OH 1 DISTRICT NEWS



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Thoughts from Governor Deb Crawford

Do you love being a lion? I sure do! Being a Lion is one of the best things in my life. Lions has allowed me to meet some fabulous people and make new friends. I enjoy traveling around the world to Lions meetings and events. As I help serve others in a safe manner, I have a feeling of goodness knowing that I have helped to make a difference in our world. We all need to share our love of Lionism with those around us. At the OH1 District Convention Lion Tamarra Parker-Stephens will lead us through a "Lions Passport" which will make sharing each of our Lions stories easier.

It was a very enjoyable gathering at this year's Lions Winter Retreat held at Salt Fork State Park during the Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend. There were many fun and informative sessions to attend. The food was good and the fellowship, as always, was a pleasure. You can learn a lot from other Lions! Some out of state Lions visited as well to share information about LCIF, membership, and the upcoming USA/Canada Leadership Forum to be held in Louisville, Kentucky. Next year's Winter Retreat will be held at Maumee Bay State Park January 17 – 19.

Now that the bones in my ankle and wrist are healing, I very much look forward to being a more active Lion. Good thing too since there is so much going on in February! Thank you for all the cards and Get Well wishes. Be the one who serves safely with kindness and have fun!



1VDG Susan Davis

Baby! It's cold outside!



So while you are wrapped in your blankets, with a cup of hot cocoa or other beverage, and perhaps in front a crackling fire, let's begin thinking ahead.

There are a lot of events coming up in February, March, April, May, June and September. Check this newsletter for a NWOLECF meeting, District Cabinet meeting, OH1 District Convention, and check OhiolionsOH1.org or ohiolions.org for information about District Conventions statewide, State Convention, International Convention in Melbourne, Australia, and USA/Canadian Forum in Louisville, Kentucky. Branch out to some of the other events involving Lions. You meet all kinds of Lions with all kinds of ideas and from there you can build a support group of people that can help you with your community projects or services. At the least, scroll through these opportunities to see what is out there.

And while you are thinking about the BIG picture, think about OH1. If anyone is interested in being a part of the district as **zone chairs**, **assistant zone chairs**, **region chairs**, **or district committees**, please let me know. I am hoping that most are returning at this point, BUT everyone can use an assistant that can learn the position and/or step in when needed. The cabinet is not exclusive! I am encouraging every Lion to consider being a voting cabinet member. You can also attend cabinet meetings to learn the process and to see what we discuss. It is fun and funny at times. It is good to socialize with other Lions. So, if you are interested in either being a committee member or attending a meeting, contact me. **This is your district**.

ROARON!



Greetings from 2VDG Faith Cataldo-Gauger

February tends to be a time when many people think about Love. A great way to show God's Love to others is through SERVICE. And Lions members are all about serving and helping others! (My personal favorite reason to be a Lion.)

So February can be a good time of year to look at your club's Service Projects. We are over half way through the current Lions year - is your club on track to meet its service goals? Or do you need to make some adjustments? Are the projects that you have been doing still serving the needs in your community? Are there other unmet needs that might deserve a higher priority? Would it be beneficial for your club to partner with another organization in your area to help bring about additional or new services? Where is there a need that is not being met?

Also, remember that when you are doing service projects, that it is a great time to invite a friend or acquaintance to assist in the project. You may just gain a new member!

Then, be sure to REPORT your club's Service Activities in the MyLion/MyLCI reporting system.

Keep up the great services that you and your club provide!

Yours in loving Lions Service, 2nd VDG Faith:)



Council Chairperson Dave Stockum

Happy Winter.

That second week of January was cold weatherwise, but hot in Lions Land. The thermometer reached zero, but we added sixty new members in the first two weeks of January. Best wishes to the new club at Willoughby Hills, which chartered with 33 members on January 18. January 27th the Marion Lions Club celebrated its new charter. We need to average 85 new members a month for the remainder of this Lions Year to reach the LCI goal of 957 new members for the year. Incidentally, the Constitutional Area noted the fine job we are doing recruiting new members and raised the initial goal of 918 to this new number. Great job on the plus side, but we need to put a dent in the minus membership category. We must focus on retention of our current members to make membership growth a fact. Club satisfaction surveys, direct contact with inactive members, and increased and publicized service are all ways to stem losing members.

I am confident when you see the Recruiters Passport program unveiled at the Winter Retreat and disseminated to local Lions by mid-February, you will be further encouraged to get out in your communities and "Ask One (or two or three...)" to be part of our Lions family. Speaking of the Winter Retreat, over 140 Lions gathered at Salt Fork Lodge for an enjoyable and educational MLK Weekend. Sessions ranging from Bigfoot to New Voices were well-presented, and old and new friendships were re/established.

Besides the Recruiters Passport Program, I am challenging each club to be a 100% club in service, leadership and membership. Each club will receive a postcard after the February 10 Council of Governors Meeting challenging them to submit a report using the Lions Portal (we are almost at 100% in MD13 already), to submit their PU-101 officer report to LCI by May 15, and to finish the year +2 in growth. I will check the statistics for each club mailing me the completed postcard at the end of the 2023-2024 Lions Year and send the successful clubs a 2"X 2" banner pin designating them a 100% Lions Club in service, leadership and growth for 2023-2024. If the year were to end today, 47 of our 353 clubs would receive this designation. This is a personal challenge and funding for it is not coming from MD13 funds! I believe we can achieve this and am "putting my money where my mouth is."

Let's go; let's grow... in service and in membership. Let's be leaders in the field of charitable organizations and in our own clubs and districts. Have a great February.

CC Dave







McComb Lions Club



Cordially Invites You to Join Us
As we Celebrate Our

75th Charter Night

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 6:30 pm

Bishop's Barn 3475 County Road 139 McComb, Ohio 45858

Guest Speaker will be ID Ron Keller, Millersport, Ohio

Please RSVP no later than **Sunday, April 1st**Swiss Steak/Chicken Breast
Salad, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, California Blend, Roll & Butter, Cupcake, Beverage
Cost is \$25 per person

yes, I would t	ike to attend	Number of people attending
(Name)	(Address)	
(Phone number)	***************************************	

Please mail RSVP's with checks payable to McComb Lions Club to: Pat Ritter, 4635 Township Road 235, McComb, OH 45858





Portage Lions Club

48rd Charter Night

Monday, March 25, 2024

6:00 pm Social Time

6:30 pm Dinner

Cost \$13.00

Christ United Methodist Church

301 W. Main St

Portage, Ohio 43452

RSVP by March 20 to Anne Deutschman

419-354 -3014 or jakgs@dacor.net

In the spirit of this year's Hunger Project, we are asking everyone to bring a food item for the Portage Food Pantry

Bluffton Lions Club Celebrates

90th Charter Night at the First Mennonite Church 101 S. Jackson St Bluffton, Ohio March 5, 2024 6 PM.

Our Bluffton Lions Club has had the privilege of serving our community for the past ninety years. What an honor! To celebrate this milestone, we are planning a gala event on March 5, 2024. The guest speaker will be ID Ron Keller. We would love to have every *current member* there to commemorate our club's distinguished history. Please plan to attend and bring a guest. The Bluffton Lions have much to celebrate! RSVP by February 20.

The Planning Committee.



speak

IN THE ZONE

ZONE MEETNG

Fellow Lions.

The second zone meeting will be hosted by the Arlington Lions Club.

February 6, 2024 @ 6:00 PM at St. Paul Lutheran Church Township Road 32, Jenera, OH 45841

Meal will consist of Salad, Ham, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Pie and Soft Drinks. \$9.00 for meal and \$1.00 for the 50/50 drawing.

Head count for the meal is due by February 2, 2024 by 6:00 PM. Contact ZC/
PDG Bill Keller at

wkeller2@columbus.rr.com or 567-674-9093

Bring your report to the meeting.

Thank You in advance, ZC/PDG Bill Keller



Sylvania Lions Club Congratulations

goes to Emilia Garner from Arbor Hill Jr. High. Her district winning Peace Poster was chosen as the state winning Peace Poster. Her poster will now be forwarded on to the next level of competition. Thank you to Sylvania Lions Club for sponsoring her poster. Best of luck, Emilia!

WAYTO GO SYLVANIA!

The Sylvania Lions donated 4,656 pairs of glasses last year from multiple sites in the Toledo area!

AROUND THE REGION

REGION 2 MEETING

WHEN: March 7, 2024

TIME: 6:30PM

WHERE; Bluffton Town Hall

154 North Main Street

Bluffton, Ohio

HOSTS: Van Buren Lions Club will

provide snacks

PROGRAM: PCC Darlene Roll will

about Leo Clubs

March 1, 2024

susanrdavis@me.com

Let's get together and enjoy a time of fellowship, sharing, and learning!



IMPORTANT!

Bellefontaine Lions Club received the 2022-2023 Club Excellence Award.

CONGRATULATIONS!

This important award was left out of the last newsletter. My apologies.

District News



It won't be long before district conventions celebrate this years successes and recognize individuals for their contributions to those endeavors. Here are the awards listed in the directory that each President has with him/her. The specific criteria is outlined in the directory.

- •Club President Award (after July 1, 2024)
- •100% Club Secretary Award (after July 1, 2024)
- •Governor's Club Award
- LCI Club Excellence Award
- Service Award
- •District 13 OH1 Humanitarian Award
- •Other District 13 OH1 Awards or Contests

2023-2024 International Peace Poster Contest (selection made)

International Peace Essay Contest (February 1 clubs are notified)

Do your clubs or officers qualify for any or all of the awards? Take a look and see. You may be surprised to see the awards that your club or officers have earned throughout the year. Many awards will issued at the District Convention On April 6, 2024 and also at State Convention on May 17-18 at Worthington Double Tree, Ohio.

Contact Lion Tim Schumm at tkschumm@gmail.com to share information or to seek clarification.

LEOS ROAR



MD13 – Ohio Leo State Convention - 2024
February 24, 2024 – All Occasions Catering & Banquet Facility
6989 Waldo-Delaware Road, Waldo, Ohio 43356

All Ohio Leo Club members, advisors, and interested Lions are invited to the 2024 Ohio Leo State Convention. Below is the registration information for the event. If you have questions, please Email youth@ohiolions.org or call 419-371-5515.

Deadline for registration - Friday, February 9, 2024

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. 2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Day's Events (Tentative Schedule)
Registration
Welcome, Icebreaker, Scavenger Hunt, Get-to-know other attendees
LCI Leadership Session – Time Management
Lunch, Review Best Project Displays & Club Information
Best Project Presentations
Service Project for the Waldo Food Pantry
Wrap-up and Departure

Registration Fee - \$10.00 per person; due when submitting registration form. Checks payable to Ohio Lions. The fee includes lunch and a 2024 Leo State Convention t-shirt.

Please send form and money to: PCC Darlene Roll, 1385 Township Road 216, Bellefontaine, OH 43311-9644.

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Total Attendees: Total Amount Enclosed:

Where there's a need, there's a Leo!

Why are Leo Clubs important?

They provide leadership, experience and opportunity. Leos know he power of action. They embody the best of LCI. "Leos and Lions form a powerful partnership — one of mutual respect where Lions learn from the innovative insights of Leos, and where Leos gain access to the proven strategies of those who've successfully served the world for decades."

Think about starting a Leo Club in your community. Come to their convention to learn more about what they do and how they are an integral part of their community and Lions. (above)

For more information: go to this site:

<u>https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-clubs/</u>about-leos

Leos don't meow.....Leos ROAR!



Complete information and registration forms can be found on ohiolionohi.org or Ohiolions.org

District 13 OH1 Convention Announcement

Lions,

The District Convention of OH1 will soon be here, April 5-6, 2024. The District will be electing two Foundation Trustees, along with the District Officers, on Saturday, April 6, 2024.

If any Lion in our District would like to be considered for the Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation Trustee and be put on the ballot at the District Convention, please submit a letter of intent to the District Governor AND the Cabinet Secretary, before February 1, 2024. There are No special requirements needed to fill this position. This position is an elected 3 year term.

If any Lion in our District would like to be considered for the Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation Trustee and be put on the ballot at the District Convention, please submit a letter of intent to the District Governor AND the Cabinet Secretary, before February 1, 2024. There are NO special requirements needed to fill this position. This position is an elected 3 year term.

Both positions would also need a letter of recommendation from your Lions Club in support of your running in the District Elections.

Those Lions that would be interested in running for 2 Vice District Governor, you would need to submit a letter of intent to the District Governor AND the Cabinet Secretary, before February 1, 2024. Requirements are having served as Club President and Zone Chair. Also, you would need to have your club submit a letter of recommendation.

Those Lions now serving in the positions of 1VDG and 2VDG will also be required to submit a letter of intent in running for the next chair and submit a letter of recommendation from your club. Please submit it to the District Governor AND the Cabinet Secretary, before February 1, 2024.

Submit to DG Deb Crawford at: crawforddcm@gmail.com.
Submit to Cabinet Secretary Sheryl Burnette at: smg.osufan@gmail.com.

Deadline: February 1, 2024

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3rd. CABINET MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT District 13 OH1

District 13 Offi

DATE: Sunday, February 18th, 2024

TIME: 2PM

LOCATION: Methodist Church

204 W. South Street, McComb, OH 45858

ATTIRE: Red Jacket/Lions casual

No Meal cost: Refreshments provided

RSVP By: Monday, February 12, 2024

REPORTS DUE by: NO LATER than Sunday,

February 11, 2024.

REPORTS ARE DUE to: CS/PDG Sheryl

Your Report Page Number is attached in a

Document sent along with the email notice.

RSVP'S AND REPORTS: Send your RSVP's and

Reports to CS/PDG Sheryl at:

Email: smg.osufan@gmail.com.

QUESTIONS:

Email or Call or Text: 567-454-9739

"Be the One"

LEGO SETS

AND

PLAY DOUGH NEEDED!

<u>Pro Medica Children's Hospital</u> is in need of toys for their young patients. Please bring a new set of Legos or small containers of Play Dough to the February Cabinet meeting to donate to the hospital. Thank you for your support.

Northwest Lions Eye Care Foundation, Inc.

NOTICE: Foundation

Meeting Thursday Feb. 8, 2024

Ctrl + Click this link to join **Zoom**

Meeting: TIME 7PM

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6802820166?

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(This link includes the Passcode)
If the link does not work for you, join
meeting by following these steps. 1. go
to www.zoom.us

- 2. click on "join a meeting"
- 3. Add in the Meeting ID: 680 282 0166 and Passcode: 123789
- 4. Host will let you into the zoom meeting.

Or, **if you are using a Zoom app**, just enter Meeting ID

680 282 0166 and Passcode: 123789

Registrations by Wed. Feb. 7th to Bob Segna risegna5@gmail.com or 419-308-1906 or

Dan Ritter <u>dan_ritter@frontier.com</u> or Darlene Roll <u>droll1998@gmail.com</u>

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SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

LEO CLUB MEMBERS (both scholarships) AND CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN OF LIONS (LITPC scholarship) MAY QUALIFY.

Scholarship applications are available on the Ohio Lions website (www.ohiolions.org) and then click on "Leo" at the top home line to go to that page. On the lower left are the following:

1. LITPC Scholarship Application

- The Lions International Trading
 Pin Club is proud to announce a
 Youth Scholarship of US\$2,500
 for a graduating senior who
 is the child or grandchild of a
 Lion, Lioness and/or a member
 of a Leo Club.
- 2. Ohio Lions Scholarship Application - for Ohio Leos only
- Two (2) \$500 scholarships will be awarded to <u>graduating senior</u> <u>Ohio Leos</u>.

The deadline for both scholarships is March 1, 2024.

Any questions, please contact <u>youth@ohiolions.org</u>.

Submitted by Ohio Lions Youth Committee PCC Darlene Roll, Chairperson & OH1 Chair 419-371-5515

Northwest Ohio Lions Eye Care Foundation, Inc. – REMINDERS

Three reminders regarding the NWOLECF and activities.

- 1. NWOLECF meeting Zoom Thursday, February 8, 2024. 7:00 p.m.
 - a. Please contact Lion Bob Segna at rjsegna5@gmail.com or 419-308-1906 by Wednesday, February 7, 2024, if you plan to participate in the Zoom meeting (so he can provide information including the agenda and other meeting handouts).
- 2. A NWOLECF policy change was made and is in effect since August 2023.
 - a. For anyone applying to NWOLECF for visual aids (CCTV, magnifier, etc.), a low vision center evaluation *is required* to determine what type of unit would be most beneficial.
- 3. Donations to NWOLECF
 - a. If a club or individual is making a donation to NWOLECF – and those donations are greatly appreciated – please send the donation to:

NWOLECF

PDG Dan Ritter, Treasurer 4635 Township Road 235

McComb. OH 45858

To contact the NWOLECF by Email, please use: NWOLECF@ohiolionsOH1.org

See article above for zoom link and directions.



I ran a series on all aspects of LCIF and how it impacts you and your clubs. Finally, there is "to Tips Applying for a Grant.

- I. ID a project that addresses an unmet humanitarian need for the underserved.
- 2. Discuss with others that can offer guidance
- 3. Determine which LCIF grant applies
- 4. Partner with LCIF to ensure a successful application
- 5. Learn which LCIF grants have matching funds
- Answer all application questions thoroughly and provide supporting documents, including a detailed budget
- 7. Include required application approvals
- 8. Understand how to submit an application
- 9. Be sure to meet grant application deadlines
- 10. Be patient after submitting your grant application

Editor's note:

Personally, I would find a person who has grant writing experience if possible. From my experience and a grant writer and grant reader, there are certain "buzz words" that apply to each situation. Using the proper language enhances your chances of receiving a grant because it shows the committee that you have researched your project and understand the process. Be very specific in everything you submit. Reread your application to someone else. If there are any questions, they may come to light and need to be addressed before submitting. Don't be shy! Give it a try! Remember you are doing this to help others. LCIF knows that too.

Taken from Lions Clubs International Foundation pamphlet

Lion News



2024 Lions International Convention

The 2024 Lions International Convention will be held in Melbourne, Australia, June 21 – 25. You will need a current Passport and Visa. Plenary sessions, the exhibit hall, seminars, and Parade of Nations will all be there waiting for you to experience. Nearby attractions include: Royal Botanic Gardens, National Galary of Victoria, the Cricket Arena, Shrine of Remembrance, and the Queen Victoria Market.

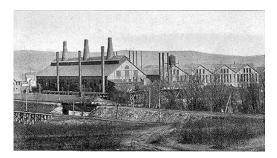
USA/Canada Leadership Forum

"Setting the Pace" is the theme for the USA/Canada Leadership Forum to be held September 5 -7, 2024 in Louisville, Kentucky. There are plenty of hotels close to the action. 1VP Fabricio Oliveira, Sam Glen, Randy Pierce, and Trish Wilson will be the main speakers. In addition to the informative sessions, there will also be a decorate your own Kentucky Derby hat contest. Nearby attractions include the Louisville Slugger Museum and factory, Churchill Downs, Mohammed Ali Museum, various Bourbon Distilleries, and much more. Be sure to visit the Ohio Lions, Lions International, and USA/Canada Leadership Forum websites for further information.

A PEEK ATWINTER RETREAT





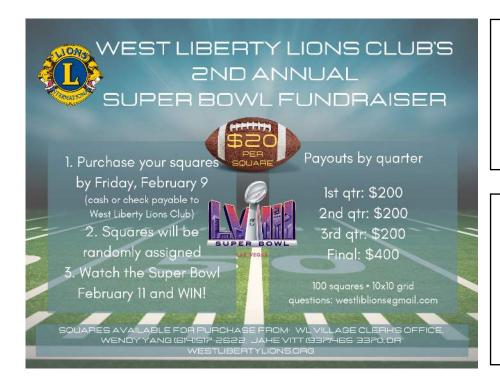


District OH1 Lions Jo Moats, PDG John Davis, IVDG Sue Davis, and PCC Kevin Reidy and Anne Miller from OH2 briefly became glass blower artisans for the **Cambridge Glass Co**. The company was in operation from 1902-1958 and at its peak employed over 800 people. Cambridge Glass is known world wide! To learn more, google Cambridge Glass Company. You might even have a piece of original glass at home! Presented by Cindy Arent.



John Hickenbottom has become an expert on **Ohio's Big Foot!** It is very big, hairy and tall, averaging 6 to 8 feet tall; with foot prints averaging from 13 to 17 inches long. It has been rumored to live in Ohio since the mid-1700's. It has also been rumored to live in Ohio's largest State Park. Salt Fork. The park is a perfect habitat for the creature with its forests, hills, grassy land and streams. There are plenty of places to nest-as they seem to do-and abundant food. They are said to live in clans, not alone. When one is sighted, there are usually others near by. There is a conference for those believers and those interested. Check their website. Never say never.





MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Leo Convention Saturday, February 24 Waldo, Ohio

Northwest Lions Eye Care Foundation, Inc.

NOTICE: Foundation Meeting Thursday Feb. 8. 2024







Holgate Lions' Pancake Breakfast

St. Mary's Parish Hall February 03, 2024 7am to 1pm or until sold out

Menu: Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Biscuits and Sausage Gravy, OJ, Coffee, & Milk

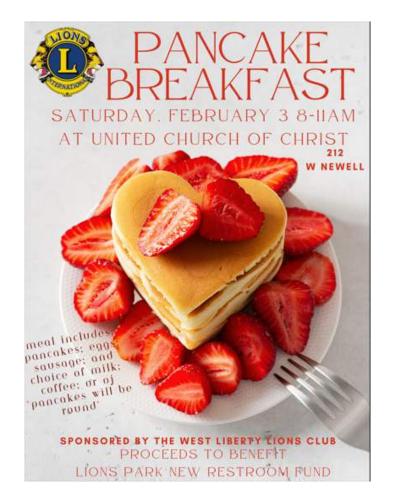
Free Will donations will be accepted for Community Projects.

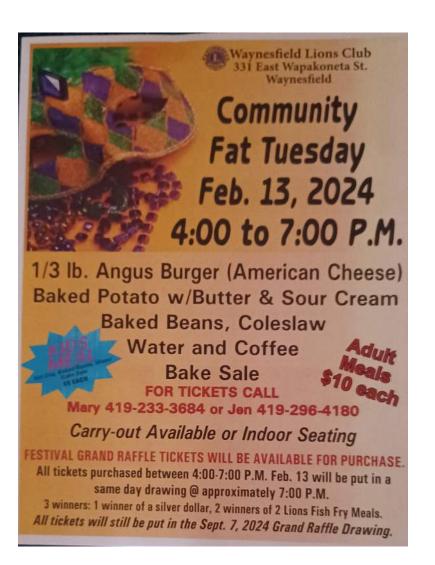
Serving Breakfast so we can serve you!











Important Dates

February 8th NWOLECF

February 10th COG Grove City

February 18th Third Cabinet Meeting at McComb 2:00 p.m.

April 5th Fourth Cabinet Meeting at Hilton Garden Inn at Findlay

May 9th NWOLECF

May 17th and 18th State Convention at Worthington Double Tree Columbus

June 21st – 25th Lions International Convention at Melbourne, Australia

