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Another Convention for the history books!!! A big thank you for those of you who stopped by, whether it was for the whole weekend or for a part of it. An even bigger thank you for all the helping hands with registration, silent auction, sessions, etc. This convention was for all of you to celebrate the service you do in your communities and also the monetary support you give for service around the world. It was a time to recognize some exceptional Lions in OH2 for their dedication to making this District awesome. A full list of clubs and individuals that received awards is shown later in this newsletter. It was a time for some fun and fellowship with the masked singer, the karaoke, the duck race, and the Almost Blues Brothers. We had eight "acts" in our masked singer that were very entertaining. There was a unicorn, a chicken, Sully the big blue monster, the alien, the one eyed green monster, the lion, the Grinch, and the combo Easter Bunny and Easter Egg. Best Singer went to the chicken, who was our very own Zone 2 Chair Dave Omlor. The worst singer (because he doesn't sing at all, just glares) was the Grinch, our very own Zone 6 Chair Ed Brook. And the most entertaining was the combo Easter Bunny and Easter Egg, our PDG Cindy Beat and DG Patty Moorman. The performance by the Almost Blues Brothers was awesome with lots of participation from the audience. Check out the video on the OH2 Lions facebook page of the men trying to dance like Elwood. You had the opportunity to take a photo in the yellow convertible located at the Minion Crossing. Our special guests, PID Dr. Dianne Pitts and her husband PCC Joe Pitts were a true delight. On Sunday morning we remembered our lost Lions in the Necrology service.

As of Saturday, as a District, our membership is at a -4, with membership numbers being at around 1638, which is the best in MD13. Keep up the good work in growing your clubs. Our GMT and GET are continuing to work on several new club branches in Green Springs and New London and a new club in Carey. They are here to assist you. I encourage clubs to plan a membership night. Sometimes it just takes an invitation for someone to walk in the door and become a Lion. Marketing your club with newspaper articles, radio promotions, flyers and posters to bring in new members. When you send in your articles to our District newsletter, are you also sending them to your local newspapers? I also encourage you to ask your communities what service projects they want to see, plan them and then invite them to join you in making them happen.

Keep up the good work so we can finish strong. We have some great clubs and lions in our District. Thank you for all that you do. I may have passed the gavel, but I still have a lot to accomplish before July 1st.

Below is my schedule for April and May. I have added new visits in May due to cancellations so please take a close look at make sure these dates work for your club.

Yours in Lionism, DG Patty Moorman

Visitation Schedule April

- 2- Jeromesville Lions
- 5- OH1 Convention
- 8- LaGrange Lions
- 9- Upper Sandusky Lions
- 10- Bucyrus Lions
- 11- Polk Lions Charter Celebration
- 14- Mansfield Lions
- 22- Polk Lions
- 23- Attica Lions
- 26- OH7 Convention
- 28- Republic Lions

May

- 1- Savanah-Crestview Lions
- 3- Officer Training School
- 5- Butler Lions
- 10- Loudonville Charter Celebration
- 13- Bloomville Lions
- 14- Huron Lions
- 16-17 State Convention



1VDG Report for April

"April showers bring May flowers", isn't that how the saying goes? Well, I'm not a fan of too much rain.

Visited the club in Rowsburg and I must say for a small club it impresses me as a healthy club. They meet in a century+ schoolhouse and are currently in the process of refurbishing it. They are raising all the money to accomplish this herculean task themselves. Good work, Lions!

I also visited Plymouth Lions. Another small group. They are working HARD to get things done, too! Good luck! Please say a prayer for this club.

As I sit here on the eve of convention weekend, I'm excited and nervous. So many things to do! The Necrology on Sunday is one of the big things. It's important to honor those Lions who have gone before us and have paved the way.

See you all soon! Happy Easter!

ShirLee Eberle

1st VDG Visitation Schedule <u>April</u>

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17 Lucas23 Shelby United

2nd VDG Mike

March has been a month of recovery and reflection. I am recovering from hip replacement surgery, and reflecting on the service we Lion's provide our communities. Whether this service consists of hands-on support like park maintenance, making pillowcases, collecting eyeglasses or providing financial support to those in need, our work makes a real difference in people's lives. I am mindful of the impact that even small acts of service can have and the fact that our communities rely on the dedication of Lions to lend a helping hand where it's needed most.

This month has reinforced the importance of teamwork and compassion—both in personal recovery and in community service. Whether it's raising funds for local initiatives, organizing vision screenings, or simply offering a kind word to someone in need, our contributions matter.

As we move forward into spring, I encourage my fellow Lions to continue embracing the spirit of service. Together, we can strengthen our communities and make a lasting impact. Let's keep finding ways to serve, support, and uplift those around us—because that's what being a Lion is all about.

Yours in Service,

Mike Garber, 2nd VDG

2nd VDG Visitation Schedule <u>April</u>

April 14

Elyria Evening Lions

District Convention Information

The Masked Singers at the Convention



















THE AMAZING DUCK RACE-AND THE WINNERS ARE

1ST PLACE-CATE KNIPP-LINDSEY 2ND PLACE-DAVID GREENE-BELLEVUE 3RD PLACE AL BEYER -BELLVILLE 4TH PLACE MONA DICESARE-FOSTORIA

THANK YOU ALL WHO PARITICIPATED AND TO THOSE WHO HELPED WITH THE RACE. \$740 HAS BEEN DEPOSITED INTO THE DISTRICT PEDIATRIC CANCER FUND TO HELP FAMILIES.

OH2 2024-2025 CLUB AWARDS

OH2 Horst Herzog Medals-Ashland Evening Lions; Bascom Lions; Bellville Lions; Buckeye Central Lions; Colonel Crawford Lions; Elmore Lions; Firelands Lions; Fostoria Lions; LaGrange Lions; Lucas Lions; Madison Lions; Milan Lions; Norwalk Lions; Norwalk Lions; Perrysville Lions; Republic Lions; Savannah-Crestview Lions

<u>OH2 Journey of Hope Awards</u>-Bascom Lions; Butler Lions; Colonel Crawford Lions; Republic Lions; Bloomville Lions; Fostoria Lions; Port Clinton Lions; Bellevue Lions; Bellville Lions; Lorian Lions; Norwalk Lions; Fremont Lions; Old Fort Lions; Oak Harbor Lions; Crestline Lions; Perrysville Lions: North Ridgeville Lions; North Ridgeville Leos; Loudonville Lions; Marblehead Peninsula Lions; Sandusky Lions; Savannah-Crestview Lions; Amherst Steele Leos; Dave and Marj Pond.

<u>Journey of Hope Fellowship Pins</u>- Dave Cramer-Bascome Lions; Robert Fruth, Bascome Lions; Sarah Miller-N Ridgeville Lions; Dawn Fitz, N Ridgeville Lions, DG Patty Moorman, Janet Abee, Loudonville Lions; IPDG Julianne Zody, Perrysville Lions.

Journey of Hope Club Banner Pins- Ashland Evening Lions; Buckeye Central Lions; Shelby Lions;

Jeromesville Lions; Lindsey Lions; Lucas Lions; Ontario Lions; Vermilion Lions

New Voices-Service -Lion Renee Lillard, Ontario Lions; Membership-Lion Sandy Welch, Polk Lions;

Leadership -Lion Rich Banichar-Shelby Lions; Marketing -Lion Dan Stotts of Lucas Lions

Peace Poster Contest-Gracelynn Palenshus, Colonel Crawford Club

Newsletter Contest-

Clubs + 45 members-1st Place Ashland Noon with The Lions Tongue; runner-up LaGrange Lions with The Lions Paw; Participant Certificate Old Fort.

Clubs 20-44 members; 1st Place Lorain Lions with Growl; runner-up Bascom Lions with Bascome Lions Newsletter; Participant Certificates: Ashland Evening Lions, Bellevue Lions, Tiffin Lions;

Clubs fewer than 20 members; 1st place Perrysville Lions with News; runner-up Butler Lions with Butler Lions Club and Volunteers Newsletter; Participant Certificate; Plymouth Lions

<u>Zone Lions of the Year</u>-Zone 1-Lion Steve Anway Zone 2 Connie Cole Zone 3 Penny Williams Zone 4 Dave Walzer, Amherst Lions Zone 5 Jim Gatchell, Upper Sandusky Lions Zone 6 Dorothy Michalovich, Butler Lions, Zone 7 Marc Morgan, Hayesville Lions. Zone person of the Year-Penny Williams of the Sandusky Lions

Zone Chair of the Year-Dave Omlor

Ray and Ann Miller Leadership Awards-Edward Brook and Jackie Manosky

Council of Governors Awards-Lion Barry Buck, Lorain Lions; Lion Lin Jenkins, Shelby Lions; Lion Mitch Fallis of Lorain Lions; PDG Dana Zody, Perrysville Lions; Ann Miller of Ashland Evening; Lion Patty Fry, Old Fort Lions; Region Chair Gene Berrier, Madison Lions. And the Council Chair Award to Lion Janelle Grube, Crestline Lions

GMT Awards.

Club Growth Awards-1st Place-Loudonville Lions +9; 2nd Place-Lorain Lions +8.

 $Lion\ Catcher\ -\#1Jeff\ Haudenschild-Loudonville+6;\ \#,\ Fran\ Tuttemore,\ Marblehead\ Peninsula\ +4\ and\ Sandy\ Welch\ ,\ Polk\ Lions\ +4$

Top Zone net membership-Zone 3 (+20)-Jackie Manosky Zone Chair

Clubs with +1 Membership-Avon Lions; Bascom Lions; Bellville Lions; Bucyrus Lions; Elyria Evening Lions; Huron Lions; LaGrange Lions: Lindsey Lions; Lorain Lions; Loudonville Lions; Lucas Lions; Mansfield United Lions; Marble Head Peninsula Lions; North Ridgeville Lions; Polk Lions

<u>Governor's Service Awards</u>-Ashland Evening; Ashland Noon; Crestline; Fremont; Lagrange; Loudonville; Marblehead Peninsula; North Ridgeville; Norwalk; Ontario; Perrysville: Port Clinton; Savannah-Crestview; Vermilion

Governor Excellence Awards

Zone 1: Port Clinton

Zone 2: Bascom

Zone 3: Norwalk & Vermillion Zone 4: LaGrange, North Ridgeville

Zone 5: Crestline

Zone 6: zero

Zone 7: Ashland Evening, Loudonville, Perrysville, Savannah-Crestview

Governor Humanitarian Awards

Zone 1: Port Clinton

Zone 2: Bascom

Zone 3: Norwalk & Vermillion

Zone 4: LaGrange, North Ridgeville

Zone 5: Crestline

Zone 6: zero

Zone 7: Ashland Evening, Loudonville, Perrysville, Savannah-Crestview

<u>Hall of Fame Awards</u>: PCC Kerry Parker; PCC Kevin Reidy; Lion Brent Parker; Lion John Straziuso; Lion Debbie Reidy; PCC Kenny Schuck

Governor's Personal Awards: CS Craig Wiley; PCC Kerry Parker; ZC Janelle Grube; PDG Cindy Beat Governor's Certificates of Appreciation: Louis and Marge Kurtzman; Michelle Miller; Marcy Bibler Presidential Certificates of Appreciation; Lion Mona DiCesare; PDG Pete DiCesare; PCC Kevin Reidy; PDG Dan O'Connor

GLOBAL SERVICE NEWS

GST Debbie Reidy debre51@aol.com

Congratulations to the following clubs that qualified for the **Governor's Service Award** presented at District Convention:

Ashland Evening

Ashland Noon

Crestline

Fremont

Lagrange

Loudonville

Marblehead Peninsula

North Ridgeville

Norwalk

Ontario

Perrysville

Port Clinton

Savannah-Crestview

Vermillion

Our District is slightly behind in service reporting. For the three previous years, 100% of our clubs, including Leos, have reported service. As of March 22, 2025 we have 85% of our clubs reporting. I have assisted clubs in previous years and can do this, but I need the information. I will assist so please contact me. Initial contact has been made with the assistance of Zone Chairs.

Let's prove that OH 2 is providing Service! Contact me if you need assistance. Don't wait until the end of June!

Thanks to the clubs that diligently provide SERVICE and follow up with reporting in the Lions Portal.

District Committee's Information

Pediatric Cancer



Another one of Mona' Kids. Blane Young from Loudonville.

PDG's Dana and Julianne presented the family with a \$500 check from the District and 6 gas cards from the State Pediatric Cancer Foundation.

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

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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!

Zone Chair Corner

Club News Past, Present and to come

Ashland Evening Lions

Club fundraiser craft show is April 5 in the rear of Dale-Roy School on Center Street in Ashland.

We continue to plan for our part in the Ohio Lions "Plant 4 trees" project. In March we collected staple foods and paper goods for two local charities. Our geranium and spring plant fundraiser is taking presale orders until April 19. Bulk delivery will be on May 6 and plants will be available beginning May 7. Five members attended the OH2 district convention, and one of our own -Lion Norbert Peiker - was among those remembered at the Sunday necrology service.

Attica Lions Club

March was a rather low-key month for the club. Donations were made toward many community projects, such as the local Boy Scouts Troop 442, baseball, softball and T-ball projects for summer, Project Lifesaver, Attica Village Easter Egg / Scavenger Hunt, and to SE schools towards two massive American Flags for events. A gift basket was also donated to the Attica Jr. Fair Raffle Auction.

Plans were discussed for doing the NCAA pool in March, a Healthy Vision Cash Raffle, a Father's Day BBQ, and a Lions Reverse Raffle next fall as fund raisers. Lastly, a 2nd reading of officer nominations was done.

A LEO member, Sienna Bour, made a presentation to the Attica Lions members explaining her experience at the State LEO Convention recently held in Mogadore, OH. She showed a poster of all the best projects their club has done this year.



Bascom Lions Club

The Bascom Lions is having a **Pediatric Cancer Fundraising** drive thru dinner on April 5th. Other service projects coming up include vision screening at Hopewell Loudon school in May and our annual Memorial Parade in June. We recently added a new member, Dale Roland. Dale was sponsored by Lion Rick Osterwalder. As for donations going out, we have provided for 3 young ladies from Hopewell Loudon to attend a summer camp called BE WISE. This camp promotes the STEM programs and encourages women to enter the fields of science, technology, engineering and math.

Colonel Crawford LEO Club

March 9th the Colonel Crawford Lions Club and Leo Club hosted a swim for diabetes. We had a diabetic specialist from Avita Hospital with information about diabetes for everyone and participants got pledges for their swim. Each participant received a bag, pin, and sticker for their contributions.







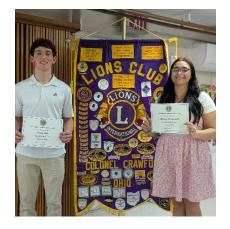


Colonel Crawford Club

The Colonel Crawford Lions Club would like to Congratulate Gracelynn Palenshus on being the OH13 District 2 Peace Poster Winner.



We recognized two Students of Month at March 13 meeting, Brady Hill and Brianna Farnsworth. Congratulations and Good Luck with your future plans.



The CC Lions and Leos had a successful Swim-A-Thon for Diabetes. The Leos will be matching what was raised to bring our total close to \$1,000.

We are planning a Pitawurst Drive Thru in the spring.

Don't forget we are collecting plastic bags as one of our environmental service projects. We are almost halfway to our goal of 1,000lbs.

Hayesville Lions Club

photo: Marc Morgan receiving "Lion of the Year" Award from James Mathis at the District Convention.



The Hayesville Lions club met March 20 at Hayesville Methodist Church.
Marc Morgan received the "Lion of the Year" Award at the District Convention last week for Zone 7. He was selected from ten clubs and is a wonderful member. He takes care of a gun raffle, and sausage

sales, and has been a good member many years.

Our club will furnish breakfast at Kendig Park for the Amvets Easter Egg Hunt at 8:00 on April 12.

Our club has a \$1,000 scholarship available for a young person from the Hillsdale area. Call Greg Hess at 419-685-1547 to sign up.

On May 2 we will have a Euchre Tournament at 7 p.m. at Stone Lutheran Church.

May 3 is Officer Training School at Trinity Lutheran Church in Ashland. April 17 is our next meeting at 6 pm. with dinner at 7 pm.

The first reading of the upcoming officers was read.

Loudonville Lions Club

Loudonville Lions joined with Perrysville and Hayesville Lions to sponsor a benefit breakfast for the family of a local youth with cancer. Over 100 people enjoyed a breakfast of sausage gravy and biscuits, scrambled eggs and sausage. Thanks to generous donations, over \$2600 was raised for the family. Loudonville Lions prepared and served over 750 meals for the Loudonville Farmers Equity Customer Appreciation Day event, with volunteers from the Perrysville Club, the community and Loudonville and West Holmes FFA members. Next up, "Feed the Teams" night and the community Easter Egg Hunt!







Lorain Lions Club

The Lorain Lions hosted an invitation only prospect dinner for 14 people on February 6. Of the 14 attending the dinner, 7 indicated an interest in membership with three committing with an immediate application and dues check. This represents a 15% boost in Lorain Lions membership with this one event. Mitch Fallis, Marketing Director for The Lorain Lions, attributed the strong response to timing and the current climate. "Our press release hit the local paper just two weeks prior to the event keeping it fresh in people minds" Fallis said. "We are also

hearing from more people the desire to be of service to the community, "and that's what Lions are all about We Serve".



Prospective Lorain Lions Members gather for a Photo

Marblehead Lions Club

The Marblehead Peninsula Lions continue to stay active in our service to the community. Our foundation voted to help a family recently burned out of their house with a \$1,000 donation. We also assisted the Sandusky Lions with presenting stuffed animals to our local police and fire departments to be given to children as comfort stuffies. (see attached). The club attended the winter Lions meeting in Oregon Ohio, as well as the. Local zone meeting in Bellevue Ohio. We are now preparing our representatives for the March District Convention.



North Ridgeville Lions Club

Our Lions Educational Outreach committee recently awarded

over \$2500 in mini grants to educators in our North Ridgeville City Schools and St. Peter's School. In addition, we approved funds for a very special project at North Ridgeville High School. They have two businesses that were started to help teach students with special needs the skills they need to be able to succeed after graduation. Able Not Label was started to give students money management skills, social skills and customer service. They design and create apparel for the schools and community. Capable Confections is the newest student-run business within NRHS. Students bake and offer sweet treats for donations while learning cooking, production, assembly, marketing, and sales skills. Our club approved \$1700 to help them get started with necessities like chef's jackets, a cart, coffee maker, baking supplies, etc. We love collaborating with our schools to help young people learn valuable transferable skills. 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

We had a fantastic start to the month with the induction of two new members to our club. We were honored to have our Governor Patty Moreman do the induction of our new members. Thank you Governor for taking the time from your busy schedule to assist. We sent 3 members to our district convention and they returned with some positive feedback.

Our Club was also honored by the Johnny Appleseed Trail district as the areas sponsored of the year. We appreciate this honor and are proud to be associated with such a fine group of young men.



Perrysville Lions

According to the District OH 2 convention we had an outstanding year.

This past month we were very active. Loudonville, Hayesville, and Perrysville clubs held a very successful benefit breakfast for a 15 year old young man with cancer. We presented the family with \$2468.

We held our monthly Swiss steak luncheon and donated the proceeds of \$510 to Pilot Dogs.

We completed our Christmas lighting project by taking the lights down on March 8th.

We helped Loudonville with their service project of serving meals for the Equity Appreciation Day. We made a lot of sandwiches.

We donated an item for the silent action at the convention. NEXT Swiss steak: April 6, 2025 serving from 11-1 from the Perrysville Community Center.

Polk Lions Club

Serving our community is a work of heart! When you work with friends, it's not work! We had a successful Pi (3.14) Day and made 105 pies! We served a community meal. We also supported our youth this month by donating \$150 to Mapleton High School's post prom, \$250 to MHS National Honor Society Cares, and \$100 to a 6th grade student to attend outdoor school at Camp Nuhop.







Port Clinton Lions Club

Greetings from Port Clinton where spring is starting to spring! THE HEALING POWER OF PLAY: The Port Clinton Lions Club, in conjunction with the Sandusky Lions Club, received a donation of plush toys from Cedar Point Amusement Park. We presented these toys to Magruder Hospital and the Port Clinton Fire & Police Departments to share with children in need of physical, emotional, psychological and spiritual healing. Little things can make a big difference!







UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS: We continue to plan for our chicken BBQ (May 10th) and our bust trip to Sauder Village. (June 12th) The bus trip will include a stop at the

Chateau Winery in Helena, OH. More details to come!! BRIDGE - USA: The Club was addressed by the Honorable Mayor Mike Snider of Port Clinton concerning the Bridge-USA program. Foreign students are hired under the J1 Visa program for summer seasonal work in our tourism-related industries. This program provides logistical support & points of contact promoting their success and the valuable contribution to our local economy. I'll have more on this next month.

Rowsburg Lions Club

At our March meeting we had our 1st Vice District Governor, Shirlee Eberle as a guest speaker. She spoke of Service, Kindness, and Attitude.

It was discussed that measurements for the lettering of our sign had been dropped off to Morris Sign by Bob Donelson. They are to get back with a preliminary estimate and set-up. We will be serving and selling food again at the Amish Morgan Horse Sale this year to be held March 28th and 29th at the Ashland County Fairgrounds.

We are taking orders for our cheese sale. Orders must be turned in by April 2nd. Contact any member or Doug Sloan at 419-571-8010. Also, May 17 will be our last Pancake breakfast till fall. President Steve Englet announced that his grandson Ryan Englet is joining our club with application voted on and accepted. The renovation of our hall began March 15th. Tear down was done with volunteers from Lion member Mike Feliciano's church. The Hillside Church of Rowsburg.

Mike also offered his church as a meeting place while our renovation is taking place.







Sandusky Lions Club

Lions Club has been the fortunate recipient of hundreds of stuffed/plush animals from Cedar Point.

We, in turn, have had the delightful task of donating those same toys to medical facilities, fire departments, law officers, pediatric cancer services and, more recently, to other Lions Clubs near the recipient locations. The 3 most active "Animal Handlers" have been busy picking up the animals, repackaging them and finally

distributing them to 34 locations so far this year. Lion Mike Karniotis is the contact person from our club, so he and his wife, Lion Rhanda, do plenty of the prep work, which amounts to marking the "pets" as gifts from CP and our club.

Thanks to Lion Jim Williams for his willingness to be the 3d club member to participate in the distribution. Jim has an older pickup truck which is just right for 24 boxes, each holding 24 animals.

Speaking of boxes, we're giving a shout out to Home Brew Ohio, where Mike Armour saves uniformly shaped and sized boxes which we use to transport eyeglasses from our house to the next destination.

Here are 2 photos which tell part of the story as we hand zebras, bears, cats, dogs and more to adults. They are thrilled to play their part in the sharing; just imagine the kids who will be making them "forever friends."



Lion Jim Williams with staff at Firelands Health.



Lion Mike presenting toys to staff member.

Savannah Crestview Lions Club

Savannah-Crestview Lions continue to serve our community. We held a pancake breakfast, March 1 at the town hall and also served a "breakfast sampler" at the local 5K Road Apple Run at Crestview. Donations from both places went toward Youth Activities. We held another free luncheon for the community with a nice turnout.

We are also starting a veteran's banner project in Savannah for the Crestview community to honor our veterans. We are encouraged by the response to date.

We will be holding a potluck dinner/membership event on April 3rd encouraging community members to come and learn more about the Lions. Our next pancake breakfast on April 5 at the town hall. Also we will be holding a pancake breakfast May 10th at the town hall for the Buyers Club who support Crestview students showing/selling animals at both the Richland and Ashland Fairs.

Tiffin Lions Club

Tiffin Lion Connie Cole is Zone 2 Lion of the Year 2024-2025 with Zone 2 Chair Dave Omlor.



Tiffin Lions elected officers for Lion Year 2025-2026, IPP -Connie Cole President -Margaret Werling, First Vice-Julie Yoder, Secretary-Connie Cole, Assistant Secretary-Julie Yoder, Treasurer- Margaret Werling, Chaplain-John Maddox, Tail Twister-Gary Norris, Lion Tamer- Margaret Werling, Directors Madelin Scherger, Paul Klaiss, Michael Smith, Dave Fisher. Newsletter-Jenny Sanders. Tiffin Lion of the Year 2025-2026 is Paul Klaiss.

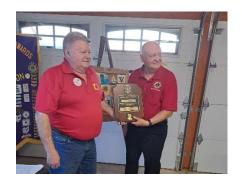
Fifteen children were screened at the March 1
Storybook Festival at Sentinel Technology and Career
Center. Vison Screening will conclude with March 18 and 19 at New Beginnings Preschool and the YMCA Preschool on March 20.

Vermillion Lions Club

The Vermilion Lions Club welcomed President Jim Elk back from his vacation and presented him with a MJF Award. Very deserving Lion to receive this. Lions played bingo with residents Kingston Nursing Home and Mill Manor Nursing Home. Had fun sitting and talking with the residents.

We are preparing for our annual Reverse Raffle at Germans Villa in Vermilion on Saturday April 5th. Tickets are still available. Looking to make a donation to Valor House in April.

Will be giving stuffed animals donated from Cedar Point through Sandusky Lions Club to Police and Fire Departments in Vermilion for children in need.



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

Ontario Lions



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

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, 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 \$5 SIDEBOARD PAYING \$500 \$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.





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





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