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District Governor's Notes

This is a busy time for me. Getting ready for the district convention! All the planning, the sessions, the awards, the Cabinet Dinner, the Silent Auction, the entertainment Friday night, the Necrology on Sunday and just being ready for all the Lions to have a good time! If you haven't sent your reservation in yet, please do so.

I noticed we've had a couple of suicides in the news lately with sports figures. It's a shame that they don't give them mental health help when they are on injured reserve as well as physical care. They seem to forget how many people depend on some of these athletes for money and help when they are healthy and playing, but the need doesn't go away when they are injured. The pressure and self-worth is just too much for some of these young players and they are desperate.

Soon, Dr. Michael Garber will be your District Governor, and he will do a great job, I am confident of that! It is important that you come to convention and vote for him. District Governors must be elected. So delegates, sign up!

Don't forget your shoes for the service project at the convention. It's for Mona's kids. Please bring your new or slightly worn shoes to the convention. Either tied together or rubber banded together. All proceeds go to Pediatric Cancer.

That's all I have except, ask someone to be a Lion, we need members to do service, and we need service to be a Lion! Hurry Spring, I'm over winter!!!!

DG ShirLee

Visitation Schedule

1st VDG Mike

On March 20 - 22, we will gather for one of the most energizing and inspiring events of the year - our District Convention! More than just a meeting, our convention is a celebration of who we are as Lions and the impact we make when we unite under our motto, We Serve.

Since our founding in 1917 by Melvin Jones, Lions have believed that “you can’t get very far until you start doing something for someone else.” The District Convention brings that belief to life. It is where service stories are shared, leaders are developed, friendships are strengthened, and the future of Lionism in our district is shaped.

Attendees will:

- Celebrate the achievements of clubs and individual Lions
- Participate in educational sessions
- Elect district leaders and help guide the direction of our service
- Connect with fellow Lions who share a passion for making a difference

Whether you are a new member or a seasoned leader, the District Convention is your opportunity to grow, to serve, and to lead. Together, we continue building stronger

clubs, stronger communities, and a stronger future for Lionism.

We look forward to seeing you there—because when Lions gather, service grows.

Yours in service,
Mike Garber, 1st VDG

1st VDG

Visitation Schedule

March 7-8 OH 7 Convention
March 11 Plymouth Visitation
March 14 OH 5 Convention
March 19 Bellville Visitation
March 20–22 OH 2
Convention

2nd VDG Jessica

This month has been an absolute whirlwind. I have done six of the seven zone meetings since the beginning of February plus a Council of Governors meeting in Grove City, a cabinet meeting in Bellevue, and a new member induction in Polk. For my own club, I also got to help with the Beach Party with Phil Dirt and the Dozers.

For being the shortest month of the year, we sure managed to pack a lot into the schedule around the district. Plus, I still have a huge event before the month is over. I will be attending the Leo Convention at Col Crawford High School this Saturday. This will be my first Leo Convention and I cannot wait to see how the kids do their event.

As we transition into March, it doesn't look like anything is slowing down. I have three district conventions planned, including ours. I am also going to the Urban Club Development Workshop on March 1 and 2. I am especially excited for the 2nd when we will be meeting in Etna to put our newly learned skills to the test as we canvass for new Lions.

I hope to see many of my Lions Club friends at our District Convention. I would love to have a decent showing of support for my bid to move up to First Vice District Governor. If anyone feels inclined to be part of a demonstration in my favor, I will be sticking to my theme of Let Your Light Shine. I'm sure my husband will love that we finally have a use for some of my many mason jars besides just sitting on the shelves looking beautiful.

I am also hoping to pull off a bus trip from our district to the State Convention in May for the elections on that Saturday. I am still putting everything together as far as the exact cost and timing, but I would love to hear from people who are interested in joining the fun. We want to pack the bus with Lions ready to vote for their choice for International Director. Hopefully I can get everything firmed up enough to get information ready for our District Convention and we can open sign-ups at that point.

Thank you to all of the Zone Chairs and host clubs for the great month of meeting even more Lions. I

can't wait to see you all soon.

Yours in Lionism,

2VDG Jessica Skeen

2nd VDG Visitation Schedule

March 1 - Urban Club
Development Workshop

March 2 - Canvassing in Etna
March 2 - Zone 5 Meeting
March 5 - Madison Twp. Meeting
March 7 - District 7
Convention Grand Banquet
March 13 - Elyria Club Visit
March 14 - District 5
Convention Grand Banquet
March 19 - Madison Twp Meeting
March 20-22 - District 2

Convention
March 24 - Norwalk Club Visit
March 28 - Vermilion Lions Club Reverse Raffle

REMINDER

District Dues for the 2nd half of 2025-2026 are past due.

So far 6 of clubs have not paid. Invoices were emailed

On January 10th.

Contact CT Tom at 419-706-0040



LIONS
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INTERNATIONAL

40/20 CHALLENGE

20 new members in the next 40 days

There's no time like the present to bridge the membership gap and finish this Lions year
STRONG and POSITIVE!

ONE new member every TWO days to achieve this goal,

**JUST IN TIME FOR
WORLD WIDE INDUCTION DAY
April 25, 2026
YOU CAN DO IT!**

Pediatric Cancer

Do you have gently used shoes, boots, and sneakers in your closet that you no longer wear???

Help support Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation!!!!

We are collecting gently used footwear as a fundraiser for pediatric cancer. We get paid by the pound.

Collection will occur between now and State Convention in May.

This will be our Service Project for our upcoming District Convention in March.

Bring these shoes, boots, etc to convention. We will be bagging the shoes that are brought to Convention. This is an easy fundraiser plus we are helping the environment by keeping the footwear out of landfills. You can also have a club service project by collection from club members and the community.

Please see our flyers. If you have questions, please contact Mona DiCesare.

Thanks



Shoe the Love!



Your closet clean-out can support kids fighting cancer!

Pediatric Cancer Shoe Drive INFORMATION

The Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation is partnering with Kids Get Cancer Too to raise funds to benefit Ohio families battling childhood cancer via Funds2Org!

Funds2Orgs is a social enterprise that helps schools, nonprofits, and community groups run zero-cost, no-sell shoe drive fundraisers, where they collect gently used shoes, get paid by weight, and keep them out of landfills, while providing inventory for micro-entrepreneurs in developing nations to create local businesses, offering a win-win-win for fundraising, sustainability, and global poverty reduction.

Lions Clubs throughout the state will collect gently used or new shoes (any style, any size) to bring to their District or State Convention on May 16, 2026.

Each club will need to tie shoelaces or rubber-band pairs together for easy sorting and place in the clear bags that will be provided.

Each bag must contain **only** 25 pairs.

Whichever club gathers the **MOST** pairs will be presented with the **GOLDEN SHOE AWARD** at the State Convention!

Every pair donated helps raise funds to support kids and families fighting pediatric cancer through Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation and Kids Get Cancer Too!





Shoe the Love!

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Pediatric Cancer Shoe Drive!

Bring your gently used or new pairs of shoes to your District Convention or State Convention!

- Boots to ballet shoes,
- Sandals to soccer cleats
- Official dress or casual tennis shoes
- Tie shoelaces or rubber-band pairs together for easy sorting - we will take them all if they're gently used or new!



in partnership with

Every pair donated help raise funds to support kids and families fighting pediatric cancer through *Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation* and *Kids Get Cancer Too!*



There will be a Golden Shoe award for the district and Club who donate the most pairs of shoes!

Contact your District OLPCF Representative for more donation information!



District Committee's Information



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

Lions Club International Foundation helps so many in our communities and throughout the world. This year the Lorian Lions Club received a grant from LCIF so the kids in their community be able to play basketball by refurbishing an old basketball court. With this grant kids with disabilities will be able to play also. This is a particularly good reason to donate to LCIF.

I will have a table at our District Convention on information that clubs and members can get educated on what LCIF is. This information will let clubs and members learn how to apply for a grant and all the services that LCIF offers.

I will be holding a raffle for \$25.00 gift card and for Governor ShirLee is donating a quilt. Tickets will be \$10.00 each. There will be four (4) \$25.00 gifts card awarded.

Our goal this year is \$54,017.00 and currently we have donated \$24,738.00 which is 46% of our goal. I thank our cabinet for approving the donation of \$5000.00 to LCIF. This will bring us closer to our goal.

See everyone at the District Convention.

PDG/LCIF District 13 OH2 Coordinator

Carolyn

Leadership and Officer Training – May 2 in Ashland

OH-2 Leadership School and officer training day at Trinity Lutheran Church in Ashland will be Saturday, May 2. Registration will be from 8-9 am and training will wrap by 2 pm. We are planning a number of general presentations and encourage everyone who is interested in serving, considering being an officer, or moving up to district opportunities to be a part of the day. A special service project is being considered. We ask for a donation toward breakfast and will have a 50/50 opportunity to help the district with the day's expenses. Registration forms and more information will be at the OH2 convention, forwarded to all clubs, and in the April district newsletter.

OH2 GLT Lion Ann Miller and the Leadership Team

State Information

PCC LYDIA HOUSER
FOR OHIO MD13 ENDORSED CANDIDATE
FOR INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR



WHY OHIO NEEDS STRONG INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION

Ohio Lions needs strong international representation by having an International Director because the Lions Clubs International organization operates on a global scale, influencing policies and initiatives that affect all member clubs. An International Director from Ohio ensures that the unique perspectives, needs, and strengths of Ohio Lions are effectively communicated and considered in international decision-making. This representation helps Ohio Lions stay connected to worldwide service opportunities, fosters collaboration with other regions, and advocates for resources and support that directly benefit their local projects. Additionally, it elevates Ohio's profile within the global Lions community, inspiring greater engagement and pride among its members.

Ohio needs robust international representation to ensure its Lions Clubs are fully engaged in shaping the future of service worldwide. By electing me as the endorsed candidate for International Director, Ohio secures a leader whose vision, passion, and advocacy will elevate its voice on the global platform. I bring a wealth of local leadership experience, a deep understanding of Ohio's unique challenges, and the proven ability to connect those needs with international opportunities. My collaborative spirit and forward-looking mindset will empower Ohio Lions to influence international strategies, attract greater resources, and participate in innovative service initiatives. On both the state and world stage, my dedication to serving others, transparent communication style, and unwavering commitment to the Lions' mission make me an outstanding ambassador. Electing me means Ohio's priorities will be championed internationally, while my leadership inspires progress, unity, and pride within communities at home and across the globe.

For more detailed information, my full bio and answers to some specific questions are on the State web site: <https://www.ohiolions.org/news-events/news/827-meet-the-candidates-for-international-director>. Or follow my candidate's page at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61586735977187>

As Lions, we can be the change by "Sharing Kindness – One Act at a Time".

If you have questions or requests, please contact me by email at LMHYOYO@aol.com or via phone at (937) 609-6594.

Zone Chair Corner

On February 4, 2026, a Zone 2 meeting was held at Sommerset Reception Hall in Tiffin, hosted by the Republic Lions. At the meeting items collected for the Pack A Suitcase were presented to Seneca County Job and Family Services Jen Schumacher (protective services) and Krystal Smith(Foster care/Adoption). It all started when Zone2 Chair Patty Fry heard about other Lion Clubs packing suitcases for children services at last year's District Convention and thought "why not do this as our Zone2 project." She contacted Seneca County Job and Family Services and was put in touch with Jen Schumacher. Jen sha red that they were getting a shed to store items to help children and foster parents. It was donated by Seneca Co. Leadership Class of 2045/25. She explained that they would now be able to pack a suitcase with some essentials when they picked up a child. Also, that foster parents could come and pick out some needed items.

Zone 2 Chair Patty asked each club to donate specific items with assigned sizes at each Zone meeting. At September's meeting over 200 pairs of underwear, over 150 pairs of socks, and a large bag of stuffed toys were collected. In Novembers Zone2 meeting, almost 100 toothbrushes (with over half being powered toothbrushes), toothpaste, mouthwash, floss, soap, shampoo, cream rinse, detangle spray, combs, brushes, hair ties, hair clips, were collected along with 2 large bags of child themed throw blankets! February 4ths Zone2 meeting over three dozen sets of pajamas were collected.

" It was so AMAZING" said ZC Patty "to see the Clubs respond with such great and generous support of this Pack A Suitcase project.

I'm proud to Chair these wonderful Clubs."



Club News Past, Present and to come

Ashland Evening Lions

Scholarship applications for graduating seniors are now in school guidance offices with April 1 deadline. Geranium and spring plant fundraiser sale underway with pre-orders

accepted until April 20 for pickup beginning May 6. Recycled eyeglasses for fiscal year total 8400 with about 70 cartons in storage for the next VOSH pickup. Members from our club visited the Savannah-Crestview Lions meeting on

February 5. We were represented at the Feb 16 cabinet meeting and also at the Zone 7 advisory meeting on Feb 23.

Ashland Noon Lions Club

Ashland Noon Lions Club – February Highlights & March Preview

February was a month filled with strong programs, warm fellowship, and continued momentum for the Ashland Noon Lions Club.

We were privileged to hear from several outstanding local speakers who reminded us just how much good work is happening in our community. Todd Jurjevic, President & CSO, from Minnich Manufacturing shared insights into local industry and workforce development, while Ashley from Ashley's Candy & Nut Shoppe gave us a sweet look at small-business success in Ashland. Chris from the Ashland Theater inspired us with updates on the theater, arts, and downtown vitality, and Jeff from the Ashbrook Center provided a thoughtful perspective on civic education and leadership.

Beyond our weekly programs, February was also a time for reflection and recommitment. Members engaged in important conversations about strengthening the future of our club, focusing especially on membership growth and community visibility. While we continue to serve faithfully, we recognize the need to expand our ranks so that our impact can grow even stronger in the years ahead.

Looking ahead to March, Lions are excited about continued service opportunities, engaging speakers, and renewed efforts to invite prospective members to experience the fellowship and purpose that define Lionism. As always, our focus remains clear: serving Ashland, supporting one

another, and living out the Lions motto — *We Serve*.

The Ashland Noon Lions Club looks forward to building on this momentum as we move into the spring season together.



Attica Lions Club

With more snow and a shortage of Red Cross workers, our Lions Club had to cancel the February Blood Drive. We will try again this spring, so stay tuned! The need for blood is great.

Members of the LEO Club of Seneca East, along with several Attica Lions advisors, met in February to create fleece tie-blankets. These beautiful, soft and colorful blankets are going to be donated to "Sisters in Shelter" of Tiffin, which supports survivors of human trafficking. Each blanket was hand-made, then given a hug before being bundled with a personal tag attached. Of course, popcorn was made to keep the workers going! We Serve!

Bascom Lions Club

The Bascom Lions is having a Pediatric Cancer Fundraising Dinner on Sunday April 12th. Pork and Chicken, take out only at \$15 dollars a meal from 11 am to 1 pm. See a Bascom Lion for dinner tickets. Last month, Bascom Lion Jim Hutchins participated in the Polar Bear Jump in Tiffin, he was the oldest at 82. For donations this month, we decided on campers at the Be Wise Stem Camp for girls. We donated \$200 each for 4 junior high girls.

Bellville Lions Club

The Bellville Lions Club is roaring to go in the month of

February with approving \$294.00 to pay for an eye assessment for a blind resident. We also agreed to donate \$300 in candy for the upcoming Annual Easter Egg hunt set for April 3rd, Good Friday. This event is special to our club through our 10 year member, the late Phil Critcher, who organized it every year for the Bellville village residents. He oversaw 6,000 plastic Easter eggs filled with candy, with a special golden egg for each age category to be found. Our members will continue this long standing tradition that Phil served with his heart and loved in his memory. Lion Donna reported that the Richland County Project Lifesaver program was able to purchase 6 kits and 50 cases of batteries from the money raised through the 5k/10k race in December. She also reported the young girl with cancer who our club and Step Walks donated funds to last month had a successful bone marrow transplant. Lion Kayla reported that the child with cancer to whom we donated funds to assist her family last year “rang the bell” as she is cancer free! We loaned our magnifier to a resident, who was so thankful that she sent a \$20.00 donation. Headed by Lion Teri, club members worked together at our regular monthly meeting on February 19th and put together 1,596 pairs of used eye glasses to mail to VOSH. PDG Carolyn invited Marge, a Bellville resident, as a guest who is interested in joining our club and also helped with the glasses. Lion Al made a beef curry stew for our dinner that evening. Lion Teri will start the collection of gently used and new shoes for the “Shoe our

Love” project. A collection box will be available for donations at the Bellville post office. Members will be sporting new club shirts, sweatshirts and zippered hoodies this spring as they continue to serve in the community. You may also see our members with the Bellville Lions Club magnetic placard on their vehicles. Our goal is to make a bite size impression of what we do. We will have our food trailer at Malabar Farm for the Maple Syrup Festival on the weekends of March 7 & 8, and 14 & 15. Come on down to the Festival and we hope to see you at District Conference in Strongsville.



1st VDG Mike Garber, who gave us a brief recap of our District's year in service thus far.

We enjoyed a delicious meal and played several games that were organized by Lions Joe and Ruthann Noblet. We were very happy that 1st VPG Mike and Lorna were able to join us and share in such a fun and enjoyable evening.

As a reminder, on February 28, we will be assisting the Colonel Crawford Leo Club as they host the Leo State Convention at William and Hannah Crawford School. We are excited to welcome Leos from across the state and look forward to a successful and enjoyable event.



Colonel Crawford Lions Club

The Colonel Crawford Lions Club hosted our annual Sweetheart Dinner on February 12th following a very brief meeting. We were greeted by

Crestline Lions Club

The annual Subs for Sight Fundraiser for the Crestline Lions Club was a success as the club sold over 640 subs which raised \$1,200 for the Sight and Service Fund.

On Tuesday February 10th, the club held its annual Valentine Day Dinner and recognized the Crestline Policeman, Firefighter, and Dispatcher of the Year.

Along with Crestline Lion and Crestline Firefighter Vicki Lash, Crestline Police Chief Jason Kitzmiller and Fire Chief Kyle Atherton presented the awards.

The winners were nominated by their peers in their respective departments.

The Police Officer of the Year was Sergeant and Detective Owen Ross.



Hayesville Lions Club

The Hayesville Lions Club met February 19 at Hayesville Methodist Church with a delicious meal. We will be having a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast March 14 at the Hayesville Firehouse from 8-9:30am.

We will have breakfasts every month on the second Saturday at the same time and place. We have scholarships available for anyone interested going to college or a trade school. Contact Greg Hess at 419-685-1547 for information or to sign up for one.

The annual Three Score and Ten banquet is March 24 at Hillsdale School and anyone who can help would be appreciated.

Our next meeting will be March 19 at Stone Lutheran Church with Keith Yeater presenting a meeting.

Lorain Lions Club

Lorain Lions Club Supports Cleveland Scrappers Beep Baseball Team

Kevin Barrett, Treasurer of the Cleveland Scrappers Beep Baseball Team, was the guest speaker at Thursday's Lorain Lions Club meeting, discussing beep baseball—a sport designed for athletes who are blind or visually impaired.

Barrett, a member of the Westshore Lions Club and

Scrappers pitcher, explained that beep baseball uses a softball-sized ball that emits a beeping sound three times per second, allowing players to locate and hit it. The sport was founded in 1975 under the National Beep Baseball Association (NBBA).

The Lorain Lions Club presented a \$500 check to the Barrett to support their travel costs to the 2026 NBBA World Series in Aurora, Illinois, August 2-8. The Cleveland Scrappers will represent Greater Cleveland for the 25th time. The Scrappers previously hosted the World Series in 2001 and 2006 in Strongsville, with both events sponsored by the former Ohio Lions District 13-C.

"This presentation was an excellent opportunity for our club members and the public to learn about an innovative program that embodies Lions' commitment to serving the blind and visually impaired," said Mitchell J. Fallis, marketing director for the Lorain Lions Club. "The Cleveland Scrappers represent the power of inclusion and athletic excellence."



Juan Torres, Jr., Lorainite and second year Scrappers, left, and Kevin Barrett, right, Cleveland Scrappers Treasurer present the Cleveland Scrappers story at the Lorain Lions Club recent meeting. (Photo Courtesy of Lorain Lions Club)

Lucas Lions Club

The Lucas Lions have been busy preparing for our Spring activities! We will host our community Egg Hunt on March

28th at 10 am & our annual Bingo on May 2nd.

At our February 19th meeting Past President Jim Roland received the Membership Key Award for bringing in two new members! We also hosted the Zone 6 meeting on February 11th via Zoom. Additionally, we sent 394 glasses to VOSH.



Lucas Lions Club

The Lucas Lions have been busy preparing for our Spring activities! We will host our community Egg Hunt on March 28th at 10 am & our annual Bingo on May 2nd. At our February 19th meeting Past President Jim Roland received the Membership Key Award for bringing in two new members! We also hosted the Zone 6 meeting on February 11th via Zoom. Additionally, we sent 394 glasses to VOSH.

initiatives. Building on that momentum, our Lions Educational Outreach (LEO) committee recently awarded over \$3,000 in mini-grants to 17 local educators, providing up to \$250 per recipient for vital classroom tools like sensory items, books, and electronics. We are now looking forward to our annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on March 28 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., where guests can enjoy scrambled eggs, sausage, and all-you-can-eat pancakes for a \$10 donation (kids 5 and under eat free). With coloring books, photos with the Easter Bunny, and festive basket raffles, it is a perfect way to celebrate the season—check the flyer at the back of this newsletter for more details and come join us!



Loudonville Lions Club

Loudonville Lions sponsored another sold out Fish Fry this month and joined Perrysville Lions in hosting the Zone 7 Advisory Meeting. Tom Butler from USDA Division of Waterfowl was guest speaker for our regular meeting, sharing information on Black Vulture management. Next up, the annual Easter Egg Hunt!



North Ridgeville Lions Club

It has been an incredible season for the Lions Club of North Ridgeville, beginning with our highly anticipated Night at the Races at the end of January. This signature fundraiser brought together over 280 attendees for an electric evening of races, raffles, door prizes, and side boards, all in support of our community



Ontario Lions Club

The Ontario Lions are alive and well although not too active this *cold* month. We want to call attention to our flyer enclosed in this newsletter about our upcoming Spring Pancake Day on April 18th. We hope to see a lot of you at the District Convention!

Perrysville Lions

We had a slow month but we did make Valentines cards and delivered them to the 3 Veterans homes in Loudonville and 1 assisted living facility. We participated in 2 Food give aways and changed batteries in 1 Lifesaver client. We co-hosted the Zone 7 advisory meeting with Loudonville.

We will be holding our Swiss steak luncheon on March 8 serving from 11 to 1, Carry-out only from the Perrysville Community Center on the corner of Bridge and First Streets.

Polk Lions Club

The Polk Lions are proud to present the award, the Heart of Lionism, to Lion Janet Hoffman, for her selfless dedication to serving the Polk community and our club. Thank you, Lion Janet, for all you do.



The club is busy preparing to celebrate Pi (3.14) Day, March 14, by making an assortment of deep dish pies: Dutch apple, cherry, peach, and pecan. \$13 each or 2 for \$25. Pecan is the only pie we will bake for you. All others are on a take and bake basis. Orders may be picked up at the Polk United Methodist Church from noon to 5pm.

We are also hard at work collecting information and pictures of our Hometown Heroes, which will be posted on banners and hung along the streets. A dedication ceremony, including a parade and community meal, are also being planned for May 16. We hope you can join us for the event and help us to honor all veterans!

We are happy to say that we have collected 539 pounds of plastic so far, which puts us over halfway to our goal of 1,000 pounds! Thanks to the support of our community and the dedication of our members!

We welcome our newest member, Becky Huff, to our Polk Lions Family! She was sponsored by Lion Karen Shepherd and inducted by 2VDG Jessica Skeen.

Port Clinton Lions Club

Hello from Port Clinton where lake ice is beginning to melt. It appears to this writer that ice fishing season is ending. CABIN FEVER CHICKEN DINNER: The club held its winter chicken dinner which was a success! It happened on Jan. 31st. rescheduled due to a 10-inch snowfall on Jan. 25th. All's well that ends well. February: In February, we've been busy staying home and hosting the Area Zone Meeting. We await the arrival of spring!



Rowsburg Lions Club

We met and wrapped cheese for our cheese sales, followed by a short meeting. We discussed and voted on awarding a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating senior. Lion Doug Sloan reported that the scholarship applications have been submitted and will be voted on in the future.

Lion Steve Englet reported that the County Foundation is taking applications and he would do some checking on this and report back to us. President Bob Donelson reported that our March 10th meeting will be held at the Polk Lions Club as guests.

We were reminded of the Zone meeting to be held in Loudonville on the 23rd. President Bob Donelson informed us that Greg Garrell would be a guest speaker at a future meeting.

Savannah Crestview Lions Club

Thank you to all who came out to make our Valentine “drive-through” dinner a success. This was our first attempt at this type of fund raiser. We donated \$1,032.00 to the Pediatric Cancer fund from our January pancake breakfast proceeds. Please join us for our next pancake breakfast on March 7th; breakfast is better with friends!

Tiffin Lions Club

Paul Klaiss collected 148 glasses and 58 cases for December 2025. For January 2026, he collected 114 glasses and 59 cases with 7 stops and 2.5 hours.

We will be planning on eye screening in March at the Family Learning Center (Sentinel), the First Lutheran School, and YMCA preschool.

On February 16, 2026 our speaker for the night was Debbie Schultz with the help from Brenda Baker, Lynn Schmidt and Linda Eckert from the North Ohio – Lake Erie Nurse Honor Guard. The NO-LE NHG is a volunteer-based, non-profit organization, made up of current and retired nurses who wish to honor their fellow

caregivers. They provide a ceremonial service to nurses who have passed away. If you know of a nurse who has passed away, you can call the following people in their respective county: Sandusky: Brenda Baker 419-680-5158, Seneca: Debbie Schultz 419-618-0548, Ottawa: Lynn Schmidt 419-543-03663, Erie: Jill Weilnau 419-706-6216, and Huron: Linda Eckert 419-706-0307.



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 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, March 7, 2026

Serving from 6:30 A.M. until 10:30 A.M.

*Also serving pancakes, biscuits and gravy only at Road
Apple Run

Menu: Pancakes, Sausage, Sausage Gravy
& Biscuits and French Toast

Price Per Donation

Proceeds go to:

Youth Activities

Accepting Used Eye Glasses to Recycle

Door Prizes donated by Miller's-Hawkins Market

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

ELYRIA EVENING LIONS

& THE ELYRIA ARTS COUNCIL

Sip & Paint

FOR PEDIATRIC CANCER

In memory of the children we have lost & hope for those fighting



More Info

- Proceeds will support area families battling childhood cancer
- You are welcome to bring your "sips", but water, Coke products, and local wines will be provided.
- To pay with Venmo or PayPal, contact Lion Kerry at kep121@msn.com.

Name: _____

email: _____

Phone: _____ texting? Y / N

Cost: \$35/person check__ digital__ cash__

I confirm that I am 21 years or older

Participants must be 21 or over to access any alcoholic beverage. No exceptions.

Those unable to attend but who wish to make a donation should contact Lion Gayle at 440-346-3272 or gayle.gatzke@gmail.com



ELYRIA EVENING LIONS

& THE ELYRIA ARTS COUNCIL

Sip & Paint

FOR PEDIATRIC CANCER



JOIN US

Friday, March 13, 2026

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Elyria Arts Council, 336 Broad St., Elyria

Cost: \$35 / person

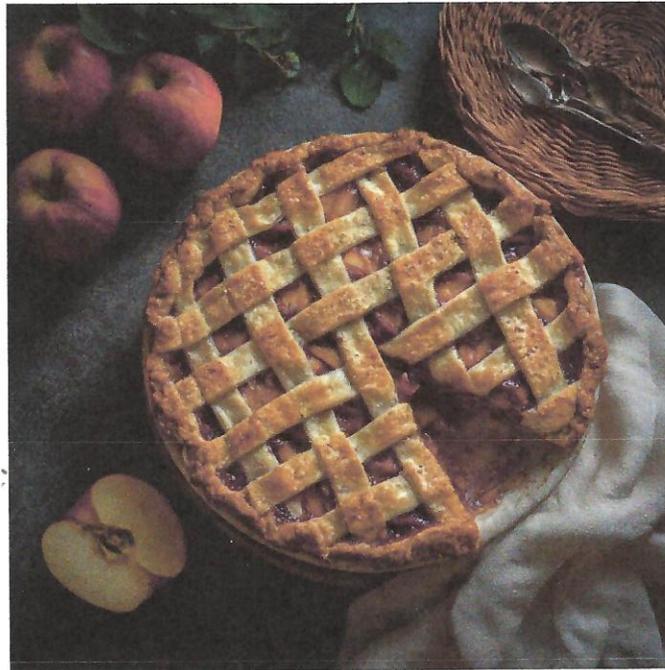
*Cost includes painting supplies and beverages

Send in the attached registration form or register online at:
<https://forms.gle/fR5H3v2aoBf3377H8>

Come out for a fun evening with friends, art therapy, and sips of your choice. All proceeds from tickets and donations will support Elyria families battling childhood cancer.

In memory of the children we have lost & hope for those fighting





Celebrate Pi Day (3.14) with a slice of your favorite pie!

Polk Lions are taking orders for whole pies until March 4.
Price is \$13 each, or 2 for \$25!

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

These are on a Take and Bake basis Only.
You freeze or bake them at your home.

Pecan pies are also available.
These are the only pies we will bake for you.

Pick up March 14, 12-5pm at the Polk United Methodist Church.

Come inside to pick up your order. Proceeds will be used to support
Lions programs.

HAYESVILLE LIONS CLUB



PANCAKE BREAKFAST



SATURDAY
MARCH 14TH

Proceeds will benefit
Pediatric Cancer
Research

8:00am - 9:30am

At The
Hayesville Fire
Department



Ontario Lions

Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, April 18, 2026

6:30 am - Noon

At Ontario High School

Tickets: \$7.00 each

Kids 6 & under eat FREE



Menu: Pancakes (all you want), Sausage, Coffee, Milk and Juice

Door prizes donated by local businesses

Winners need not to be present to win.

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

North Ridgeville Lions Club

SATURDAY, March 28th • 8 AM-11 AM

\$10.00 Donation
PER PERSON
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
Easter Coloring Book.**



**Sponsored by the
Lions Club of North
Ridgeville**



LUCAS
LIONS

BINGO

Join us for a fun evening of food, games, prizes and the thrill of the win!

General Admission Tickets are \$35 and go on sale

Saturday, March 21, 2026

Call 614-981-3998 to reserve your ticket or stop by the
Lucas Community Center from 9am-11am.

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026

Doors Open at 5:00 pm
Lucas Community Center
252 W Main St, Lucas, OH 44843
Must be 18 or older

Tickets are \$35 each
and include:
1 reusable Bingo board
20 rounds of Bingo
& Light Dinner



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



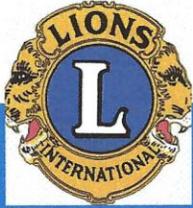
 LUCAS LIONS CLUB PUBLIC

Please no outside
food or drinks

DETROIT PRINCESS

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:

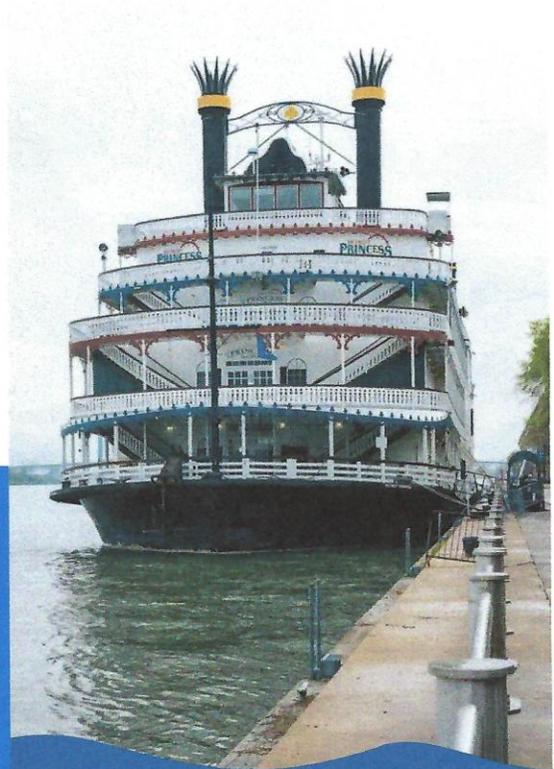
- Round-trip deluxe motor coach bus transportation
- Ticket for the riverboat cruise, lunch buffet & Live Motown show on board the largest riverboat in the mid-west!

***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.



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