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# GIFTS

## “Going In First To Serve”

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### Happy New Year OH 2!

This has been a busy month for me and for all you Lions, officer installations, picnics, ice cream benefits, gulf outings, car shows, park dedications, and much more. I am so proud of all my fellow lions for being so visible in your communities.

I want to truly thank my incoming Zone chairs, Region chairs and the members of the GAT committee for attending the Zone chair training. Thank you to those that presented and answered questions, to Ann for all her hours of planning and organizing and to Darlene for providing the lunch. I enjoyed spending time with all of you and appreciated all of your input. I feel we are going to have a good year working together by keeping all lines open, asking questions and communicating with each other.

I am looking forward to your service projects and the GIFTS that you will giving to your communities.

In 8 days I will be off to Boston for some final training and come back your District Governor. WOW!

I will begin my visitation schedule the first of August.

“GIFTS” Going In First To Serve!  
DGE Julianne

## Governors

### Visitation Schedule

August 1	Fremont
August 2	Zone 2 BBQ Attica
August 3	Savannah-Crestview
August 7	Bellevue
August 8	Oak Harbor
August 10	Elmore
August 13	Perrysville Swiss Steak luncheon
August 15	Castalia
August 17	Port Clinton
August 19	Cabinet Mtg. Pot-Luck in Loudonville
August 22	Zone 1 mtg, Port Clinton
August 23	Zone 2 mtg. Republic
August 24	Zone 3 mtg. Milan
August 28	Lindsey
August 29	Zone 4 mtg. LaGrange
August 30	Zone 5 mtg. Plymouth Pot-Luck
August 31	Zone 6 mtg. Ontario
September 5	Zone 7 mtg. Ashland Evening

### 1st VDG Patty

One for All, All for One. That is the famous slogan for the Three Musketeers. So, you might ask, what does that have to do with Lionism? Well, if I have visited your club, or installed your officers, I probably talked about this slogan. June is a busy month for Installation of Officers in our clubs. It is the time when club members step up into

leadership positions to lead their clubs, set goals and start planning for how their club will serve their community for the next Lion's year. And at the end of this ceremony, club members are asked to also commit to supporting the new officers by serving on committees, signing up to help with projects, helping with any tasks that need done. That is where the All for One, One for All comes in. Did you know that if you look at the table of organization for a Lion's Club, it is not the officers that sit at the top? It is not the President. It is not the Board of Directors.

It is the Club Members. Why? Because Members and Officers collectively and individually are the Club. You can't have one without the other. Officers may lead but we are all in this together. All for One, One for All.



A new Lions Year is an opportunity to brainstorm for new ways to serve and meet the needs of your community, ways that maybe you have not previously thought about. So do some brainstorming. At your next club meeting, make a list of projects, big and small, that members would like to be involved with. If you need some help, go onto LCI and in the search box type in service project ideas. There is a publication for 100 ideas for service projects. They are broken down into categories. If you want a copy of this publication, send me an email and I will send it to you. What

kind of a service project would you like to lead? Where is your passion to serve? Is it Hunger-helping so children are not hungry over the summer when there are no school meals or delivering meals to elderly and shut-ins? Is it the environment? There are projects for that. What about diabetes or helping families dealing with childhood cancer. How about youth? What does your community need? Does it need a safety town program? How about bicycle safety? Mentoring or tutoring for our kids? I encourage you to think outside the box and go crazy with a long list of new service projects. As Lions, let's get out there in our communities. If there is a project, let's become part of it. If there is a need, let's create and lead a project. And if the project is too big for just your club, then invite the community to help. Isn't that why each of us became a Lion? To Serve. And it's what we do best, especially when we are All for One, and One for All. My visitation schedule for July and August:

1VDG Patty Moorman

### 1st VDG Visitation Schedule

July 6 <sup>th</sup>	Ashland Evening
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	Shelby United
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Buckeye Central
July 20 <sup>th</sup>	Madison
July 26 <sup>th</sup>	Upper Sandusky
August 2	Z2 BQ
August 4-5	COG Mtg
August 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sandusky
August 17 <sup>th</sup>	Bellville
August 19 <sup>th</sup>	Cabinet Meeting

## 2nd VDG ShirLee

### 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG ShirLee

I'm looking forward to a year of visiting clubs and meeting Lions!

I was honored to preside over the installation of officers at the Bellevue Lions Club on June 19<sup>th</sup>. We had food, fun, and fellowship.

The Oak Harbor Club is planning for the Ottawa County Fair, and the Port Clinton Club just sponsored a bus trip to Amish Country. Summer is a time for fundraising and most importantly, service projects. I noticed many Lions were at OSU assisting with the Special Olympics.

Let's remember to be a healthy club! Be kind to one another and help each other. Our differences are what make us unique!

## 2VDG

### Visitation Schedule July

July 11	LaGrange
July 13	Lorain (noon)
July 13	Avon
July 17	N. Fairfield
July 20	Amherst
July 25	N. Ridgeville

Kindness is a gift that can save someone's life.  
Be Kind!!!!

## Council Chair Information

Allow me to introduce myself. I am PDG (twice) Dave Stockum and am honored to serve as Council Chairperson for the 2023-2024 Lions year. One of my personal goals is to broaden the lines of communication throughout the district. If we can share those things that have been successful in our clubs and districts over the years, we can all grow as individual Lions and clubs and do a better job of the thing that Lions were created to do – Serve! I would like to take advantage of the opportunity this first month of the Lions year to announce some of the new leaders who have stepped up to serve MD13. We will have coordinators in each of the Global Causes of our International Association. Lion Ernie Richmann from the Painesville Lions Club is going to be the Diabetes Coordinator. Lions Kirby Witmer from the Columbus Northern Lions Club is going to be the Environment Coordinator. At this time, we are still searching for a Hunger Coordinator. As Executive Director of the Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation, OH5 DG Mike Kerek is the Childhood Cancer Coordinator, and OH1 PDG Bill Niejadlik from the Sight and Hearing Committee is the Vision Coordinator. These folks will act as resources, sharing information on projects both in practice and potential, as well as presenting quarterly articles in the State Newsletter pertaining to their particular cause. Their reports to the Council of Governors will be available on the MD13 Website as well. New Voices is a relatively new Lions program that is growing in popularity, and Lion Tamarra Parker-Stephens from the Millersport Lions Club, the New Voices Coordinator, is working on defining just what New Voices entails. In the past five years Districts 1, 2, 5, 6, and 7 have all run Spring programs under the New Voices logo, and the Spring of 2024 will see Districts 3 and 4 offer a New Voices Symposium dealing with diabetes, one of the aforementioned global causes. Look for Lion Tamarra's article in the first quarterly edition of the state newsletter coming in mid-August. There will be a special edition state newsletter offered at the end of July updating MD13 officers prior to the first Council of Governors Meeting. This newsletter will also highlight some of the activity from the 2023 Lions Clubs International Convention taking place July 7-11 in Boston, Massachusetts. You can get on the state newsletter direct mailing list by going to the MD13 Website at [ohiolions.org](http://ohiolions.org) and following the links to "News&Events" and then "eNews Service." Under "News&Events" you can also open the link to current and previous newsletters. PDG Jay Deutschman does a great job keeping the website updated, and Lion Brian Fox from the Pickerington Lions Club will serve as the MD13 Newsletter Editor. We have a super group of district governors this year who have worked well together in their training over the past two years in order to serve our districts and state association progressively and efficiently. I plan to be visible in all our districts, working with your district leadership to accomplish local goals. I will attend as many Lions activities as time, weather and conflicting dates allow. My email address is: [stocklaw72@gmail.com](mailto:stocklaw72@gmail.com).

## District Committee’s Information

The new Lion portal is an evolution of our current digital tools. MyLion, MyLCI and Insights won't be available when you log into the new portal. Instead, you'll access the various functions you performed in those products directly from the *homepage*. For example, rather than clicking into MyLion to report your service, you'll access service reporting directly from the main portal page. We don't know yet what these tabs will be called, but LCI is working to make the new labeling very self-explanatory.

When will the new Lion Portal open? We don't have an exact date for the technology rollout. While originally it was set for the end of July 2023, it may be September or even later until it opens. LCI realizes that it is important to test the site appropriately and make the necessary fixes *before* releasing it to our 1.4 million Lions.

For log-ins -- To ensure the security of your account, current Lion Account passwords are encrypted. This means LCI cannot see them or port them over into a new system. Because of this, you will be prompted when it's time to update your Lion Account credentials — your username and password — to access the Lion Portal. Please note that we can no longer support the use of telephone numbers as usernames, so you will need to use a unique email — one that is only used by you — and create a new password to log in.

Until the technology transition happens, officers will still be able to access bills, input new members, and update member information. For reporting service, the internet website [app.mylion.org](http://app.mylion.org) will still be available for inputting service projects. However, some people are experiencing difficulties with their smartphone MyLion apps. There is no patch for the smartphone apps, we don't foresee those glitches being fixed. Please contact your district governor or district global service coordinator for your district's protocol for service reporting between July 1 and the rollout of the new system.

MyLion, MyLCI and Insights as we know them today will not be available once the new Lion Portal is live. However, the same functionality of those tools will be available. For example, instead of clicking on MyLCI to access your member roster, you'll be able to click into a member reporting section on the main portal page where you can access your roster. The functions will no longer be housed within separate tools. ***New member information and billing information will not be lost in this transition.*** It will simply be accessed through a different tab/tool.

The new portal is built on Salesforce, a commercially available platform used by over 150,000 organizations, including 40,000 nonprofits. Salesforce is the recognized industry leader in relationship management systems and will allow us to offer a rich and continually improving digital experience.

For more information, please check out the resources

on [lionsclubs.org](http://lionsclubs.org) (<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/digital-products/portal-updates>)

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## Type 1 Diabetes

Welcome to our final article about diabetes. Lion's Club is an excellent platform for providing information about diabetes topics. We hope this year long series of articles has provided good information and motivation for those living with diabetes for improvement in self-care, and expanded your understanding, and ability to discuss diabetes related topics as you engage in Lion's Club activities. The information we have shared with you over the past year has focused mainly on type 2 diabetes, treatment options, complications, and resources for care.

However, there is also another main type of diabetes called type 1 diabetes. About 5% of the population of people who have diabetes in the US have type 1 diabetes. In most people with type 1 diabetes, the body's immune system — which normally fights to destroy harmful bacteria and viruses — mistakenly destroys insulin-producing (islet) cells in the pancreas. Genetics and environmental factors appear to play a role in this process.

- The exact cause is unknown.
- There is no cure, therefore, treatment with lifelong insulin therapy (either by multiple daily injections or by insulin pump) is necessary for living well and prevention of complications.
- The treatment plan also includes frequent checking of blood glucose levels and healthy eating plan with carbohydrate counting. An overall healthy lifestyle including regular physical activity is strongly encouraged.
- It is formerly known as juvenile diabetes or insulin dependent diabetes.
- Type 1 diabetes can be diagnosed at any age but most frequently before the age of 30.
- Signs and Symptoms include increased thirst, frequent urination, possibly bed-wetting in toilet-trained child, extreme weight loss, unintentional weight loss, fatigue, irritability or behavior changes, fruity-smelling breath.

Since it may be diagnosed in very young children, a responsible adult educated in the management of type 1 diabetes is extremely important to provide the care necessary until the child progressively learns the self-care skills to become independent in managing this condition as they mature into adulthood. Therefore, it is recommended that the child, parents, caregivers, and school personnel be educated as well to provide ongoing support for the day-to-day management of the diabetes, while promoting normal growth and development. If uncontrolled, type 1 diabetes, just as in type 2 diabetes, high blood glucose can lead to serious long-term complications including: heart disease, stroke, kidney disease, eye problems, dental disease, nerve damage, foot problems, depression, sleep apnea.

Ongoing medical management is essential. Due to the complexity of insulin management and increasing use of technology in this field, connecting with, and routinely following up with an endocrinologist, skilled in diabetes management, is strongly recommended. Diabetes educators including nurses and dietitians with specialized skills are available to support the educational component of self-care. The following link can assist in locating an educator near you: [www.diabeteseducator.org](http://www.diabeteseducator.org)

Local support groups may be available to provide ongoing family support as well.

Donna Dillinger BSN, RN, CDCES

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### **Global Leadership Team**

On June 17, using a round-table discussion format, we held OH2 Zone and Region Chair training and a short GAT meeting at Trinity Lutheran Church in Ashland. We encourage all clubs to make use of these important resources. Please let the Global Leadership Team know where we may be of assistance to your clubs.

Lion Ann Miller  
OH2 GLT Coordinator

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### **OH 2 GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM**

**Melody D Barnes**  
**GMT District Coordinator**

Membership for this Lions year seems to be a struggle. As of June 23, 2023

	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1,694	1,724
Added members	7	127
Dropped Members	25	175
Closing Balance	1,676	1,676
Net Gain/Loss	-18	-48

Each club is responsible for promoting the growth of membership. In the upcoming Lions year we hope to focus on the **Health of our clubs**. Healthy clubs are happy clubs. Promote the growth and **maintain stability**. Healthy clubs work on **retention** of members, keep the lines of **communication open** with all members. Healthy clubs are **inclusive and respectful**, responsible members. Healthy clubs **encourage each other**. Healthy clubs **attend trainings** increase their lions education and improve on personal skills. Healthy clubs work together to improve and **increase Marketing skills** and learn new **Marketing styles**.

We are still in the process of creating a new “Specialty Club” in Ashland and surrounding areas.

Anyone having any ideas of setting up a new club in your area, we are ready and willing to work anywhere in our district to create a new Lions club.

Continue to use the “**JUST ASK**” method to increase your membership. Please include and invite your district officers to club meetings. Create and maintain a Membership Drive to look for new volunteers. Use the district tent for lions’ events to help promote Lions awareness in your community. Call text or email for a membership program for your club. **Have some Tail Twisting Fun.**

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## **Pediatric Cancer Update**

Over the past several weeks, we have presented checks to several families affected by Pediatric Cancer. We have a 22 month old baby girl in Fostoria that is being treated at Nationwide Children’s Hospital. This case is being handled by the Fostoria Lions Club. Shelby Lions has a 9 year old boy. This family has been on hard times since the father is self-employed.

PDG Carolyn Brook has 2 kids in the SAME family, a 10 year old and 16 year old, being treated at different hospitals. **THIS IS WHY WE WALK LIONS!!!** We have families that need us and **WE SERVE**.

We are gearing up for our 2023 STEPS WALK in September; see attached documents in the newsletter. If you haven’t supported the STEPS WALK; now is the time to help us.

Mona DiCesare



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## GLOBAL SERVICE

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.

If needed once the new system rolls out, we may need training. Stay tuned for updates. I have included the Service Reporting form that should be used to keep track of service until the new portal is open.

I will be attending the International Convention in Boston that has sessions on the new portal and will share what I have learned in the next newsletter.

### 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 [clubs.org](https://clubs.org)

Search: Kindness Matters Service Award

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**“REPORT AN ACTIVITY” form**

**MyLion**

**Club Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Month** \_\_\_\_\_

**Service Activity Report**

**debre51@aol.com Debbie Reidy**

Select a category for this service activity:

\_\_\_\_ HUNGER      \_\_\_\_ ENVIRONMENT      \_\_\_\_ CHILDHOOD CANCER

\_\_\_\_ DIABETES.      \_\_\_\_ VISION      \_\_\_\_ OTHER

Activity Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (for event) \_\_\_\_\_

Start date: \_\_\_\_\_. End date: \_\_\_\_\_

Activity type: Service, Fundraiser, Meeting, Donation (choose one)

Activity Description: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

How many people were served? \_\_\_\_\_ Lion Volunteers \_\_\_\_\_

How many total volunteers? \_\_\_\_\_ LEO Volunteers \_\_\_\_\_

Planning and fundraising hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Family Volunteers \_\_\_\_\_

Number of direct service hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Non-member Volunteers \_\_\_\_\_

**Total hours:** \_\_\_\_\_

Funds raised if fundraiser: \_\_\_\_\_ Who received funds? \_\_\_\_\_

Did other clubs participate? Y / N



## Zone Chairs Corner

The Zone 1 Advisory Meeting Schedule and host clubs for the upcoming year are:

August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Port Clinton
November 1 <sup>st</sup>	Lindsey
February 7 <sup>th</sup>	Clyde

Some adjustments will be made to the format used in previous years. Meeting agenda and logistical information will be communicated in advance of the individual meetings.

## Club News Past, Present and to come

### Ashland Evening Lions

Ashland Evening Lions  
Lion Ann Miller  
Member PCC Forrest (Woody) Conrad, Jr. has a new phone number: 419-606-0812. On June 1 Gov. Julianne Zody installed our 2023-2024 officers and shared her goals and plans. Two of our scholarship winners joined us and our third one will be attending the July 6 meeting. Lion Dick Reich is our Lion of the Year. Lion Ed Krakora was given a small bronze lion for serving as 2022-2023 president. He and Lions Seth Gasche, Bill Snyder and Ann Miller received certificates of appreciation; and Lion Seth received an OLERF Dick Bryan Leadership Award. We completed another successful geranium and spring plant sale. Final count for recycled eyeglasses this year is 16,000+. We are ringing bells for the Salvation Army every Friday in July and will be at the Downtown Cruise-In on July 8.

### Ashland Noon Lions

Ashland Noon Lions had our monthly board meeting where Lions made plans to purchase t-shirts for Lions to wear during volunteer opportunities. A decision was made to donate \$725 to LCIF Sight and Hearing fund. We are keeping in contact during the summer when we don't have regular meetings by sending out a Lions Club newsletter, which includes news, upcoming events, birthdays, and other items to promote education about Lions Club International.

### Avon Lions Club

To honor our veterans who gave all to serve our country, on May 29<sup>th</sup> the Avon Lions Club marched in the City of Avon Memorial Day Parade. At the June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting the Avon Lions club inducted the new officers for 2023-2024. On June 10<sup>th</sup> the

Avon Lions Club hosted its annual fishing derby at Northgate Park. 200 children and their parents enjoyed a beautiful morning of fishing and family time. All children received a goody bag and refreshments and donuts were served. Prizes were awarded for the largest catch in each category. All children are eligible for the Grand Prize, the use of a Crushers loge donated by the City of Avon and the Avon Parks Department. 2022-2023 was a very successful and busy year for the Avon Lions Club. Our final metrics reported to MyLion: 5,767 people served, 1,128 volunteer hours, 46 community service activities completed, \$18,372 raised and \$13,395 funds donated.



## Bascom Lions

Bascom News for July 2023  
The Bascom Lions were busy in June. We had a successful Memorial Parade that was well attended by the community. The

BBQ chicken and pork dinners sold out and the 50/50 was well funded. At our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in June at Meadowbrook Park we had a workday where we separated and rolled all the street flags and discarded old flags and sent them to be honorably disposed. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting for June was hosted by Lion Tim Zoeller and was attended by members and spouses. District Governor Cindy Beat installed our officers and our new members. Dinner was great, Tim and his wife along with other wives put on a fabulous meal.

## Bellevue Lions Club

On June 9th the Bellevue Lions held their 17th Annual Par 3 Golf Scramble. There was good food, numerous prizes, and good times for all. We will be holding it again next year on June 14th at Twin Lakes Golf Course. Put it on your calendar!



## Bellevue Lions Installation of Officers

June 19<sup>th</sup>. The Bellevue Lions held the 79<sup>th</sup>. Installation of new officers at the FUMC Family Life Center. Our Lions was chartered October 6, 1944 and is part of a world wide Lions organization active in over 200 countries with over one million 400 members. We raise money to support our community, state and International projects. We just completed our annual Par 3 Golf outing at Twin Lakes Golf course and looking forward to broom sale in September and spaghetti carry out dinner in October. Incoming officers for 2023/2024-President, Melissa Caranfa serving her 2<sup>nd</sup>. Year as President. Other incoming officers include 1<sup>st</sup>. VP David Greene, 2<sup>nd</sup>. VP Jerry Garman, Treasurer-Jack Williamson, Secretary Jim Pickering, Asst. Sec. Erica Caranfa, Tail Twisters Adrian Zavaleta/Dean Auxter, Lion Tamers-Sandy Laporo/Diana Spooer , Directors-Jean Zieber/Ann West/Ryan Ray/Mike Lantz, Mkt and club administrator-Lance Rectanus and Chaplain-Doug giuldenmeister. This year the installing officer is or OH 2 District 2<sup>nd</sup>. VD Governor-Shirlee Eberlee from the Oak Harbor Lions Club. She is shown presenting the gavel to incoming President Melissa Caranfa. Our meal was catered by Hogues IGA.





District 2<sup>nd</sup>. VD Governor-Shirlee Eberlee and President Melissa Caranfa.

## Bellville Lions Club

The Bellville Lions Club had their food trailer at the New Life Church Bouncy Festival on June 10. The Club's new officers were installed on June 15 by governor-elect Lion Julianne Zody. The members voted to donate \$1000.00 to the Honor Bus program for our veterans. They also donated \$200.00 of gift cards to two families that have children with cancer. They also donated \$200.00 to a family that has a special needs child that had three surgery and may need more.

1st Vice President Edward Brook and President Carolyn Brook presented a \$1000.00 check to the family that has two children with bone cancer. The \$1000.00 was from our District through the Step Walk Program.

The Club donated food to the Bellville Neighbor out Reach Food bank.

Zone 6 Zone Chair assistant Edward Brook attended Zone Training on June 17. The Club will have out food trailer at the Bellville Fireworks on July 2.

## Bucyrus Lions Club



The Bucyrus Lions Club voted to purchase a bicycle as a prize for the local library's children's reading contest. Shown in the picture is Lion president PDG Terry Spiegel and children's librarian Barbara Scott. The Lions also checked the electronic magnifier that was donated to the library some years ago to make sure that it was in working order and in a convenient place for patrons to use. The club donated to the Crawford County Council on Aging for prizes at the senior's luncheon at the Crawford County Fair. A member of the low vision support group was given a white cane to use as an aid for walking around town and to let people know that he is visually impaired. Randy Fischer of the Bucyrus Bicentennial Committee spoke at the Lions' noon meeting to tell them about plans for a park on the north side of the city where the ice plant and Freddie's Restaurant used to be. No buildings can be built there because it is in the flood plain. It will be provide a stopping place for people

traveling to and from Lake Erie in the summer. Bob Guinther was chosen as the club's Lion of the Year for all his work on the club's projects including selling of chicken dinner tickets and painting of the fire hydrants. He is shown in the picture with PDG Terry Spiegel.



## Butler Lions Club

PDG Dana Zody installed new officers for the Butler Lions Club on Monday, June 5, 2023. Lion Ericka Lowe, President, Lion Gary Mathes, Secretary and Lion Robert Snyder, Treasurer took the oath of office for their respective positions for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.



Other club members were also sworn in by PDG Zody. Officers look forward to a membership expansion of the club in 2024.

Lion Mary Lee Lowe has been in contact with Brandon Pollack from Mansfield. Brandon and a group of students

attend a 3-day session in Columbus dealing with Ohio Legislature. Brandon will be attending the September 11<sup>th</sup> meeting this fall to explain the program with the hopes of obtaining some funds to help students attend the March 2024 event.

**Upcoming Events** for the club can be found in the June 5, 2023 minutes on the following page. Thank You to club Secretary Lion Mathes for providing the minutes of the meetings quickly and efficiently.

Additional information regarding the Butler Car Show. The club will have a stand at the Car Show on August 5, 2023. We will have hot dogs, walking tacos, chips, and drinks. A jar will be provided for donations for the items selected. Information regarding the club and membership will also be available to the public.

## **Crestline Lions Club**

The Crestline Lions held it's annual Chicken Barbecue June 25<sup>th</sup>. This fundraiser, along with donations from local businesses, funds the Crestline Fireworks. The delicious chicken comes from Port-a-Cook and is a marinated chicken that locals look forward to every year. As with most clubs, we had to make adjustments when Covid came along and convert this event to a drive through and it worked so well we have continued with this format. If you missed trying some of this delicious chicken, look for it next year. It is always the weekend before the fireworks.



## **Fostoria Lions**

The Fostoria Lions Club is in the process of planning several upcoming events. Our annual Bike Rodeo which is held in conjunction with the YMCA Summer Rec Program and the Fostoria Police Department will be held on Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. We have obtained several bikes that the police department has collected and was unable to determine the proper owner. These bikes will be repaired and given to any kids that do not have a bike. We are also planning our food stand for the Fostoria Heritage Day Celebration which will on held on Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. At this event, we will kick off the sale of our annual OSU Raffle basket and fire ring. Two members will be attending the International Convention in Boston.

## **Fremont Lions Club**

New officers for Fremont Lions Club were recently installed. They include: Steve Anyway, president, Greg DeRodes, vice president, Donna Thatcher and Colleen Carmack, secretary and assistant, Susie Osborne, treasurer, Joan Gamble, Jeff Osborne, Rob Roth and Terry Thatcher, directors, Dave Peiffer, lion twister, Dave Souder, tail tamer and Jim Elder, chaplain.

A successful Pancake Breakfast was held in June. This event also offered opportunity to sell books of tickets for the upcoming fundraiser of the Millersport Sweet Corn Festival. We appreciate being involved with this fundraiser and thank Lion Kelvin Hite from Millersport Lions for his help!

We are looking forward to serving the community in the new 2023-2024 year and to the visitation from Lions Governor Julianne Zody on August 1.

## **Jeromesville Lions Club**

Jeromesville's Lions Club honored Bill Hixson and Ruth Ann Jolliff for their contributions in the Jeromesville area during the club's last meeting of the 2022-23 year.

Held at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Hixson was named Lion of the Year for his spirit of serving others and Jolliff was named Citizen of the Year for her work with students at Hillsdale Middle School's Quilt Club.

Dinner was served by Exclusively Yours catering service with Lion Carl Nagy leading the Pledge of Allegiance, Lion Marlene Armstrong leading "God Bless America" and Lion Layton Broome giving the invocation.

During the meeting plans were set in motion for the JeromesFest Car Show and Lawn Concert scheduled for Saturday, July 29.





plastic bags for our 3rd Trex bench in July. Happy Summer!



## Madison Township Lions

Wow what a difference a month can make, This month we start off having our Installation of Officers, which was a social with honored guests. Thank You to PCC Stan Kopp for conducting a very informative as well as entertaining installation ceremony, with the highlight being able to present our incoming Lions President Tom Ford with a Team Ball (that all incoming officers had signed). DG Cindy Beat was also in attendance and was finally able to visit our new meeting site. Please keep in mind her previous three visits were all at our fundraising events.

At that same meeting we were able to provide a local family dealing with Childhood cancer with 2 children both having cancer much needed support.

ZC6 Jeff Burns presented our outgoing Lions President Steve Laskey with several awards our club had earned this past year at the district convention.

Next up our club officially is participating in the Mathew 25 project. Still working out some logistics and, manpower requirements. Hopefully we will have more to report on in next month's news.

Our club is still operating our concession trailer at Charles Mill Lake Park located at 1277A OH-430 Mansfield, Ohio 44903.

Come to the park and enjoy your favorites while watching a fabulous fireworks show.

## Marblehead Peninsula Lions



## Lucas Lions Club

On June 15 we held our annual member and friends picnic at the Lucas Lions Club. PDG Dana Zody inducted our new officers! We are excited to see new faces in leadership positions, and look forward to serving our community with fresh ideas. This will be Lion Dan Smith's fourth time leading our club as President. We thank Past President Bill Grubaugh for his leadership last year as we welcomed new members and explored new fundraising opportunities.

We are also eagerly planning to celebrate our 70th Anniversary at our annual Duck Race and Community Picnic on August 17, 2023 at Lucas Park. More information and invitations to come soon.



## Loudonville Lions Club

Loudonville Lions held another successful Fish Fry in June and are all set to hold their next Chicken BBQ on July 1 in Central Park in conjunction with the annual Car Show. This year the Shriners will be joining us to cook brats and hot dogs. The Club sponsored a Rain Barrel for the Ashland Soil and Water Conservation Districts "Rain Beat on Main Street" event. Local student Grace Ringler painted a very majestic Lion on our barrel. The board met to pass a budget for the coming year and held their annual planning session for the coming year. Our second Trex bench has been installed in Riverside Park and we begin collecting

The Marblehead Peninsula Lions recently dedicated the Lake Point Park to the Marblehead Peninsula Lions Park at Lake Point. Over 60 people attended the ceremony, including district representatives, members of local Lions Clubs, and many Marblehead Lions Club members.

In addition, the club has completed another round of plastic recycling and is ordering their second bench, the Lions joined hands with the Danbury Fire Department and offered the community CPR classes, and we are purchasing two sight magnifiers to donate to the local library and Sr. Center.

Also our club held a pancake breakfast and donated \$1,000.00 to Ottawa County Family Advocacy.



## North Ridgeville Lions Club

The Lions Club of North Ridgeville has had a busy few months. At the end of May, we co-sponsored the North Ridgeville Memorial Day Parade with VFW Post 9871. We had multiple floats, the NRHS marching band, classic cars, and multiple other marching units, followed by a solemn ceremony remembering our heroes who served and gave their lives to protect the

freedoms that we enjoy. On July 15, we will be hosting our annual charter night to celebrate our 62nd year of existence! And finally, coming up on Saturday, August 12, we are hosting the Run the Ridge Annual 5K Run/Walk and 1 mile Fun Run in support of childhood cancer research. The race will begin at 9:00 a.m. at Ranger Stadium on Bainbridge Road. See flyer at back of this newsletter for more information, visit our Facebook page, or see our website [northridgevillelions.org](http://northridgevillelions.org) for more information or to register for the race.



## Ontario Lions

June 4th, our members and our sponsored local scout group helped install over 25 yards of

mulch at the Lions park. Thank you to everyone who participated, our beautiful park is open this summer and fall to the public to enjoy!



Here is a picture at the Ontario Senior Center. What a beautiful job Lions Renee, Randy and the rest of the team did! Thank you for all your hard work!



## Perrysville Lions

Perrysville Lions held their 20<sup>th</sup> annual Car Show on June 24, even though it looked like rain all day we had a great show with 38 cars registered. The proceeds for the day will be divided between Pediatric Cancer and the Ashland County Cancer Society.

The club would like to thank CS Craig Wiley for helping park cars.

We will resume our Swiss steak luncheons on July 16 serving from 11-1 at the Perrysville Community Center. Carry-out only.



## **Plymouth Lions**

Lions of Plymouth have donated tuition funds to local students to attend a Herpetology class, as well as offered four \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors. We have lifted flags for Memorial Day, as well as participated in the local parade. We have donated glasses to members of our community, and have started discussing the potential for more community service projects for the future. All reports from secretary Mindy and treasurer Sheryl have been approved by the club.

## **Polk Lions Club**

On Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> the Polk Lions hosted an “Ice Cream Gathering” that featured a light menu of ice cream, cake and fresh local strawberries, in keeping with the strawberry theme of former years when we held our popular June “Strawberry Festival” with a full menu, games, crafts and other activities.

This new event, expected to become an annual tradition, was held at the Polk-Jackson-Perry Firehouse, which proved to be a perfect setting because of its spaciousness and large open doors that provided plenty of pleasant sunshine and fresh air.

\$500 of the proceeds were earmarked for pediatric cancer, going to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital in memory of the late John Donley, longtime dedicated Polk Lion. Lion John and his wife Lion Candy have been passionate supporters of St. Jude over the years.

A committee of five Lions planned and prepared for the

event, and several more helped out that day. Nearly all club members attended, and visitors of all ages came from as far away as the Clear Fork School District. Estimated attendance was 80 with a steady crowd throughout the afternoon. The event also featured a bake sale, a raffle; and also an informational table promoting Lions International, which generated plenty of interest and some very good questions about the ways Lions serve.

The Polk Lions extend our special thanks to the Polk-Jackson-Perry Fire District and personnel for opening their facility to us and lending their generous assistance the day of the event.



## **Port Clinton Lions Club**

Officers and Directors for the 2023 – 2024 calendar year were installed by ZC Mike Garber on June 15<sup>th</sup>.

On June 22<sup>nd</sup> we conducted a successful bus trip fundraiser to the Ohio Amish country, touring an Amish home, school, and farm, enjoyed a buggy ride followed by lunch and shopping in Berlin. Forty-four Lions and guests took part in this event.

Used eyeglasses collected in June totaled 224.

Two fundraisers are planned for July. We will take our food trailer to the Port Clinton fireworks on July 4<sup>th</sup> and to the Women’s Club Art show on July 9<sup>th</sup>.

Work is underway to find a new vendor for our Chicken BBQ’s following the retirement of our previous provider.

## **Sandusky Lions Club**

Sandusky Lions Club enjoys Ohio Bike Week, and we have the first relatively easy and fun fundraiser of the season. Utilizing 4 privately owned parking lots, we staff them for several hours each of 3 days and charge for parking vehicles and bikes. We serve in 2-hour shifts, and, since we don’t have enough from our club to staff for all those hours, (we volunteered for a grand total of 86 hours in 2 ½ days.), we’ve invited and partnered with some members of our local Knights of Columbus. This is a wonderful opportunity to get our name out in the community, to mingle with townspeople and visitors alike, and make good money. This is such a success, year after year, that we are looking into doing the same thing for other local events. And yes; we forgot to take pictures, so I’m hoping you can picture us having fun in the sun.

## **Savannah Crestview Lions Club**

Savannah-Crestview Lions have been busy wrapping up the year and looking ahead to another year of service. At our last dinner meeting new officers were installed by CC Kevin Reidy. Katie Willeke will be our new president. All the Lions present were thanked for the hours of service they had accomplished this past year.



We had our last pancake breakfast of the season with proceeds going to the Crestview Area Buyers Club to help with Crestview 4H and FFA students who show animals at either Ashland or Richland County Fairs.

At our recent director's meeting the last of the checks for grant money for the kitchen remodel at the Savannah townhall were presented from Lion Kevin to Treasure Lion Dave Pond. Included in that was the grant money from LCIF. Construction is scheduled to start on that project in August.

We are looking forward to continue our service to the community in the fall.



## Sycamore Lions Club

The Sycamore Lions Club has served its community for 78 years. Tonight we said a goodbye not only to some dedicated Lions, but also to some great friendships. President Albert, who is 89 years old, has held the office of President numerous times over the years. Club Treasurer has served in his position for 44 years. Lion Linda Warren and Lion Larry always such a delight to be around. Another member stated he has been a Lion for 48 years. There is a lot of history in this club. Imagine the number of people

this club has served in 78 years. CC Kevin Reidy presented a certificate of appreciation to the club from MD13. Also present for the last meeting of the Sycamore Lions was 1VDGE Patty Moorman, International Relations Chair Bob Moorman, Region Chair Mike Grube, Crestline Lions President and incoming Zone 5 Chair Janelle Grube and Zone 5 Chair Dave Schwenning.



## Tiffin Lions Club

President Mike Smith welcomed fifteen members and five guests at 7 pm at First Christian Church. He led the singing of the first verse of "America" and the pledge of Allegiance. Chaplain John Maddox offered a prayer. Smith introduced Zone 2 Chair Dave Omlor.

The Community Service Awards of \$500.00 were presented to Tiffin Columbian senior Autumn-Belle Stephens and staff member Rachel Briggs received the check for Sentinel Career and Technology Center students.



Mike Smith and Rachel Briggs for Sentinel



Mike Smith and Autumn-Belle Stevens

Omlor announced Zone 2 BBQ in Attica on August 2 at 6 pm, first Zone 2 Advisory meeting in Republic on August 23 at 6 pm, second Advisory meeting November 15 in Old Fort, third Advisory meeting February 22, 2024, in Tiffin.



Zone 2 Chair Dave Omlor

Secretary Connie Cole read the minutes of the May 15 meeting. Treasurer Margaret Werling

gave the financial report. Cole reported one eye exam and glasses approved for a local resident. Jack Houck reported steady sales of brooms at the Farmers Market. Sign up sheet was circulated for White Cane Day. On June 9, \$190.28 was received and are solely used for vision needs in Tiffin. Induction of 2023-2024 Officers will be held June 26 with a potluck dinner starting at 6 pm. Shelby Lions

## Vermillion Lions

Our first meeting of June was held at the pavilion at Sherod Park. Spouses were also present. We had a delicious meal.

Our Food Pantry Chairman, Dan Dean, collected \$96 from our members at our first meeting.

District Governor, Cindy Beat, installed our new officers for the 2023-2024 year.

Three benches were dedicated in memory of 3 of our deceased Lion members: PDG Del Orwig, Lion Jerry Massanova, and Lion Don Dobos. Name

plates are on each bench. Their spouses were present for this.

Our two scholarship recipients were Angelique Garcia who received the Robert Via Memorial of \$1000 and Marissa Garcia who received the Vermillion Lions Club of \$1000. These scholarships were presented by Lion Dr. Bill Decker at the Vermillion High School Awards Ceremony.

Our Fish Festival was on Father's Day weekend. We sold our delicious homemade french fries. We made a nice profit. Our Lions and Leos did a wonderful job to make this happen.

We will be working a corn roast in the park where the Farm Market will be on Saturday, August 12 and Saturday, August 19.

Upcoming home Vermillion High School football games will soon be approaching. We will sell our delicious homemade french fries there. Half of the profits will go to the Athletic Boosters. We will also do the Band Festival and the proceeds go to the Band Boosters.

This year we plan to present two deserving Lions members

with the Melvin Jones award at our Christmas Auction/Dinner.

Hope that everyone is having a nice summer!



## Lions that have Passed this month

## 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.





July 1, 2023

**Greetings Potential STEPS Walk Sponsor:**

A relatively new initiative for Lions Clubs International has been to address Pediatric Cancer across the world. Many Lions Clubs throughout the country will be hosting a Walk/Run event sometime during late Summer or early Fall to raise funds for this initiative. These events have taken the name of **"STEPS" Lions for Pediatric Cancer.**

Our District's event will be held around Lakes Lamberjack and Mottram in Fostoria on Sunday, September 17th. Our Fun Walk will start at 10:00. We are looking forward to a fun event to raise funds for a very worthy cause.

We have several levels for our sponsorships:

\$ 0 - \$ 99	Listed on our Sponsorship Banner
\$100 - \$ 250	Company Sign placed along walk/run route
\$250 - \$ 499	Water Stop Sponsorship - <b>Name on Tee Shirt</b>
\$500 and above	Golden Level-Sign placed along route/Recognition during event <b>Name on Tee Shirt provided to each participate</b>

All donations will be accepted. If you or your company can not participate in the run or walk; please consider a donation to this worthy cause.

We would appreciate your support. Please make checks payable to:

Ohio Lions 13OH2 STEPS Walk

Mail to:

Mona DiCesare, Chairperson  
1033 Kennedy Lane  
Fostoria, OH 44830

**Thank you so much !!!!**

Lion Mona DiCesare  
Fostoria Lions Club  
District OH2 Pediatric Cancer Chairperson



# STEPS

Lions for Pediatric Cancer



## 1 Mile Walk

***Sunday, September 17, 2023***

Throughout September, Lions and friends around Ohio will be participating in 1-mile walks to raise money and awareness for pediatric cancer. Join us September 17 - in Fostoria or your local community - to help families fight cancer ONE STEP at a time!

**Lake Lamberjack and Lake Mottram at Fostoria City Park**

*At the west end of West Center Street, Fostoria*

Walks begin at 10am

Or

Make a donation as a ***Virtual Walker***



**100% of the money raised will go to pediatric cancer research and to support affected families.**



Awards will be presented for age groups.

**REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 9AM - YOU CAN REGISTER THE DAY OF THE RACE**

### **To Register:**

Mail the form with \$25 registration to **Lions OH2 STEPS** 1033 Kennedy Ln, Fostoria OH 44830 or send via email to [afirechf@gmail.com](mailto:afirechf@gmail.com). Registration includes t-shirt if received before Sept 10.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ SHIRT SIZE : \_\_\_\_\_ VIRTUAL WALKER? **Y / N**

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to **OHIO LIONS 13OH2 STEPS WALK**

For any questions, email [afirechf@gmail.com](mailto:afirechf@gmail.com) or call Lion Mona DiCesare at 419-306-2045



To Potential Sponsor:

In the last few years, you may have heard about the Fostoria Lion's STEPS walk held in September. September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. The Fostoria Lions, along with the Ohio Lions Club are taking "STEPS" to help raise money for Pediatric Cancer Research/Treatment. Through funds raised by this worthy cause, the Ohio Lions have been able to donate to local families who have been impacted by Childhood Cancer.

For 2023, the Fostoria Lions Club is adding a Golf Outing to help raise money for the Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation and Fostoria Lions Club. We are seeking sponsors for these two events:

- **The Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation and Fostoria Lions Club Golf Outing** will be held on August 30, 2023 at 9am at the Fostoria Country Club.
- **The Lion's Pediatric Cancer STEPS Walk** will be held on Sept 17, 2023 at 10am at Lake Lamberjack and Lake Mottram (City Park Reservoirs).

Our goal is to showcase children in the North-Central Ohio region that are battling cancer. We hope to share their stories through signs displayed with their picture and a little bit about the child. We want our communities to know about these children, and we want the families to know that our communities support them through their journey. We welcome companies to sponsor the signs for a particular child. Sponsorship for those signs will be \$200.00 with half of that cost going directly back to that family.

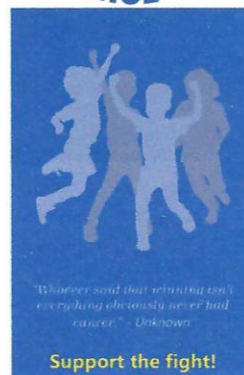
**We have Several other Levels of Sponsorships:**

- \$50-\$150 - Listed on our Sponsorship banner displayed at both events
- \$151-\$350 - Company sign displayed on course/route for both events
- \$351-\$600 - Water Stop Sponsorship at both events. Name on t-shirt at Walk
- \$601-above - Gold Level sponsor - sign displayed at both events, Company mentioned during events and during any PR for events, Name on t-shirt at Walk

All donations will be accepted. If you or your company cannot participate in either of these events, please consider a donation to this worthy cause.

Please make checks payable to: The Fostoria Lions Club

Mail To: Mona DiCesare, Chairperson  
1033 Kennedy Lane  
Fostoria, OH 44830







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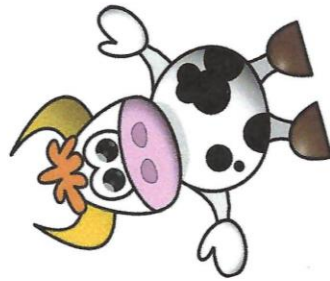
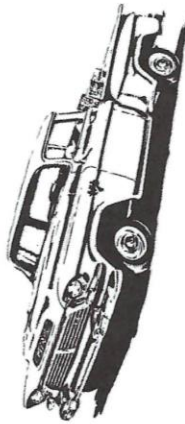
**Car Show 3:30 to 6:00**

**Food 3:30 to 6:30**

**SHaK 4:00 to 7:00**

**JeromeFest**  
**Jeromesville Lewis Memorial Park**  
**July 29, 2023**  
**Car Show and Lawn Chair Concert**  
**Bring your chairs and enjoy the sounds of SHaK.**  
**Plaques to the first 50 cars.**

**Jeromesville Lewis  
Memorial Park**



**Roast Beef or  
Chicken Sandwich  
anyone?**

# RUN THE RIDGE

Presented by the  
Lions Club of North Ridgeville



In Support of  
Childhood Cancer



## 5K Run/Walk & Kids Fun Run

**Saturday August 12th**  
Ranger Stadium - North Ridgeville

Race Day Registration & Packet pick up: 7:30am

Kids Fun Run: 8:45am

5K Run/Walk starts: 9am

### WHAT YOU GET:

Commemorative Finisher Medal

Custom race shirt - guaranteed to all registered by August 1st

Hermes chip timing

Post-race refreshments

Awards to 1st place overall and three-deep age group winners in five-year increments

Register Online at: <https://tinyurl.com/NR-Lions>

For more information visit [hermesccleveland.com](http://hermesccleveland.com)



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# 13 OH2 STEPS WALK 2023



September is  
**CHILDHOOD  
CANCER  
AWARENESS  
MONTH**



Lions have seen and felt the effects of cancer on children and their families, and continue to bring hope through tangible service and support.



- ✂ 100% of the money raised will go to pediatric cancer research and support of affected families.
- ✂ Childhood cancer survivors are **twice as likely** to suffer chronic health conditions.
- ✂ 47 children per day are diagnosed with cancer.
- ✂ 1/285 children in the U.S. will be diagnosed with cancer by age 20.
- ✂ Only **4%** of the money annually spent on cancer research and treatments are directed towards treating childhood cancer. **We can better this!**



*Save the Date*

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023**

**Lake Lamberjack & Lake Mottram  
at FOSTORIA CITY PARK**

**1 Mile Walk at 10 AM**

\$25 donation per Registration (includes t-shirt if in by Sept 10)

***Families Welcome***

***Virtual Walkers encouraged to participate***