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April 1949-Arcadia, entered the association under the sponsorship of Vanlue, which was represented at the banquet by 37 Lions. Guest from the clubs of Fostoria, Dunkirk, Arlington, Findlay, Waynesfield, Forest, and Defiance were present. The charter was presented to President Murrell Myers by District Governor R. H. McCullough.

April 1949-Brayn, was host to visitors from two states at its charter night celebration. The co-sponsors, Montpelier and West Unity and the other Ohio clubs of Hicksville, Payne, Findlay, and Defiance sent large delegations. The Indiana clubs of St. Joe, Angola, and Harlan were also present. Participating in the program were International Counsellor Dwight C. Murry and District Governor R. H. McCullough who presented the charter to club President Thomas Johnston.



April 1949-Bellfontaine Lions club purchased a ceiling projector and a library of 27 film books and presented the set to the Logan county library. The picture shows Secretary Roy Robinaugh, and Lion John Beck watching President George Perdeew present the machine to Mrs. Mary Morehouse, librarian. Library trustees had previously voted to accept the gift and keep lending records. The film books included the Bible.

April 1951-Wayne, spent two months preparing the program for its community institute.

To help finance the two day event, during the program, the club served a pancake and sausage lunch and fish fry. Club members prepared and served all the food at both meals. Townspeople who attended were very enthusiastic about the program.

April 1958-Celina staged three performances of its annual show. Lions Laughs of '57. An estimated profit of \$1,300 was made.



April 1960-Toledo, Pres. Morgan P. Wilkins of the Toledo, Ohio Lions club inspects some of the 1,000 pairs of glasses collected by the Toledo Society for the Blind. All were sent to Karachi. Pakistan Lions who will distribute them locally.

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April 1961- Three Ohio Lions Clubs, Payne, Paulding , and Grover Hill, shared the expense of furnishing a room at the new Paulding County Hospital. The total cost of \$500 was met by each club donating \$166.67. A bronze plaque on the door carries the names of the three clubs.

April 1962-**Club Collects Eyeglasses**, The Wapakoneta, Ohio club, in its annual drive for used eye-glasses, collected over 700 pairs for its sight conservation program. Earlier, a "Night of Harmony" was held at the school auditorium, clearing \$204. This is an annual project of the Wapakoneta club. In cooperation with other civic organizations, the club conducted City-Farm Week, the high-light of which was a dinner served at the high school. Each member of each club took a farmer as his guest.

April 1998-Fort Shawnee - **Long-Term Project Culminates**- After three years of work, the Fort Shawnee, Ohio, lions Club completed the building of a community recreational facility. The project began in the spring of 1994, when a shelter house was built. 'Since then many enhancements have been added. By September 1997, the facility sported a wide sidewalk, a two tiered drinking fountain, a wind-break of pine trees, and three barbecue pits. In addition to 'hosting community activities, the lions club plans to utilize the structure's cooking equipment for fund-raising barbecue chicken dinners.

April 2014-**Ohio Club Nurtures Scholars**

Much mulch grows scholars in northwest Ohio.

Since 2000, Ada Lions have given 49 \$1,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors. The club's annual mulch sale makes it possible.

"Our club didn't have a lot of dollars. This was a stretch for us," says Mike Stavenger. Last year's mulch sale was the club's most successful. It ordered and sold 12 semi-truck loads-more than a half million pounds of mulch.

The scholarships are well-known in the community. Nearly one in six seniors applies. "We look at need, leadership skills, the likely ability to graduate from an institute of higher learning and any other special points, such as if there are multiple siblings, single parents or illness in the family," says Stavenger.

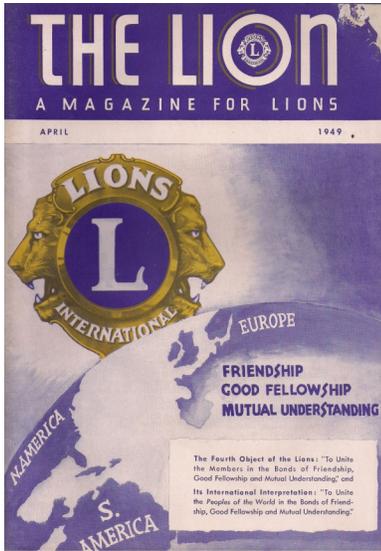
The club has selected applicants well-so far 92 percent of scholarship recipients have graduated. In addition to providing scholarships, Lions also impart some words of wisdom. "One thing we emphasize is that in their future as adults to pay it forward when they graduate and establish themselves in other communities," Stavenger points out.



Lion Chad Hays runs a forklift to scoop up mulch during the annual sale that funds scholarships in Ada, Ohio.

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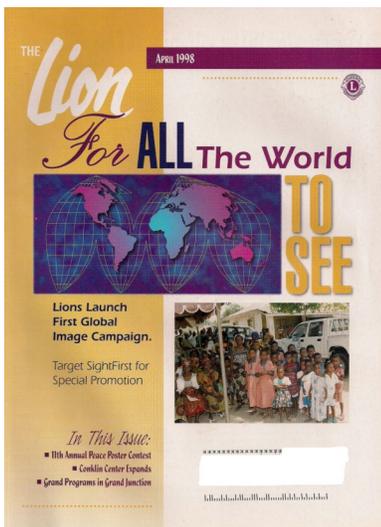
Editors note-The following clubs in the OH1 geographical area are now defunct:
 West Liberty #1 (1941), Vanlue #1 (1955), Dunkirk (1979), Montpelier (1988), Hicksville #2 (1962),
 Payne (1966), and Fort Shawnee (2012).
 Forest is now known as Riverdale Community as of 2010.



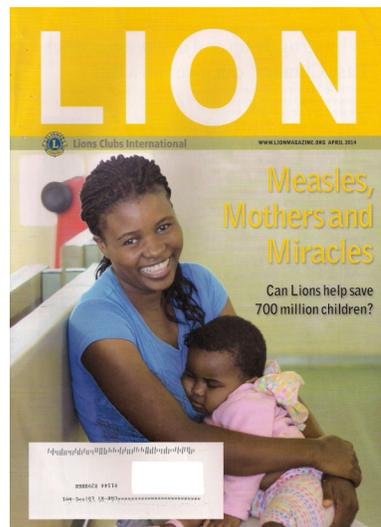
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