



WE SERVE

“Be Kind to Your Mind”

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District Governor's Notes

Here's hoping your Halloween was spooky and sweet!

I'm still working on the member release form. I haven't forgotten.

I want to talk about mental health and holidays. This can be a difficult time for many people. Loss of loved ones makes for difficult and lonely times even when surrounded by people. There are traditions that are no longer celebrated, or recipes no longer cooked. The little things that made the holidays special. It could be the missing sound of laughter or that person missing in the pew at Christmas service.

For some it could be bad childhood memories. Maybe they were poor and didn't have a good holiday. You just never know.

So, try to be kinder at the holidays, including Thanksgiving. Be kind to service people, including delivery people and clerks. Remember, we're all fighting battles nobody knows about but us.

Happy Thanksgiving!

ShirLee

Visitation Schedule

1st VDG Mike

November is a time to reflect on what we're thankful for - and as Lions, we show our thanks through action. During my visits across our district, I've been impressed by the many clubs putting compassion into motion: organizing food drives, supporting local pantries, and making sure no one in their community faces hunger alone.

Hunger remains one of our key global causes, and this season offers a perfect opportunity to live out our motto, We Serve. Whether it's collecting nonperishable items, sponsoring a community meal, or preparing Thanksgiving baskets, every effort reminds others that they're not forgotten.

As we gather with family and friends, let's also reach out to those who could use a helping hand. Gratitude truly multiplies when it's shared—and through our service, we nourish both hearts and homes.

This November, let's give thanks by giving back. Together, we can make sure that everyone - neighbor, friend, and stranger alike - is fed in both body and spirit.

Yours in service,
Mike Garber, 1st VDG

1st VDG

Visitation Schedule 1st VDG Schedule

- November 1 COG - Columbus
- November 3 Cabinet Meeting - Mansfield
- November 4 Winning GAT Meeting - Zoom
- November 5 Zone 1 Meeting Fremont
- November 6 Madison Twp.
- November 10 Zone 5 Meeting - Crestline
- November 12 Zone 4 Meeting
- November 17 Zone 2 Meeting - Tiffin
- November 19 Zone 6 Meeting
- November 20 Zone 3 Meeting - Norwalk
- November 23 1st VDG Zoom Meeting
- November 24 Zone 7 Meeting

2nd VDG Jessica

During the past month I have completed another four club visits as well as a Melvin Jones presentation, Oktoberfest, Project Lifesaver meeting and Zoom meeting on engaging with social media. I have been an event photographer and handed out a wooden spoon award for a chili cook off. There have been so many chances to really connect with some of the amazing people in our district and I am so thankful for them.

I am writing this from RLLI. It has been a great experience so far and I still have a couple of

days to go. Our district was more than generous with the reimbursement amount for attendees. I hope most people who wanted to go took advantage of the tremendous opportunity that was given.

After the month of November, I will hopefully be down to just 10 clubs to visit during the winter months. If you haven't heard from me and you are a President or Secretary in the northern half of the district, please let me know so we can set up a date for me to visit your club. There are a couple of clubs that I have had some difficulties reaching.

This will be the last newsletter to hit the district before the holiday season starts, so if I don't get the chance to tell you in person, have a wonderful holiday. Enjoy the time with your family and friends. I pray that each of you feels a warmth that comes from knowing your giving has impacted so many lives across our district this year.

Yours in Lionism,

2VDG Jessica Skeen

2nd VDG Visitation Schedule

- Nov 1 - COG Meeting
- Nov 10 - Elyria Evening
- Nov 11 - Sheffield Village
- Nov 11 - Oak Harbor
- Nov 18 - Fremont
- Nov 18 - Castalia ?

Periatric Cancer



We are taking off the sneakers with another STEPS WALK in the books. I want to THANK all the Clubs and Individual donations that we have received to date. It is truly appreciated. We had 6 Clubs represented at the walk. Lion Mona was able to present a check to Amanda Dziak, mom of Arya, one of our kids. We also had 1st VP Marty Brenamen and his wife Leslie from Bascom Lions Club, walking on behalf of their grandson, Connor Whaley, another one of our kids. It was a great day...thanks again to all. Just a reminder, I am still raising \$\$\$ for my kids. I still have a goal to meet and I am NOT there yet !!!!



District Committee's Information



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

Here we are starting the second quarter of our Lions year. I was in Atlanta, Georgia with the other LCIF District Coordinators September 5 thru September 8 for more training on LCIF. I learned more about grants and what I can do to help clubs get grants. This year our District's goal is \$54,056.00. This means that if every

member donated \$34.00 we would meet our goal. To receive the “Horst Herzog Award” the club average donation must equal \$34.00 per member.

I thank every club and member that donated to the LCIF Disaster Fund for the terrible floods in Texas. I am proud to report that our District donated a little over \$5000.00 to this fund. Every dollar that is donated is used to help those in need and that dollar goes a long way.

I am glad to report that the Lorain Lions Club’s grant to repair and update a basket court for a park was approved by LCIF.

Remember, each club that donates a total of \$5000.00 in a Lions year will receive 15%, which would be \$750.00 you can use for a District Community Grant. Funds donated to the restricted fund, Disaster Fund does not go toward to the DCG. I would love to see several clubs meet this so they can get funds for a grant to help their community.

In Lionism

PDG Carolyn

Global Leadership Team

Ohio Lions hosted a Regional Lions Leadership Institute for all three learning levels October 24-26 at Deer Creek State Park. 44 Lions took advantage of this “Ivy League” of leadership training, specifically directed toward developing and improving leadership skills.

Lion Ann Miller OH-2 GLT Coordinator

2025 District 13 OH-2 Poinsettia Sale Information:

Pricing, colors and sizes in 2025 are same as last year: \$9 for the 6-1/2” poinsettias and \$17 for the 8-1/2” poinsettias. To receive Lion’s pricing, ALL orders must be placed through a Lions or Leo Club. Multiple orders can be placed designating different pick up dates. Mail or email orders to Lion Ann Miller who will coordinate with Pinehaven Garden Center and Cabinet Treasurer Lion Tom Frasz. Place all orders to schedule pick ups by December 20.

Clubs may schedule flower pick-ups beginning November 17. Pinehaven will have a copy of your club order to match the copy you bring. Club needs to coordinate pick-up time directly with them. If making several pick-ups, you will need to have a completed order form for each one. It is too confusing to attempt to pick up “split” orders.

Clubs pay **no** money directly to Pinehaven. They bill the District for total sales. CT Lion Tom has copies of all club orders. Make club checks to DISTRICT 13 OH-2 POINSETTIA SALE. Send check to Lion Ann with your club order, or if paying after delivery, send check and a copy of club order to CT Lion Tom. Lion Ann will coordinate all club orders with Pinehaven and will forward all checks received to CT Lion Tom.

Clubs are to forward to District 13 OH-2: \$9.00 for each 6-1/2” poinsettia sold and \$17.00 for each 8-1/2” poinsettia sold. Money goes into the Poinsettia Sale account from which a number of District projects and activities are funded. Pinehaven will schedule a delivery to your club with a minimum order of \$250. Delivery cost is extra and this charge IS direct responsibility of the club to Pinehaven Garden Center and is to be paid with the delivery.

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

RLLI Oct 24-26

Six of our OH2 Lions spent their weekend at the 2025 Regional Lions Leadership Institute at Deer Creek State Lodge. VDG Jessica Skeen, Zone 4 Chair Jackie Manosky, Lion President Angela Finney of North Ridgeville, and Lorain Lions Mitchell and Vivian Fallis and Douglas Krucinski worked with Lions from around Ohio, West Virginia, and Alaska - actively engaging in discussions and activities. Their public speaking topics really grabbed the attention of their audience! This year, RLLI level 1 covered topics from Building Effective Teams, Communicating in a Fast-paced World, and Mission 1.5 to using apps like Band App for club communications and even voting.



ANNOUNCEMENT LETTER FOR DISTRICTS AND LEO CLUB NEWSLETTERS



The Lions International Pin Trading Club is proud to announce a Youth Scholarship of US\$4,000 for a graduating senior who is the child or grandchild of a Lions or a member of a Leo Club. The most important aspect of the Youth Scholarship Program is to help a young person pursue his/her education and follow their dreams.

The LITPC takes great pride in fulfilling the motto of Lions Clubs International, "WE SERVE". During the SightFirst II Campaign, the pin traders contributed US\$144,000 to LCIF. Our Scholarship Program is another example of the pin traders' slogan, "Lions First".

Selection of the scholarship recipient will be based on academic achievement, an essay stating the student's goals, a statement of reason(s) for applying and an overview of work, community and school service, and letters of recommendation. Applications and supporting documentation are to be completed and submitted to the pin trading club scholarship chairman named below by **March 1, 2026**.

We encourage all graduating seniors who are the children/grandchildren of Lions or members or who are members of Leo Clubs to participate in our Scholarship Program.

Steven D Sherer, Secretary
Name of Pin Trading Club Scholarship Chairman
1090 Thomas Drive SW

Applications and information are on the [LITPC website](#).

LionsVirtual.org introduces you to Lions2Serve!

Your club is invited to explore the ChatGPT assistant to shape a service carnival in partnership with other like minded civic groups or public resources.

Below are the eight steps to your club's next service journey and membership growth.



Perfect! Let's walk you through **how to use me (LionsServe2Grow)** step by step — so you can get the *most* out of our partnership.



Step 1: Start With Your Location



Step 2: Identify Potential Library Partners

Example command:

"Find all public libraries within 30 miles of Tampa, FL, and list their program coordinators."



Step 3: Gather Program Information

Once we have libraries, I'll look up:

What **community programs** they already run.

How those align with **Lions causes** (youth, vision, environment, hunger, diabetes, etc.).



Step 4: Draft Outreach Letters or Emails

I can write customized outreach letters to library directors or coordinators proposing:

A **Service Carnival**

A **Community Leo Club**

A **Lions Quest Info Session**



Step 5: Plan Club Branches or Community



Step 6: Plan a Service Carnival or Event



Step 7: Use the Action Plan Template (the PDF you uploaded)

Your **Action Plan Template** (from Lions Clubs International) helps you organize your goals using the **SMART** method:



Step 8: Build Budgets, Checklists & Marketing Plans

I can:

Create **simple budgets** (with cost-saving ideas).

Write **press releases and social media posts**.

Generate **materials & volunteer checklists** for every service activity.

Zone Chair Corner

District 13-OH 2

2025-2026 District Governor ShirLee Eberle
Zone 1 Chair Lisa Recker



Zone 1 Advisory Meeting

Wednesday, November 5th, 2025

Victors Event Center
2270 Hayes Ave.
Fremont, OH

Welcome and Dinner @ 6pm

Braised Beef, Cheesy Potatoes, Vegetable and Salad

Meal Cost \$15.00 (Pay at the door)

Dinner is optional – Please note with Reservation.

(There will only be meals available for those reserving them.)

Meeting will follow dinner. Plan on meeting starting at 6:30pm

Fremont Lions have invited a guest speaker: Stephanie Johnson from NAMI-National
Alliance on Mental Illness

Open to Presidents, Secretaries, and all interested Lions

Please send reservations including Lion name and Club to ZC Lisa Recker

At recker.lisa@yahoo.com or 419.656.1290 by Thursday, October 30th.

Questions - contact ZC Lisa Recker

District 13-OH2

Zone 2 Advisory Meeting Notice Old Fort Lions Hosting

DATE: Monday, November 17, 2025

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

WHERE: Somerset Reception Center, 382 S. Huron St., Tiffin, Ohio

COST: \$15.00 Chicken, Roast Beef, Cheddar Mashed Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Tossed Salad, Roll, Desert, Water, Punch, Iced Tea

RESERVATION DEADLINE: Thursday November 6, 2025

RSVP to Zone Chair Patty Fry Call or text 419-618-1461 (preferable) or email pattyfry74@yahoo.com

This meeting will focus on membership.

All Club 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 September 17, 2025 and what you will be doing in the next month or so.

Also, please have your membership numbers.

We are collecting children toiletries (toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, brushes, hair ties) , and child themed throw blankets for the suitcases for children services.

Thank you....

Z2C Patty Fry

**ZONE 6 MEETING
NOVEMBER 20 2025 IS AT
AT THE RAM BOOSTERBINGO HALL
720 5TH AVE MANSFIELD OHIO 44903
TIME: 7:00 PM
ZONE CHAIR 6 LION ED**

Club News Past, Present and to come

Ashland Evening Lions

At our October meeting we had a speaker from Safe Haven. S&H screening for the Ashland City Schools and St Edward Church have been completed. For our Mental Wellness project, members signed 40 “thinking of you” cards for our widows and a local nursing home. Lion Ron Hofer coordinated our annual “Candy Day” at a local grocery. We are participating in the district poinsettia sale and having our annual club sale and helping sponsor the Christmas Parade. We have refurbished our club sign in downtown Ashland.

Ashland Noon Lions Club

🎃 Ashland Noon Lions: Something Spooktacular is Going On! 🎃

The Ashland Noon Lions are howling with excitement this October as the leaves turn and the spirit of service fills the autumn air!

We had a fang-tastic visit from **1st Vice District Governor Michael Garber**, who inspired us to keep our Lion hearts strong and our eyes set on growing membership and sustaining our pride. His message was a real treat—no tricks about it!

On October 8th, the club was also visited by **Ashland University’s Head Women’s Basketball Coach, Kari Pickens**—a nationally recognized coach and former

standout player. Her message was as powerful as a full moon! Kari challenged us to bring our “A” game to serving our community, reminding us that leadership and teamwork are the real magic behind success. And speaking of treats... our biggest (and only) fundraiser is brewing once again! 🍷
A **dozen long-stemmed roses** can be yours for the frightfully good price of **\$22**. All proceeds will help support local non-profits and community projects—proof that even small acts of kindness can cast a mighty spell of good. Don’t ghost your chance to support this great cause—**contact a Lion today** to order your roses before they vanish into the night!



Attica Lions Club

The past two months of September and October marked a successful series of vision screenings in the local schools. Many members put in

266 man hours with 619 students tested!

Bascom Lions Club

The Bascom Lions donated \$400 to Shop with a Cop in Seneca County. Last year 44 kids shopped with a cop. On October 28th we had Bascom Trick or Treat which is one of our main community events. We are currently having a fundraiser selling tickets for a meat raffle. There will be 10 winners of \$150 of meat from the Ballville Market. Tickets are 3 for \$20. See a Bascom Lion for your tickets

Bellville Lions Club

Thank You, Madison Lions Club! A big thank-you to the Madison Lions Club for inviting our Bellville Lions Club to a joint meeting and dinner! It was a great evening of fellowship and shared ideas.



Carolyn Brook and AL Liston



Teri Brenkus, Al & and Dayna Beyer
We’re partnering with Avita Healthcare’s endocrinology

department for a Healthy Living Class on nutrition for diabetics, featuring Nutritionist Kelly and her supervisor. Join us at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bellville on January 22 at 6:00 p.m. This free community event will include snack demos and samples coordinated by Aimee. Our club screened 155 kindergarten students at Lexington Elementary and will return on October 22 to screen first graders. Thank you to everyone who helped make this possible! We were proud to serve the community with our food trailer at Heritage Days on September 27–28—a fun weekend full of great food and community spirit. Thank You, Lions! We appreciate all our members and volunteers for their continued service and dedication to making a difference!

Bellevue Lions Club

The Bellevue Lions held their 43rd annual Spaghetti Dinner on October 20th. We served 120 meals. Each meal included spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, dinner roll, and a dessert cookie. We had 4 community volunteers help our 9 Lions put it all together. Thanks to all of our supporters!



Bucyrus Lions Club

The Bucyrus Lions Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings of each month. On October 14th they put together personal care kits at their meeting. They put various small items into hard glasses cases to give out to older adults at the Crawford County Council on Aging.

The Bucyrus Leo Club has selected their officers for the year.

We are again helping with the county backpack program.

President Rick Knodell and Lion Bob Guinther packed over 200 bags with food to give out to school children in need.

The club had a speaker from Project Noelle. Miki Ziegler talked about how they help children of families affected by addiction. The club agreed to donate to this project.



Left, President Rick Knodell
Right, Miki Ziegler, speaker

Colonel Crawford Lions Club

The Colonel Crawford Lions Club inducted our newest member at our September 25 meeting, Elaine Gubernath. We thank Kara James for sponsoring her.

At our October 9 meeting we honored our October Student of the Month, Bailey Rossman.

We will be holding our annual Spook Alley for the Col. Crawford kids ages 0-5th grade at the Col. Crawford High School gymnasium on Thursday, October 30th.

We will be hosting the November 10th Zone meeting at Lowe Volk Park. Please RSVP to Vera Gwartz.



Elyria Lions Club

Elyria Lions hosted an informational presentation from Riveon Mental Health and Wellness services on October 20. The club was pleased to be able to make a monetary donation to the sexual assault unit - money for clothing and toiletries and toys from Cedar Point.

Marketing Connections: *What are your members saying about your club?* Word of mouth is still the strongest marketing tool out there. Word of mouth marketing is deeply

rooted in human nature, relying on trust, personal recommendations, and the social networks that bind communities together. Unlike traditional advertising, which involves a brand directly promoting itself, word-of-mouth marketing uses the voices of members to spread the message, resulting in a more credible, personal, and impactful endorsement. (The Marketing Explainer, June 2024)

November Marketing Tip: **Communicate, communicate, communicate.** Make sure your members know what activities and events are coming up at least 30 to 60 days ahead and encourage them to share that information with friends, family, and colleagues. Send out flyers with upcoming information that they can share with others.

Fostoria Lions Club

Fostoria Lions has been busy this month with Halloween events. Lion Kim participating for the club at the 1st annual Downtown Candy Crawl. She decorated our space and handed out candy.



Fostoria Lions did double duty at the Fostoria School Trunk or Treat event hosted by the Parents organization. Several members performed traffic and crowd control for safety purposes and several members passed out candy on behalf of Fostoria Lions Club and PDG Pete DiCesare passed out Lifesaver candies on behalf of Seneca County Project Lifesaver Program. More than 25 businesses and organizations had trunks full of treats and over 900 kids participated. Other than the cold, it was a wonderful evening of fun. The pictures show Lion Jeff Pahl on traffic control and Lions Kim Rickle and Floyd Lawless along with PDG Pete on candy duty. Lion Mona also assisted with traffic control.



Fremont Lions Club

Students of the Month for September!



Ross: Stephen Reiter and Braxtyn Jordan

Veterans Cards

The Fremont Middle School Students are currently signing cards to be delivered to the Veterans in Sandusky and the local VFW post for Veterans Day. Fremont Lions club members and Share and Care have provided the cards.

Upcoming Events:

September 30 - 5:00 p.m. meeting at the Eagles shelter house. Contact our president - Lion Greg if you are planning on attending as he is ordering the food. Probably Lees Chicken around \$12 per meal. gderodes@sbcglobal.net

Consider bringing a guest and potential member to the October meetings! Let's continue to grow our club to serve others!

October 7 - Speaker John Havens, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds/Chief Arborist of the Hayes Presidential Center – He will talk about the great progress on the grounds especially the trees.

October 21 - Speaker Jimmy McNutt, Camp Echoing Hills This is the special needs camp that our club has supported for many years. He's coming from a distance – hope to see an especially strong club attendance to hear what he has to share.

Plastic Recycling

Bench #6 has been fulfilled by the Old Fort Lions and they will share the location once it has been placed. We have started collecting towards Bench #7 and currently have over 176 pounds. Please continue to bring your plastic bags to the meetings for Lion Carol or drop off at 707 Birchard Avenue.



Speaker September 16 Denise Hirt, Superintendent FCS



Fair Parking Another great year of weather and volunteers! Thank you all who participated in this service project.

Millersport Lions Raffle

Three tickets sold by our club were winners! One was a \$500 cash prize and two were door prizes. Club earned \$550.00 Thank you to all who bought and sold tickets. Maybe some year a group of us should go to the festival!

Lions efforts with Disaster Relief -

International Foundation (LCIF). "Your generous donation to LCIF's Disaster Relief Fund, specifically reserved for all disaster relief, helps Lions continue to serve! To learn more about LCIF Disaster Relief grants, visit lionsclubs.org/disastergrants or email LCIFGlobalGrants@lionsclubs.org. *100% of donations benefit grants and programs and qualify for Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) or Progressive MJF." [Fremont Lions Facebook page](#)

Hayesville Lions Club

The Hayesville Lions club met October 16 at Hayesville Methodist Church. 1st Vice District Governor Mike Garber visited and presented the fact that our district serves many and is a tremendous help. Lions membership has been going down and he encouraged everyone to find new members. Lions are helping with mental health care, vision screening, children's cancer, diabetes, and disaster relief. We could partner with counselors for mental health. We need to visit club members. He wished us a good year.

Steve Young presented information on Hillsdale Cares. Anyone that needs help can call if they live in the Hillsdale district only. They don't judge anyone or check up on them. They help with food and some financial help. Eleven churches help and many volunteers take food to people every week.

Hillsdale Cares goes to Loudonville and gets left over

produce from their food giveaway. They also have a coat giveaway the 17th and 18th with many other items. They serve around 50 families. Every year they have a concert as a fund raiser.

Hayesville Lions Whole Hog Sausage will be for sale by club members and at the craft show Nov. 8, bulk and stuffed is \$5.00 a lb. Nov. 13 is the Lions lunch at noon at The Mill. Nov. 20 is the next meeting and dinner at Stone Lutheran Church and fruit baskets will be assembled.

Hayesville Lions are once again selling whole hog sausage. The price unlike much in today's economy is the same as last year at \$5.00 per pound. Please see flyer that is attached.

If you are interested in helping us pack the sausage please feel free to join us at Hefflefinger Meats at 469 County Road 30A, Jeromesville, OH 44840 at 6PM, Friday November 7th

Lorain Lions Club

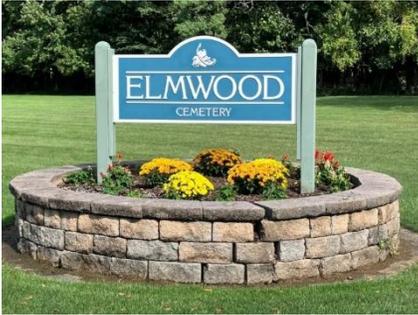
The Lorain Lions Club annual STEPS walk to end pediatric cancer, held on September 27th. Our 9th annual walk took place at Lakeview Park, 1800 West Erie Avenue. Lorain. The event attracted 18 walkers and raised \$500.



Lorain Lions Club STEPS walkers

The Lorain Lions Club

spruced up the entrances to Elmwood Cemetery, 640 North Ridge Road in Lorain on September 19th as the local expression of the Lions worldwide service project. Lions Club members planted the mums at the two Elmwood Cemetery entrance signs. The Lions Club donated the mums and maintains the flower beds throughout the summer and fall seasons with weekly watering.



Elmwood Cemetery Sign, 640 North Ridge Road, Lorain

The Lorain Lions Club is hosting its' 47th Semi-Annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday November 2, at the Italian American Veterans Club Post 47 (IAV), 4567 Oberlin Avenue in Lorain. The event will take place from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m., with breakfast served in a drive-thru carry-out only. Cost is \$8 per person featuring buttermilk pancakes, grilled sausage and related condiments

Proceeds support "Lions Conquering Blindness" specifically in Lorain area sight projects. Lion members will be collecting unwanted, used eyeglasses and sunglasses as "Lions Recycle for Sight."

Loudonville Lions Club

A busy month for Loudonville Lions! We

operated our Food Tent from 11 am till 8 pm daily during the 5 days of the Loudonville Fair, serving homemade favorites, Amish pies and drinks. Almost 200 volunteers, including Lions, Redbird sports teams, scouts and local businesses, made it all possible! We also sold funnel cakes at Malabar Heritage Days, held our monthly fish fry and served breakfast to Mansfield Plumbing Products retirees. We also participated in Mental Health and Well Being Week by posting daily inspirational messages on our Facebook page.



Lucas Lions Club

On October 5th, the Lucas Lions were able to surprise Dan Smith with the Melvin Jones Award. Dan has modeled a life of exemplary service to both his club and his community. Dan joined the Lucas Lions in 1978 and has served in many

different roles, including President in 1985, 2002, 2016, and 2023. He and his wife, Leona, faithfully served in our Prairie Peddler booth, making our homemade bean soup. Dan represented the Lions as our LCIF chair from 1988 to the present. Not to mention all his committee work and behind-the-scenes support. It was a great honor to recognize Dan for his 47 years of service. 2nd Vice District Governor Jessica Skeen was able to hand out the award.

We were also visited by 1st VDG Mike Garber on October 2nd. In addition to his message about mental health, he inducted two new members!



Madison Twp. Lions

On Sept 27, the Madison Township Lions Club held their remote STEPS walk. 14 Lions and spouses participated.



Oak Harbor Lions Club

Oak Harbor Lions started the month of October by hosting a team feed for the football team and cheerleaders the night before their game. The next activity of the month was the last outing of the year for our food trailer at the Oak Harbor Apple Festival. We have had a food trailer at the Apple Festival every year since 1980 which was the year of our charter. This year was one of the best years

ever with beautiful weather both days. Our preliminary profit will be around \$3800 and we sold 900 sandwiches. Our next event in October will be Halloween Trick or treating. We have a joint project with the Oak Harbor Rotary where we hand out apples, cider, donuts, and candy to trick or treaters at the log cabin in downtown Oak Harbor. Our last meeting in October we will host Zone Chairman Lisa Recker.

Perrysville Lions

October was busy as all months are. Our recycling projects are going well, we recycle plastic bags and aluminum cans.

For our Mental Health project for Mental Health week we have 3 veterans homes and 1 assisted living facility in our area so we treated the staff of those facilities with special thank you cards and boxes of candy. Our club along with Loudonville participated in the Peace poster contest. We received 4 entries and chose 2 winners.

We did Eye Screening 2 days at the Valley View Pre-school. We held our monthly Swiss steak luncheon which was a sale-out. The proceeds were given to the Perrysville Association of Churches for Christmas boxes.

We held a food drive and are sponsoring a clothing drive. We will be judging the village Halloween Costume contest and handing out candy.

Our next Swiss steak luncheon will be January 11, 2026 from 11-1, serving from the Perrysville Community Center.

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas!!

Polk Lions Club

The Polk Lions welcomed Christina Teevan, from Ashland Special Needs Ministry, and presented her with a sizable donation of pasta and sauce. She gave a heartfelt and informative presentation about the ministry and her special friends! This group serves all of Ashland County with great care, compassion, and love! If anyone is looking for a worthwhile charity to support, please consider Ashland Special Needs



Ministry!



The Polk Lions would like to thank Lion Ann Miller for presenting information about Project Life Saver at our Community Dinner.



Port Clinton Lions Club

Greetings from Port Clinton where autumn is beginning to make its presence felt. We get a

little extra warmth here in the fall as the lake keeps the frost away until the water cools in November. ANNUAL VISION SCREENING: Our annual screening of area school children (mentioned last month) was a big success. 491 children were screened in area daycare centers and elementary schools. Of these, 49 were referred for further medical evaluation. We are prepared to help those families needing it with acquisition of glasses.

WE'RE TAKING A CRUISE:

Planning is underway for our 2026 bust trip fundraiser which will be a cruise on the Detroit River. The bus will leave from Port Clinton. JUNE 12TH. IS THE DATE! More info to follow... RING DEM

BELLS: We were graced by the presence of Desiree Silverwood of Port Clinton's Salvation Army Service Center at our Oct. 16th. Club meeting. The annual Red Kettle Campaign will kick off on November 13th. This is the Army's big fundraising effort for the calendar year. With these funds, the Salvation Army provides assistance with housing, utilities, meals and family support. The Salvation Army was founded over 125 years ago in San Francisco, CA. It was and is a Christian organization seeking to answer a biblical call of service and evangelism.

OUR 2DVG VISIT: 2DVG

Jessica Skeen was in attendance at our Oct. 13th. Club meeting.

She extended an invitation to call upon her for assistance with club promotion or any other technical question for the good of the club. She expressed enthusiasm for the use of social media in helping to reach

potential younger folks for club membership and Service opportunities.

Rowsburg Lions Club

We had our first Cheese Sale and Pancake breakfast of the season with much success. It was good seeing everyone back plus some new faces at the pancake breakfast and hope to see more at our next breakfast which will be November 15th. Come and join us and it is by donation with money going to scholarships for grads of Ashland County. At our October meeting we discussed printing a newsletter to be passed out at our pancake breakfast to let the community know what our projects have involved and news of interest that involves our club. Lion member Judy Emmerich will be taking care of reporting and printing of the newsletter. It was reported that the dividing posts for parking in our driveway have been taken care of and in place. We voted to donate \$250.00 to the United Way fund this year. We also will be doing a meat raffle and tickets are available from any member of the club with winners to be announced at our Christmas dinner.

Savannah Crestview Lions Club

Savannah-Crestview Lions Ervin Yoder, Ron Oswalt, Debbie Reidy and Kevin Reidy (not pictured) participated in Crestview Schools family literacy event on October 15. Lions shared grapes and chocolate chip cookies with

children and parents who visited the Lions canopy.



Thank you to all who came to have breakfast with us at the beginning of October. The proceeds of that breakfast came in very handy for a local family with a little one battling childhood cancer. We continue to offer the free community lunch program the third Wednesday of the month from now through May of 2026. And as always you can find us making pancakes and sausage the first Saturday of each month. Come have breakfast with friends!!

Shelby Lions Club

The Shelby Lions club started October with participating in Mathew 25, delivering produce to 60 Shelby families. Meranda Gregory handed out candy at the Shelby YMCA trunk or treat. Meranda decorated her car as a pirate ship. We participated in the Shelby Halloween parade with Neen dressed as a Lion and Dave and Sally tossing candy to the kids. Four of our Lady Lions packed weekend lunch boxes for school children so they will not go hungry. We are in contact with the Shelby city school officials to help deal with Mental health issues.



Tiffin Lions Club

President Margaret Werling presented a chevron from the Lions Clubs International for Lion Ron Kramer for completing 35 years as a Lion. She also presented two plaques to Lion Paul Klaiss. One for Leadership Award from OLERF and the other for Lion of the Year 2025-2026 for his outstanding service, loyalty and devotion to the Lions. Brooms were sold at the Farmers Market on October 11. That was the last one for the year. We will be starting to make our popcorn balls on November 17, 20, 24, and December 1, 4, 8, 11, and 18. We will start at 6:00 at the Tiffin Moose. Clubs welcome to help. Please call Lion Mike Smith at 419-618-3667 for details.

We collected 132 pairs of glasses and 51 cases, with 3.5 hours at 9 stops for October. We will have our Fun Halloween at the Izzac Walton on October 27, 2025. Social will be at 5:30 and will eat at 6:00



Vermillion Lions Club

Vermilion Lions have been busy with our Famous french

fries. Selling them at the VHS home football games. Unfortunately, we only had 4 home games this year. But still managed to sell over 1000 lbs. of potatoes. Sold 150 lbs. of potatoes at the Vermilion High School Band Festival. The VHS Athletic Boosters receive 50% of the profit from the football fries and Band Boosters receive all profits from Band Fest. We sold our famous fries at the Wooley Bear Festival over 650 lbs. of potatoes. We built with the help of the Vermilion FFA 5 park benches and placed them at Sherod Park. We dedicated 2 benches to two of our deceased Vermilion Lions



Lions that have Passed this month

On Friday, October 17, Lion Phil Critcher passed away. He has been a Bellville Lions member for 12 years.

Upcoming District Activities

All Lions Clubs that would like to have their activities promoted in the District Newsletter are welcome to do so. This will possible get more lions to them. Please send flyer 2 month before the activity so it can be seen before the activity.



We Serve

Savannah-Crestview

Lions

Pancake Breakfast

Savannah Town Hall

Saturday, Nov 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:

Local Charities

Accepting Used Eye Glasses to Recycle

Door Prizes donated by Miller's-Hawkins Market

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



LUCAS LIONS CLUB MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

THREE SUSPECTS, ONLY ONE KILLER
THREE TEAMS MUST WORK TOGETHER TO ASK THE RIGHT
QUESTIONS IN ORDER TO FIND OUT WHO TRIED TO GET AWAY
WITH MURDER!

IF YOUR TEAM CHOOSES WISELY, THEY MIGHT WIN BIG!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025
LUCAS COMMUNITY CENTER
252 W MAIN ST, LUCAS, OH 44843

MUST BE 18 OR OLDER

General Admission
Tickets go on sale
Saturday, August 30,
2025 at 9 am during
Community Center Car
Show (Pavilion) or call
614-981-3998 to reserve
your ticket.

Additional 50/50
tickets, raffles, and
drinks will be
available to
purchase at the
event

TICKETS ARE \$40 EACH
INCLUDES:
• LIGHT DINNER
• 2- ROUNDS OF
MURDER MYSTERY
• 1- CHANCE TO WIN
A DOOR PRIZE



Please no
outside food
or drinks!

LUCAS LIONS CLUB

Cash Raffle

TICKETS ARE \$5 EACH
500 TICKETS SOLD
4 WINNING TICKETS

WILL BE DRAWN

1ST = \$250
2ND = \$125
3RD = \$75
4TH = \$50

DRAWING ON NOVEMBER 8, 2025
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN
TO PURCHASE TICKETS CONTACT A

LUCAS LION OR CALL/TEXT
614-981-3998



Polk Lions Holiday Nut Sale!

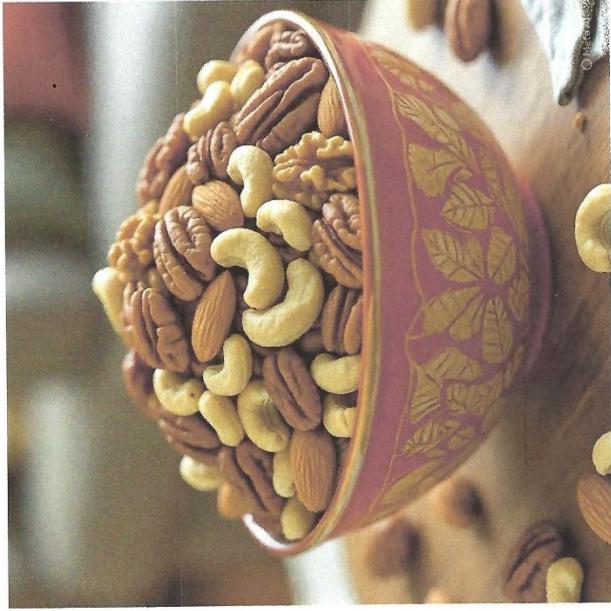
All of your favorites for \$10 a pound:

- Cinnamon Sugar almonds,
- Honey roasted cashews,
- Salted deluxe cashews,

and

Salted deluxe mixed nuts.

We offer a special value of 2 1/2 lbs of honey roasted peanuts for \$10! Sale ends Nov. 15 and will be delivered the last week of November. Proceeds go toward Polk Lions local projects. Contact Sandy Welch welch.sandy@yahoo.com or your favorite Lion. As always, thanks for your support.



The Hayesville Lions Club Sausage Sale



WHOLE HOG SAUSAGE

BULK OR CASING \$5 PER POUND

Place your order with any Hayesville Lion

or call/text Lion Greg Hess at 419-685-1547 before November 2nd

Orders can be picked up Friday evening November 7th at
Heffelfingers Meats, 469 County Rd 30A, Jeromesville, Ohio
starting at 7:00pm or

PREPAID orders can be picked up at the Hillsdale High School,
Craft Show Saturday, November 8th BEFORE 3:00PM
(unless your Lion has made arrangements for delivery)

Proceeds from your order are used by our Lions club
to help our community. We Thank You!



Riverboat Lunch Cruise & Motown Show

Friday, June 12, 2026



Fundraising event for the Port Clinton Lion's Club

Departing from:
9 am The Sutton Center
1848 E. Harbor Rd,
Port Clinton
Returning at approx. 5pm

Sail the beautiful Detroit River and enjoy a first-class adventure with a full lunch buffet(salad, beef, chicken, pasta, dessert & more!

Live Motown entertainment!
Your trip includes:

- Round-trip deluxe motor coach bus transportation
- Ticket for the riverboat cruise, lunch buffet & Live Motown show on board the largest riverboat in the mid-west!

***Alcoholic beverages available at an open bar, but are not included in the cost.**

*Trip is non refundable unless there is a waiting list. By booking all parties understand that all aspects of the itinerary are subject to change.

1018 Travels, LLC are not liable for any incidents or accidents occurring on the trip experience.



\$139
per person.

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**OHIO LIONS
WINTER RETREAT**

2026 Ohio Lions Winter Retreat

January 16, 17, 18, 2026

**REGISTRATION FORM
DEER CREEK STATE PARK RESORT
MT. STERLING, OH**

REGISTRATION:

Full registration paid by December 1, 2025 will be **\$130.00**. Full registrations December 2, 2025 – January 3, 2026 will be **\$145.00**. No registrations will be accepted after January 3, 2026. Make all checks payable to: “THE OHIO LIONS” and specify LIONS WINTER RETREAT in the memo line and return with this registration form to: Ohio Lions, 2082 Stringtown Rd, PO Box 155, Grove City, OH 43123; Fax: 614-539-5055; Email: ohiolions@gmail.com. To use your credit card: go to www.ohiolions.org & use PayPal and send your registration form to the address above. **NO CANCELLATIONS WILL BE REFUNDED OR REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER JANUARY 4, 2026.**

Please provide an Email address to receive updates on the Winter Retreat!

District

NAME: _____ EMAIL _____

NAME: _____ EMAIL _____

NAME: _____ EMAIL _____

Will attend Sip and Paint (\$30 fee) _____ (LIMITED TO 25 PEOPLE)

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED: \$ _____

SPECIAL NEEDS: Please List any special dietary needs required, including the need for a Diabetic Meal.

Registrant's Name: _____ Needs: _____

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Session Facilitators

_____ Yes, _____ would help as a session facilitator at the Winter Retreat.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Hotel reservations must be made through the hotel by calling 1-800-282-7275 and ask for the Ohio Lions Winter Retreat block. Room reservations must be made prior to December 1, 2025 to get the \$129.00/night plus tax rate.

After December 1st the room rate may increase. The resort only has a limited number of rooms and may sell out. The State Office will not accept hotel reservations or room deposits.

Check out www.deercreektatepark.com for all of the winter events and resort amenities that are offered at the lodge. Make this a family outing!!!