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GIFTS

“Going In First To Serve”

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Hello My Awesome Lions friends of OH2,

I am officially your District Governor for 2023-2024

The International Lions Convention in Boston was enjoyable and very memorable.

Our last training session was held and my group was visited by the German group with their translators. They have the same problems we have with aging clubs and getting new members, many of their projects deal with feeding the hungry people.

I was given an invitation to a Dutch Reception, which by the way is by invitation only and are very formal. A smile will take you a long way and the fact that I was named after the Crowned Princess of the Netherlands didn't hurt. We were introduced to and talked with people from Pakistan, Africa, Canada, The Netherlands, Wisconsin, and Iowa. It was fun trying to understand the gentleman from Pakistan but understand that they deal with a lot of disaster.

We had a lovely graduation Celebration which also was formal dress. When we were in St. Charles in February each group had to create a cheer that would be presented to everyone (650 plus people). The cheer had to exemplify what the 5 Lion causes were.

Group 30, which was my group won 3rd. Place and we all received medals. PINCH ME!!

This is the way the cheer goes:

“Check one's Sugar, Plant a tree,
Test a Child so they can See.
Help a sick Child, Feed the Poor.
All Can Happen When Lions Roar!!”

International President Dr. Patti Hill's Theme is: "Changing the World." Changing doesn't happen all at once. It happens through many small choices, with every act of kindness, we change a life. With every Lions Club and Leo Club, we change a Community. When we change our Communities we change the World.

I have always read the District Newsletter but this month I really read the newsletter. I am impressed with all the things your clubs do. You truly make a difference in your communities and you truly embody my theme, "GIFTS" (Going In First To Serve). I truly thank you and am looking forward to seeing what more you do to change your Communities.

1VDG Patty is going to be asking you when your Heart knew you were a Lion.

I thought it was when our club bought a white cane for a little boy who lost his when the family moved. I was President at the time and I got to present it to him. (The Tears Rolled.) However Wednesday evening 7-19-23, I attended the New Member night for a Specialty Club that GMT

chair Melody is planning to start. How awesome it would be to start a club for Special Needs individuals and their Caregivers to help the community and fellowship for each other. What an awesome feeling to offer to help. I saw expressions of relief and joy. My heart felt I was a LION. Thanking you kindly Melody.

I see Club Excellence Forms coming in, Congratulations to these Clubs. The forms are due to PDG Cindy for her signature before August 31, 2023.

I am looking forward to a great year with all of you. DG Julianne

GIFTS! (Going In First To Serve)

Governors

Visitation Schedule

August 1	Fremont
August 2	Zone 2 BBQ Attica
August 3	Ashland Evening
August 8	Oak Harbor
August 10	Elmore
August 13	Perrysville Swiss Steak luncheon
August 17	Lucas
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
September 6	Jeromesville
September 7	Ashland Evening
September 10	Perrysville Swiss steak luncheon
September 12	Firelands
September 13	Huron
September 14	Marblehead Peninsula
September 17	STEPS Walk Fostoria
September 18	Bellevue
September 21-23	USA Canada Forum, Reno, Nevada
September 26	Bloomville
September 27	Sandusky
October 2	Clyde
October 3	Old Fort
October 5	Amherst

1st VDG Patty

Are you an Optimist? Do you see the glass half empty or half full? How about Summer? Sure it is approaching the end of July, but we still have August and then the Fall. So, let's chat about some new service projects you can do before the snow flies. As Lions, we enjoy great fellowship with our fellow club members, so why not plan an afternoon project in a local park, at the ball field, around

town in your bright, lions shirts so you are both being visible and also improving the Environment. When we brainstorm service projects, we usually are focusing on vision or diabetes. But let's focus on the Environment, which is one of our international focus areas. As I visit clubs this year, I am handing out service project ideas. Here are a few of the ideas for the category of Environment. Contact your local City or Village and see if they are in need of some trees being planted in parks. Plan a park clean-up day—there is always trash to be picked up. Does anything around town need a coat of paint? How about your local park service? Could they use some assistance with trail cleanup? Collect some used cellphones and donate them to individuals in need. Share a meal with students at your local school and afterwards teach them how to sort their recyclables and trash. Sponsor a decorative landscaping garden in a local park or downtown. Sponsor a healthy cooking class focused on fresh, garden vegetables from the farmer's market. Sponsor a photo contest and pick a specific topic such as birds or insects. Refurbish picnic tables or bleachers at the ball fields and parks. Paint fire hydrants. I bet if you brainstorm, you can come up with dozens of more ideas for your communities. So get out there and show them that Lions care about their community. Invite others in the community to help and work with you, side by side. And then, of course, enjoy a picnic

in the park. Fun, Fellowship and Service. That's how we do it!!!!

Please look over my schedule for August and September. If my date to visit your club does not work, or if you prefer me to help with a project, give me a call or send me an email and we will work on rescheduling.

1st VDG Visitation Schedule

August 2	Z2 BQ
August 5	COG Mtg.
August 8	Crestline Family Picnic
August 9 th	Sandusky
August 17 th	Bellville
August 19 th	Cabinet Meeting
Sept 7	Ashland Noon
Sept 7	Lucas
Sept 10	Perrysville
Sept 12	Bucyrus
Sept 13	Plymouth
Sept 14	Colonel Crawford
Sept 15	Harvest Festival
Sept 21	Hayesville

Yours in Lionism,
1VDG Patty Moorman

2nd VDG ShirLee

I visited Lagrange and N. Fairfield clubs with my travel buddy, Fran Tuttemore who is the First Vice President of the Marblehead Club, and was warmly welcomed. I spoke about being healthy clubs and remembering kindness in their meetings and dealing with their

fellow Lions. I also spoke about membership. If you don't know my situation, my husband Bill, has leukemia, and is currently going through treatment at the Cleveland Clinic. He has been in ICU recently, so if I missed your scheduled meeting, I'll make it up to you, I PROMISE!!!!!! In the meantime, think good thoughts, be good to yourself, be kind to your mind and I'll see you soon.

2VDG ShirLee

2VDG Visitation Schedule August

Aug 2	Old Fort at Attica
Aug 3	Fostoria
Aug 7	Tiffin
Aug 14	Republic
Aug 15	Vermillion
Aug 21	Elyria
Aug 22	Bloomville
Aug 23	Attica

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

Notice to all

While at the International Convention It was said that the New Lions Portal would not be up and running till at least Mid-September. Due to translation taking so long.



MD 13 District Governors for 2023-2024

OH 1 Deb Crawford, OH 2 Julianne Zody, OH 3 Becky Thornton, OH 4 Janet Christen, OH 5 Mick Kerek. OH 6 John Hibbs (not Shown), OH 7 Sarah Camacho

Council Chair Information



A good question is “What does the Council Chairperson do?” Basically, there are two main responsibilities that go with the position. One, the CC enables the Council of Governors to effectively run the Multiple District during their year in office. Creating an agenda, along with the MDS, for the Council of Governors’ Meetings and chairing the Meetings enables the CoG to oversee and help enact legislation that is needed to keep MD13 serving Ohio Lions effectively. The CC also acts as a resource person for the CoG, as well as for all Lions in the multiple district. A second responsibility of the CC is to serve as the chairperson of the GAT, the Global Action Team. The GAT is made up of the Global Service Team, the Global Leadership Team, and the Global Membership Team. In addition to MD13 officers, these teams have officers in the State’s seven sub-districts. These groups have a MD13 Chairperson elected annually by the incoming District Governors who promotes their respective aspects of MD13 Lionism. The CC mainly supports and to some degree directs these Lion leaders. Lions Clubs International is suggesting a New Voices Chairperson as a new addition to the GAT. Although it is not required yet, MD13 is in the vanguard of multiples and districts promoting this addition. Educating Ohio Lions about New Voices will be a major emphasis this year, and Lion Tamarra Parker-Stephens has accepted leadership for this task. As Council Chairperson this year, it is my goal to fulfill these responsibilities to the best of my ability, and as a subsidiary function, keep the membership of MD13 informed of service, governance, and growth in all respects of Lionism. Newsletters are one way to stay informed. If you aren’t on the MD13 Newsletter Mailing List, go to ohiolions.org and follow the links to get enrolled. Using “eNews Service” in the search box, you will find a page on which #3 directs you to the way to get enrolled for direct mailing of the MD13 Newsletter. I am looking forward to serving our multiple district as the year progresses. International President Dr. Patti Hill’s theme is Changing the World. I believe small change(s) can make a big difference!

Best wishes for this Lions Year in respect to health, happiness, and service!

Council Chairperson Dave Stockum

District Committee’s Information

International Peace Posters

SCHOOL BELLS WILL BE RINGING SHORTLY. This means the school teachers/administrators will be in the buildings getting their new year plans in order for the start of school. This also means a great time to make some contacts about how 11 to 13 year old kids from all over the world will be participating in this art project. The theme this year is “Dare to Dream” You will be getting your new OH 2 district Directories soon and if you don’t want to order the Peace Poster kit right away, take the Directory into school and you can show what is required by looking on pages 66/67. Don’t forget that all entries need to have the official sticker on the back of the poster and this comes in the Peace Poster kit.

The Poster needs to be sent to Governor Julianne Zody by November 15, 2023.

Call club supplies to order 630 571 5466.

Any questions give Lion Jim Pickering a call cell-419 217 8435 or email jimdottiep@live.com

Your getting older Peace Poster chair Lion Jim P

OH 2 Global Membership Team

Melody D Barnes

GMT District Coordinator

As we start our new Lions year, let us focus on the **health of our clubs**. Although the residual effects of COVID continue to plague us, we are committed to learn to live with viruses and work on serving our community needs. Now more than ever we need to make every effort to build our Lions clubs with new members, work hard on retention of existing members. Continue to access the needs of our communities and the needs of the people that said they would volunteer and became Lions. The monthly membership report as of July 22, 2023;

	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1,671	1,671
Added Members	11	11
Dropped Members	18	18
Closing Balance	1,664	1,664
Net Gains/Loss	-7	-7

Worldwide 1,343,752

Each Lions club is responsible for reaching out and lifting each other.

We continue to work on developing a Lions Specialty Club in Ashland. It takes determination and hard work to **form a new club**, but oh how wonderful it is to **meet new people**, eager to help make a difference in their community, the ability to help others see their self worth and to help them achieve their goals is unmatched. **Enable and empower** individuals in your community, by introducing yourself and sharing what your Lions club has to offer your community and help them by becoming a volunteer of the greatest humanitarian organization in the world.

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 attended a session in Boston at the International Convention. A demonstration was given by Sales Force, the company that is developing the new app. You will be able to go back and forth between pages where club info is entered and service is entered. Expected roll out is mid to late September. It appears to be easier to follow, but is new. I will continue to monitor and determine how we would like to roll this out in the district. Please feel free to share suggestions.

LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL - SERVICE ACTIVITIES KINDNESS MATTERS AWARD PROGRAM

THERE IS STILL TIME TO ENTER!

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

Search: Kindness Matters Service Award

GST Debbie Reidy

debre51@aol.com 419-543-1600



**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

I spent four days, July 22 to July 25 in Chicago for Lions Clubs International Foundation training. I was able to have a tour of LCI Headquarters in between training. IPP Brian Sheehan was an inspiration to all of us. He inspired us to work harder and to get the message out on how important our donations are to the Foundation.

Our goal for year 2023-2024 is \$45,171.00. This goal is based on every member donating \$27.00. The good news that our District donated \$46,151.00 last year. The not so good news is that we only had two (2) percent members that donated. My goal is to raise that to five (5) percent this year.

IPP Sheehan wants are leaders to show an example by donating to our Foundation. If we, as leaders show our members how easy it is to give just a few dollars we can do great things for our communities and the world. It is so easy to donate online. When a member donates their money helps the club and also can get you a Melvin Jones once you reach \$1000.00.

When clubs give \$5000.00 in one year they will receive grant money that they can use for their communities.

I will be visiting clubs this year to present a program on LCIF and to show you how the money you donate is used. I will be contacting clubs in the near future to set up a date for my visit.

In Lionsim

PDG/ LCIF District Coordinator, Carolyn

Pediatric Cancer Update

This is why we WALK !!!! In the past 8 weeks we have supported three families, four kids, that have been affected by pediatric cancer. Please know that your funds/donations are going to good use. YOU ARE THE EYES AND THE EARS FOR US !!!! If you hear of a family that is dealing with this situation, please let

us know. With the cost of everything raising at the current time, it is critical that we reach out to these families and see where we as LIONS can help. I hope that you will consider donating or walking for a great purpose.

It's now STEPS WALK time. Please see the donor information letter and the registration form for this year's STEPS Walk later in this newsletter. Last Lions calendar year, our District was able to raise over \$11,500! That is wonderful; but that means that this year's goal is to shoot for \$12,000! That is achievable LIONS! I am going to try and attend all Zone Meetings to motivate our clubs and members.

Help me... help the KIDS! On September 17th, let's put on our sneakers and WALK for the KIDS! If you can't attend the District Walk or several community walks through out the District, please be a visual walker and send in a donation. As long as we raise the monies ... it doesn't matter how we do it.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at mona@mjbrowncompany.com or 419-306-2045. Thank you...

Lion Mona DiCesare
OLPCF Representative OH-2

Seneca County Project Lifesaver Team

Zone 2 Seneca County Project Lifesaver Team members work a sandwich stand at the Seneca County Fair.



Lions,

Attached to this article is the 2023 OH2 Compliance Self Check. I would encourage club Treasurers to review and complete this form and return to me.

I will be attending all zone meetings in the August/September time period. I will accept those club treasurers' completed forms at your respective zone meeting. If you have a question, I will be able to answer your questions at the zone meeting.

NOTE: there is not a signature line to sign the form treasurers; I would be pleased as punch if you would sign at the bottom of page two and date the form to return to me. Thanks!

Lets have DG Julianne achieve all clubs in OH2 with 100% compliance with IRS, OAG, Commerce (Unclaimed Funds) and Dept. of Taxation in 2023-2024!

IPCC Kevin
OH2 Compliance Rep



Lions Club Compliance Self-Check

A compliance check is an internal review to determine whether a Lions Club's activities are consistent with their stated tax-exempt purpose and whether the club is adhering to record keeping and reporting requirements. Answer all questions and check the box in front of all statements that the club agrees with the statement.

- 1 Name of Lion's Club: _____
- 2 Club's Employer Identification Number (EIN): _____
- 3 Club's fiscal year begins on _____ and ends on _____
- 4 Club assets include (check all that apply):
 ___ checking account, ___ savings account, ___ certificate of deposit,
 ___ trailer, ___ building, ___ land, ___ other (describe): _____
- 5 Total value of all assets at the end of last fiscal year: \$ _____
- 6 The club's gross revenue at end of last fiscal year was: \$ _____
(gross revenue is all income, regardless of source, before subtracting expenses, but not including pass-through money)
- ☐ 7 Club is a 501 c 4 exempt organization
- ☐ 8 No money raised from the public is used for administrative expenses
- ☐ 9 Club maintains separate administrative and activity funds
- ☐ 10 Annual budgets are prepared for each fund
- ☐ 11 Written financial reports are provided on a regular schedule
- ☐ 12 All expenditures are authorized by the Board of Directors
- ☐ 13 Receipts are retained for all checks written
- ☐ 14 Financial records are kept for a minimum of 7 years
- ☐ 15 All financial books and records are audited every year
- ☐ 16 The club treasurer has custody of all club funds
- ☐ 17 Club treasurer is bonded
- ☐ 18 Club does not sponsor high risk activities such as fireworks, dunk tanks, races, & athletic events
- ☐ 19 Club files an IRS 990 return every year
- ☐ 20 Club pays sales tax when purchasing items for its own use
- ☐ 21 Club files an annual Negative Unclaimed Funds report with the Ohio dept of Commerce
- ☐ 22 Club has a conflict of interest policy and annual signed statements of acceptance
- ☐ 23 Club is registered with the Ohio Attorney General's Office
- ☐ 24 Club files an annual return with the Ohio Attorney General
- ☐ 25 Club shows as "Current" on the Ohio Attorney General's website
- 26 Club's statutory agent(s) with the Ohio Attorney General is/are: _____

Recommended at least 3 Lions

- 27 Club is incorporated: YES NO
If YES: also answer questions in Box A
- 28 During fundraising, the club sells sales-taxable items: YES NO
If YES: also answer questions in Box B
- 29 Club is partnered with a Branch Club, Leo Club, or Ladies Auxiliary: YES NO
If YES: also answer questions in Box C
- 30 Club also runs a 501 c 3 charitable organization or foundation: YES NO
If YES: also answer questions in Box D

Box A Incorporation

- ☐ 31 Club is shown as "Active" on the Ohio Secretary of State's website
- 32 Club's incorporation entity number is: _____
- 33 Club incorporation's next renewal date is: _____
- 34 Club's statutory agent with the Ohio Secretary of State is: _____
- ☐ 35 The statutory agent's listed address is current

Box B Sales Tax

- ☐ 36 Club collects and submits sales tax
- 37 Sales tax is due and submitted by _____ and _____ (dates)
- ☐ 38 Club sends in a return even if there are no sales during the period
- 39 The sales tax rate in our county is: _____ %

Box C Supporting Organization

- 40 Our Club has a ___ Branch Club, ___ Leo Club, ___ Ladies Auxiliary
- ☐ 41 The supporting club uses the same EIN as the Lions Club
- ☐ 42 For all reporting purposes, (IRS, Attorney General, Sales Tax, Commerce) the Lions Club adds the financial activity from the supporting club to its own activity. The supporting organization reports only to the Lions Club and not to the governmental agency.

Box D Charitable

- 43 The Charitable Organization/Foundation's EIN is _____ (separate from Lions Club)
- ☐ 44 This EIN files an IRS return every year
- ☐ 45 This EIN is registered with the Ohio Attorney General and files an annual return
- ☐ 46 This EIN files an Unclaimed Funds return annually
- ☐ 47 This EIN is incorporated and in "Active" status

A completely compliant club should be able to answer all questions and check every box. If you cannot, please consider making the appropriate changes. For assistance, contact the compliance committee members, Steve Kaplan (skpk1984@aol.com) or Dave Risen (drisen@insight.rr.com).

Zone Chairs Corner

Zone 5

Hard to believe that it is already August. In June, outgoing Zone Chair Dave Schwenning installed the new officers at Upper Sandusky. VDG Patty installed the other five club's officers in our zone. In July, Colonel Crawford Lions, Buckeye Central Lions, and Crestline Lions all worked the fair gates for two days at the Crawford County Fair. We had time to visit fellow Lions and meet some interesting folks coming to the fair. The Plymouth Lions took their train to the Shelby Bicycle Days. We are gearing up for our first zone meeting to be held at the Plymouth Village Office August 30th hosted by the Plymouth Lions. Those attending with last names A-G, please bring salads, H-M bring side dishes, and N-Z bring desserts. Also in August is the Bucyrus Bratwurst Festival! I am looking forward to the Colonel Crawford Lions' PITAWURST. Then in September, Crestline Lions will be at the Harvest Festival with bratwurst and chicken sandwiches. They will also be trying bologna sandwiches and have their \$1 hotdogs. Enjoy your days and each other as our summer is winding down.

Yours in Lionism,
Zone 5 Chair Janelle Grube



District 13-OH 2

2023-24 District Governor Julianne Zody

Zone 5 Chair Janelle Grube

Zone 5 Asst Chair Vera Gwirtz

Zone 5 Advisory Meeting

Wednesday, August 30, 2023; 7:00 pm

Plymouth Village Office

48 W Broadway St., Plymouth, Ohio

Sloppy joes/Chicken sandwiches provided

Last Names: A-G bring Salads, H-M Side Dishes, N-Z Desserts
Please send reservations (with names) to ZC Janelle Grube

by **Wednesday, August 23rd**

grube.janelle@yahoo.com

419-528-9039 Cell



District 13-OH 2

2023-24 District Governor Julianne Zody

Zone 7 Advisory Meeting

Host Club: Ashland Evening Lions

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

The Freer Home

1260 Center Street, Ashland, OH 44805

6:30 Social Time

7:00 Dinner and Meeting

Cost: \$10 per person

Menu

Variety of Sandwiches, 2 Salads, Variety of Desserts, and Drinks

Please send reservations (including names) to ZC Gene Kopp

by **Monday, August 22**

Stanley.kopp@crl.com

567-203-7524

Club News Past, Present and to come

Ashland Evening Lions

Checks have been given to our three grant-in-aid winners. 1VDG Patty Moorman made her official visit on July 6 and shared her passion for being involved in service activities. PCC Forrest Conrad, Jr. represented our club at the International Convention in Boston. There he received his 5th and 6th diamond Melvin Jones Fellowship pins. We rang bells for the Salvation Army on

the 4 Fridays in July. Downtown Ashland hosted a Cruise-In on July 8 and we provided Lion information and collected \$54 as a donation to the OH-2 STEPS Walk. On August 16 we will be heading to Plymouth for the annual Plymouth Lions/Ashland Evening picnic – a tradition since we sponsored their club in 1977.

Ashland Noon Lions

Ashland Noon Lions had our Board Meeting last week. Although we don't meet in the summer time as a club, Lions are still very active in serving throughout the summer. Lions will help with Veteran's Appreciation Day at the Ashland airport on August 5th. We are also getting ready for Amish Health Day on August 17th. We've set a new member goal for this next year for 11 new members

Attica Lions club

The Attica Lions have had a busy summer.

-Our Fathers Day BBQ was a sold out success !

-We sponsored a Red Cross Blood Drive that gathered 35 units

-Lions Pete and

Mona DiCeasare Attended our annual Installation

Meeting/Dinner where we installed this years officers as well as 5 new members

-We reviewed and updated our Bi-Laws and distributed copies to members

-We donated to each of the following

-Attica Firemans for extrication equipment

-Attica Fair towards the roofing fund

-Pediatric Cancer

-Seneca East Athletic Boosters to be used for Honoring Military program

-Seneca East Public Library

-Attica Community Fund

-Attica Jr Fair Livestock sale

-Red Cross

Our upcoming events include

- Cooking pork chops for the Lions Zone Social on August 2nd

- Working the gate at the Attica Fair August 8th thru 12th

-Vision screening at the Seneca East School on September 1

-Cooking for the Seneca East Public Library on September 16th

Bascom Lions

The Bascom Lions had a blood drive at Meadowbrook park on July 25th. Donations voted on and approved for the month included FACT through the Annual Legacy Bike Challenge Sept 9th and STEPS

Lions for Pediatric Cancer on Sept 17th.

Bellevue Lions Club

The Bellevue Lions Club was the recipient of about 40 stuffed animals that came from Cedar Point Amusement Park Sandusky, Ohio. These animals are to be used when ever a child might be in distress at the hospital. Sandusky Lions was first contacted to help distribute the animals from Cedar Point and due to a mutual contact, the Bellevue Lions were able to pass these animals on to the Bellevue Hospital. Picture taken at the Bellevue Hospital L to R is Lion Jim Pickering and Lion David Greene



A HUGE thank you to the Lions Club for including The Bellevue Hospital in this wonderful donation. You will be bringing a smile to several kid's faces within the hospital.

Bucyrus Lions Club

The Bucyrus Lions Club met on June 27th for their installation of officers. The theme for the evening was a Hawaiian party with Lion Linda Spiegel greeting the guests with "Aloha" and giving them each a colorful lei. 1st Vice-District Governor Patty Moorman did an interesting installation and

handed out appropriate candy bars. There were many laughs. For more pictures of the evening, see the Bucyrus Lions' Facebook page.

At the noon meeting on July 12th, President Joy Hillis talked about the Low Vision Support Group. This group welcomes anyone with an interest in vision problems. Those attending receive hints on dealing with fading vision and also can receive various items to help them with maintaining their independence.

Lion Bob Guinther spearheaded the fire hydrant painting on June 28th. PDG Terry Spiegel and Lion Carol Iiams also helped.

Club members did a vision screening on July 19th at the Sonshine Preschool of the Nazarene Church. Lions Joy Hillis, Tanyce Addison, Linda Spiegel and Carol Iiams participated in screening 30 children. The children ranged in age from 1½ years to age 7.



Elyria Evening Lions Club

Elyria Evening Lions have been out and about during June and July. Members continue to plant flagpoles as our lead fundraiser. Three members attended the International Convention and visited Boston, Mass. at the

beginning of July. We enjoyed inspiring speakers and celebrating with Governor Julianne. Elyria Lions wish our Governor the very best for the year ahead!



Fostoria Lions

Fostoria Lions held their Annual Bike Rodeo in conjunction with the YMCA Summer Rec Program. Several repaired used bikes were given away to kids that did not have a bike. Event was a success.

We had two members attend the International Convention in Boston.

We will be working at the Good Shepherd Home Food Building at the Seneca County Fair.

We are in the process of planning our food table for the Heritage Festival this coming weekend, planning our Golf Outing for Pediatric Cancer, and the District STEPS Walk.

We hope to have a Vision Screening yet this summer in conjunction with the Library's Summer Reading program.

LaGrange Lions Club

The LaGrange Lions Club is very pleased to announce the resurrection of our newsletter The Lions Paw. The first edition was printed for June/July 2023 and our second edition is for July/August 2023. I am so excited about this undertaking and who is doing the work. I asked our member Lion Cheryl Nichols, a member since Nov. 8, 2022, if she might be interested in this undertaking and she accepted the job and its responsibilities. Cheryl is already doing a fantastic job on the newsletter and has great ideas to keep it interesting, relevant, educational and funny. This is a dream come true for me as I talked about this happening but I just don't have the extra time. Lion Cheryl and her husband Lion Tom have been very active Lions as soon as they joined our club and this is a great step for Cheryl. She has great leadership qualities! The Lions Paw editions have been added to this submission.

Our club held a garage sale as part of the LaGrange Twp. "city-wide" garage sales on July 13 & 14. We didn't see as much business as we have in the past, but we were able to provide some people with the items that made them happy. However, all was not lost. Everything we had left was taken to and donated to the American Cancer Research Discovery Shop in Westlake. Everything sold from this shop is donated and all proceeds go to help individuals and families who are fighting cancer.

MEMBERSHIP- I'm happy to announce that our club now has 68 members. We inducted 1 new member in May, Roger Lee, and 1 in June, Lisa Jones. In June we also welcomed 2 new transfer members, Carol & Stan Lindholm, from the recently disbanded Wellington United Lions Club. We are always looking for new members.

July 11, we hosted 2nd VDG ShirLee Eberle and her husband Lion Bill as we all shared one of our famous (or infamous) potluck dinners. ShirLee spoke to us about healthy clubs and what makes them that way. We are happy to say that she was very complimentary to our club and said we fit the bill. We also had a guest speaker, Jeff Woytach, recently retired after 40 years with NASA, who spoke regarding the complete solar eclipse coming on April 8, 2024 and the Sol-a-bration currently in the planning stages. We are already planning to participate in this event and will be discussing what we can do to help celebrate this rare event.

Aug. - The LaGrange Lions will be hosting the Zone Mtg. on Aug. 29 at our Lions Club Park located at 240 Glendale St. Please plan to join us for this event. Zone Chair Sarah Miller will be including more information in her email to you.

Sept. - We will be holding our 8th annual gun raffle at our Lions Park on Sept. 9, 2023, from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. A ticket is required for entry but we will be having FREE food, FREE beer, a DJ, and multiple side raffles such as meat, booze, ammo, several extra guns, cash door prizes and lots of fun. Tickets are \$20 each or 6 tickets for \$100. Please call Ann at

440-315-4278 for tickets. This is a great fundraiser for our club which helps us continue to help our community members and those in surrounding areas without a Lions Club.

Sept. - 15th & 16th we will be working the gates at Lorain County Fairgrounds for the LaGrange Engine Club as they host their yearly engine show. C'mon out and have fun & food!

October- We will be having 4 DRIVE THRU ONLY fish fries on Oct. 6, 13, 20 and 27 serving fish, shrimp, half & half, mac & cheese and hot dogs from 4:30 to 7:30 pm. This is a CASH ONLY venture. Please come and get some great food!! I'm sure you'll return.

Loudonville Lions Club

Loudonville Lions completed another sold out Chicken BBQ at the Car Show in Central Park July 4th weekend, with 450 chicken dinners sold. Special thanks for the help from our Boy Scout Troop and the Shriners who grilled the brats and hot dogs. We held our monthly Fish Fry which was also a sell out and served breakfast to Mansfield Plumbing Products retirees. Planning has begun for our September 17th Golf Scramble as well as our last Chicken BBQ of the season Labor Day weekend. See our Gold Scramble ad in this month's newsletter. We installed our second TREX bench at the playground in Riverside Park and are collecting plastic again for number 3!



Lucas Lions Club

We are looking forward to celebrating 70 years of service during our Community Picnic and Duck Race on Thursday, August 17, 2023. We hope to see many area Lions as we celebrate. More information is attached in the flier section.

We have also been busy this month sorting plastic for our third Trex bench. This month we were able to install our second bench at Lucas Park, which will be where we host our annual Duck Race.

Save the Date for our Mystery Bingo Night on Saturday, November 4, 2023. More information to follow in September.



Madison Township Lions

Our club started off the month with an outstanding Fireworks Show at Charles Mill Lake Park. The success being that we had close to 85% participation of our members and made a few dollars to help support our club's mission.

Then the next week we were hoping to feed some of the folks attending InKarceration. Unfortunately, this didn't turn out as well as we had planned. Something about old guys trying to hang out in the wee hours of the morning.

This takes us to our Presidents dinner which was hosted by our very own PDG Gary Garrett. Our new President who also happened to be a past president was chocked full of excitement, and enthusiasm.

We can talk of all the projects headed our way. As we are seeing the wind down for our concessions trailer at Charles Mill Lake Park, we have been presented with another opportunity. Unfortunately, we once again are challenged by a lack of manpower. We had to decline the opportunity and stay with our original plans of serving our local schools, it seems fall sports will be kicking into full gear. We need to stay focused on the commitments we already have in the pipeline.

It's hard to believe summer is halfway through. In truth it has been a wonderful and exciting time of year for our club. Our next club event will be our annual picnic which will be August 16th at Charles Mill Lake Park. The best place to see old faces, and hopefully welcome some new ones. Stay Safe and Be Happy

Marblehead Peninsula Lions

The Marblehead Lions wound up the end of our Lions year by building 11 picnic tables for the Village of Marblehead. In addition the club finished plastic collection efforts for our second bench. With our new officer slate now in place we are preparing for our annual Lions Perch Festival to be held at James Park in Marblehead on Saturday August 26th with the parade beginning at 10:30 am. We hope all of you can attend.



North Ridgeville Lions Club

The North Ridgeville Lions Club celebrated the 62nd year of its charter on Saturday, July 15.

Always a great time, we recognized our 2022-2023 board members for their dedication and accomplishments, inducted our newest board members for 2023-2024 with help from our Zone Chairperson Lion Sarah Miller and PCC Lion Kerry Parker, and celebrated all of our members for their volunteerism. A huge thank you to Lion Stu Hicks for leading our club as president last year and welcome back to the presidency for the third time, Lion Selena Kimble! We also are so proud to have presented Lion Brian Newingham with the prestigious Melvin Jones Fellowship in honor of his unwavering and dedicated service to our community! Congratulations, Lion Brian!

Coming up on Saturday, August 12 is our annual Run the Ridge 5K Walk/Run and Fun Run. See flyer at the back of the newsletter for more information on how to register or sponsor our race.

We look forward to an exciting year of projects and events to better serve our community and world!

#WeServe



Ontario Lions

May:

Ontario Lions Club celebrated our 70th Charter anniversary on May 13th, with approximately 56 members throughout our zone and guests in attendance. Our club held two outings for our Brat & Hot Dog trailer during the month. Then Ontario Lions sponsored the "Good Program", (a Nationally recognized program through Lions) with the 4th graders at Stingel Elementary school, recognizing student for their work ethic, citizenship and good study habits.

June:

The Ontario Lions held a meeting with Meijer for their community donations planning with our Ontario Lions Charities. This program is intended to support and supplement recognized needs from the Ontario Police department and Springfield Fire Department at Christmas time. Our club was honored with help from our Ontario

Lions sponsored, local Boy Scouts to clean-up and re-mulch our park's playground equipment areas. Ontario Lions held three outings for our Brat & Hot Dog events during the month, including providing lunches and dinner services for two factory facilities and their employees.

July:

Ontario Lions Club supported the Ontario Community's two day, 4th of July Festival, entering a Lions float in the parade and having our trailer in the concession line-up for the event. A well-deserved member of the Ontario Lions, Lion Charlie Crawford was selected as Grand Marshall of this year's parade! **And, OF (COURSE) who could forget our EVER FAMEOUS, ANNUAL ONTARIO LIONS CLUB FROG JUMP CONTEST!** (bring a frog or two, your kids, grandkids, (heck, bring the whole family ! next year !). Our club held two additional outings for our Brat & Hot Dog trailer during the month. Our Club presented an American flag and stand to the Ontario United Methodist Church in honor of their gracious use of their kitchen and community room, specifically for our 70th Charter celebration. Our Club held a joint picnic with the Shelby Lions Club at our park, with communities and prospective members, (looks like Shelby may gain a new member!). Our club conducted and certified an annual, financial audit. Our club held a meeting with the accounting firm of Willis Osmond and Beilstein, "WOB" to review procedures and options for disbursements of

recently received donations to our Ontario Lions Charities.

The Ontario Lions is, again co-conducting the annual "Safety Town" program with the City of Ontario at Stingel Elementary school.



Perrysville Lions

Perrysville Lions welcomed PDG Dana and DG Julianne home from the International Convention in Boston. They spoke of International President Dr. Patti Hill' theme "Change the World". We will concentrate on creating a greener, cleaner environment.

DG Julianne installed the officers for 2023-2024.

The Car Show was wrapped up and it was very successful.

The next Swiss steak luncheon will be August 13 serving from 11-1 at the Perrysville Community Center. Carry- out only.

Plymouth Lions

Lions of Plymouth have donated funds to a community member who had suffered a great personal tragedy. We have lifted flags for Independence Day, as well as participated in the Shelby Bicycle Days parade. We have further discussed the potential for more community service projects for the future, as well as hosted a blood drive with the Red Cross. All reports from secretary Mindy and treasurer Sheryl have been approved by the club. We have also voted to raise annual dues to \$55 to coincide with changes

made at the state and international levels.

Savannah Crestview Lions Club

This past month, members from the Savannah-Crestview Club worked at Mid Ohio Raceway in June at a concession stand for a three day weekend event. We served food to many people. We also finally got the pad poured and a bench placed at the Savannah Cemetery. We are happy to finally get that project completed.

We started to collect plastic film toward bench 11. We have been asked to speak at the Bailey Lakes town council meeting to start a community project of collecting plastic film to place additional benches in their parks.

Our calendar sale project is wrapping up and off to the printers. The summer youth program continues to meet weekly and plans are being made for our school supply store day in August.

The kitchen remodel project at the Savannah town hall is making progress. Some appliances have been purchased, plans are being finalized and demolition will be starting soon. We appreciate the Savannah Village Council and Clearcreek Township Trustees cooperation with this project. We are planning an alternate site for our pancake breakfasts in the fall if needed.

We are looking forward to inducting a new member, Ron Oswalt, at our next meeting. Also we have started signing up for cart driving at the Ashland County Fair along with the Polk Lions club. We are looking

forward to a new year of service for our club.



Shelby United Lions Club

Shelby United Lions have been busy! Recently we had a booth at the Shelby Bicycle Days. We had a 50/50 drawing with all the clubs proceeds to go to the Shelby School Lunch program. Our July 12th meeting

honored all the volunteers that have helped us in the past year. 1st Vice President Rich manages the volunteers. He thanked each volunteer for their service and presented them with a Lions pin. The club also welcomed 1st Vice District Governor Patty Moorman. A potluck was enjoyed by members, volunteers, and 1st VDG Patty. July 18th Ontario Lions and Shelby United Lions enjoyed a combined member/family picnic. Everyone enjoyed great food, games, and friendship.





Vermillion Lions

New President Jim Elk took over his reins.

Our Food Pantry Chairman, Dan Dean, collected \$88 at our meeting this month.

On August 1 we will have a business meeting. Our meal will be at the next meeting with our spouses.

On Tuesday, August 15, our Spouses evening. Hamburgs, hot dogs, and buns will be provided. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share.

On August 4 & 5 there will be a Beach Market at Sherod Park. There will be 172 vendors participating. We have been asked to take care of the trash.

We will be holding a corn roast at the Market in the Park on Saturdays, August 12 and August 19. We also will be cooking hot dogs.

A Chairman for the football fries is needed. Our first home football game is August 18.

Sign-up sheets were going around at our meeting. We make our delicious homemade

French fries at all home football games.

Our 2023-2024 budget was tabled until our next meeting.

Some service projects were discussed. Lights in our shop area (get some estimates), the large garage doors need servicing (need estimates) and reworking the waste water trailer for our festivals. Also wheels for our waste water wagon were discussed. We shall purchase new ones.

Bingo at our two local nursing homes was discussed. We shall try it and see how it goes. We need more volunteers, Lions and Leos. We shall begin in October. Kingston on the first Wednesday, October 4 from 6:30 - 8 PM and Mill Manor on the second Wednesday, October 11 from 7 - 8 PM.

Have a nice rest of your 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.





SEMER, HOLTHOUSE and KASTRAN



Features an eclectic assortment of classic rock, folk and country hits from the 50s to the 80s



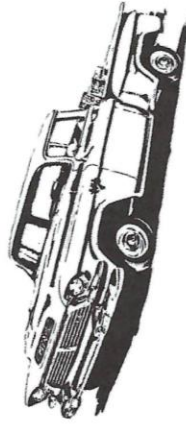
Car Show 3:30 to 6:00

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?**

LIONS CLUB COMMUNITY PICNIC AND DUCK RACE



Help the Lucas Lions Club celebrate 70 years of service at our annual FREE community picnic.

Our Duck Race fundraiser will begin immediately afterward.

Join us for food, games, crafts, fellowship and reminiscing on 70 years of serving the Lucas community!

Thursday, August 17, 2023

5:00 pm: Free Picnic

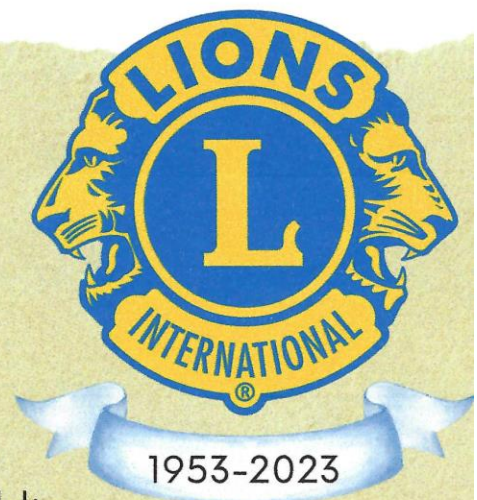
Duck Race Fundraiser

immediately after picnic

Address: Lucas Park
Lucas Perrysville Road
Lucas, OH 44843



Lucas Lions Club Public



PERCH FESTIVAL

MARBLEHEAD LIONS CLUB

50/50 Raffle

KIDS GAMES

Music by: GARY COVER



RAFFLES

VENDORS

MAGICIAN

AUGUST 26, 2023 – JAMES PARK, MARBLEHEAD
(PARADE BEGINS AT 10AM)

CAR SHOW
10 a.m to 4 p.m.

FREE LAFARGE QUARRY TOURS

Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation and the
Fostoria Lions Club



Golf Outing

Wednesday, AUG 30, 2023

Registration - 8:00am, Shotgun start - 9:00am

Fostoria Country Club

Registration fee: \$45/player pre-registered

\$50 day of event

**Includes: 18 holes of golf & cart, breakfast courtesy of
Fostoria/Findlay McDonalds, lunch courtesy of
Findlay/Tiffin Heavenly Pizza**

Extras: Mulligans, 50/50, Additional contests/prizes

****Proceeds from this event benefit the Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation and
the Fostoria Lions Club****

Support The Fight!



Thank you to
Heavenly Pizza
of Findlay &
Tiffin



Register by emailing
Melindamiller92@gmail.com or
Text 567-208-3702



Thank you to
McDonalds of
Fostoria &
Findlay

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. 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 or call Lion Mona DiCesare at 419-306-2045



Loudonville Lions Club Two Person/Two Club

3 Divisions Mens, Mixed, Women
to be held at Pleasant Hill Golf Course
Sunday, Sept. 17, 2023



\$80.00 per team ~ shot gun start at 9 a.m.
Four clubs total per team-your choice (i.e. putter, driver, iron, wedge)
PLEASE BE AT COURSE AT 8:30 FOR SIGN UP
\$5,000 Hole-In-One Challenge***
Deadline for Entry: September 11, 2023

- Cash prizes, top team, male female
- Riding carts available at extra cost
- Snack at the turn
- Lunch provided after play
- Prize holes on each side

Male & female prizes for:

Longest putt
Closest to pin, and
Longest drive

For more information contact Scott Baldner @419-606-9007
*** other hole-in-one prizes may be available
Proceeds benefit the 2024 Loudonville Lions Scholarship Fund

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Team members: _____

Make checks payable to: Loudonville Lions Club
Return to: Dave Hunter, 244 W. Main St., Loudonville, Ohio 44842



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 - Name on Tee Shirt
\$500 and above	Golden Level-Sign placed along route/Recognition during event Name on Tee Shirt provided to each participant

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

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 hermescleveland.com



@NRLions

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



You and a guest are cordially invited to attend the

**Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank's
50th Anniversary Celebration**

October 4, 2023, 6 pm
At The Boathouse
679 W. Spring St.
Columbus, OH 43215

Emcee: PDG Norman Cupps

Tickets \$50

Mail checks payable to COLEB
262 Neil Ave, Ste 140, Columbus, OH 43215
PayPal also available online at
www.COLEB.org

(click on "donate", "support our mission")

***No reservations accepted at the door**

RSVP by September 20, 2023

Hor D'oeuvres 6 pm Dinner 6:30 pm

Open Bar • No Formal Attire

info@coleb.org

(send a note after paying via PayPal)