OH 1 DISTRICT NEWS



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Thoughts from Governor Deb Crawford

Happy 2024!

Thank you to all that made it possible for OH1 Lions Clubs, including all LEO Clubs, to get reports and activities reported to LCI. OH1 is now at 100%. However, that does not mean that this is done for the Lions year. Reporting this information to LCI is a responsibility for every Lions club every month. This is one of the requirements of each club's secretary. Many clubs have assistant secretaries and/or club administrators to help with this task.

As your club gears up for the second half of this Lions year, be sure to check the pillars of Lionism. Think of ways to incorporate activities to support not just those in your own communities who need help and support, but others in surrounding communities and areas around the world. After all, we belong to LIONS INTERATIONAL.

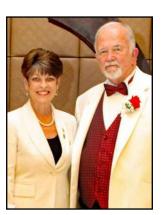
As I continue to visit clubs in 2024, I am reminded how very proud I am of you and all of the amazing services that you provide. Be the one who serves with kindness and love.

Pillars of Lionism:

VISION, HUNGER, DIABETES, CANCER

and ENVIRONMENT





Council Chairperson Dave Stockum

Fellow Lions,

I hope your Holiday Season went well with family, friends and fellow Lions. As I wrote this, it didn't look like the weather was going to be prohibitive of anticipated Holiday activities. Of course, this is Ohio, and we all know "if you don't like the weather, wait a day and it will change!" **Happy New Year.** May 2024 bring you all the things that you treasure: happy families, good health, and positive experiences in your personal activities – the Lions being one of those!

Among the goals for the second half of our Lions Year, membership growth is a major one. We are unveiling the Recruiter's Passport Program at the Winter Retreat on January 12-14 at Salt Fork State Park. If you get this newsletter in time, registration for the Winter Retreat ends January 3. Go to ohiolions.org for registration information. While you are there, you might check out some of the YouTube videos we have produced using last year's Marketing Grant. These videos can be used for membership nights. We are currently planning new videos on our LEO's and some of our foundations.

A second goal is to improve our communication. Keeping our websites updated has been important for our District Governors, as well as producing regular newsletters like this one. On the Multiple District Level, we have published two quarterly newsletters, an international convention and new officers supplement, and a direct distribution program utilizing subscribers' email accounts. Remember that you can find reports to and minutes from the Council of Governors Meetings by entering **cog** in the username slot and **lions** as the password on the MD13 Website log-in.

On February 24, there will be a LEO State Convention at the Event Center near Waldo, Ohio. LEO Clubs are being added to district rolls and their activity is getting reported on MyLIon. They are working on a video competition for their convention. If your club sponsors a LEO Club, congratulations! If not, it's a simple process once you find an advisor, and your District Governor would be glad to provide assistance in the process. Not only are the LEO's having their convention, but the district convention season is not far off. Check your district website for information pertaining to your district's convention. I'm looking forward to seeing many Lion friends at your convention and making a few new ones.

Best wishes,

CC Dave Stockum



ıVDG Susan Davis

We hear about Mission 1.5 and continual push for new members and new clubs. In our clubs and in our community we need to look for the untapped potential of *the people we meet and the people we know.* Our clubs need creative individuals with diverse skills. Do we know anyone that fits the description? Are we open to change? What about new leadership styles or just new leaders? There are many individuals that are **"hiding in plain sight"** that we could ask to join; or ask current members to become more active and involved.

Our clubs are committed to success. The proof is in the projects and services you provide each month and even daily. Lions are passionate about the people in their communities and want to meet their needs. Clubs are ready to jump into action immediately when a need arises. I hear about this across the state and within the district and at club visits. I am very proud to say I am from OHI because I know that we represent the Lions: **WE SERVE**, with dignity and commitment.

Now I need to encourage you to spread your wings and expand your horizons. Let's look for new members. We can do that by inviting community members and your friends and co-workers to help with service projects, partner with businesses and corporations, and advertise on social media as well as local media outlets. Make your members feel special. Make new prospects feel special. Many times people are waiting to be asked-maybe more than once-to join. Don't be afraid to speak up.

Finally, HAVE FUN! It is not all work and no play!

So, let's recap: Look for untapped potential all around you. Spread your wings. Continue to serve.. Everyone is special. Have fun with them and



Greetings from 2VDG Faith Cataldo-Gauger

Happy NEW Year! As we all enjoy our memories of this past Christmas and Holiday season, let's look forward to the NEW year ahead to see if there are any NEW ways that Lions could be of service to our communities and beyond! Also let's each find and invite someone NEW to assist at one of our Lions Club's upcoming projects! Maybe we might discover a NEW member or two!

Happy NEW Year!

2nd VDG Faith :)

Lions New Years Resolutions

pick 2

I resolve to:

+ Help with club service projects

Help with club fundraisers

- + Attend 70% of club meetings
- Ask a friend or associate to attend a meeting, service or project with me
- Wear my Lions pin
- + Consider attending District OH1 convention
- + Consider attending MD13 State convention
- * Investigate a leadership roll within my club
- + Investigate a leadership roll within OH1
- ROAR loud and proud



ROAR!





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BLUFFTON LIONS ENJOYTHEIR CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Twenty-three members and spouses met on December 12th at Marbeck Center for the Christmas Social. All enjoyed a great meal, exchanging a wrapped white elephant gift and entertainment. A service project to support The Wheelhouse, A Christian Bicycle Cooperative in Lima, was available for those to participate with. A committee of Lions Jackie Bourassa, Tracy Steele and Mark Bourassa hosted the social.

Bluffton articles submitted by PDG Barbara Plaugher



Left to right: Dennis Morrison, Donna Morrison, Dick Boehr, Nancy Yeager, Ed Yeager, Dwain Hall, Mark Bourassa, Jackie Bourassa, Jerry Szabo, Gene Long, John Hochstetler, Dottie Long, Patty Navin, Barbara Plaugher, Carolyn Rich and John Rich. A few attending left before the photo was taken.

IMPORTANT MILESTONE

Just wanted to let you all know OH 1 has **100 % reporting** as of December 10. Thanks to all of you for encouraging your clubs and educating them. Hopefully they will continue to add to their current list.

Merry Christmas!

IMPORTANT

There are **4 District positions** open in OH1 for next year: 1) Pediatric Cancer Foundation, 2) OLERF, 3) International Convention, and 4) 2nd VDG. Be sure to let PDG/CS Sheryl Burnette, or DG Deb Crawford know as soon as possible if you would like to run for election into one of these offices.

Sending donations?

Note the changes:

OLERF

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Memo Line: Specific Program



Carol Collins GST



Perrysburg Celebrates



Lion Dr. Bob Goulding received a 40 year pin.

Both PDG Craig Gauger and 2nd VDG Faith Cataldo-Gauger received recognition for adding 4 diamonds to their Melvin Jones Fellowship.











.Perrysburg Lions Welcomes Miriam Huff as a new member this fall.

West Liberty Has a Merry Christmas!









Lions having fun and fellowship

submitted by Lion Nikki Foos Kimball



Series Part 8: Vulnerable Populations Challenged

Did you know that only 14% of the people in need of hospice care actually receive it? Well that is a sad but true fact. But LCIF has a solution for that.

"Through LCIF's generosity, many families receive much needed relief and security at a difficult time in Life," PID Dr. Edward Cortes says. Great make it possible.

Fact: In the US the average monthly residential care is \$4,051 which is assisted living and \$7,513 if placed in a nursing home.

Fact: In the US low social connection is worse for health than smoking, high blood pressure or obesity.

Fact: **In the US** 41% of households with 1 person with a disability cannot afford their housing.

Globally the numbers are staggering:

Fact: 15% of the world population experience disability with 190 million experiencing significant disability.

Fact: About 20 million people need hospice care annually but on 3 million receive it.

Fact: With high social connectedness, there is a 50% increased chance of longevity.

Since 1968 LCIF has funded Lions service around the world. This can be done three ways.

1. Matching Grants fund construction and equipment costs.

2. District and Club Community Impact Grants apply to district and club projects. 3. LEO Service Grants fund Leo led projects.

Also, Hunger, Diabetes, and Childhood Cancer grants are available for specific help where needed.

lcif.org/humanitarian

Sources: Worldwide Hospice Palliative Care Alliance and World Health Organization, Stanford Medicine, Nation Council on Disability, and The World Bank Group

LCIF

The Foundation of Service

Our mission is to empower Lions clubs, volunteers, and partners to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities, and support those in need through humanitarian services and grants that impact lives globally, and encourage peace and international understanding.



pictures and mission statement copied for the LCIF website

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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 (<u>www.ohiolions.org</u>) 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 <u>the child or grandchild of a</u> <u>Lion, Lioness and/or a member</u> <u>of a Leo Club.</u>
 - 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

Youth Committee

Lion Darlene Roll – OH1 Youth Chair

Scholarships & Contests – Opportunities

Ohio Lions Leo Scholarship - \$500.00

Will be available to active Leo Club members throughout Ohio by December 31st. Deadline – February 2024

Lions International Trading Pin Club Scholarship - \$2,500.00

Will be available to active Leo Club members and children/grandchildren of Lions Clubs members (should be available by December 31st) – Deadline – February 2024.

Ohio Leo Video Contest - This year, the Ohio Lions Youth Committee is sponsoring a social media video contest. Each club is encouraged to make a 15-30 second video that showcases your club's service to your school and/or your community.

- Key Information:
 - There are two categories for entries - Video montage (video clips spliced together, also includes blending photos with video footage) and Slideshow (still photos blended into a video)
 - Video format is your choice depending on what social media you will post on. You must be able to submit the file or a link to the video for your entry to be considered.
 - Deadline: Saturday, January 20, 2024
 - Permissions: The Ohio Lions Youth Committee wants to share these videos at the Leo Convention and with other clubs in Ohio. Your entry form will ask if we have permission to show and share your video.
 - Prizes: Clubs that submit the winning entries in each category will receive \$150, Runners-up will each receive \$100.

Ohio Leo Club of the Year

Open to all active Leo Clubs in Ohio.

Based on calendar year 2023 – best project

Deadline - January 20, 2024.

Questions - Please Email - youth@ohiolions.org

Please don't miss a deadline to be included!

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LOOKING AHEAD

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 <u>tkschumm@gmail.com</u> to share information or to seek clarification.

District Hunger Project

Once you have chosen and completed your club's Hunger Project, remember to report your service to LCI, and then send a picture with a brief description of the project to PCC/PDG Lion Dave Stockum. Lion Dave has graciously volunteered to put together a slide show of these activities to be shown at the OH1 District Convention in April. If you want to send in other pictures of your club's activities, these may be included as well. Time to let your club shine!







Ohio Lions Past District Governor (PDG) Association Raffle

Tickets On-Sale Now!

Donation - \$5.00 per ticket; <u>tickets may be purchased by</u> <u>anyone – not just Lions.</u>

Proceeds benefit the Ohio Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation

The Ohio Lions S&H Foundation was chosen by PDGs at the 2023 Ohio Lions State Convention PDG Association Meeting in May 2023

5 winning tickets (1st-\$500; 2nd-\$250; 3rd-\$125; 4th-\$75; 5th-\$50)

Tickets will be drawn on February 10, 2024

You need not be present to win.

Only 1,000 tickets will be sold.

Questions? Please contact PCC Darlene Roll

at <u>PDG-raffle@ohiolions.org</u> or cell phone at 419-371-5515 THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING AN OHIO LIONS PDG ASSN. ACTIVITY!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Leo Convention

Saturday, February 24

Waldo, Ohio

Important Dates

January 12th – 14th Winter Retreat at Salt Fork Lodge

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 – **25**th Lions International Convention at Melbourne, Australia

Just in case you have nothing to do all of a sudden....join us!