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My Fellow Lions of OH2,

BRRRRR!!!! Mother nature is making up for the mild winters we have had, isn't she!!! I hope you are all keeping warm and safe on the roads as you continue to meet and serve our communities. Need doesn't stop with cold weather. In fact, it most likely increases. Now would be a good time to make sure kids have warm coats and gloves; that elderly have good in their fridge and our four-legged friends are sheltered from the cold. I encourage you to call your club members whom you have not seen at a meeting recently and see if they need any assistance.

Can you believe it is almost February already? We have turned the corner for the midway mark in our Lions year. Our total membership for OH2 is holding at 1,634 Lions. This puts us at a -2 in membership since July 1, 2024. Sadly, we cannot control losing a Lion as we all get older and we have lost over 60 Lions since July 1st. But you are also working hard to replace them as we have gained over 60 members as well. I congratulate the Polk Lions club who will have 8 new members for me to install in February. Your District GMT and GET continue to work on building some new Clubs, as well as being available to help with membership drives. My goal is to have a positive membership on July 1st, 2025, but this can only happen if we each reach out to folks and ask them to join us in serving our communities.

Our District Convention is only 7 weeks away!!! The convention is March 14-16 at the Doubletree (Wyndham) in Westlake, Ohio. Friday Night we will have our Masked "Lions" Singers to entertain you, as well as Euchre and a Hospitality Room. Saturday morning, we will have a session for Presidents to meet the Speaker, PID Dr. Dianne Pitts. The Amazing Duck Race is Saturday morning. Have you purchased a Ticket for a Duck? There will be learning sessions you can choose to attend in which you can learn about the Cub Program, Building Beds for Kids, 9/11 and Beyond, and how Lions has been helping with disaster relief. In the evening, you will be entertained by the ALMOST Blues Brothers and enjoy some Tofts ice cream, courtesy of the PDG Association.

There are some important items for clubs to remember as we move towards the Convention. The District Humanitarian Award, Governor's Excellence Award (send to PDG Cindy Beat) and Service Award (send to Debbie Reidy) are due to the District by February 28

Please send your Necrology Reports in for any Lions who have passed in the last year to 1VDG ShirLee Eberle.

These forms are on our website and will also be available at our upcoming Zone Meetings. 100% Secretary's Awards are due to the Zone Chair no later than June 15 th. Our State Youth Committee will again be ordering Peace Posters in bulk to save with postage. If you want a Peace Poster to be included in the order, please let Lion Bob Moorman know asap.

Thank you for all you do and please continue growing your clubs.

Yours in Lionism,
DG Patty

Governors Visitation Schedule

February

- 2/3 Tiffin Lions Club
- 2/4 Ontario Lions Club
- 2/5 Zone 2 Meeting
- 2/6 Ashland Evening Lions Club
- 2/11 Crestline Lions Club
- 2/12 Zone 6 Meeting
- 2/13 Ashland Noon Lions Club
- 2/15 Council of Governors Mtg
- 2/17 OH2 Cabinet Meeting
- 2/19 Zone 1 Meeting
- 2/20 Zone 3 Meeting
- 2/24 Zone 7 Meeting
- 2/25 Polk Lions Club
- 2/26 Zone 4 Meeting
- 2/28 OH7 Convention
- 3/3 Zone 5 Meeting

1st VDG ShirLee

Happy Valentine's Day! Well, so far I have visited 0 clubs this month. My problem is I am travelling by myself, and the clubs are 2 hours away (one way) and the weather is just unpredictable. So, I had to reschedule Mansfield and Lucas for the spring, and depending on the weather, I may have to reschedule Plymouth. I feel bad, but I don't feel confident driving alone, in the weather, that distance, at night.

On another note, the convention is right around the corner. Get your delegates together, and your fun-loving members, and get your paperwork mailed in on time. You're not going to get cheaper rooms, better amenities, and more rip-roaring shenanigans than you will March 14, 15, 16, 2025! NOW! Regarding the convention, Sunday morning is when we pay tribute to all the Lions from all the clubs in our District who have passed away in 2024. Please get your Necrology forms to me ASAP! There's a lot of preparation to make sure they are properly honored. You can text them to 419-310-3182; email them to steberle6@gmail.com; Or snail mail them to ShirLee Eberle, 325 N Benton St., Oak Harbor, OH 43449. You should have a form with all the info on it. So, plan on spending the weekend with your fellow brothers and sisters in Westlake, OH at the Doubletree/Wyndham Hotel.

In the meantime, I will continue spending my time studying for District Governor.

ShirLee



1st VDG Visitation Schedule

February

- Feb. 10 – 14 St. Charles, IL
District Governor Training
- Feb 17 Cabinet Meeting
Port Clinton, OH
- Feb 25 Polk

2nd VDG Mike

I am encouraged to see membership growth when visiting our clubs, knowing that strong membership is the key to our Lions Club's success. To support our mission of service, we must maintain our focus on two key areas: bringing in new members and keeping current members engaged.

Recruitment: Sharing Our Work - Attracting new members starts with showing what we do. Here's how:

1. Involve the Community: Host open events or project demos to showcase our efforts.

2. Invite Friends and Family: Encourage members to bring people they know.
3. Highlight Benefits: Share how membership helps personal growth, builds connections, and makes a difference.

Retention: Keeping Members Involved - Engaging current members is just as important:

1. Celebrate Achievements: Recognize members with awards or shoutouts.
2. Support Growth: Offer training, mentorship, and skill-building activities.

3. Stay Connected: Gather feedback and involve members in decisions.

Lions leaders create a welcoming environment where members feel inspired. Where we show service, respect, and teamwork in all we do.

Imagine the Future - picture the impact of a growing, engaged membership: more projects, stronger communities, and changed lives. Let this vision drive our efforts to recruit and retain members who share our passion for service.

By focusing on these goals, we can grow our Lions Club and continue making a difference, one member at a time.

Yours in Service,

Mike Garber, 2nd VDG

2nd VDG Visitation Schedule

February

February 5	Zone 2 Meeting
February 10	Republic
February 12	Zone 6 Meeting
February 17	Cabinet Meeting
February 18	Old Fort
February 19	Zone 1 Meeting
February 20	Zone 3 Meeting

Notice

Second half dues invoices were sent out on 1/13/2025 via email to club treasurers and secretaries. There are no mailings.

Please look for them in your inbox or possibly spam.

Cabinet Treasurer Tom

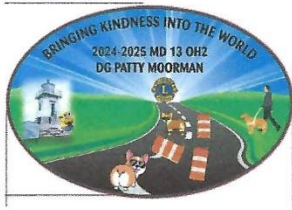
Reminder

Necrology forms are due to FVDG ShirLee Eberle by February 25 for those Lions that have passed this Lions year. The Necrology Service will be at the District Convention on Sunday morning March 16. If possible have someone there to represent your club.

Return Forms to; FVDG ShirLee Eberle
325 Benton St.
Oak Harbor OH 43449

Or

Email to steberle6@gmail.com



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

District 13 OH 2

District Governor Patty Moorman

OFFICIAL CALL TO CONVENTION

District Governor Patty Moorman hereby issues the Official Call for the 2025 District 13 OH2 Convention, to be held March 14-16, 2025, at the Wyndham/Doubletree Hilton, 1100 Crocker Road, Westlake, Ohio, for the purpose of recognizing the efforts of our Lions, providing Lions learning sessions, discussing district business, holding district elections, and remembering our Lions that have passed away. The Convention Business Meeting will be held Saturday, March 15, 2025 beginning at 2:00 PM. The Elections will follow the business meeting. The passing of the Gavel to the newly elected District Governor will occur at the conclusion of the Grand Banquet.

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

Patty Moorman, District Governor
Lions Clubs International Multiple District 13 OH2
pattymoorman@yahoo.com



January 13, 2025

My Fellow Lions,

On behalf of Governor Patty, it is my privilege as Convention Chair to invite you to celebrate our Lions year at the 2025 District 13OH-2 Convention and Celebration. It will be held March 14th, 15th and 16th at the Wyndham/Doubletree Hilton, Westlake, Ohio. Joining us this year as our special guests will be Past International Director Dr. Diane Pitts and her husband Lion Joe. The Pitt's are from Chappells, South Carolina and we are looking forward to their participation in our weekend.

We are planning a fun and informative couple of days for you, as well as time for you to socialize and enjoy the company of other Lions from around the district. On Friday evening you can choose to try your luck at Euchre OR you can help judge the Masked Lion Singers.

On Saturday, The Amazing Duck Race takes place at 8:00 AM, Saturday, at the swimming pool. There will be four winners. Proceeds will go to Pediatric Cancer. Make sure you purchase your tickets for a chance to be the winner. You will have an opportunity to attend seminars on building a Cub program. You will hear and see how Lions clubs came together, working with LCIF, to provide Disaster Relief. Twenty-Four years ago our country experienced the tragedy of 911. We will hear from Lion Shirley that was on one of the planes diverted to a small town and how the kindness changed the lives of the people on the planes. Lion Barry Buck will talk to us about building beds for kids that have no beds to sleep in and we will hear from a motorcycle club that focuses on helping neglected children feel safe. Blue Frog Productions will also be here this year, selling Lions clothing and paraphernalia.

Again, this year we are having the Parade of Club Banners to begin the Awards Luncheon, with the Banners remaining for display during the Grand Banquet.

Friday night we will have the Governor and Vice Governor's Hospitality Room along with the Euchre Tournament, but pace yourself as Saturday night we will again have the Hospitality Room as well as other fun entertainment. This year as we are celebrating Governor Patty's Lion year which began last July in Melbourne, Australia and we are ending the Lions Celebration with a visit from the Almost Blues Brothers Saturday evening.

On Sunday we will have our Worship service led by District Chaplain Julianne Zody and our Necrology service led by 1st VDG ShirLee Eberle. Please make sure 1st VDG ShirLee is informed of any deaths in your club as soon as possible so that they may be properly included in the service.

Club Presidents you are invited to attend the Coffee with the PID Dr. Diane Pitts and District Governor Patty Moorman on Saturday morning to discuss your clubs role in the District and International Organization. During this session, Club Awards will be presented to Club Presidents for Humanitarian, Service and Governors Excellence Awards.

To make this or any district convention a success we need not only your participation, which is the most important part, but also your help. There are several ways you may be able to help us and contribute. By bringing silent auction items and door prizes you help defer some of the costs of the convention and you add to the fun of the weekend. Tickets are available from all Zone Chairmen and your District Gover Team for the Duck Race. We also are seeking Ads for the convention program to help cover some of the expenses. A copy of the Ad sale sheet is included in this pack.

We are also planning a PowerPoint slide show of your Lions in action. Please email me your best pictures to lionsoh2convention@gmail.com for inclusion in the show. Peace Posters from each Zone will be displayed.

We hope to see every Lion of District 13OH-2 at convention and we hope you all come to have fun.

Yours In Lionism,

Janelle Grube, Convention Chair

lionsoh2convention@gmail.com

TENTATIVE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)
2025 District OH2 Convention Schedule

Friday March 14

4 pm – 7 pm Registration, Delegate Certification, Silent Auction drop off.
5:30-7:30 pm Cabinet Dinner (Invitation Only)
8:00-10:00 pm Masked Singer, Euchre Tournament, Social time,
Hospitality

Saturday March 15

8:00-9:00 am Breakfast
8:00 am The Amazing Duck Race-@ the swimming pool
8:30 -10:30 am Registration, Delegate Certification, Silent Auction drop off
8:30-9:30 am Presidents-Coffee with the PID and District Governor
 Club Awards-Service, Humanitarian, and Governor Excellence Awards
9:30-10:15 am Session 1 Cub Program-
 Session 2 Disaster Relief/LCI-PDG Carolyn Brook
 Session 3 9/11 and Beyond-Lion Shirley Brook
 Session 4 Build-A-Bed for kids- Barry Buck
9:00 a.m.- 11:30 Blue Frog open, Silent Auction open.
10:30-11:15- Session 1 Cub Program-
 Session 2 Disaster Relief/LCI-PDG Carolyn Brook
 Session 3 9/11 and Beyond-Lion Shirley Brook
 Session 4 Build-A-Bed for kids- Barry Buck
11:30-1:30 p.m. Awards Luncheon
 Parade of Banners
 LUNCH
 Message-Lion Joe Pitts
 Zone Lions of year and Lion of the Year;
 GMT Club Membership Growth Award/ Top Lion
 Catchers
 GET Clubs with new Club Branches and Cub Program
 Journey of Hope Awards
 Peace Poster Recognition
 Newsletter Recognition
1:30 – 5:00 pm Registration Open, Blue Frog Open, Silent Auction Open.
2:00-4:00 pm Business Meeting and Elections
5:00 pm Silent Auction Closes

5:00 pm	VIP Photos and Grand Banquet Doors Open.
5:15 pm	Grand March
5:30 pm	Dinner served.
6:30pm	PID Speaker Dr. Diane Pitts
7:00 pm	VDG ShirLee response
7:10 pm	District Awards
	Announcement winners of the Duck Race
	Announce Silent Auction winners
	Ann Miller Leadership Award #2
	New Voices Awards
	Hall of Fame Awards
	Jim Coffey/Dick Bryan/Betty Coffey?
	Council of Governor Awards
	Special Governor Awards
	Presidential Awards
	Passing of the Gavel
8:00	Pick up Silent Auction Items
8:00-10:00 pm	The Almost Blues Brothers/PDG Ice Cream/ Hospitality
	Snacks

Sunday, March 17

8:00 am	Breakfast
9:00 am	Worship Service and Necrology Service
	Benediction
	Safe Travels

DISTRICT 13-OH2
CONVENTION DELEGATE REGISTRATION--2025

Dear Club President and or Secretary:

According to the Constitution & By-Laws of Ohio Lions Inc. and the International Association of Lions Clubs, the election of district officers shall be conducted by secret ballot. To insure a secret ballot and that the casting of ballots is done only by authorized delegates, clubs and delegates must comply with the following rules:

1. **Each Club is entitled to one (1) delegate for every ten (10) members or major fraction thereof, that have been enrolled in the Club for at least one year and a day as of February 1, 2025. It is the duty of each Club to send a full delegation to the District Convention.**
2. All Past District Governors of 13-OH2 shall be considered Delegates-at-Large to this Convention, in addition to the delegate quota of your Club. Any delegate shall have but one vote on each question or issue that is submitted to this Convention.
3. The Club must be in good financial standing with Lions International and District 13-OH2. All dues must be current and merchandise paid for.
4. This form, listing delegates, **MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND RETURNED** to the CABINET SECRETARY by the Club Secretary by March 3, 2025.
5. Each delegate must be a member in good standing with their Club and must pick up, from the Certification Desk, prior to 2:00 PM on March 15, 2025, their authorization to receive a ballot for the business session. It will be necessary for the delegate to present their SIGNED and CURRENT Lion's Member Card.

LIST BELOW, by name, your Club's official delegates and alternates:

CLUB _____	Number of delegates _____
1. _____	6. _____
2. _____	7. _____
3. _____	8. _____
4. _____	9. _____
5. _____	10. _____

PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS:

ALTERNATES:

1. _____	1. _____
2. _____	2. _____
3. _____	3. _____
4. _____	4. _____

Signed: _____ Secretary of Club Date: _____

RETURN BY March 3, 2025 TO: Cabinet Secretary Craig Wiley
 137 West Congress Street
 Polk, OH 44866-9770
 (craigtwiley@frontier.com) 419-945-2747 home 330-234-4723 cell

District Committee's Information



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

California MD4 Wild Fires

Thank you for your emails of interest and your support for MD 4 with California wildfire relief. I just wanted to let you know that IP Fabricio and LCIF Chairperson Dr. Patti Hill awarded a Major Catastrophe grant for \$100,000 for Multiple District 4 earlier this week. The official award email was just sent to the Lions of MD 4. We have received no further updates yet as it is very early in the process of determining exactly what needs are at this point.

We will continue processing additional Emergency grant requests as they are received.

We also wanted to share some information Lion Manny, MDC of MD 4 shared over the weekend. His email is below. Please feel free to share any and all of this information in your communities.

Dear LCIF Leadership,

I am writing to provide an update on the ongoing disaster relief efforts across California in response to recent wildfires. Attached is the latest Situation Report from Los Angeles County for your reference. Below is a summary of key developments and actions being taken:

1. Disaster Relief Grants

- District 4-L3: Successfully granted a Disaster Relief Grant.
- District 4-L2: Submitted their signed request for an LCIF Disaster Relief Grant.
- District 4-A3: Previously received a Disaster Relief Grant and is consulting with LCIF staff on next steps.
- District 4-A3 is in recovery from a wildfire, though another fire erupted last week. This fire was contained as of January 11, 2025.
- The district remains under a Red Flag Warning from the National Weather Service.

2. Coordinated Statewide Efforts

- On January 12, 2025, MD-4 Council Chair convened a meeting with the full council, including Governors, 1st Vice District Governors (1VDGs), and 2nd Vice District Governors (2VDGs) from all 14 California Districts.
- The council agreed to activate a statewide disaster command and control team to oversee relief efforts.
- Each district is developing specific plans to support Districts 4-L2 and 4-L3 while remaining prepared for future impacts.
- I have been appointed as an adviser to this team to assist in strategic decision-making.

3. Resource Deployment

- Skilled Lions from previous wildfire responses are being mobilized to assist impacted districts.
- Equipment acquired through the LCIF Preparedness Grant, including disaster trailers (photo attached), is being deployed to affected areas.

- Lions are leveraging partnerships with key disaster response organizations, such as the Red Cross and other agencies, to strengthen efforts.

4. Fundraising and Community Contributions

- All districts have initiated LCIF fundraising efforts to support disaster relief operations.
- Donations of physical goods from community members are being coordinated to supplement LCIF grants.
- Lions throughout California are focused on both fundraising and delivering direct service, recognizing the long-term nature of this recovery process.

5. Current Challenges

- Due to continuous fire activity and changing winds, the exact count of destroyed or damaged properties remains uncertain.
- Residents are currently unable to return to their homes, with limited reentry expected by Thursday, January 16, 2025.
- A curfew is in place to prevent looting, enforced by local authorities, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, and 2,500 California National Guard members.
- An additional 1,000 National Guard members have been deployed to assist in the Los Angeles area (Governor's announcement).

Next Steps

- Districts will continue to report progress on their relief and preparedness efforts.
- The statewide disaster command and control team will oversee coordination and provide ongoing updates.
- LCIF's continued support and guidance will be critical as we navigate the complexities of this recovery effort.

We are deeply grateful for LCIF's partnership and support in enabling us to respond effectively to these disasters. The Lions of California remain steadfast in our commitment to serve those in need during this challenging time.



First of all I am thanking all Lions Clubs and members that have donated to LCIF for the California Wild Fires. LCIF is doing as much as possible until they are allowed to get to the communities that as lost everything. There may be Lions members that have lost everything they owned and still will serve others. Ohio is lucky that we have so little disasters but when we do LCIF is there for us.

I be receiving another update from LCIF on grants that have been applied for. The Districts in California will receive several thousands of dollars in grants. MD4 has received \$130,000.00with more to come for the recovery.

All clubs that donates an average of \$30.50 per member will receive the "Horst Herzog Medal". I will need all clubs donations no later than February 15, 2025. I would like to present many medals at the District convention this year.

As of January 10 our District has donated \$17,316.00. Our goal is \$45,956.00, we still need \$28,640.00 to reach our goal.

I will be reaching out to clubs for a visit in the next few weeks. I will be presenting LCIF program at our District Convention in March.

PDG Carolyn.

2025-2026 Leadership and Officer Training – May 3 in Ashland

Mark your calendar for May 3 for OH-2 Leadership School and officer training day at Trinity Lutheran Church in Ashland.

This is an information day for incoming club officers and all Lions/Leos interested in learning more about Lions at the club level and beyond. If you want to learn more about reaching out to new members or helping to form a new club or branch, this is the place to be. Always wanted to be a tail twister – come and see.

We will also have a number of general presentations and encourage everyone who is interested in serving, being an officer, or moving up to district opportunities to be a part of the day.

There is no charge to members for attending. We ask for a donation for breakfast and will have a number of 50/50 opportunities to help the district with the day's expenses.

Registration forms and more information will be available by the OH2 convention in mid-March.

Lion Ann Miller and the OH2 Leadership Team

Poinsettia Sale Wrap

Thank you to the 18 district clubs that participated in this year's sale. We sold 967 poinsettias and were able to make our budget.

Lion Ann Miller

Poinsettia Sale Chair



Zone Chair Corner



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District 13-OH2 Zone 2 Advisory Meeting Notice

Bloomville Lions Hosting

DATE: Wednesday, February 5, 2025

TIME: Social Time at 6:30 - Dinner at 7:00 - Meeting at 7:30

WHERE: Bloomville Community Center 10 Beeghly St., Bloomville OH 44818

COST: \$14.00 Roast Beef, Potatoes, Salad, Dessert, Water included. Beer and Pop extra.

RESERVATIONS DEADLINE: Tuesday, January 28, 2025

RSVP to Zone 2 Chairman Dave Omlor Call or text 419-619-4336

or email domlor@yahoo.com

This meeting will focus on Leadership.

All Club's members are urged to attend. These meetings are not just for the officers. If you can't make the dinner, please come for the meeting.

Presidents will be asked to provide an update on what your club has completed since November 18th and what you will be doing in the next month or so. Also, please have your membership numbers.

A Blank Activity Report Form is attached.

Thank you....

Z2C Dave Omlor

Zone 7 Meeting

Hosted by: Ashland Noon Lions Club

Date: Monday, February 24th

Time: social 5:30pm

Dinner 6-7

Where: Ashland Buehler's Mill Restaurant

US 250

Ashland, Ohio

Order from Menu, individual checks:

(Choose from these 3 menu items)

1. All American Hamburger platter \$11.99

2. Chicken sandwich platter \$10.99

3. Ruebin sandwich platter \$11.99

(Drinks additional except water)

RSVP by February 19, 2025

to Lion Fred Gottfried

fgott@ashlandscales.com 419-651-0097

Club News Past, Present and to come

Ashland (Noon) Lions Club

The Ashland Noon club had an informative January. Speakers included The Ohio Bird Sanctuary, Mayor Matt Miller, County Commissioner Jim Justice, State Representative Melanie Miller (just back from the Presidential Inauguration in DC), and an update from Noon Lion Holly Dawson on the work of Visual Bucket List. Lion Holly was presented with a \$500 donation from our club, as well as a grant check from Trinity Lutheran Church (Lion Fred Gottfried is TLC outreach committee president). We are thrilled to support this organization helping youth with sight issues. We are also making our annual donations to LCIF, OLF, Ohio Guide Dogs, and many local organizations from our rose sale income. Our club will be hosting the OH2-7 zone meeting in February, see announcement in this newsletter for details.

Ashland Evening Lions

New Ashland County Sheriff Kurt Schneider shared his ideas and plans with us at our January 2 meeting.

Dale-Roy School presented our club with a plaque honoring our continued support of Special Olympics.

Eleven members rang bells for the Salvation Army twice

during the holiday season and raised \$1110.46.

We completed Secretary of State requirements for our club's Certificate of Good Standing for another 5 years. 1st VP Jim Hofer is looking for vendors for our April 5 craft show.

Bellville Lions Club

Bellville Lions Club was busy in December. We provided Christmas gifts to two families and furnish a Christmas meal to an elderly man. We handed out free hot dogs at the Bellville Christmas Parade partner with Clear Fork Chamber of Commerce, which gave out cookies and hot chocolate. We donated over \$300.00 products to the Bellville Neighbor Outreach Food Bank, such as laundry soap, shampoo, tooth paste, tooth brushes, body wash and hand soap, and many other items that those in need. Those in need of food cannot afford to buy the other items they need.

We sold poinsettias for the district and used this as a fund raiser for our club. We had our annual Christmas party, which we played the "Right/ Left Game". Everyone had lots of fun passing gifts.

We donated money and time to the Richland County Lifesaver Program and the 5/10K run that raise funds for the program.

This month we signed Valentine Cards for 150 foster children that will receive them on Valentine Day. We purchased sleds and built a small building to keep the sleds in for the children of Bellville at the AM Vets/Lions Park.

Lion David Brook was presented with a Melvin Jones at our meeting.

Mark Sommers from Malabar Farm State Park gave a presentation on the history of the farm.



Bucyrus Lions Club

President Rick Knodell met with the faculty at Bucyrus High School in regard to having a Leo Club. Flyers about Leo Clubs were purchased to hand out. Bucyrus teacher Landry Amstutz will serve as advisor and will be invited to our next evening meeting. They will start by talking to students in 8th and 9th grade in the fall.

President Rick will look into using Roots Company to

provide chicken dinners for our spring fundraiser.

Lions Rick and Sandy volunteered for Feb. 5 to pack bags for the school children's food program and Lions Terry and Linda Spiegel will do March 5

Colonel Crawford Lions Club

The Colonel Crawford Lions Club honored two senior students at our last meeting, Carley Zender and Ashtyn Rickel.

The CC Lions contributed to the Homeless project. We also, provided funds for members in our community suffering from family devastation in the form of disease and death. Lastly, we contributed funds to those victims of the California fires.

We are planning to further commit funds to the new Cancer Center being built in Ontario, Ohio.

Our Leos and Lions will be showing some Valentine love to our Col. Crawford Staff, residents at a local rehabilitation center and to our own Lions at our annual Sweetheart dinner and party at our February 13th meeting.

The CC Lions and Leos will be having a Swim-A-Thon for Diabetes on March 9, 2025 at the Col. Crawford William Ferrell Natatorium, North Robinson, OH Registration starts at 1:30pm. Swim-a-thon is from 2-4pm. See flyer for more information.

Don't forget we are collecting plastic bags as one of our environmental service projects.



Fostoria Lions Club

Words from our traveling Past District governor.

People have been spotted wearing hats, scarfs and gloves here in the south. Pete and Mona DiCesare are doing well but say it is cold there. Pete says, you have to go all the way to the Caribbean's to get the 70 and 80 degree weather. They plan to be home in early March before the District Convention.

Loudonville Lions Club

Loudonville Lions showed support for a local teen battling cancer by donating to his family and attending a benefit breakfast as a group. The club continues to support Project Lifesaver by assisting 3 local families with monthly battery changes. The

club is busy preparing for our 75th Charter Night Celebration May 10, 2025 and preparing to serve over 700 guests at the Loudonville Equity Customer Appreciation Day event March 12. In spite of the cold weather, Lions served breakfast to Mansfield Plumbing Products retirees on January 22. We Serve!

Mansfield Lions Club

The Mansfield United Lions Club is proud to partner with Richland County Children's Services and the City of Mansfield Parks and Recreation Department for the third year in creating Valentine's Day cards for youth in foster care throughout Richland County. "The Mansfield United Lions have prioritized supporting the foster children of Richland County for four years. We have pride that the valentine card project has significant outreach with joy as the outcome," said Dr. Debra Weaver, co-President of the Mansfield United Lions Club.

Cards can be handmade or store-bought, but please ensure they are unsealed, and while cards may be signed, no sealed valentines will be accepted. Cards will be collected through February 7th.

The community is invited to drop off or mail the unsealed Valentine's Day cards to:

Richland County Children's Services
731 Scholl Road, Mansfield,
Ohio 44906

Mansfield Parks & Recreation
Department
100 Brinkerhoff Ave.,
Mansfield, Ohio 44906

C/O Valentine's Day Cards
 We would love for our fellow Lions to participate in this meaningful outreach if you're able!

At our first meeting of 2025, Past President and current Membership Chair, Margaret Lin was awarded the Membership Advancement Key for bringing us 5 new members! We are incredibly proud of the work she continues to do to promote the Lions Club, and as a club, we look forward to finding even more ways to grow our membership and expand our community outreach.



Old Fort Lions Club

The Board of Directors voted via text to put \$10,000 in a 7 month CD to get the 3.94% interest rate.

We celebrated our 80th Anniversary with a Christmas Party in December. A good time was had playing Christmas Bingo and Family Feud. Secretary/Treasurer and Zone Chair Dave Omlor shared a history of the Club's early beginnings. In 1946 the club raffled a Nash Rambler car. The car cost \$1,522 and we made \$2,700. The winner of the

drawing was from the Elyria Lions Club. The Community Calendar Project was successful with almost a \$3,000 profit. We handed out over 200 goody bags with candy, oranges, and Tiffin popcorn balls to the kids after their elementary Christmas program. Santa was on hand for photo ops. We paid out \$1,800 to LCIF and State Foundations.

Ontario Lions Club

It is with great sadness that I report that our club lost a member this month. Lion Marty Hildebrand passed away and our club said our farewells to Lion Marty on 1-22-25.

We have had no outings or activities planned this month but are looking forward to our Valentine Day dinner next month on February 11th at our Senior Center.

Perrysville Lions

Perrysville Lions held their monthly Swiss steak luncheon and made donations to: The Loudonville Theater & Arts, Diabetes Awareness, and LCIF Relief for the California Fires.

We will be starting a new project of saving pop tabs for The Ronald McDonald houses. We celebrated with Lion George Garber for his 15 years of service and with PDG Dana Zody for 55 years of service.

We will hold our February Swiss steak luncheon on February 9 serving from 11 to 1 at the Perrysville Community Center. Carry Out only.

Polk Lions Club

Polk Lions Service Award was presented to Lion Janet for being our "Nut Queen" and to

Lion Janet and Lion Candy for their excellent support of our Lions projects-Holiday Nut Sale and Christmas Tree Lane! You are Star Lions!



Port Clinton Lions Club



It's winter in Port Clinton and Ice Fishing Fever is starting to grow! Meanwhile, the Port Clinton Lions will be having a BBQ carry-out on Sunday, Jan. 26th. To raise money to pay for our remaining cost portion for

the vision screening machine being bought with the 2 other Lions' Clubs on the Marblehead peninsula. We're trying to think warm thoughts! Ruth Ann's House: We were honored to hear from Ms. Barbara Phillabaum of Ottawa County Transitional Housing Inc., the organization which operates Ruth Ann's House, a place where families in crisis can stay for up to 2 years, fleeing dangerous abusive situations. The house is in an undisclosed location. Support linking residents to counseling and other vital human services is provided. A collection of 'white paper products' was taken.



Republic Lions Club

The Nov. and Dec. months have always been the busiest time of year for our club. We do our annual sportsmen raffle at the end of November and popcorn ball making the following weekend. We donate many of the balls to the school, churches and many other organizations. Thanks to the local area teams and clubs that help us make this happen (special thanks to the Seneca East Leo Club for their assistance). Almost all the organizations that help get a monetary donation in return. The remainder of our profit was earmarked for some special local needs. We donated cash to the Republic fire

department for their holiday charity project and to the Republic food pantry to be used for their clients. Also donated cash to a local family who has lost both parents in separate vehicle accidents in the past year and the two children are now being raised by their grandparents.



Savannah Crestview Lions Club

Early January Savannah-Crestview Lions met for our monthly dinner meeting at Cattlemens Restaurant in Savannah. Due to staffing issues/ hours changing there, we will be moving our monthly dinner meetings back to the townhall starting in February. We held our January pancake breakfast and also our monthly free luncheon with good food and fellowship at both.

On Jan 31 we will be cohosting a spaghetti dinner with Polk Lions before the Mapleton/Crestview boys' basketball game at Mapleton.

The proceeds will go towards our local scholarships for seniors at both schools. Our February pancake breakfast will be held Feb 1 with proceeds to help our local fire department. Our next free lunch will be Feb 19th. We continue to serve during these cold and snowy months.

Shelby Lions Club

Shelby United Lions has had a busy winter season so far including distributing food in Shelby in partnership with Matthew 25 and distributing food boxes at the Shelby HELPLINE. During November, we hosted Zone Chair Ed Brook and LCIF Chairperson Carolyn Brook. LCIF Chairperson Carolyn also inducted 3 new members during her visit. We had 2 members that were unable to attend and will be inducted during DG Patty Moormans visit in March. During our club Christmas Party in December, we collected food for a satellite office of the Shelby HELPLINE located at the Shelby Police Department. January saw us planning for the year ahead. We looked at our projects for the year to see if they were something we wanted to continue to do or how to improve them for the benefit of the community and club.

Shelby United Lions will host the Zone meeting Feb 12th at the Shelby Memorial Library. Social hour starts at 5:30. There is plenty of parking and a handicap accessible elevator to reach the community room in the basement.

Please return your rsvp by Feb 5th. Lin Jenkins-President Shelby United Lions

Lions that have Passed this month

Perrysville Lions are sad to say the Joseph Brown Passed away December 30, 2024 He was a 57 year member and the oldest living member of the club.

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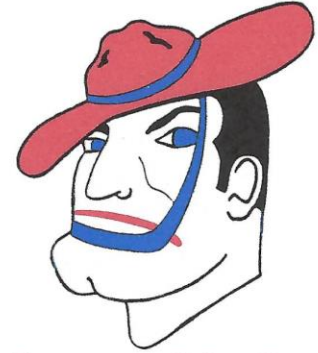
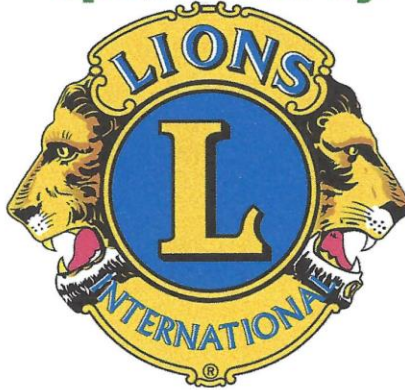
Upcoming District Activities

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.



Spaghetti Dinner

sponsored by



Savannah-Crestview & Polk Lions Clubs

**A walk-in event before
the Crestview HS and Mapleton HS
JV & Varsity Boys Basketball Games**

4-6PM January 31st

Dinner & Games at Mapleton High School

**100% of profits to go
toward the two club's
scholarship funds, to
benefit**

**Crestview & Mapleton
High School Seniors**

\$8.00 Adults

\$6.00 Children ages 3-12

Menu:
Spaghetti
with meat or
marinara sauce
Tossed Salad
Bread
Desserts
Coffee & Water



We Serve

Savannah-Crestview Lions Pancake Breakfast

Savannah Town Hall

Saturday, March 1, 2025

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:
Youth Activities

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 Swim For Diabetes
Sponsored By: CC Lions & Leo Clubs



Sunday, March 9, 2025
Colonel Crawford William Ferrell Natatorium
2303 SR 602 North Robinson, Ohio 44827
Doors open for registration at 1:30pm.
Swim-A-Thon: 2:00-4:00pm

Participants are encouraged to get as many sponsors as possible and bring pledges to the event.
 The first 100 participants with at least \$20 in sponsorship will receive a drawstring bag.
 After completing the swim, participants will receive a button to commemorate the distance they swam.
 (1/4 mile, 1/2 mile, 3/4 mile, or 1 mile)

REGISTRATION INFORMATION [PLEASE PRINT]

Participant Name: _____ Age: _____
 Guardian Information (if participant is under 18): _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name _____ Contact # _____
 Other health information organizers should be aware of: _____

I hereby desire to participate in the 2025 Colonel Crawford Lions Club Swim for Diabetes. By the execution of this release, I acknowledge and agree that all requirements, directions, supervision, and standards set by the directors of this program and lifeguards shall be established for my benefit. I hereby voluntarily assume all risk of accident or injury, which may arise from participation in this program, hereby intending to release the Colonel Crawford Lions Club, the Colonel Crawford Local Schools, and the personnel associated with this event from liability that may result from participation.

I understand that if my child is NOT in high school, I must remain on school grounds during this event.

Participant Name: _____ Date: _____

Participant Signature: _____
 (Parent/Guardian Signature if participant is under 18)

Questions? Contact Lion Krista McKibben @ 419-562-4666 or mckibben.krista@cck12.org

Thank you for supporting: _____

Colonel Crawford Lions Club 2025 Swim for Diabetes

I plan on swimming:

- 1/4 Mile Swim (18 laps)
- 1/2 Mile Swim (36 laps)
- 3/4 Mile Swim (54 laps)
- 1 Mile Swim (72 laps)



Donations can be cash, checks payable to CC Lions Club, or through our Zeffy account (QR code above).



	Name	Contact Info	\$ Per Length	Flat Donation	Total
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Total Amount from Sponsors: _____



We Serve

Savannah-Crestview Lions

Pancake Breakfast

Savannah Town Hall

Saturday, April 5, 2025

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:

Scholarships

Accepting Used Eye Glasses to Recycle

Door Prizes donated by Miller's-Hawkins Market

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



Join us for a night of nostalgia, as we celebrate Polk Lions 75th Charter Night, April 11, at 6:30pm, at the Eagles Club in Ashland, OH.

Revisit our Strawberry Festival hay days featuring BBQ pulled pork, shredded chicken, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, Italian pasta salad, and of course, *Strawberry Shortcake* for dessert! Please remit a check in the amount of \$20 per person, payable to Polk Lions and mail to: Polk Lions Club, Box 4, Polk, Ohio 44866, *before March 23.*

Name (s) _____

Amount enclosed _____

Phone number (in case we have a question)

Loudonville Lions Club 75th Charter Night

Come Celebrate with Us!



SATURDAY MAY 10, 2025

- Loudonville Lions Club
643 Wooster Rd.
Loudonville, OH 44842
- Social at 6:00 pm
- Dinner at 6:30 pm
- Program at 7:00 pm
featuring Past
International Director
Ron Keller

SEE YOU THERE!

\$20 per person
Please RSVP to Jan Abee
by 4/25/25 @850-445-1226 or
email: janetabee@gmail.com
*limited seating available