

# WE SERVE

# "Bring Kindness Into the World"

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### November Newsletter Article

As the birthplace of Lions Clubs International, the U.S. holds a special significance in the history of our organization. It was here that our shared mission to serve communities took root, and the values of kindness, leadership and global service were first embraced. We also were privileged to be the District that lays claim to Helen Keller's famous speech at Cedar Point. However, in Ohio, we once had over 20,000 Lions. Today we have around 9,500 Lions.

Many other constitutional areas have organized their Lions and Leos in their geographic areas and have formed name for their branch of our organization. Thus, we are forming the Lions of the United States and its Affiliates (LOTUS). We need to grow to keep this legacy and our international headquarters in the United States.

As I visit clubs and zone meetings, you have heard me talk about growing our clubs in OH2. And we are growing. Since July 1s we have installed over 38 new members, BUT we have lost 31. To stay at a plus, after the big drop coming in June, we need to make an extreme effort to increase our Lions. So how can we grow? As a District, we are working on some potential new clubs in Genoa, Carey, Oberlin, New London and Green Springs. Progress is there, but slow. Several clubs have shown an interest in building a Club Branch. A Club Branch will usually consist of folks who work or have children that keep them busy in the evenings. They create their own service projects but are an extension of the parent club. It only takes 5 Lions to form a Club Branch. It is a great partnership, and it works. If you want help forming a Branch Club, let me know. I am looking for some clubs to try a Cub Program. This program has been around for a while, but it is a good kept secret. There is information about a Cub Program on LCI. It is a great tool to not only introduce kids to community service, involve Leos with the activity, but also an opportunity to tie in a Membership Night with the parents, grandparents, Aunts, etc., that bring the kids to a fun night sponsored by Lions. And we need to continue to just extend the invitation for someone to join our club. It sounds so simple, but there are many folks out there who will not just walk into a meeting. They will not just volunteer to help with a service project. They need an invitation. Maybe 3 or 4 before they make the decision. So, you need to Just Ask. You need to plan a community service project that the community needs to help with, that folks are passionate about and want to be part of. OH2 already leads the State in Leadership. Now Let's lead in Membership.

Yours in Lionism,

DG Patty Moorman

# Governors Visitation Schedule

# **November**

- 2- Council of Governors Mtg.
- 4- Cabinet Meeting
- 7- Savannah-Crestview Visitation
- 10- Perrysville Visitation
- 12- Oak Harbor Visitation
- 16- Buckeye Central ¼
  Auction

### **December**

- 2- Clyde Visitation
- 3- Castalia Visitation
- 5- Lucas Visitation
- 10- Crestline Visitation
- 11- Sandusky Visitation
- 12- Noon-Lorain Visitation
- 16- N. Fairfield Visitation



1<sup>st</sup> VDG November Report by ShirLee Eberle

October was a busy month for me. I had visits to Butler, Hayesville, and Upper Sandusky. I had traveling partners to Hayesville and Upper Sandusky, which made the trip very enjoyable! And I met Miss Donna at Hayesville, a lovely lady, who turned out to be our Governor's Mother-in-law.

In between that I went to South Carolina and met some fun Lions from Tega Cay, SC. A great bunch of people with a great heart for service. They were very welcoming.

Then, Oak Harbor held its annual Apple Festival. The Oak Harbor Lions Club was awarded the Dorothy Heicks Award and named Grand Marshals of the parade! The Dorothy Heicks award is given to those who have contributed to the community in a big way. It was calculated that the Oak Harbor Lions have contributed over half a million dollars to their community since their Charter in 1980; not counting their hours of service. I'm proud to be a member of this club! And to top it off, we won first place for our float, which was a horse drawn wagon full of Lions!

# 1st VDG Visitation Schedule

# November

Nov 2	COG Mtg.
Nov 4	Cabinet Mtg.
	Oak Harbor
Nov 6	Zone 1
Nov 11	Zone 5
Nov 13	Zone 4
Nov 18	Zone 2
Nov 20	Zone 6
Nov 21	Zone 3



# 2nd VDG Visitation Schedule

It is hard to believe that the holiday season is a few short weeks away. As I visit clubs, I am reminded of the true nature of sharing and giving as I learn about the multitude of service projects performed and am honored to help induct new members.

Each time I leave a club visit I tell my wife, I am proud to be a Lion. To me, being a Lion symbolizes strength, courage, and leadership. Lions serve as a reminder that challenges can be conquered with confidence and perseverance. To say, "I am proud to be a lion" reflects not just belonging to a team, group, or community but also embracing a powerful mindset.

Being proud to be a lion includes celebrating victories, learning from setbacks, and facing each day with determination. It's a commitment to make a difference in everything we do.

2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Mike Garber

# November

Nov 2	COG Meeting
Nov 4	Cabinet Meeting
Nov 6	Zone 1 Meeting

Nov 12 Milan-Edison Visitation

Nov 13 Sandusky Visitation

Nov 14 Elmore Visitation

Nov 19 Old Fort Visitation

Nov 21 Fostoria Visitation

# **District Committee's Information**

# 2024 District 13 OH-2 Poinsettia Sale Information:

To receive Lion's pricing, ALL orders must be placed through a Lions or Leo Club. A club may place multiple orders designating different pick up dates. Send orders either by mail or email to Lion Ann Miller who will forward copies to Pinehaven Garden Center and to Cabinet Treasurer Lion Tom Frasz. Place all orders to schedule pick ups by December 20 to allow Pinehaven time to set aside sufficient flowers to fill all of our requests.

To prevent delivery mix-ups, Club must take an order copy when making the flower pick-up. Lion Ann Miller should be able to forward information in an emergency.

**No** money is to be taken when flowers are picked up since clubs pay no money directly to Pinehaven. They will bill the District for total sales. CT Lion Tom will have a copy of all club orders. Make club checks to DISTRICT 13 OH-2 POINSETTIA SALE. Send check to Lion Ann with your club order – or, if paying after delivery, send check and a copy of club order to CT Lion Tom. Lion Ann will coordinate all club orders with Pinehaven and will forward all checks received to CT Lion Tom.

Clubs are to forward to District 13 OH-2: \$9.00 for each 6-1/2" poinsettia sold and \$17.00 for each 8-1/2" poinsettia sold. Money goes into the Poinsettia Sale account from which a number of District projects and activities are funded.

Clubs may schedule flower pick-ups beginning November 18. Bruce and Chris at Pinehaven will have a copy of your club order to match with copy you bring. Your club needs to coordinate the pick-up time directly with them. If making several pick-ups, you will need to have a completed order form for each one. It is too confusing to attempt to pick up "split" orders.

Pinehaven is willing to schedule a delivery to your club if your order totals a minimum of \$250. Delivery cost is extra and this charge IS direct responsibility of the club to Pinehaven Garden Center and is to be paid with the delivery.

If your club is also using this poinsettia sale as a fund raising activity, you may want to create your own order form using the pricing you have established.

# 2024 District 13 OH-2 Lions and Leos Holiday Poinsettia Sale Order Form

# Club Name:

Pot size	Color Qty Sold		Cost Each	QxC= Total	Order total	
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·6-1/2" pots with 5-7 blooms cost \$9.00 each Colors: red, white, pink, marbled, jinglebell (marbled is mauve and creamy white - jinglebell is a red poinsettia with white spots)

·8-1/2" pots colors as above and also **tri-color** with combination of above colors for **\$17.00** each. (Other available colors need to be confirmed by Chris or Bruce @ Pinehaven @ 440-934-5948)

Checks should be made out to **District 13 OH-2 Poinsettia Sale** and sent along with a copy of the order to Lion Ann Miller (District Sale Chair) at the address below. **No orders are to be placed directly with Pinehaven**. She forwards order copies to Pinehaven Garden Center and checks to Cabinet Treasurer Lion Tom Frasz. No money is to be paid directly to the greenhouse. Pick-ups may be scheduled beginning **November 18**. You **MUST** take a copy of your club order. All orders need to be entered for pick up by **Dec. 20**. Deliveries can be arranged for large orders. Contact Lion Ann with any questions.

Pinehaven Garden Center Attn: Chris

39424 Detroit Road Avon, Ohio 44011 Lion Ann Miller 1514 Township Road 1173 Ashland, OH 44805 Home 419-289-0638 Cell 419-651-6470 babba4ajm@gmail.com

District 13 OH-2 Lions and Leos

# Pediatric Cancer Update

I am very pleased with the results of our September 2024 STEPS Walk and the on-going support that we have received from Lions individually and Clubs. Our District has raised over \$ 15,000.00 at this time ... but we aren't done. My goal is \$ 20,000.00. I want to thank our GOLD LEVEL sponsors: Bascom Lions, Perrysville Lions, Norwalk Lions, Loudonville Lions, Bloomville Lions, Republic Lions, Bellevue Lions, Lorain Lions, Old Fort Llons, North Ridgeville Lions, and the Fostoria Lions. Thank you ALL!!!

Our District Annual STEPS Walk for Pediatric Cancer was held in Fostoria on Sunday morning, September 15th. We had approximately 20 people participate in person. Leading our walk was DG Patty. We also had the STEPS WALK EAST on Sept. 28th. Thank you PCC Kevin Reidy and the Savannah-Crestview Lions Club for hosting.

We also had several Club Walks that participated in their own communities and wore their Tee Shirts. Some of those clubs are North Ridgeville Lions and Leos, Crestline Lions, Colonel Crawford Lions and the Amherst Steele Leos Club. We also have several clubs that are doing fundraisers to help towards our cause.

Over the past 4 months, we have assisted six families that have children with some sort of cancer and I am contacting another family that needs our help. The NEED is there... we need to keep walking.

If you are aware of a family with a pediatric cancer illness, please contact me so that we can contact them to help.

# Corn hole Board Drawing on November 4th at the next Cabinet Meeting. \$5 per ticket. Or. 3 for \$10

Get your tickets numerous club presidents and Zone Chairs have tickets You can also contact the DiCesares for tickets Boards were made by Attica Lion Bob Featheringill





# Zone 2 Project Lifesaver Team

PDG Cindy Beat, Asst Zone Chair Patty Fry, and Pediatric Cancer Chair Mona DiCesare walk in the Fostoria Halloween Parade on behalf of the Seneca County Project Lifesaver Team. Awesome evening for a Parade.



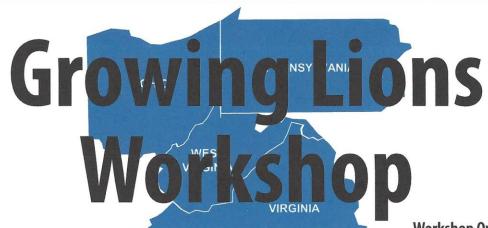
Lions Leaders,

Attached you will find the registration for the upcoming LETS GET FIRED UP Growth Workshop starting in January. There will be a series of 3- 120 min. workshops. Running Jan. 8th, Jan. 22nd, and Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> from 8-10pm.

These workshops will be geared so that districts will work the GMA process and start a new club during these session. Just like having a New Club Consultant at your district but not physically being there!!! This is an AWESOME OPPORTUNITY for you and your teams to get together to learn hands on ho to INCREASE our service Impact and grow new clubs! I am sending this to all MD13 DG's, VDG's, GMT's and GET's, but please DO NOT limit your teams to just these district officers! Include and forward this invite to ANY Lions member that you know that could make a positive impact on your team!!! TOGETHER WE CAN!!!!

Dont wait to register!!!!! Open the Attached Registration and click on the link to register NOW!!!!

In Service, Lion Tim Kershner



Join Lion leaders from across Global Action Team Area 1D to learn tips & tools you can use to start new clubs & grow membership in existing clubs.

This Workshop is designed for your **District Growth Team** to work through the process of starting new clubs together & use these same tools to rejuvenate membership in current clubs — and, if all goes well, have a new club chartered, or well on its way to being chartered, by the end of the 6 week session or soon thereafter.

# All sessions are virtual & begin @ 8 PM EST (Eastern)



Wednesday, January 8 Wednesday, January 22 Wednesday, February 5

Advance Registration Required

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

https://bit.ly/AreasCDGrow

- Workshop Overview
- Session 1 Mission To Grow, Resources, Clubs Types & Formats, Develop Your Team, Identify Areas of Opportunity & Site Research
- Session 2 Promoting the New Club, Inviting A New Generation, Recruitment Models, Recruiting Tips
- Session 3 Formation
   Meetings, Club Process &
   Approval & Launching the
   Club
- Each session involves a 120 minute virtual learning component, success stories, and an assignment to complete before the next session
- District Teams will work together during each session to plan & strategize
- Live participation in all sessions is strongly encouraged
- Session recordings will be available

Ohio District 13 OH2 Cabinet Report Monday, November 4, 2024 Kevin Reidy, Compliance Committee Representative

Cabinet Secretary Craig and Governor Patty,

Understanding that we exist as a volunteer service organization, a resounding THANK YOU for all treasurers/fiscal officers of Lions Clubs within OH2.

As of October 24, all OH2 club foundations (11 total) have submitted their Internal Revenue Service and Ohio Attorney General reports and are compliant! An additional club foundation has a due date of December 2024 and anticipate that it will be filed in a timely manner.

Thirty-six (36) of the district's 53 clubs have filed with the IRS and OAG (as of 10.21.24). Of the remaining 17 clubs that have not yet filed, each club president and treasurer received a friendly reminder email in the last week of October of both entities filing deadline (Nov. 15). District Governor Patty was copied on each friendly reminder.

Unclaimed Funds (negative unclaimed funds report) were to have been filed online on November 1, 2024. Other than the clubs' self-reporting to the District compliance officer, there is no agency tracking of completed filing for unclaimed funds.

Also, a reminder for those clubs that have sold a product(s) that semi-annual Ohio Sales Tax is to be filed via the Ohio Business Gateway on or before January 22, 2025, for items sold during the period July 1 through December 31, 2024.

In Service, PCC Kevin Reidy

District OH2 Global Membership Team

PCC Kevin Reidy, Coordinator





Cabinet Secretary Craig and District Governor Patty,

Ohio Lions Mission 10K is well underway. Currently Ohio Lions are @ 9500 service-oriented women and men dedicated to the motto of "WE SERVE"! For Ohio Lions to reach 10,000 Lions on or before June 30, 2027, the time to grow your club is NOW!!!

Congratulations to those district clubs who have held **member growth drives** as a **part of your service projects!** It's a great way for non-Lions to understand <u>who we are</u> and <u>what we do</u>.

I would encourage other clubs to follow their lead and ask non-Lions to participate in your club's upcoming service or fundraising project.

Be sure to have a **membership application** <u>and Lions</u> **information brochure** to provide to the prospective member(s)! Thank you in advance for your assistance.

To date, I have visited four of the fifteen clubs who currently have fewer than 15 rostered members. With two clubs, I attended a meal event whose proceeds were benefitting local projects. The additional visits included

assistance to each club. Included were Lions growth materials, such as the LI publication "Just Ask Guide" as a way for the club to plan for growing their respective club.

<u>Club membership chairs</u>: please contact me should you need membership materials, including but not limited to information trifold brochures and Lions membership applications,

**Just Ask, How Are My Ratings or Quality Club Initiative booklets**. These booklet guides are created for clubs to reflect, plan and brainstorm action steps to invite prospective members to learn more Lionism. Coupling the invitation with an exciting and important service that you provide within your community is a plus for your planning. For more information, feel free to contact me directly.

Now is the time to invest in growing your club. If your club has "snowbirds" among your membership, you may want to reach out now to folks you know locally, invite them to learn about your Lions club and the return on their investment by "doing good works" in your locale.

Save the date: Sept. 18-20, 2025, for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Atlantic City, New Jersey.



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### Lions Club International Disaster Fund

LCIF Disaster Fund has paid out over <u>One Billion</u> dollars over the last four and half years. A disaster could hit any of communities in District 13 OH2 and wipe out a whole town/village just like the ones in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Florida. This is a very good reason that all 57 clubs should donate to LCIF Disaster Fund. Several clubs has already donated, there is seven clubs that never donate. I am asking that the Clubs that has not donated before please donate \$100.00 to the Disaster Fund.

The Disaster Fund Emergency Grant has been raised to \$15,000.00 which the governor may apply for to help the community with things they need to help the people. Ohio has received many grants from LCIF for projects and for disasters.

All clubs that donate an average of \$30.50 to LCIF will receive the "Horst Horzog Medal." I am hoping I will be able to award many clubs at our convention this year.

I have visited four clubs so far and plan to visit many more to present a program on LCIF.

In Lionism,

Carolyn Brook

# **Zone Chair Corner**

# Zone 7 Meeting

Hosted by: Savannah-Crestview Lions Club

Date: Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> Time: 7pm (gathering 6:30pm) Where: Savannah Town Hall

US 250

Savannah, Ohio

Menu:

Pasta with Sauce

Meatballs

Tossed Salad

Fruit cup

Bread sticks w/butter

Dessert Beverage Cost:

\$13.00 per person

RSVP by Saturday Nov 16th 2024

to Lion Marj Pond 419-571-1535 or mapond\_mp@gmail.com

### #WeServe

# Join the Bellville Lions Club Zone 6 Meeting

**Date:** Wednesday, November 20, 2024 **Time:** 7:00 PM

Location: Bellville Lutheran Church, 48 Church Street, Bellville

### **Dinner Provided by Bellville Lions Club**

Menu: Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Vegetable, Salad and Dessert. Water, Coffee and Lemonade included

Cost: \$15.00, payable at the door

RSVP by: November 16<sup>th</sup> to Zone Chair, Ed Brook at ebrook@neo.rr.com or call 419-566-3601

# **SERVICE PROJECT:**

Please bring personal hygiene items to be distributed to BCNO Food Bank of Bellville, Ohio

# Club News Past, Present and to come

# **Ashland Evening Lions**

Poinsettia sale is in full swing. Our shipments arrive on December 6 and 13. Clubs wishing to piggyback need to contact Lion Ann Miller. On Oct 3 we learned the history of the Brookside Park bandshell, a staple of the park since 1937. 53 boxes of eyeglasses have been sent to VOSH/SVOSH. We donated 12 empty totes to aid in packing one of the truckloads heading south for hurricane relief. Our club will be donating staple goods and nonperishable food to Associated Charities during the

holiday season. We made a special \$250 hurricane relief donation to LCIF. We held a successful Candy Day promotion at a local grocery store and will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army the four Fridays between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

# **Attica Lions Club**

In October, our Attica Lions were successful with another community Red Cross blood drive.

Our final vision screening was completed, making a total of 558 students tested from 3 school districts, pre-school through 5th grade, with 203 man hours this year!

We gathered a truckload of used eyeglasses from the Attica Lions club, SE LEO club, Republic Lions club, and from Willard's Vision Source office. These were then transported to the Pandora VOSH recycling center to be used in 3rd world countries.

In September, several BBQ's were held, and we hosted the Zone 2 dinner meeting at "Simple Life Diner". Fried bologna sandwiches were served at the Attica "Autumn Village Days" event. The club supported Veterans Military night at a Seneca East Football game.

Tickets are being sold for the upcoming Reverse Raffle with drive-thru chicken / pork chop dinners on Nov. 2nd. October's local library window has been beautifully decorated by our Lion's club.

And the SE LEO Club has kicked off with a very successful bake sale and a "Pack the Pickup" food drive. Making hygiene kits for foster care students is our next service project!

Let's Go, Lions & LEOs!!! We Serve!



# **Bascom Lions Club**

The Bascom Lions Had 2 new members sign up in October, Curtis Ling and Jim Parker. Thank you Duane King for sponsoring both of them. In October we monitored traffic for trick or treat in Bascom and hosted the Good Program for Hopewell Loudon School. Nick Bergman, treasure of Hopewell Loudon School, was a guest speaker at our Oct 15th meeting. For donations, we donated money to N.C. Lions for hurricane disaster relief and also to the Hopewell Loudon Traveling Ensemble

# **Bellevue Lions Club**

The Bellevue Lions Club held their annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser on Monday, October 21st. The event was a success with approximately 85 dinners served. The club also held their third trash pick-up of the year. One more pick-up to go next month to continue the club's gold star status that has been achieved.

# **Bucyrus Lions Club**

The Bucyrus Lions Club hosted their first Pediatric Cancer walk. Everyone who came received a T-shirt. Leftover T-shirts are being sent to the North Carolina hurricane victims. Some local businesses donated money and Ehrharts drive-thru donated the water. We may have some new members through their involvement in the walk. The club is preparing for holiday giving now. They are donating to the Council on Aging for Thanksgiving meals for the elderly. Club members are collecting hats, gloves and scarves to give to the local elementary school for teachers to hand out to students in need. The backpack program started up again for the school year with Linda Spiegel and Bob Guinther packing 219 food bags for weekend meals for children in the county.



# Colonel Crawford Lions

The Colonel Crawford Lions Club will be dedicating our 4 Memorial trees for our deceased CC Lions in the near future to honor the memory of our faithful Lion servants.

We are collecting plastic bags as one of our environmental service projects.

We are looking forward to a successful fall and winter season of service to our community.

### **Fostoria Lions Club**

Fostoria Lions handed out Diabetes information at our last Farmers Market of the year. For our Fall into Service project, we collected food and hygiene items and refilled 4 of our Community Blessing Boxes. In September, we hosted the STEPS WALK for Pediatric Cancer.



# **Hayesville Lions Club**

The Hayesville Lions Club met October 17 at Stone Lutheran Church with Vice **District Governor Shirley** Everly from Oak Harbor Lions visiting. She spoke on SERVICE which needs to be given from your heart. You need to ask "How can we help you" or "What can we do". People who have suffered a blow from a disaster need to know you care. She mentioned the Winter Retreat at Maumee Bay State Park January 12-14. It is full of games, food, crafts, people from the art museum, and guiding Lions review, and you can have a most wonderful time. Also, she is a diabetic and works with Diabetes care for Lions.

Hayesville Lions sausage sale with sausage at \$5. a pound is different this year. No sales at the craft show, but can be ordered by calling 419-564-4439 or order from any Hayesville Lion before November 2. Volunteers to pack sausage on November 8 at Heffelfinger's Meat are very welcome.

October 31 is Trick or Treat in Hayesville and our club will help with costume judging at the Firehouse. The November 7 Business meeting will be at Tresa and Greg Hess's home. November 21 is the Dinner meeting at Hayesville Methodist Church.

# **Loudonville Lions Club**

Another busy month for Loudonville Lions, starting off with our Food Tent during the Loudonville Fair. Over 200 volunteers helped make it happen, including Redbird sports teams. This is one of our biggest endeavors of the year, providing homemade soups and sandwiches as well as Amish baked pies, serving daily from 11 am to 8 pm all 5 days of the fair. We also held another sold out fish fry this month and served breakfast to MPP retirees. We hosted DG Patty Moorman, who inducted another new member and presented a certificate to our Peace Poster winner. Leo Club did a cleanup project at the high school and installed new TREX benches. We Serve!





# **Lucas Lions club**

The Lucas Lions held our first membership drive on October 17. We had nine guests, and at least one person submitted a membership application! Our night consisted of playing several rounds of "LIONS" (bingo) where each

square was an activity or cause supported by the Lucas Lions. We also enjoyed delicious food and fellowship.

We are looking forward to our Halloween parade on October 31. This year we increased our prize amounts for the costume contest. We are also preparing for our SOLD OUT Bingo on November 9th!

# Marblehead Peninsula Lions Club

The Marblehead Peninsula Lions Club, along with the Port Clinton and Oak Harbor clubs are pursuing grants and funds to purchase a vision screening to assist the clubs in providing testing for the children of Ottawa County Schools. In addition the Marblehead Club is working with the local VFW to help with renovations of their building.

One of the prizes from the recent Perch Festival drawing was a 90 second shopping spree at Bassetts Market. The winner of the prize picked out almost \$400.00 of groceries during the spree. (see attached pic). Now the club is in preparation for their annual tree lighting ceremony at James Park the Saturday after Thanksgiving.



North Ridgeville Lions Club

Several members of our club recently volunteered their time at the City of North Ridgeville's Fall Fest. We set up free games for kids and they can win prizes. This opportunity for outreach and getting our club name out in the community is so important.

Up next, we are holding our annual Rock Extravaganza with music from the 60's and 70's performed by our very own Lion Bill Pappas and his band.

This event will be held Nov 9 at VFW Post 9871. See flyer at back of this newsletter for more details.





# **Oak Harbor Lions Club**

Oak Harbor Lions had our food trailer out 4 times this summer. First time we designated money to Oak Harbor's fireworks and donated \$2000 to their fund. The second time we designated the money to Habitat for Humanity and donated \$2500. The other 2 events went to our Sight saver fund for other causes during the year. The last time the food trailer will be out is at Oak Harbor's Apple Festival

October 12-13. Service projects completed were packing 700 lunches for kids in conjunction with a Count Wide summer lunch program and replacing a fence around the dumpster at Oakwood Manor which is an affordable apartment complex for the elderly. Our Lions club will be the Grand Marshall's of the Apple Festival Parade.

### **Ontario Lions Club**

The Ontario Lions have been very involved in the community this month.

To date we have: participated in the Steps Walk at Crestview - donated and severed over 200 hotdogs at the Richland Foundaton's trunk or treart -with the assistance of the Boy Scouts installed new boarders for the playground equipment at our park.

 had a very successful camp out by our Boy Scout and a Cub Scout troop at our park

We are looking forward to celebrating with the winning class at the middle school with a pizza party for collecting the most eyeglasses. We will also be celebrating with the middle school art class for participating in our Peace Poster contest by providing lunch for them. All the Peace







# **Perrysville Lions**

Perrysville Lions

We are busy with all of our recycling projects. We recycled 117# of aluminum cans and 545# of plastic towards our 6<sup>th</sup> Trex bench.

We held our annual Food Drive, collected 129 items to help stock the selves at Helping Hands in Loudonville.

We made our yearly donations to 7 State and International Funds. We supported the District Poinsettia sales, made donations to LCIF Disaster Response, the Green-Perrysville Fireman's Toy Drive and Knox County Humane Society.

We will be sponsoring and judging the Halloween costume contest and participating in Trick or Treat.

We have a busy November planned beginning November 10 with our Swiss steak luncheon and including our annual Clothing Drive and hanging the Village's Christmas lights.

### **Polk Lions Club**

It's time for the annual Polk Lions Club Holiday Nut Sale! All nuts are only \$10 per pound. We have: cinnamon sugar almonds, honey roasted whole cashews, salted deluxe whole cashews, salted deluxe mixed nuts, and honey roasted peanuts. Orders due by Nov. 15. Delivery week of Dec. 1. Money due at delivery. Proceeds from nut sale will go towards Local Projects instituted by the Polk Lions Club. As always, thanks for your support!

# **Port Clinton Lions Club**

Greetings from Port Clinton! Diabetes Awareness: The Magruder Hospital began its Diabetes Awareness meetings For the 2024/2025 year. The 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was held on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Our club provided a raffle basket for those attending. The Sept. topic covered skin care. October's subject dealt with "Understanding Food Labels". In November, "Healthier Holiday Desserts" will be discussed.

Vision Screening: Lion Jim Bergeman reported that 478 children were tested in preschool thru fifth grade. Ten Lions assisted with this project. This wraps up the testing in our schools for this year. Lion Jim Bergeman shared the first draft of the grant application with Portage Resale to get a vision machine to be used by the Lions Clubs in

Ottawa County. The grant application deadline is Oct. 31st.



Ottawa County Senior Resources: The club was addressed by Kim Haddix, Director of Ottawa County Senior Resources. This is a county department that has been in existence for 20 years. Its mission is to help local seniors maintain their independence and to offer connection points with many other agencies dealing with ageing issues. They have a staff of about 30 people. Senior events are planned and carried out as well as the operation of 4 senior centers in our area located in Port Clinton, Danbury, Genoa and Put-In-Bay. Kim noted that Ottawa County has the largest number of seniors per capita in the state. Food is made at Riverview Nursing Home and home delivered meals are taken to seniors who qualify. Kim invites all who are interested to come see their offices and the senior centers. There is a renewal tax

for



senior support on the ballot this coming November, and Kim encourages all to vote. A VISIT FROM OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Patty Moorman was in attendance at our 10/17/24 meeting. She shared a few stories from her travels to

Australia for the international conference. She said Ohio received the 100% Service Award per all Ohio clubs' active involvement in service projects. She put forth challenging ideas to pursue new club memberships.

# **Republic Lions Club**

Republic Lions have been busy the last couple months with two Chicken BBQ's. The first BBQ proceeds were donated to a family in St. Stevens who had a fire destroy their house. We also donated \$500.00 of supplies to the hurricane Helene relief thru the local North Central Electric Coop. The club is planning on donating \$250.00 for hats and gloves for children as part of the zone project. Coming up on the 30th of November we will be holding our 35th annual Sportsmen raffle. 3 big raffles, #1 is our main raffle ticket which includes many types of firearms, #2 grand prize with 3 cash prizes of \$2000, \$500 and \$200, then #3 raffle is 2 firearms and a firearm safe all together. Go to our face book page for more info. On Dec. 8th its popcorn ball making time. All are welcomed to come help, they will be available for sale during the Republic community parade or around town until gone, they go quickly. Get our large colored popcorn balls, they make great gifts and stocking stuffers, that's if you can get them into the stocking?



# **Rowsburg Lions Club**

At our meeting held on September 24<sup>th</sup> we were reminded to turn in our cheese orders. The grant that we applied for was discussed and waiting for approval before discussing projects that the money would be used for. One would be for a new ceiling and acoustics tiles or an acoustic ceiling was discussed. Also, it was suggested that we consider getting a stove for our kitchen and by doing so, we could add gravy and biscuits to our Sausage and pancake breakfasts.

At our October 8th meeting, we met and wrapped cheese for our sale and had a short meeting afterwards. It was discussed that our sign out front was getting repaired. "Thanks" to our President Steve Englet, a stove was donated to our Lions Club. Volunteers were asked to help shop getting supplies for our Pancake breakfast. Lion member Nancy Smith volunteered to do this. We held our Pancake and Sausage breakfast on October 19th, using our donated stove to be able to serve biscuits and gravy, which went over rather well with the crowd.

On October 22nd at our meeting it was discussed that the Teeter Totters on our playground needed painted. It was discussed rather to paint them white or use an oil based stain. Lion member Bob

Donelson reported he was waiting for a reply from the glass company to finish repairing our sign out front. Money was approved for our grant and will now move forward to get the ceiling in our hall done and also to expand our parking lot. We voted on donating \$250.00 again to the United Way drive. It was discussed to get our furnace pipes and vents cleaned out. A number of Lion members volunteered to meet Oct. 24th to sand and clean our railings along the walkway to get ready for painting.

# Savannah Crestview Lions Club

Savannah-Crestview Lions had our first pancake breakfast of the year. We also held our October Free Lunch at the town hall. Good food and fellowship was enjoyed by all who attended.

Two of our member will be attending food safety training at the health department in Ashland the last week in October. We will be handing our candy at the village Treat or Treat event and we will be getting ready for the next Pancake Breakfast, November 2 nd at the town hall. Proceeds from this coming breakfast will go toward Local Lion Charities.

Our next dinner meeting will be at Cattlemen's restaurant and we look forward to our visit from DG Patty Moorman.

# **Shelby Lions Club**

Shelby United Lions have a busy fall planned plus three new members!

Our bake sale will be over by the time this is sent out but we want to thank everyone that participated.

Trunk or treat is Oct 25, Halloween parade is Oct 26th. We will share pictures next issue.

November 14th, has us doing the Shelby Community dinner. We are supplying the food & serving the community members.

We are still participating with Matthew 25 and delivering to 100+ homes in Shelby monthly.

Next month we promise pictures! Happy Fall!

### **Tiffin Lions Club**

Tiffin Lions selected collecting gloves and scarves for their Fall into Service. They will be donated at the Zone 2 Advisory Meeting on November 18, 2024.

October 10, World Sight Day, Lions Margaret Werling, Paul Klaiss and Old Fort Lion Sandy Best were screening the vision of students at First Lutheran Preschool in Tiffin.

Popcorn Ball Project dates are set for November 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, December 2, 5, 9, 12. We welcome your helping hands in this endeavor. Wear a hat or cap please, hairnest provided if no hat.

Lion crackerjacks at end of shift. Let us know if you are coming to help! Starting time is 5:30 at Tiffin Moose Lodge 846, 1146 N. State Route 53, Tiffin, Ohio 44883.

# **Vermillion Lions Club**

Our food pantry chairman, Dan Dean, collected \$86 from our members at our first meeting of the month. The 3 Digit Raffle which goes by the evening lotto numbers began in the beginning of October. Winners matching the lotto numbers receive \$100.

The Parade of Bands was held and we sold our delicious homemade French fries there. We will be giving the Band Boosters the profit from that night.

Due to a soggy Woollybear Sunday our profits were not as large as usual but we did okay. Our Lions and Leos did a great job helping in making and selling our delicious homemade french fries.

We had a Rose Sale for Sweetest Day. 95 dozen of red roses were bought. Lion Joe McDonald and Dale Gryger were in charge of the roses.

Our Lions have been selling our homemade French fries at our home football games. We split the profits with the Vermilion Athletic Boosters.

We bought two benches to be added at Sherod Park for two deceased members of our club, Mick Best and Bob Mey. We had small plaques made and placed on the benches. with their names on them. A dedication was done and the families of the deceased were present plus some of our Lions members.

We donated to the Canine Companions and to Camp Coda.

Light Up Vermilion will take place on the first Friday of December. Hot chocolate will be served to all of the community.

Our Annual Christmas Dinner Party will take place on Tuesday, December 3, at The Nest.

We as well as the Leos will be helping out the Salvation Army ringing the bell at Giant Eagle on the Saturdays from after Thanksgiving until right before Christmas.

Our Lions and Leos shall participate in Operation Christmas Joy with the packing and delivering of food and gifts to the needy of the community.

Our Guest Speakers were District Governor Patty Moorman and Second Vice District Governor Mike Garber. who had his wife with him It was told that our next District Convention will be in Westlake in March 2025. The Vermilion Lions received the 100% Service Award.

Bingo has started up at our two local nursing homes. We attend Kingston Nursing Home and Mill Manor Nursing Home.

Our Poinsettia Sale shall begin soon. Get your orders in to Chairman Peggy Watkins.

It was brought up that we were asked to upkeep a garden in Vermilion. We shall see which one we can tend to.

Our Lion Gary Friedt will be making his delicous chili to enter into the Vermilion Kiwanis 2nd Annual Chili Cookoff on Saturday, November 9. It will be held at the Vermilion on the Lake Clubhouse from 5-9 PM. The cost is \$20 to enter and to try all of the delicious chilies.

Our trees are changing and so are the temperatures.
Autumn has arrived. Enjoy this time of the year!

Happy Thanksgiving!

# 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 possibly get more lions to them. Please send flyer 2 months before the activity so it can be seen before the activity.



# Ontario Lions



# Pancake Day

Saturday, November 2, 2024 6:30 am - Noon At Ontario High School Tickets: \$7.00 each

Kids 6 & under eat FREE

~ FOR ADVANCE TICKETS~

Contact an Ontario Lions Club Member

Door prizes donated by local businesses Winner need not to be present to win.



We Serve

# Savannah-Crestview Lions Pancake Breakfast

Savannah Town Hall **Saturday, November 2, 2024** Serving from 6:30 A.M. until 10:30 A.M.

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

Proceeds go to:

Local Lions Charities

Accepting Used Eye Glasses to Recycle

Door Prizes donated by Miller's-Hawkins Market

Enter by printing your name and phone number on back of ticket. Drawing will be held at 10:30 A.M.



# LIONS BINGO

# Saturday, November 9, 2024

5:00 -9:00pm Lucas Community Center Must be 18 or older

General Admission tickets are \$35 each.
Reserved tables of 8 are \$280, and must be paid for together.
Cash or Check accepted

Tickets go on sale August 31st during the Lucas Community Center Car Show (pavilion) or by calling 419-612-9113.

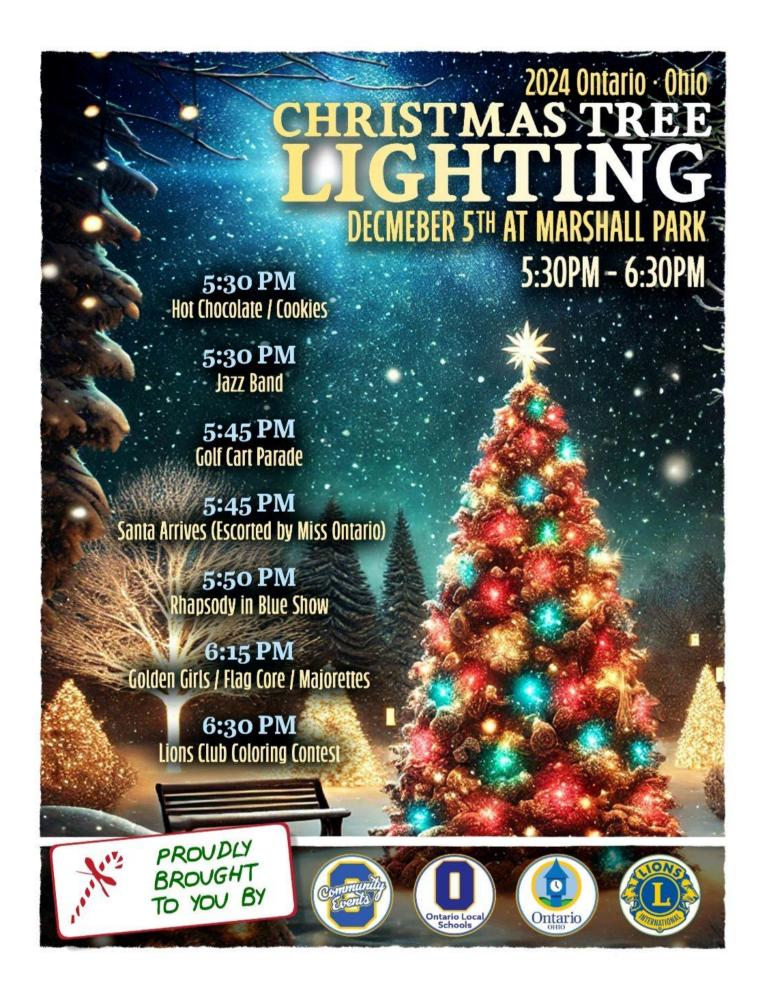
All tickets included: 1 reusable bingo board, 20 rounds of bingo & dinner. Additional bingo boards, 50/50 tickets, raffles and drinks will be available that night.

Tickets go on sale August 31st!



**Lucas Lions Club Public** 





# Lifesaver 5K / 10K Run / Walk

# Richland County Lions Clubs Fundraiser for Project Lifesaver



# Saturday, December 07, 2024

Located near Mansfield, Charles Mill is a quiet place to relax and enjoy nature. The Park entrance is 1277 State Route 430, Mansfield OH 44903 (located near the junction of State Routes 430 and 603).

Proceeds go to buy "locater devices" for Individuals with Alzheimer's/Dementia/Autism/Down Syndrome

Course: Once around the beautiful peninsula park for the 5K, twice around for the 10K

8:00 AM Race Day registration \$25

Early registration \$20, T-shirt guaranteed if received by Nov 29th, no refunds

9:00 AM 5K / 10K Run / Walk

Awards: Top overall male and female and first place male and female in each age group

14 & under / 15-19 / 20-29 / 30-39 / 40-49 / 50-59 / 60-69 / 70 +

More info: Email Chris at berrier28@hotmail.com or call Gene at 419-565-4300

 Online registration and course map at <u>www.ohioraceday.com</u> (fees apply) ...or send one registration form for each participant and mailing registrations to: Chris Berrier, 774 Hoover Road, Mansfield OH 44905

Last Name:

- Make checks payable to: Richland County Lifesaver Race

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Find us on Facebook at Richland County Project Lifesaver



We Serve

# Savannah-Crestview Lions Pancake Breakfast

Savannah Town Hall
Saturday, December 7, 2024
Serving from 6:30 A.M. until 10:30 A.M.

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

Proceeds go to: **State Lions Charities** 

Accepting Used Eye Glasses to Recycle

Door Prizes donated by Miller's-Hawkins Market
Enter by printing your name and phone number on back of ticket. Drawing will be held at 10:30 A.M.



# **2025 Ohio Lions Winter Retreat**

January 17, 18, 19, 2025

# REGISTRATION FORM MAUMEE BAY STATE PARK RESORT OREGON, OH

### **REGISTRATION:**

Full registration paid by December 1, 2024 will be \$125.00. Full registrations December 2, 2024 – January 3, 2025 will be \$140.00. No registrations will be accepted after January 3, 2025. Make all checks payable to: "THE OHIO LIONS" and specify LIONS WINTER RETREAT in the memo line and return with this registration form to: Ohio Lions, 2082 Stringtown Rd, PO Box 155, Grove City, OH 43123; Fax: 614-539-5055; Email: <a href="mailto:ohiolions@gmail.com">ohiolions@gmail.com</a>. To use your credit card: go to <a href="www.ohiolions.org">www.ohiolions.org</a> & use PayPal and send your registration form to the address above. NO CANCELLATIONS WILL BE REFUNDED OR REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER JANUARY 4, 2025.

Please provide an Email address to receive updates on the Wi	nter Retreat! District				
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Will attend Lion's Pin Art (\$3 fee) (LIMITED TO 32 PEOPLE) Will attend Sip and Paint (\$25 fee) (LIMITED TO 25 PEOPLE) Interested in the Beer Tasting (??fee*) (LIMITED TO 25 PEOPLE/per session: 2 duplicate sessions offered) TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED: \$ *Fee for Beer Tasting is unknown at this time: will confirm your participation once price is known.					
SPECIAL NEEDS: Please List any special dietary needs require					
Registrant's Name: N	feeds:				
Yes, would help as a session facilitator at the Winter Retreat.					
HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Hotel reservations must be made through the hotel at					

http://www.maumeebaystateparklodge.com or by phone 1-800-282-7275. Room reservations prior to November 30, 2024, may be made by requesting the Ohio Lions Winter Retreat(Block code #1094EB) group rate of \$124.00/night plus tax with 1 to 4 persons per room. After November 30<sup>th</sup> the room rate may increase. The resort only has a limited number of rooms and may sell out. The State Office will not accept hotel reservations or room deposits.

Check out <a href="https://www.maumeebaystatepark.com">www.maumeebaystatepark.com</a> for all of the winter events and resort amenities that are offered at the lodge. Make this a family outing!!!