goal. We need about \$3450.00. I am still hoping that members will each donate \$5. It would be great if all the members would donate \$5.00.

We are still giving the "Horst Herzog" medal to all clubs that donate and average of \$25 per members. The following Clubs earned that medal that was presented at the 2023 District Convention: Avon, Attic, Ashland Evening, Bellevue, Bellville, Bascom, Colonel Crawford, Elmore, Fireland, Fostoria, LaGrange, Lorain, Madison, Milan, North Ridgeville, Perrysville, Port Clinton, Upper Sandusky. Maybe next year we will have more clubs receiving the "Horst Herzog" medal.

Any club that would like to learn more about grants please contact me and I will be happy to visit your club. You may contact me at <u>brookcs1946@gmail.com</u> or 419-571-4630.

Hypoglycemia

Living well with diabetes means keeping blood sugar levels as close to target daily by balancing your healthy meal plan and eating pattern, physical activity, and diabetes medications. This balance promotes feeling well and prevention of long-term complications from uncontrolled blood sugar levels. However, it is possible for blood sugar levels to fall below target range and become a medical emergency. Wearing a medical alert bracelet or necklace is recommended when you have diabetes, especially if taking diabetes medication.

Hypoglycemia, or low blood sugar, occurs when there is not enough sugar in the blood. Situations that may cause low blood sugar include missing a meal, eating later than usual, not eating enough carbohydrate with a meal, taking too much insulin or diabetes medication, or getting more physical activity than normal. It is one of the most frequent diabetes related chief complaints in hospital emergency rooms.

Symptoms of hypoglycemia may include feeling:

- Hungry
- Sweaty
- Nervous, shaky, jittery
- Dizzy
- Weakness

Treatment of hypoglycemia includes:

• Check your blood sugar when you feel symptoms. If below 70mg/dl, treat it. If not treated it can continue to drop more and become severely low. If it drops below 54mg/dl you may have more severe symptoms including confusion, difficulty walking or talking, loss of consciousness, seizure.

- It may also occur during sleep and symptoms may include night sweats, nightmares, feeling very tired after sleep, morning headache.
- Some people may not experience symptoms of low blood sugar until it is severely low (hypoglycemia unawareness). Checking blood sugar frequently or wearing a continuous blood glucose monitor increases awareness of blood glucose levels and therefore may prevent **severe** low blood sugar from occurring.
- When blood sugar is less than 70mg/dl eat or drink 15 grams of carbohydrate to raise blood sugar quickly. Examples of this are: 3-4 glucose tablets or 1 tube of glucose gel or 1 tablespoon of sugar or honey or ½ cup of regular soda or juice.
- If blood sugar does not increase above 70mg/dl after 15 minutes, repeat the treatment. If this is not successful, call 911. Usually if treated before becoming severe, 15-30 grams of carbohydrate are effective in increasing blood sugar to more normal range and then getting back on track with eating plan and normal activity and medications regimen will promote target blood glucose levels.
- If blood sugar drops to more severe level, it becomes more difficult to self-treat and others may need to assist as you may be unable to cooperate and to swallow. This is a medical emergency. Treatment may include someone in your family administering glucagon to you, a medication that increases blood sugar and is given by injection or intra-nasally. (Family members should be taught how to do this.) They will also need to call 911 for assistance.

Prevention of hypoglycemia is always best; however, being prepared for its occurrence is crucial. Knowing how to prevent it and following your diabetes treatment plan will minimize it from happening. Working together with a Diabetes Care and Education Specialist can assist you in living with diabetes. Talk with your diabetes medical provider and request a referral to a recognized education program and to schedule an appointment for this valuable experience and support.

Donna Dillinger BSN, RN, CDCES

Global Leadership Team

Have you stepped into a leadership role in your Lions club, zone, district, at work or in your community? The MD13 Global Leadership Team is wondering if there is sufficient interest in offering a session of "the Ivy League" of leadership training later this year – another weekend Regional Lions Leadership Institute. We are considering both Level 1 and Level 2 for those of you who have already completed Level 1. If you have interest or further questions, please let me know.

Officer training is May 6 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Ashland. Registration forms will be available at District Convention on March 17-18 and will be part of the April OH2 newsletter. Please complete and return these as soon as your election is held. Information is used as a cross-reference for the district directory as well as for registering for the training. It is helpful to list all club officers. Then note which ones will attend on May 6, as well as any other interested Lions. This allows us to have sufficient manuals and supplies for all attending. As noted last month, the cost of officer pins is causing a shortage this year for vice president gongs and membership "M" pins. If you have served more than once in either of these offices and would be willing to donate back your extra pins, we would be most appreciative.

Lion Ann Miller OH2 GLT Coordinator

2023-2024 OH-2 OFFICER Training Registration Form

Sat. May 6, at Trinity Lutheran Church 508 Center St., Ashland Incoming Presidents, lst Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Chairs and Interested Lions/Leos All! Bring your laptop — Trinity has Y-Fi access Register 8-9 am - Training 9-1:30 pm-----Registration deadline is April 30, 2023 *Silent auction to help defray expenses* Send or email forms to: Lion Ann Miller, 1514 Twp. Rd. 1173, Ashland, OH 44805 babba4aim@gmail.com (cell) 419-651-6470 Club Name_____ President _____ May 6: Yes / No Address Phone _____ E-mail ____ 1st VP May 6: Yes / No Address Phone E-mail May 6: Yes / No Secretary Address Phone _____ Email Newer? Yes / No . _____May 6: Yes / No Treasurer Address Phone Email Newer? Yes/ No Membership Chair _____ May 6: Yes / No Address Phone _____ E-mail ____ Other members attending: need to register to aid in the lunch count.

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It's Time Again to Order New "International Peace Poster Kit"

As of January 15, 2023 you may now place your order for the Lions International Peace Poster Kit. Price is \$11.95 thru club supplies. The new theme is "DARE TO DREAM". Do this now and you can possibly have the information into the schools to allow the art teacher to make this a second semester project or be prepared over the summer to reach out and do the first semester school year for 2023. Regardless, the drawings need to be in the new district governors hands by November 15, 2023. Let's look at more home schoolers that seem to be cropping up more. This is for 11 to 13 year old children and you can certainly order more than one kit for different groups.

Got to do better than last year as our OH 2 District only had 6 entries from our 56 clubs. Submitted-Lion Jim Pickering

GLOBAL SERVICE

CONGRATULATIONS OH2!!!

SERVICE IS ALIVE AND WELL IN OH2! 100% Clubs reported!

It has taken a combined team effort to move our clubs forward to provide the services needed in our communities, state, country, and globally. What an awesome accomplishment and our Lions year is not over. Please continue to enter your service. **THANKS TO EVERYONE COMMITTED TO LIONS SERVICE!**

Clubs that have completed and met the criteria for the Governor's Service Award for 2022-2023 were recognized at the OH2 District Convention. Continued proof of the valuable services that are being performed throughout our District. A Service patch was awarded to each club earning this award. Clubs receiving the award include:

ASHLAND NOON ASHLAND EVENING ATTICA AVON CRESTLINE FREEMONT HAYESVILLE LAGRANGE LOUDONVILLE MADISON PERRYSVILLE PLYMOUTH PORT CLINTON SAVANNAH-CRESTVIEW TIFFIN VERMILION

Plans continue for MyLion and MyLCI to be integrated. Change is hard... Please try to remain optimistic regarding the new system. Remember this is a global system in

multiple languages! Will there be glitches? I'm sure, but we will figure it out. Challenges are always good for the brain. Details and information will be forthcoming. Hopefully I will have information to share at the Officer Training in May.

If needed once the new system rolls out, we may need training. Stay tuned for updates. Looking forward to the true Spring weather!

LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL - SERVICE ACTIVITIES KINDNESS MATTERS AWARD PROGRAM

This service award is designed for clubs that create high-impact service projects within one of the Lions International and Lions Clubs International Foundation cause areas.

Objectives: Encourage creativity and recognize high-impact service projects and reward clubs for high-caliber service activities within each of Lions International's causes.

30 total awards will be awarded at the club level with minimum of 3 awards reserved for Leo Clubs.

DEADLINES:

July 1 to October 31: Nominations open

August 15: Deadline for club service chairperson to submit electronically one nomination to District Global Service Coordinator (Debbie Reidy)

September 15: Deadline for District GST to electronically send one nomination to MD 13 GST Coordinator.

October 31: Deadline for MD GST coordinator to electronically send one nomination to Lions International.

For more details : lions <u>clubs.org</u> Search: Kindness Matters Service Award

Debbie Reidy GST <u>debre51@aol.com</u> 1394CountyRoad1008 Ashland, OH 44805 419-543-1600

Zone Chairs Corner

Club News Past, Present and to come

Ashland Evening Lions

"Dash for Gift Cards" fundraiser with Buehler's Market winners were drawn on March 23. Thank you to everyone who participated. This helps support our youth projects. Final date for orders for our Geranium & Spring Flower Sale is April 20. Grower delivery will be May 9. We will partner with the Ashland Rotary Club on April 29 for "Make Ashland Sparkle." March speakers were: PDG Myron Amstutz providing information about OLERF and other State projects and available awards on March 2; and a stamp enthusiast on March 16. Officer election will be held on April 13. At district convention, our newsletter won 1st place for clubs of our size. Lions Tim Kershner and Ann Miller received 2021-2022 Awards of Excellence from PCC Kenny Schuck. Club received Club Excellence and Service awards. Member Teresa Clark-Chamberlain provided a learning session about selfdefense and human trafficking. The Goodwill Industries of Akron. Inc. honored us for our 14 year partnership in recycling eyeglasses. Lion Ann Miller received a 2023 Goodwill Celebration of Champions award. This continues to be a win-win both for Lions and for Goodwill Industries, with grand

total recycled to date of 103,420 pairs of eyeglasses. April meeting dates have been altered because of Maundy Thursday to 4/13, 4/20 and 4/27.

Submitted by Lion Ann Miller

Attica Lions Club

The Attica Lions had the following Service Projects: -Sponsored a Red Cross Blood Drive with 28 Units collected. -Performed Vision testing at the Celeryville Preschool with 48 students tested. -Ordered Peace Poster kit and

working with the school to complete.

We voted in our 2023-2024 Officers and are making plans for the Installation on June.

We approved one perspective new member.

Four members attended the February Zone meeting We donated to: -Attica Fair -Attica Summer League T-Ballsponsorship -Attica Summer League softball-sponsorship -Attica Summer League softball catchers equipment -Project Lifesaver -Attica Legion Flag Fund Our upcoming events include -Cooking for the Sons of American Legion appreciation meal

-Conducting Healthy Vision cash raffle -Begin planning for Father's Day BBQ

Avon Lions Club



The Avon Lions Club has been very busy in March and are looking to finish the year strong with various community service activities. The Avon Lions Club recently made a \$250 donation to support the relief efforts in East Palestine and a \$500 donation to Cultivate Yoga, a non-profit organization providing yoga and wellness programs to underserved communities. We also held a "March Madness" squares fundraiser raising \$1,250. Year to date the Avon Lions have reported the following via MyLion:

2015 People Served 36 Service Activities Completed 868 Volunteer Hours \$6,356 Funds Donated \$18,303 Funds Raised

Upcoming activities include the awarding of two \$2,000 William H. Bommer/Avon Lions Club scholarships at the Avon High School scholastic awards night, participating in the Keep Avon Beautiful day, marching in the Avon VFW Memorial Day parade and hosting our annual fishing derby on June 10th.

Bascom Lions

Bascom Lions donated last month to the Project Life Saver, the East Palestine disaster fund, and the Hopewell Loudon 8th grade for a trip to Washington DC. This month we are having a benefit dinner for Pediatric Cancer, which will be April 22nd from 5-7 pm. Pick-up only, Includes a pork chop and $\frac{1}{4}$ chicken combo, 2 sides, roll, and cookie for \$12. All dinners are pre-sale, so see a Bascom Lion for tickets. At the District Convention meeting in Mansfield, we received awards that included; the Living Hope award from Gold Sponsor for Steps Program, a pin from the **Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer** Foundation, and the Horst Herzog Award from LCIF.

Bellville Lions Club

The Bellville Lions Club was very busy in the month of March. On March 4-5 and 11-12 we had our food trailer at the Maple Syrup Festival at Malabar Farms. The weather was in the 40's the first weekend and the second week it did not get over 35 degrees. The event is challenging due to the weather, but we always have fun anyway.

We donated \$300 to LCIF for turkey and Syria and \$100 to Ohio Lions Foundation for East Palestine. We also donated to the Richland County Domestic Violence Shelter.

Ten members attended the District Convention which our club cooked and severed the lunch at the Awards Banquet. We all had a very good time. The club received the 'Horst Herzog'' medal for donating an average of \$25 per member to LCIF. We also received the "Journey of Hope Award" for our donation to Pediatric Cancer Foundation.

In February we completed 175 Valentine cards for children that are in foster care in Richland County. We also hosted Zone 6 meeting with 40 Lion members attending.



Bucyrus Lions Club



PDG Terry Spiegel, Lion Linda Spiegel and Lion Joy

Hillis of the Bucyrus Lions Club attended the 2023 District 13 OH-2 Convention in Mansfield.

There were learning opportunities there and at the presentation on glaucoma, the optometrist stated that many people should start having dilated eye examinations by age 50. He said that glaucoma could be treated with one eye drop a day and low vision and blindness can be avoided. There was also a presentation about Pilot Dogs. They are using just 4 breeds of dogs now and many other changes have been made. They are looking forward to having better accommodations for the people who are there learning how to use their guide dogs.

Fremont Lions

It is regret that we share that a member of our Fremont Lions, Harry A. Sargeant, Jr. passed on March 17. He was a 20-year member of our club and served as the President in 2016-2017. He had served the county as a Prosecuting Attorney and a Municipal Court Judge before his retirement.

Fremont Lion members Donna and Terry Thatcher attended the District Convention and happily accepted the Service Award for the club. Fremont Lion Greg Derodes presented the program on Glaucoma and distributed materials to those in attendance. It is his goal to see clubs do what they can to educate and encourage the Afro American and Hispanic populations to be screened for this preventable disease. Dr. Derodes can be contacted at 567 201 9913 with any questions.

Speakers in April include Sandusky County Juvenile & Probate Court Judge Brad Smith on April 4. Fremont Superintendent of Schools, Jon Detwiler will speak on April 18 along with the Students of the Month. Officers will be elected for 2023-2024 on April 4.

Hayesville Lions Club

The Hayesville Lions Club met March 16 at Stone Lutheran Church.

The Heffelfinger's Shooting Team from Hillsdale High School presented a program on their team. There are only two girls on the team. They compete with other schools trap shooting clay pigeons. They go to the state contest, also. They had four competitions last year. They won two with West Holmes and Sugarcreek. They thanked our club for the money we gave them. They learn to breathe properly and shoot. There were 20 teams at state and some are from very large schools. One guy on the team got 96 out of 100 shots. While at state in Columbus they couldn't use their guns but had to use the ones provided.

Our club gave \$572 to Women's Fund Childcare Initiative from our spaghetti dinner. We had \$210 from Euchre. Don Ritchie is home now and in therapy.

Our "Lion of the Year" is being amended with a member who is in the club 5 years and can receive it again after winning 5 years ago.

Greg Hess did the third reading of the upcoming officers.

We have a gun raffle this year but no meat raffle. April 6 is

the business meeting and the dinner meeting is April 20 at Hayesville United Methodist Church.

Loudonville Lions Club

A busy month for the Loudonville Lions Club. We not only served 150 people at our St Patrick's Day Fish Fry, but we also prepared and served food to 726 people at the Loudonville Farmers Equity Customer Appreciation Day event that same week. Menu items included chili and chicken noodle soup, shredded chicken and sloppy joe sandwiches, hot dogs and coneys, macaroni salad and chips, pie and ice cream. 19 club members and 16 volunteers assisted with this event. This is a great opportunity to see friends and is also a fundraiser that allows us to support local organizations and events. Lion Pat Pearl and 1st VDG Julianne Zody made Liberty Day presentations to 80 8th Grade students this month. We also began planning for our summer chicken BBO's which are held Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor Day weekends.





Lucas Lions Club

We had 10 Lions attend the Butler Lion Ladies auction and supper on March 6^{th} and as usual the food was very good and the auction was fun! We had 8 Lions attend the District Convention and we were the hosts of the raffle event while there. Thank you to those clubs who donated an item for the raffle. Below is a picture of our raffle donation.





Lion Mike Dourson was our speaker at our March 16th meeting. Lion Mike is Director

of a non-profit organization which studies environmental science. His job is concerning Toxicology Excellence for Risk Management. Mike travels all over the world teaching and assisting in contamination issues like in East Palestine. He gave a very interesting talk.

We voted to give \$150.00 to help support the Lucas Little League program.

We voted to donate \$150.00 to East Palestine and to the Turkey and Syria earthquake. This is our Charter 70th year for the Lucas Lions so we are discussing an event to celebrate...more info will be forth coming.

Our Bingo night will be April 1st and we are hoping for a full house which would be 120 Bingo players. It is looking pretty good as I write this that we will make our goal.

Madison Twp Lions

We start off this month shaking off the late winter snow. It's hard to believe Spring is here. After making our annual donations to our Madison Baseball teams, and East Palestine. We started making plans for our next club adventure. Start up of our club's concession trailer. As conversations were starting to get a little heated. We had to take a step back and we realized we needed to present a more informed plan for implementation. Our biggest problem seemed to be the club members' support. It's hard to do anything with less than 50%member participation. So we got our trailer committee together. after which we were able to come up with a schedule and then worked on developing 3

strong and well balanced teams. After which we were able to identify and make corrections to the issues from last season. The one thing that was abundantly clear was the trailer generated revenue and this keeps our club funded to continue our mission of serving the community. We are now looking forward to another fun and adventurous summer. We are hoping to open after Easter. If you're looking for an opportunity to get out and blow some stink off come on down to beautiful Charles Mill Lake Park and while your there stop in to get a delicious Cheeseburger and French fries and finish it up with an awardwinning funnel cake.

We are currently looking into the Mathew 25 project and have spoken to clubs in Zone 6 that are currently participating with Mathew 25.

Marblehead Peninsula Lions Club

Spring is here and the Marblehead Peninsula is busy preparing for our annual Community Easter Egg Hunt. Over 30 members and friends stuffed over 3,000 eggs with candy for the April 1st event at James Park in Marblehead. There will also be many gifts and a visit from the Easter Bunny. (See attached pics)

Our club is also investing in two more reading magnifiers to donate to our library and our senior center. In addition, we also donated a handicap scooter to the senior center for their use.

Thanks Lion Bill. Marblehead Peninsula Lions



North Ridgeville Lions Club

The Lions Club of North Ridgeville held our annual Night at the Races event on Friday, March 10. This was our best year ever! Over 200 Lions and community members came out to enjoy a night of food, fun, and friendship. We beat our previous record for this event and brought in nearly double what was budgeted! A huge shout out to our chairpersons-Lions Joe Arhar. James Coburn and Selena Kimble. We also had over 30 raffle baskets that were collected and assembled by Lion Joanna Timura. An event like this takes all hands, and we appreciate all of our members who stepped up and helped put on this amazing event! **Our Lions Educational Outreach** program was able to fund \$3750 in grants for 20 teachers/staff members in our city schools. Grant requests included materials to help with social emotional learning, science labs, music and playground equipment, math and activities for students with special needs, to name a few. Next up is our Memorial Day Parade and ceremony on May 29 in collaboration with the North Ridgeville VFW Post 9871. Parade step off will be at 9:45 a.m. from the North Ridgeville Senior Center and it will proceed east down

Bainbridge Rd. to Ranger Stadium for the ceremony to remember our fallen heroes. Please join us if you are able.



Perrysville Lions

Perrysville News We served our March Swiss steak luncheon and gave the proceeds of \$500 to Pilot Dogs. DGE Julianne inducted a new member and presented a Sponsor pin to Lion Toby Beck. We had 7 members attend the District convention where our very own Julianne was elected DGE.

We have elected our officers for 2023/2024 and donated to the Perrysville Youth Association. We have received the t-shirts and certificates to participate in the GOOD program at the Loudonville-Perrysville school.

We have collected 177# of plastic towards our 4^{th} Trex bench. We participated in the Liberty Day program and presented 60 program booklets to the 8^{th} graders. We are planning our Car Show for June 24, 2023.

Our next Swiss steak luncheon will be April 16, 2023. We will serve from 11 to 1. Carry Out only.

Plymouth Lions Club

Plymouth Lions hosted December, January and February Students of the Month and their families at the Feb. 22nd meeting. December Students Kathryn Lindenberger & Caleb Porter and January Students Peyton Barnett & Owen Reynolds were featured in last month's newsletter.

Seven teams participated in the OH2 Bowling tournament at Dynasty Lanes in Willard on Feb. 5th. DG Cindy will announce team high series and high game at the convention in March. Thank you Lion Mindy for coordinating this event.



Port Clinton Lions Club

Members of the Port Clinton Lions Club enjoyed a Valentine Sweetheart Night on February 16 with a delicious meal and fellowship. On February 23 we attended the Zone 1 Advisory Meeting hosted by the Fremont Lions Club and four Lions took part in the District Convention on March 18th.

Eye glass collection boxes are now placed in several new locations in our service area providing residents ten location options. The locations are published on the Port Clinton Lions Facebook page.

Lion Dan Laffey printed business cards for each Lion member to pass out and encourage prospective members to join us at a meeting or to support us at an event.

A \$100 donation was presented to the Port Clinton Annual Easter Egg hunt to purchase candy and prizes. A fundraising bus trip to Ohio's Amish County, Buggies and Beyond, is planned for June 22. A flyer is included with this communication.

Savannah Crestview Lions Club

Savannah-Crestview Lions welcomed Region C Chairperson, Gene Berrier, to our March Meeting. A baked potatoe plus bar and surprise quiz about our club president were enjoyed by all.

We hosted a pancake breakfast at the townhall and, for the first time, concurrently held a breakfast sampler of pancakes or biscuits and gravy at Crestview High School after the 5K Road Apple Run. Both meals were successful with proceeds to go toward help with various youth activities. Plans continue toward the kitchen renovation at the town hall starting this summer.

Several members attended the District Convention in Mansfield and had an enjoyable time. We were pleased to find out our team placed first at the bowling tournament in February.

On April 1st we will be holding a pancake breakfast at the townhall with proceeds to help with our scholarship program for Crestview graduates. At that breakfast we will be drawing the raffle winner for the seats at the Indianapolis 500.

Shelby United Lions Club

Shelby United Lions Hosted Ontario Lions Feb 22 for an evening meal and presentation by Matt Cornell. Matt explained to the clubs how he uses E-Sight in his daily life. Ontario Lions donated a wheelchair to the Shelby United Lions Club after a Shelby resident sent a message that she needed the chair after breaking her heal. The chair was then delivered to the resident to use over the next several months. The Shelby Club will be holding a drive thru meal in May. Time & place will be shared at a later date. Lin J Shelby United Lions



Tiffin Lions Club

On February 17 the Tiffin Lions had the honor to present the Melvin Jones Fellow award to Kathleen Weaver. Kathleen moved from District 7 club in Chesterhill, OH. PDG Stan Starling initiated the award from the Chesterhill Lions. President Mike Smith, John Maddox, Al Karcher, Margaret Werling, Paul Klaiss, Connie Cole met at Kiwanis Manor for the presentation. Kathleen has attended two of our club meetings.





Vision Screening was conducted at New Beginnings Preschool on February 21 and 22. March 13 was Vision Screening at Tiffin YMCA with infants to preschool ages. There were 16 passes, 2 referrals and 5 Incomplete.

Vermillion Lions

Our local pantry Chairman, Dan Dean, collected \$116 at our first meeting of the month.

We had a program talking about Al and how we all use it. Robots that help to make our lives easier and how they are programmed.

Our Students of the Month were Kyleigh Burger, Hayden Valenti and Cameron Logue. They were for the last three months. They all are very hardworking and deserving students. They are now eligible for one of two \$1000 scholarships at the end of the school year.

Our annual Reverse Raffle was held on Saturday, March 25, at German's Villa. There was a great turnout.

In May we will be dedicating three park benches for three of our deceased Lions members.

Have a Happy Easter!

Lions that have Passed this month

It is regret that we share that a member of our Fremont Lions, Harry A. Sargeant, Jr. Passed on March 17. He was a 20-year member of our club and served as the President in 2016-2017. He had served the county as a Prosecuting Attorney and a Municipal Court Judge before his retirement.



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 Pancake Breakfast

Savannah Town Hall Saturday, April 1, 2023 Serving from 6:30 A.M. until 11:00 A.M.

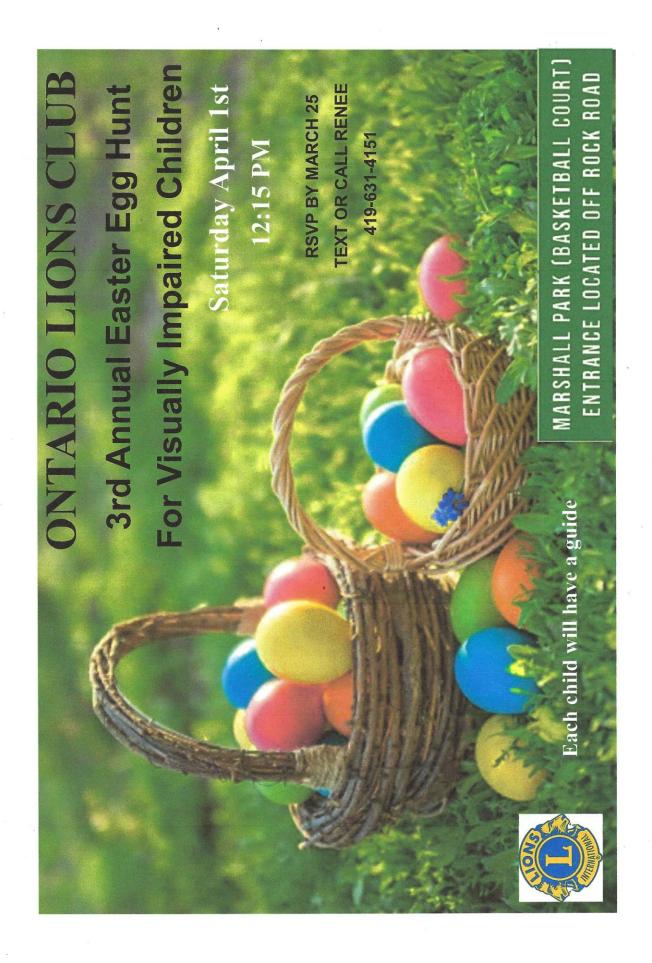
Menu: Pancakes, Sausage, Sausage Gravy & Biscuits and French Toast Price Per Donation

Proceeds go to benefit Lions Scholarships

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.





Pancake Day

Saturday, April 1, 2023 6:30 am - Noon At Ontario High School Tickets: \$6.00 each

Kids 6 & under eat FREE

Winner need not to be present to win ~ FOR ADVANCE TICKETS~ Contact an Ontario Lions Club Member

Door prizes donated by local businesses



BELLEVUE LIONS CLUB



17TH .. ANNUAL "UNIQUE PAR 3"

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday – June 9, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

2 Person Scramble/18 holes

Twin Lakes Golf Course

100 Decker St. Bellevue, Ohio

\$50.00 per Person

TWO DIVISION WINNERS—MEN'S AND

MIXED(MALE/FEMALE, TWO WOMEN, ADULT /CHILD (15 OR UNDER)

- Different Hole Prizes - Putting Contest, 50/50,

TEAM _____

DEADLINE June 2, 2023 Payable to: Bellevue Lions Club/C/O Jim Pickering 214 Yorkshire Pl. Bellevue, Oh. 44811 419 483 4992 or

jimdottiep@live.com



Port Clinton Lions Club



Join Us as we tour Ohio's Amish Country

Buggies and Beyond Thursday, June 22, 2023 Experience Life, Shopping and Dining in Ohio's Amish Country

It's a place of horse-drawn carriages, back roads, great restaurants, gift stores and a simple way of life. Sit back and enjoy the ride as we journey to and discover the uniqueness that is Ohio's Amish Country.

Visit an Amish Home and Farm Enjoy a leisurely Amish lunch in Walnut Creek And shopping in Berlin

Games, Raffles and Giveaways on the Bus Bingo Gift Cards 50/50 Drawings And more

Round trip motor coach – Cost \$75.00

For information or reservations, go to the Port Clinton Lions Facebook page, or call Lorna Garber @ 630.881.8230