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It is hard to believe that we are already past the halfway point of the Lions Year. Time is passing fast. As of the end of January, membership is down by -10. We are growing but we keep losing members at a faster rate than we can replace them. We gained seventy new members, plus 6 transfers since July, but we have lost 86. For Lion's Year 2024-2025, the District continues with 53 Clubs with 1,634 current members. The good news is that eight new members were recently inducted for Polk Lions; Bucyrus Lions are inducting five new members, and Fremont Lions inducted two new members. I am sure there are some more new members out there that I do not know about. Keep up the good work of growing our District.

I have attended all three of the Growth Workshops and meet regularly with my GAT Team to strategize on growing our existing Clubs and building new clubs. Our District GAT and GET Teams are continuing to build a new club in Carey, Ohio. We are also pursuing a Club Branch in Green Springs and New London areas. We are laying the foundation, have our game plans in place each of these locations. We are also exploring two specialty clubs-one will focus on diabetes and the other one is a unique “digital” club that involves bringing young people into a club that does not have borders in a community but widespread membership throughout the district itself. Our District is working on two new Leo Clubs. Bucyrus Leos is close to chartering and Clear Fork is searching for an advisor.

Please plan a membership night in March or April. A suggestion is to plan a dinner and invite guests to attend. Let the conversation focus on what they want to see happen in their community and then talk about how, together, you can plan a project would help meet that need. Sometimes it just takes an invitation for a person to become a Lion.

Our Pediatric Cancer committee has coordinated many STEPS walks in the fall, with many clubs now organizing their own in their communities. The goal for our District is \$20,000 and we are up to \$18,000 already. We have helped six families in our District as of today.

Our Zone Chairs are 100% trained and our club officers are 51% trained. Our Marketing and Communication

Coordinator, Tresa Hess, is reaching out to all clubs to assist with establishing a Facebook page, if they do not have one already, and teaching them how to utilize it for marketing their club. If your club would like help to set up a facebook page, contact Tresa Hess. She is in the District Directory under marketing and communications.

Our service reporting is at 74%. If your club has not reported service on the portal, please do so. If you need help, please contact Debbie Reidy, our District Administrator and she can assist you.

And last, I am working with my convention co-chairs on planning for the 2025 convention. Events at the convention include a Masked Lion Singer contest, a Euchre Tournament, the Silent Auction, an Amazing Duck Race and a performance by Elwood and Jake, the Almost Blues Brothers. Action photos from Lions Clubs throughout our district will be displayed on a big screen during the luncheon and grand banquet. Send your photos, get registered, create your silent auction basket, purchase your duck for the amazing duck race and send in bedding for twin beds to help with the Build a Bed projects in our district that build beds for kids who have no bed to sleep in. I hope to see you all there.

Yours in Lionism

DG Patty Moorman

Governors Visitation Schedule

March

- 2-OH7 Convention
- 3-Zone 5 Mtg
- 4-Ontario Lions
- 6-Madison Lions
- 8-OH3 Convention
- 11-Mansfield United Lions

- 13-16 OH2 Convention
- 17-Buckeye Central Lions
- 20-Fostoria Lions
- 22-OH4 Convention
- 25-Norwalk Lions
- 26-Shelby United Lions
- 30-OH5 Convention



1VDG ShirLee Eberle March Report

Hope everyone had a happy Valentine's Day and stayed warm during chilly February. I flew to snowy St. Charles, Illinois for 5 days to learn how to be your District Governor. It was intense, fun, interesting, and eye opening! I attended with 750 other Lions from several other countries. There were Lions from Japan, India, Africa, Nepal, Australia, United Kingdom, Canada, and all over the United States. I toured the LCI Headquarters, that was interesting. As we toured the building, each of us was given a device which spoke to us in our own language to explain the area we were touring. You couldn't have been around nicer people!

I also learned how important new members are! Please go out and ask one! Or two! Or three! Without growth we cannot survive! And if you love the Lions as much as I do...members are our number one priority!

Another thing we should be thinking about is LCIF. A lot of members think that all the money that comes into LCIF is spent overseas. That is NOT TRUE!!!! LCIF was in North Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and California for all the natural disasters. So, please, consider LCIF. If every member gave \$33.00, we would meet our goal as a district.

Please consider going to the District Convention on March 14, 15, 16. Governor Patty has been working on so many fun and interesting things, it will certainly be worth your while.

Yours in Lionism,
ShirLee

1st VDG Visitation Schedule

March

- Mar 11 Rowsburg
- Mar 14, 15, 16 District Convention Westlake, OH
- Mar 25 Loudonville



District 13 OH2 Lions stand as a testament to the power of teamwork and compassionate service.

Our clubs thrive because of teamwork. No single person can solve the challenges facing communities, but together, we create meaningful change. By pooling resources, skills, and dedication, our members amplify their impact and ensure that no one is left behind.

At the core of every club is a commitment to compassionate service. True service that is more than an action; it is a mindset driven by empathy and kindness. We serve not just to provide aid but to uplift,

empower, and restore dignity to those in need.

Through initiatives focused on hunger relief, vision care, disaster response, and youth support, we approach service with a deep sense of care and responsibility. By listening to communities and responding with heartfelt solutions, we make a difference beyond material assistance.

When Lions work together with compassion, our service reaches further. A single act of kindness can ripple outward, inspiring others and strengthening entire communities. As membership grows, so does the ability to serve, reinforcing the idea that membership growth and

compassionate service are inseparable.

Through teamwork and compassionate service, we don't just serve—we change the world.

Yours in Service,

Mike Garber, 2nd VDG

2nd VDG Visitation Schedule

March

March 14–16 OH2 Convention
March 22 OH4 Convention



**OH2 District Convention
March 14-16**

THE MASKED SINGER

Good Knights

FINISH

Informational Sessions
Amazing Duck Race
Masked "Lion" Singers
The Almost Blues Brothers
Cub Program
Disaster Relief
Building Beds for Kids
People on the Planes "9/11"

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The graphic features several images: two men in suits and sunglasses, three boys in Cub Scout shirts, a wooden bed frame, a duck wearing sunglasses and a checkered flag, and two people working on a construction site.

YOUR CONVENTION CHECKLIST

- Registration Form submitted to Cabinet Secretary Craig Wiley
- Hotel reservation made
- Delegate Registration Form submitted to Cabinet Secretary Craig Wiley
- Necrology Form submitted to 1VDG ShirLee Eberle
- Governors Excellence and Humanitarian Form submitted to PDG Cindy Beat
- Service Award Form submitted to Lion Debbie Reidy
- Ticket for a duck for The Amazing Duck Race purchased
- Basket for the silent auction prepared
- Bedding for twin beds for the Good Knights project purchased
- Signed up to help with silent auction, registration or moderating a session
- Ready to have some fun judging the Masked Lion Singers, singing karaoke, playing Euchre, cheering on ducks in the duck race,



District Committee's Information

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

2025-2026 OH-2 LEADERSHIP TRAINING REGISTRATION

Sat. May 3, -- Trinity Lutheran Church, 508 Center St., Ashland - Incoming Presidents, 1st VP, Secretaries, Treasurers, Membership Chairs, Extension Chairs, Tail-twisters and all Interested Lions/Leos! Bring your laptop — Trinity has Y-Fi access Register 8-9 am - Training 9-1:30 pm-----Registration deadline is April 26, 2025

Send/email forms: Lion Ann Miller, 1514 Twp. Rd. 1173, Ashland, OH 44805
(cell) 419-651-6470 babba4ajm@gmail.com

Club Name _____

President _____ May 3: Yes/ No

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

1st VP _____ May 3: Yes/ No

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Secretary _____ May 3: Yes/ No

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Newer? Yes/ No

Treasurer _____ May 3: Yes/ No

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Newer? Yes/ No

Membership Chair _____ May 3: Yes/ No

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Extension Chair _____ May 3: Yes/No

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Tail-twister _____ May 3: Yes/ No

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Other members welcome -- need to register to aid in the lunch count.

Name _____ Session _____

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State Convention Committee



Join Us for the 2025 MD13 Ohio Lions State Convention!

Mark your calendars for May 16-18, 2025, and join us in the scenic Erie Shores and Islands region for the MD13 Ohio Lions State Convention! This exciting weekend is packed with inspiring speakers, engaging workshops, service and entertainment you won't want to miss.

A Weekend of Inspiration and Celebration

Kick off Friday night with a soulful performance by *American Idol* winner Taylor Hicks. Dinner is on your own Friday. Enjoy a casual 1920s "fair foods" and fellowship at the convention as you enjoy a fantastic night of music.

On Saturday afternoon, we will gather at Cedar Point for a Centennial Celebration of Helen Keller's historic speech and the Centennial Charter Anniversary of the Sandusky Lions. Tickets for this event are \$40, which includes parking, and must be purchased separately from convention registration.

Saturday evening, Past International President Frank Moore will deliver an inspiring keynote at the Grand Banquet.

Enriching Workshops & Service Opportunities

Expand your knowledge and leadership skills with sessions on PlusOptix software updates, club development, LCIF grant writing, and a virtual tour of Helen Keller's Ivy Green home. Explore what it takes to become an International Director with guidance from MD-13 Past International Directors.

Make an impact by participating in a service project for active military personnel or joining the Sandusky Lions in *Running Laps With Lions* to support local vision programs.

And help us thank PID Ron Keller and Lion Kitty for their service during the hospitality on Sunday morning.

You can register for the whole weekend, or for specific events. Please note that those with Cedar Point season passes **do not need** to purchase a Cedar Point event ticket. Schedules and registration forms are online at ohiolions.org/state-convention.

Register Today!



The mission of the USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM is to develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas and support programs and goals of Lions International.

The **2025 USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM** in Atlantic City, New Jersey is an opportunity for Lions and LEOs to gather, share old ideas and take home new ones for their communities. When Lions meet, positive power and energy just seem to happen! Join us—embrace new ideas—take a little learning risk—and **GROW**.

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ATLANTIC CITY, NJ
SEPT. 18-20, 2025



THE ATLANTIC CITY FORUM WILL FEATURE A ONE MILE STRIDES WALK AROUND THE BAY BY OUR HOTEL IN ATLANTIC CITY.

The start of Strides Event takes place September 18 2025. Register for more information!

Zone Chair Corner

Fellow District and Zone Lions,

Below is a request for financial assistance for an Eagle Scout project involving two special viewers that allow color-blind individuals to see the beauty of nature. Being that this involves vision it is right up our alley. I am almost sure a grant could be secured from LCIF for this. Is there anyone that could help Patrick apply for a grant?

Thanks,
Z2C Dave Omlor

A More Vibrant World

A Life Scout belonging to Scouting Troop 444 out of Tiffin, Patrick Heckler, has set his sights on enabling a more vibrant world. His goal for his Eagle Scout Project is to place special viewers in parks that allow color-blind individuals to see the beauty of nature. Color blindness is a disability that affects 1 in 12 men and around 1 in 200 women around the world. That means that this disability affects around 2,000 men and around 150 women in Seneca County alone. Being color-blind himself, Patrick is determined to help the color-blind population of Seneca County witness the true vibrant colors of the world for the first time. The viewers are manufactured by SeaCoast Manufacturing and contain specialized lenses created by EnChroma Inc. The initial goal is to purchase and place two viewers in Seneca County Parks. One at Steyer Nature Preserve and another at Clinton Park. If funding is available, additional viewers will appear across Seneca County. Patrick's goal is to raise \$7,000 to cover the projected costs. If you wish to donate to help Patrick reach his goal, any monetary donations are accepted. To donate, use the QR code below to access his GoFundMe page. If you have any further questions email Patrick at patrickheckler35@gmail.com or his father, Adam Heckler, at adamheckler@gmail.com. Let's work together to be the first county in Ohio to provide color-blind accessibility to our community.

Club News Past, Present and to come

Ashland (Noon) Lions Club

The Ashland Noon Club hosted the Zone 7 meeting 2/24 with over 30 Lions from 7 clubs present. Our club nominating committee is ready to present the slate of officers for next year with all positions filled. Speakers this month included

Sycamore Valley Farms (little furry coos! not a typo, that is what they are called), DG Patty, Ashland County Historic Log Cabin restoration, and the AU Center for Non-Violence. No projects this month but we did distribute checks to many local organizations from our rose sale proceeds. Attendance was lower than usual most weeks due to the terrible weather on

Thursdays this month, we are all looking forward to some warm weather coming our way.

Ashland Evening Lions

We created valentines for club widows and others at our Feb. 6 meeting. DG Patty Moorman made her formal visit. After sharing information, she answered questions and gave

Lion Ann Miller her Certified Guiding Lion renewal certificate. Our gift to her was a set of the Ashland Evening Lions Clown Around pins. Eyeglasses recycling now stands at 8775. Plans continue for our craft show on April 5, both a fundraiser and support for the Dragons Special Olympics group.

As part of the Ohio Lions tree project, we are working with a local county park. Another current project is collecting staple foods and paper goods for local charities. The geranium and spring plant fundraiser has begun with delivery on May 6. Several members attended the Feb. 17 cabinet meeting and 5 members attended the Zone 7 advisory meeting on Feb. 24.

Attica Lions Club

We weathered a lot of ice and snow, but the Attica Lions were able to meet a few times in January and February. Lion Jeff Kocher was recognized for 40 years of Lionism. Thanks for all his years of service to others! We also held a blood drive on Feb. 19th. Thank you to all who donated to save lives. Monetary donations were made to several community causes as well. And 4 members attended the D2OH13 dinner meeting held by the Bloomville Lions.

After an initiation ceremony of new members and officers in January, the Seneca East LEO Club now has 20 members. The LEO club was active the past 2 months with a peanut butter drive, sharing 90 jars with Heidelberg and Tiffin Universities for food-insecure college students. They collected 130 Valentines to deliver to

Tiffin's Willows and Autumnwood residents. And the members hand-made 13 tie blankets to donate to victims of Hurricane Helene in Old Fort, North Carolina.



Bascom Lions Club

Bascom Lions recently helped sponsor the following causes. The FACT Polar Bear plunge which assists families affected by cancer. We sent money to many of the Ohio Lions Funds in January. Donated to an Eagle Scout project which involves installing 2 colorblind viewing stations at 2 of the county parks. Donated

to the Bascom United Church which is replacing its front door, and the Hopewell Church of God which is assisting someone that needs help with vision. We are also funding 2 boys and 2 girls to go to Buckeyes Boys and Girls State through the New Riegel American Legion. For fundraisers, we are assisting in the sale of tickets for the Project Lifesaver reverse raffle on March 22, we are hosting a meat raffle on March 4th, and having a Pediatric Cancer Fundraising drive thru dinner on April 5th.

Colonel Crawford LEO Club

The Colonel Crawford Leo Club had a very successful fundraiser for Officer Tim Pruner in February. We are very blessed to have such generous people in our community.

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.





Elyria Lions Club

Elyria Evening Lions complete a year-long project collecting plastic for a Trex bench. We had nearly 100% of club members participate and over 50 community members. The club is purchasing a matching bench and both will be donated to Hamilton Elementary School in Elyria for "Buddy Benches" at their playgrounds. Thank you to the Svannah-Crestview Lions for helping us ensure we met our goal!

A big thank you to DG Patty for staying after her club visit to help us sort — eyeglasses, pill bottles, and plastic. A one-stop recycling center!

Lions and friends also started a project making pillowcases for kids. All pillowcases will be cleaned, individually bagged, and delivered to the Good Knights of Lorain County later this year.



Hayesville Lions Club

The Hayesville Lions club met at Stone Lutheran Church on Feb. 20. Pres. Keith Yeater gave a program on ENVISION out of Wichita, Kansas and Dallas, Texas. It is a business that helps 80% of the blind and vision impaired to become independent. They make highlighters and binders. Envision began in the 1930's with a training school. The money they make is used to help train those who are losing their vision. It gives them a pathway to independence. Many items are manufactured. The military and the government are their main customers.

The DALLAS WHITEHOUSE gives mobility training and skills on the computer. In the PRIDE program they can pursue their own goals. They train on devices and continue to do what they love. They are in 18 locations in several states.

Lion Keith could observe these individuals and said they move slower but it's humbling to know how well they work. It was a good experience for him. They work at call centers and can talk on the phone and read braille on their computer.

The TITAN'S TEAM has five areas: 1. to learn, 2. to observe, 3. Find solutions, 4. implement, 5. celebrate their success.

With TAK TIME they make a binder every minute and Keith passed one around for us to see how nice they are. His team figured a more convenient way for them to work and set it up so all would be more orderly. The area is in a U shape. They are on 16-18 military bases. Envision is constantly fundraising so they can help more visually impaired.

March 1 is a pancake breakfast for Blane Young who has cancer from 9-11 at Loudonville put on by Loudonville and Perrysville clubs.

We are to sell 50/50 tickets and help them. Our March 5 Hayesville club retirees lunch is at The Mill at 12:00. March 18 is the Three Score and Ten Banquet. If you can help serve come at 5:30.

March 20 is our next business meeting at 6 pm with dinner served at 7 pm at Hayesville Methodist Church.

Loudonville Lions Club

Loudonville Lions held their first Fish Fry of the year this month, using that as an opportunity to assist the Leo Club in collecting clothing for The Store and plastic for their TREX bench. In addition to a donation to the family of a local youth fighting cancer, the club is joining with the Hayesville and Perrysville clubs to sponsor a benefit breakfast March 1 for the youth. The Club received grant funding to help replace flooring at the building in addition to a grant to help pay for a commercial range for the building and a donation by a local church of an AED unit. Planning continues for our 75th Anniversary celebration May 10, 2025.

Lucas Lions Club

Lucas Lions had another busy month. At our February 6th meeting we inducted new member Lion Tom Cunningham, and honored Lion Bob Small for 30 years of service and his sponsor Lion

Bill Grubaugh for 35 years of service. On February 20th we joined Bellville Lions for a meeting and helped them process over 1,000 medicine bottles for Matthew 25: Ministries! Additionally, we sold tickets at home boys Basketball games, and have been busy processing plastic for another Trex bench.

In January we had our three 2024 Scholarship winners at our meeting. It was nice to hear how their first semester in college is going. Our first Workforce Development recipient also attended our January meeting. Our Workforce Development scholarship is for graduating seniors who are going directly into the workforce, and the scholarship helps to defray the cost of purchasing tools, memberships, uniforms, and other set-up costs.

We are looking forward to our SOLD OUT Spring Bingo on April 5th, and our annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 12th.



Mansfield Lions Club

Mansfield United Lions Club Updates.

We are proud to announce that Co-President Debra Weaver has received the Membership Key for sponsoring two new members! We continue to challenge our Lions to invite community members to join us in service, strengthening our impact together.

On February 18th, Co-President Lion Debra Weaver, Co-Treasurer Lion Joon So, and MD13 GMT Coordinator Lion Tim Kershner had the pleasure of visiting Dream Huge Realty, in Mansfield, to share the mission and impact of Lions Club. As a result of this great conversation, we are thrilled to welcome three committed individuals from Dream Huge who plan to join the Mansfield United Lions Club!

Exciting news—our Annual Mother’s Day Flower Sale is back! This year, we are partnering with Alta Florist & Greenhouse to sell \$10 gift cards, valid through 2025. This fundraiser is one of our favorites, as it helps fill our service fund while supporting a wonderful local business.

Meanwhile, our Strides Walk Committee is hard at work planning our next event,

currently set for September. We’ll be sharing sponsorship opportunities soon, so stay tuned!

Congratulations to all the clubs working to increase their membership and strengthen our service community. Together, we make a difference!



Marblehead Lions Club

At our last meeting, The Marblehead Peninsula Lions Club Officially welcomed three new members into the club for a total of 54 members now in membership, plus 4 for the year. (See Picture). Then the club listened to a presentation from the local Boy Scout Troop which is raising funds to plant trees in area parks. The club presented the scouts with a \$500 donation for this cause (see picture). At the end of the meeting, Past President, William Tuttamore presented the LCIF Dick Bryan Fellows Award for Diabetes Awareness

and The LCIF Leadership Award for Eye Research to current President, Francisca Tuttamore (see picture).



North Ridgeville Lions Club

Our annual Night at the Races event was held on Saturday, January 25. We raised a lot of money to support our many important causes and everyone had a blast! This event takes a lot of time and effort by all of our volunteers, but we would especially like to thank Lions James Coburn, Selena Kimble and JoAnna Timura for always going above and beyond to build on this event every year. They are true leaders and inspire others to follow.

Our Lions Educational Outreach committee recently met and will be awarding over \$2500 in mini grants to educators in our North Ridgeville City Schools and St.

Peter's School. We are so proud to be able to help our teachers and support staff in bringing creative, exciting programming to their classrooms.

Coming up next is our always popular Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, April 12 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. See details in the flyer at the back of this newsletter.



Ontario Lions Club

The month of February was made special with our Valentines Day dinner provided by Apple Spice and by a visit from our Governor Patty Moorman. Governor Patty addressed our club with a very

entertaining talk about her experience at the National Convention in Australia. It truly sounded like a wonderful trip. Governor Patty also explained what we could expect at our March convention. We hope to see some of you there.

An upcoming event for our club in April will be our Pancake Day Breakfast at Ontario High School on the 5th. Please look for our flyer in this issue.

Perrysville Lions

The Perrysville Lions are alive and active. We donated \$325. to the Lifesaver Project with the proceeds from our February Swiss steak luncheon. We will be sponsoring along with Loudonville and Hayesville a benefit breakfast on March 1 for a Loudonville student that has cancer. We will continue participating with the GOOD program, attending Zone 7 advisory meeting and the District Convention. Our next Swiss steak luncheon will be March 9, 2025. Serving from 11 – 1. from the Perrysville Community Center. CARRY OUT ONLY.

Polk Lions Club

Such a fun night at our Polk Lions Club meeting. We welcomed 6 new members with 2 more to come. Thank you IPDG Julianne Zody for honoring us with your induction ceremony. So glad PDG Dana Zody was with us too. Welcome Peggy, Karen, Megan, Sherry, Mara and Linda!



Port Clinton Lions Club

Greetings from Port Clinton! Winter continues and ice fishing is in progress. A couple of rescues have been made of fisher people caught on moving ice flows near Catawba, happens every year.

Love is in the air: We held our annual Sweethearts Dinner on Feb. 20 th . Steak, shrimp and lake perch were on the menu. Good fellowship among the lions & sweethearts was shared. Chicken BBQ success: Our recent chicken BBQ was a sell-out! We raised more than enough money to pay our remaining portion toward the vision screening machine purchased with the Marblehead & Oak Harbor clubs! Fundraising Plans: We are starting to plan for our next chicken BBQ to be held on May 10 th . Also, we're working on a bus trip to Sauder Village in June.

I'll keep you posted.

Rowsburg Lions Club

Our last Pancake breakfast will be the 3rd Saturday in March till fall, as we will begin the tear down for renovations that we are doing on our building, the Rowsburg Community Center.

We will be replacing the ceiling, lights, repairing the walls, painting and replacing deteriorated bricks.

Lion member Mike Feliciano has offered the use of the Hillside church of Rowsburg for our meetings while the building is being renovated.

President Steve Englet would like to have an Open House in midsummer once the renovation is completed.

Doug Sloan suggested that we have a Community meeting the end of March before renovations begin so we can discuss where the money is going for expenses on the building. It was decided to have a Community Meeting at 6:30 before our next meeting on Feb. 25th.

We discussed taking pictures of before and after of the renovation for our Facebook page.

Doug Sloan also suggested any cheese left over from our cheese sales be donated to the Hillsdale Care Center.

We will be giving out a \$1,000 Scholarship to a student from the Ashland School district this year.

Sandusky Lions Club

Sandusky Lions Club has been busy enjoying providing service to the public and one another as we've journeyed through the winter months.

During the months of November and December, we purchased complete holiday meals for 12 needy families. One Saturday in November was spent ringing the bell for the Salvation Army.

We had an opportunity to take part in a relatively new fundraiser in the community.

The owner-operator of a new drive-through lights show, "Lights on the North Coast", had volunteers from several non-profits and charitable organizations, collect the entry fee per car. We were presented a check for a percentage of the amount of money we collected, which was generous for only a 3-day weekend. Lights and fun.

At our annual Christmas party, we enjoyed good company, gift exchange, shared meal, games and catching up on our club's plans and completed project which made our evening move along quickly. Everyone pitched in to clean up and return the borrowed room back to its normal arrangement.

January is one of 2 months our club "takes off" although it serves as a time for committees to meet, as well as members who get together just to get to know each other better. At least one of our officers has made a point of having coffee or a meal with newer members in order to bond and encourage, as well as listen to needs, concerns and personal information. We've found that this typically leads to greater commitment and intention to learn, participate and serve. We've also received and distributed plush animals which were donated by Cedar Point. Our eyeglasses collection for the past 2 months added up to 1313 pairs.

One of our more urgent needs is to prepare for the State Convention which coincides with our 100th anniversary. Our committee has been working with Lion Kerry Parker to get this all in order. Incidentally, our annual "Running Laps with Lions," which has been held on the first Sunday of May, will be moved to the same weekend as

the Convention and our club-celebration.

As we move toward summer events, we're planning a service project at one of Erie Metroparks. Osborn Park is hosting their Maple Sugaring Day on March 15. Those who are not attending District Convention will be making and serving pancakes, sweetened by locally tapped syrup, to many groups of people approximately every 20 minutes. If you are interested in knowing more, helping, or participating in the tour, you can contact Lion Mike Karniotis at manolik46@gmail.com.

Savannah Crestview Lions Club

Savannah Crestview Club held our monthly pancake breakfast with proceeds helping the local fire company. We were also able to join with Polk Lions at Mapleton serving a spaghetti dinner with proceeds going toward the scholarships offered

for seniors at both Mapleton and Crestview. Our next free luncheon will be held Feb 19th at the townhall.

At our dinner meeting we enjoyed pizza and members learned about the Food Safe/Serve class two members recently attending.

On March 1st we will be serving our usual pancake breakfast menu at the townhall. In addition, we will also be serving a breakfast "sampler" of pancakes and biscuits and gravy at Crestview High School at the end of the Road Apple Run, a local 5K run sponsored by the Crestview Cross Country program. On March 19th will be a free lunch at the townhall. We continue to serve those in our community.

Vermillion Lions Club

We hosted two Vermilion High School Students of the Month in January. Played bingo with residents at one nursing home, gave money to game

winners and sit, talked and laughed with them. We were approached about a family in need of help. We donated money to them to help from being evicted from their home. January and February weather has been tough. Both second meetings of the month were canceled due to snow and frigid temperatures. The month of February we played bingo with residents at both local nursing homes. We will be having our annual Reverse Raffle on April 5th at Germans Villa. Anyone interested in attending can contact any Vermilion Lions member for more details.
PDG JJ Jeavons
Secretary
Vermilion Lions Club

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.



Butler Lions Pancake Breakfast
April 5
7:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.
“Donation”
At
Clear Fork Community Center
20 Henry Street

Pancakes, Biscuits and Sausage gravy, Sausage

**JOIN US FOR A BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER
FOR BLANE YOUNG AND HIS FAMILY AT
THE LOUDONVILLE LIONS CLUB**



Saturday March 1, 2025

9:00am to 11:00am

Breakfast by Donation

50/50 Raffle

All proceeds go to the Blane Young Family

Fundraiser Sponsored by the Hayesville, Loudonville, and Perrysville Lions Club
Location: Loudonville Lions Club 643 Wooster Rd. Loudonville Oh, 44842

Happy Pie (π) Day



Celebrate March 14th π (3.14) with a slice of your favorite PIE!

Polk Lions Club and the Polk United Methodist Church are taking orders for

Whole Pies until March 4, \$15 each

Selection includes Deep Dish: Dutch Apple, Cherry, Peach, and Black Raspberry (subject to availability)

*These are on a **TAKE and BAKE** basis only*

*We will make them **fresh** on March 14*

You freeze or bake them at your own home

Pecan pies are also available

*These are the **ONLY** pies that we will bake for you.*

Pick up March 14, 12-5pm

Polk United Methodist Church

To order call: Candy Donley 419-945-2564

Sandy Welch 419-6517372

or any Lions or PUMC member

Payment Due at Time of Pick Up





Reverse Raffle



Proceeds benefit
Seneca County Project Lifesaver



Special Auction Items
50/50 Drawing
Meat Boards
Side Raffles



March 22nd, 2025
at Tiffin Moose Lodge

Purchase a ticket for two people at only \$60!

Charcuterie Style Grazing Table provided
by A. Love For Food

Please contact

Cindy Beat 419-937-7543 or your local Lion
(Name) (Phone Number)

to purchase tickets or use the QR Code below.

Only 250
Tickets Sold!

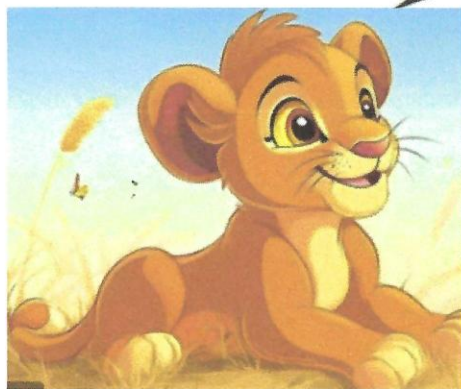


Like us on Facebook!
Seneca County Project Lifesaver



Ontario Lions

Love to see you there!



Door prizes donated by local businesses

Winner need not to be present to win.

Pancake Day

Saturday, April 5, 2025

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



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.

VERMILION LIONS CLUB
REVERSE RAFFLE

Saturday, April 5, 2025

**German's Villa
3330 Liberty Ave.
Vermilion, Ohio**

*This Yearly Event
Starts at 5:30-10:00*

Chance To WIN \$1,600!!!

Buffet Dinner, Open Bar, Gift Baskets, 50/50

ALL FOR \$110 PER COUPLE

\$50. Each raffle ticket, \$30. Each meal ticket

Additional FUN

\$5 SIDEBOARD PAYING \$500

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\$10 SIDEBOARD PAYING \$1,000

Your participation benefits Athletic & Band Boosters, VHS clubs & kids who need glasses, fees, & food, Boy & Girl Scouts, Food Pantry, Salvation Army, Lucy Idol, Christmas Joy, Eyes and Pediatric Cancer Research, Piolet Dogs, The Pool & Parks, and other Vermilion Community Service Projects.

Only 200 tickets will be sold. Get your ticket early for the "**EARLY BIRD DRAWING**", a chance to win **\$100**, on March 4. All paid for tickets are in this drawing. Join the friendly crowd, casual dress, and have a good time at a reasonable price. See any **Vermilion Lions Club member** or call, **(440) 967-4794** for tickets.



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.*

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Name (s) _____

Amount enclosed _____

Phone number (in case we have a question)

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

North Ridgeville Lions Club

SATURDAY, APRIL 12th • 8 AM-11 AM

\$10 Donation
per person
\$8 Seniors
Under 5 Free

**ALL YOU CAN
EAT PANCAKES!**

North Ridgeville
Academic Center
34620 Bainbridge Rd

Meal includes scrambled eggs, 2 sausage links, all you can eat pancakes,
and Milk, Coffee, or Orange Juice.

2 Extra sausage links - \$1

Take a Photo with the Easter Bunny.

**Kids will receive a free
Coloring Book and Chocolate Bunny.
Easter Basket Raffle!!!**



Sponsored by the
Lions Club of North
Ridgeville



LUCAS LIONS CLUB



EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

10 AM- PROMPTLY

**rain date April 14*

**LUCAS ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL PLAYGROUND**

age groups:

0-4, 5-8,

9-12 years old



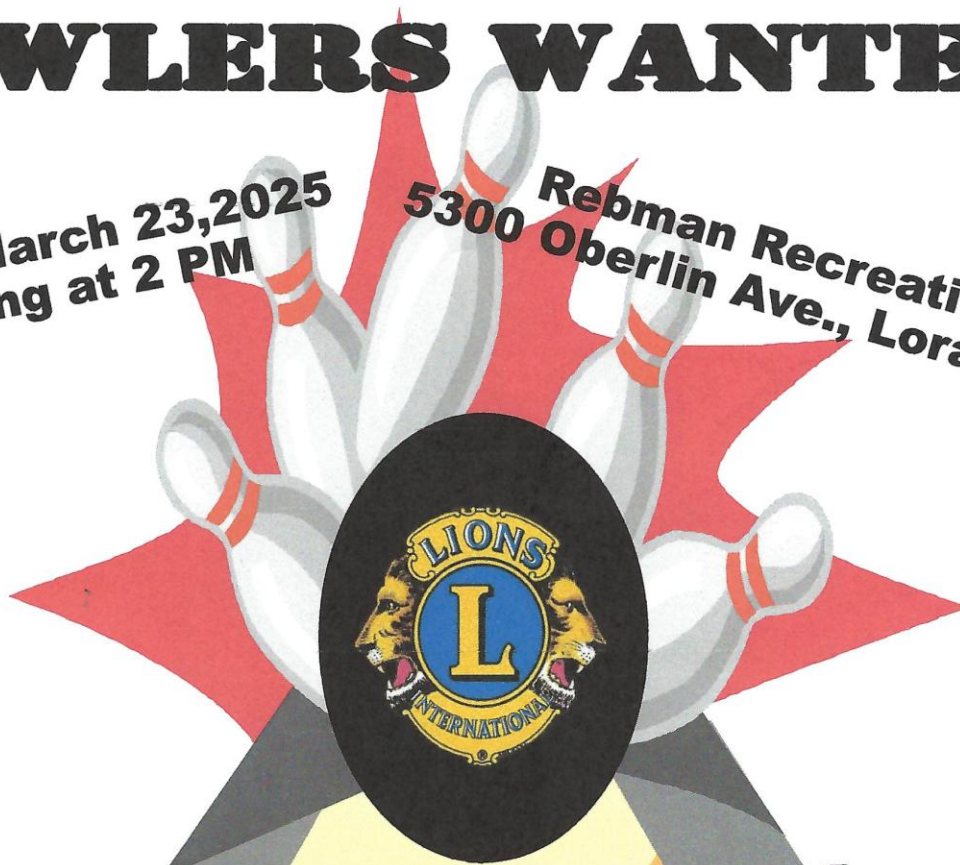
LUCAS FFA Pancake Breakfast
8-10am by donations

Chearleading Spring Craft Schow
8-1pm

BOWLERS WANTED

Sunday March 23, 2025
Starting at 2 PM

5300 Rebman Recreation
Oberlin Ave., Lorain OH



Amherst Lions Club 30th Annual "Bowling-for-Sight" Fundraiser

4-Member Teams • 9-Pin No-Tap Format • \$20 entry fee per bowler

Bowlers can raise their entrance fee and additional funds from sponsors with flat amount donation or per-pin pledges over 3 game series. Example: 2¢ per pin for 400 total pins = \$8.00

PRIZES AWARDED TO:
Top Male Bowler
Top Female Bowler
Top Pledge Earners

Door Prizes!

Fun for
All Ages!

TEAM REGISTRATION & MORE INFO:
AmherstOhioLions@gmail.com
(440) 396-5431
or, contact any Amherst Lions member!

Bowling starts at 2 PM • Please arrive 10 - 15 minutes prior

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



SWEET CORN FESTIVAL

It's ear-resistable fun!

Looking for a simple and effective fundraising solution for your club, charity, or organization's next community service project? The Millersport Lions Club offers a "turn-key" fundraising opportunity through their Major Prize Ticket sales for the annual Millersport Sweet Corn Festival.

There's no initial investment needed. Your members can keep 50% of every ticket they sell, and simply return the remaining 50% along with ticket stubs and any unsold tickets before the festival's opening day (August 27th, 2025). With attractive top prizes, supporting worthy causes, and a 78-year history – these tickets are an easy sell.

If you would like more information about this proven fundraiser or place an order for an allotment of Major Prize Tickets, contact Lindsay Drumm at 614-400-4886 by text or email drumm.89@osu.edu today. Lindsay serves as the Chairman of the Grand Prize Booth for the Sweet Corn Festival.

The grand prize is \$10,000, with a \$2,500 second prize and a \$500 third prize.

The Sweet Corn Festival is the oldest and largest annual project of the Millersport Lions Club which was founded in 1946 and will be held on August 27-31 at Historic Lions Park in Millersport. Patrons can enjoy hot dripping ears of sweet corn, a large midway, tractor pulls, square dancing, contests, clogging, our heritage village, and lots of festive foods. There is a grand parade on Wednesday at 6:00 pm; queens' pageant on Thursday at 7:30 pm; national headline artists on Friday and Saturday at 8:30 pm; and a 5-K Run on Saturday at 9:00 am.

Come see why we are ear-resistible fun! Admission is FREE, \$20 per vehicle parking fee. For more information go to our website: www.sweetcornfest.com

Color Blind Accessibility Viewers

Patrick's Eagle Scout Project

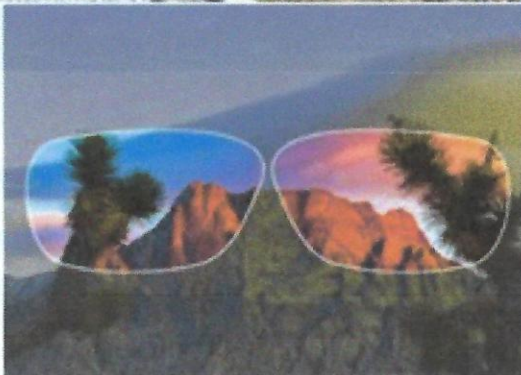


THE PROJECT

Install non-coin operated SeaCoast Binocular Viewers with Enchroma lenses, for colorblind accessibility, at 2 area parks.

- Clinton Nature Preserve
- Steyer Nature Preserve

Work with Seneca County Parks to locate the best site for enhancing the natural beauty of the parks.



BENEFITS

- Nothing like this in the area
- Increase use of parks
- Enable an entirely new population to experience the parks in a unique way.



THE COST

Cost:
approximately
\$3,500/ viewer

Total goal: \$7000

2 Ways to Donate

Make checks payable to
"Troop 444"
With "Heckler Eagle Project"
on the memo line

Mail all donations to:
Troop 444
c/o Doug Haren (treasurer)
2020 S. State Route 231
Tiffin, OH 44883

Through my Go Fund Me
<https://www.gofundme.com/f/set-up-color-blind-park-viewers>



All donations are tax-deductible.