



# OH 1 Lions



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## **DISTRICT GOVERNOR DON'S THOUGHTS**

Hello my fellow Lions of OH1,

Well if you're a big football fan like I am hopefully your Friday, Saturday and Sunday team are doing well. My Friday Bearcats are doing fairly well a win this Friday and they will win their third conference crown in a row. My Saturday team The Buckeyes keep rolling along over any opponent who attempts to get in their way and my Sunday team The Bengals, well as the famous singer, Michael Lee Aday, AKA, Meatloaf use to sing Two Out of Three Ain't Bad.



Besides your football teams I, also hope all is going well with your club. Last month we finished the first quarter of our Lions and I guess you could say this month we are finishing our first trimester. With respect to membership we are a few members less since the first of July but I'm well aware that

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several clubs are doing membership drives this month so hopefully, keep our fingers crossed we can get to the good side in November. If any club wants help with a membership drive please feel free to contact us.

We have two meetings in November which we wish to invite all Lions: First is our District Cabinet meeting at Henry's Restaurant in Ottawa on Saturday November 16 starting at 9 am. Please RSVP with Cabinet Secretary Sheryl. The second is our Northwest Ohio Lion Eye care Foundation meeting which will be held in Waynesfield on Sunday November 17 at 2 PM. Please RSVP with Lion Bob Segna to attend this meeting.

Let me close by saying thank you for all you do and wish you all the best and keep up the great work.

Yours in Lionism,

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### **2019-2020 Cabinet Meeting Dates**

2nd Cabinet Meeting - Saturday, November 16, 2019. 9am. at Henry's in Ottawa.

3rd Cabinet Meeting - Saturday, February 22, 2020. 9am. at Henry's in Ottawa.

4th Cabinet Meeting - District Convention -April 3 or 4th. TBD

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM 2VDG REBECCA DENT



Some years back, at Halloween time, a traveler's trunk was misplaced in transit. Since these were the days when shows traveled by train, the trunk happened to be attached to a very large elephant. The elephant had been sent to a small town outside Bangor ME, where the only dwelling large enough to accommodate it was the old "haunted" mansion. So, the elephant was comfortably lodged in the parlor to await the arrival of its owner. Meanwhile, since it was Halloween, six friends who were out for trick or treat night decided to visit the old haunted mansion. On the way across the yard, the leader stumbled and dropped the group's only flashlight. After a few "double dog dare yous," the group decided to enter in the dark. The smell and the warmth that greeted them as they entered the parlor led one to whisper, "I don't think we are alone, here..." Another walked smack dab into the elephant and groaned "Hey! Who put the wall in the middle of the room?" Another, more cautious, member of the group reached out and fell against the creature's leg. "I think it's a tree. We can climb up and build a house!" Emboldened, the other friends began to gather around. The elephant twitched his ear and one of the crew said, "Yeah, I feel the leaves!" One touched the trunk and said shakily, "You know, I think there's a snake in this tree." Another grasped the tail just as the elephant swished it, and cried, "Yeah, it's a snake and it's fast! Let's get out of here!"

On a serious note, November is Diabetes Awareness month and November 14<sup>th</sup> is World Diabetes Day. This illness can resemble the elephant in the story because it has varied symptoms and is not always easy to identify. Many Lions will be engaged in activities to increase awareness, raise funds, or perhaps even arrange screenings. Please remember to share these activities with all the OH1 Lions by posting on your social media and the [Ohio Lions 13 OH1](#) Facebook page.

It continues to be a privilege and a joy to meet other Lions at their meetings and Zone meetings, like ZC Deb Crawford's Zone C meeting with lovely decorations and Mardi-Gras style beads to celebrate Ohio Lions Centennial, and at special events like the Glandorf Lions' elegant Charter Night featuring an inspiring talk by PDG Keith Cheney. In November, there will be a Cabinet meeting and the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of Zone meetings begins. These are all great opportunities to meet and reach out your hand in friendship to other Lions in the district!

Yours in Lionism,  
Lion Rebecca, 2VDG

Dear OH1 Lions, Lioness and Leo Club members,

The holidays are drawing near and Thanksgiving, a time for reflecting on all the blessings in our lives, is just around the corner. On behalf of the Northwest Ohio Lions Eye Care Foundation (NWOLECF) and all those who request help from the Foundation, thank you for your continued support.

Support for the NWOLECF comes in many different ways – donations, memorial contributions, helping individuals through the application process, picking up and installing a CCTV unit or just telling others about the Foundation. I cannot begin to tell you how much the support means!

We occasionally hear from someone who has received help through NWOLECF.

- A gentleman in Toledo thanked “all of us” for helping him to see better after cataract surgery.
- A lady in the Bryan area thanked the Lion who helped install her CCTV unit with the following comment. *“I could not have imagined the joy I have received from using the Vision Enhancer. It has given me so much encouragement. Thank you for all your help.”*

We appreciate your involvement in our four (4) yearly meetings. The next meeting is on Sunday afternoon, November 17<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m., at the Waynesfield Lions Building. We will have several cases to discuss that day.

Again, thank you for your support! If you have questions, please contact a Foundation officer or director. Web address: <http://www.ohiolionsoh1.org/northwest-ohio-lions-eye-care-foundation>

Lion Darlene Roll  
NWOLECF President



## **OHIO LIONS SIGHT AND HEARING FOUNDATION**

The Ohio Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation is a charity available to all Lions Clubs in the state of Ohio, Multiple District 13. The main goal of our Foundation is to help provide funds for those medical services that are beyond the limits of local Lions Clubs or District Foundations related to eyes and ears.

Lions are famous for our focus on sight preservation and assistance to those with sight impairment. Our goal is to help those who fall beyond the scope of government programs, can't afford their deductibles or coinsurance, or possibly do not have any medical insurance coverage. In addition, some treatments are not typically covered by insurance such as vision therapy and hearing aids. Individuals whose income is at or below 200% of current Federal Poverty Levels are eligible to apply for assistance. One in three residents in Ohio fall within this income level.

Our medical directors will review all applications, medical necessity of treatments, and consult with the applicant's surgeon, as needed, to choose the best option for treatment. As there are limits for the aid available, we will negotiate the lowest cost for treatment, and no treatment will be allowed without prior consultation. Each case will be considered on an individual basis.

Examples of procedures we will consider providing financial help for are:

- corneal transplants,
- cataract surgery,
- laser eye treatments,
- other approved eye surgeries,
- assistance with purchase of special, expensive eyeglasses and vision equipment,
- and hearing aids.

All inquiries are to be sponsored by a Lions Club, Zone or District. The sponsor should help the individual complete the application, coordinate with the District Sight and Hearing Chair, and contribute towards the care needed, if possible.

The Foundation will NOT consider:

- Purchase of ordinary glasses or exams. These can be provided by local Lion Clubs or through our partnership with Prevent Blindness Ohio.
- Any treatment already received. All cases MUST have prior approval by the Board.
- We will only pay out of state doctors within 50 miles of the Ohio border, and typically in cases when those providers are the closest available for some of our rural Ohio areas.
- We will not provide funds for anything covered and paid by the individual's own insurance.

The Foundation accepts donations from individuals, businesses, and Lions Clubs, and all donations are tax deductible. Please work with Board members in your District for donations and applications for assistance. Members are:

- OH-1 PDG Bill Nijadlik
- OH-2 PCC Greg Hess, Assistant PDG Sonny Barker
- OH-3 Robert Platt
- OH-4 Ray Dellmore, Secretary
- OH-5 Kathy Cosgray, Assistant Bob Medley
- OH-6 Judy Hacker
- OH-7 Lilane Fox, Chairman, Assistant PDG Barb Bachman
- Treasurer, PDG Neil Sheeley

Please consider the Sight and Hearing Foundation when your club is making contributions.



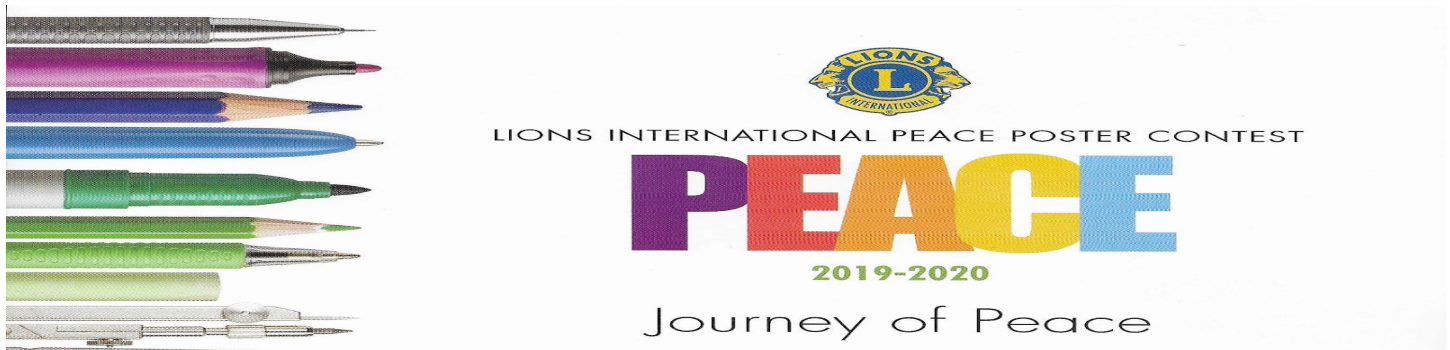
The North Baltimore Lions Club, held a Vision Screening at Powell Elementary School in North Baltimore on October 7, with the help of Doc. David Schilling, from Bowling Green. 113 students in the 1st and 3rd grades were screened with 13 referrals.



Lion Dick Boehr of the Bluffton Lions club volunteers giving eye screenings at Bluffton School.



Over 75 people joined in with the ribbon cutting celebration for the newest bike and pedestrian path added to Bluffton, Bentley Road Pathway extension. This is another section of the lions signature project by the Bluffton Lions Club.



**The 2019-2020 Lions Clubs International Peace Poster and Peace Essay Contest, "Journey of Peace" is open.**

Deadlines for clubs to purchase kits and to work with youth are as follows:

**PEACE POSTER:**

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

**November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.

A kit is needed for each contest sponsored.

\*To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only).

Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- Sticker to place on the back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

**PEACE ESSAY:**

For the Peace Essay rules, please go to the Peace Essay area on the LCI website.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/youth/peace-essay>

Students who are visually impaired, ages 11, 12 or 13 on November 15, are eligible to participate. Each essay must be submitted with a completed entry form. Essays must be no longer than 500 words in length, submitted in English, typed in black ink and double-spaced.

**CONTACT:**

For information regarding the contest, please contact Lion Darlene Roll, District OH1 Youth/Peace Poster/Peace Essay Chair, at [youth@ohiolions.org](mailto:youth@ohiolions.org).

*Want to see pictures of your club in the newsletter? Send photos to [jreichley@gmail.com](mailto:jreichley@gmail.com) or text them to 419-721-4052 with a description!*



### **NOVEMBER IS "LIONS DIABETES AWARENESS" MONTH**

Diabetes awareness is all year long. November 14th is singled out as "World Wild Diabetes Awareness" month. Donating to the District Diabetes Fund is important. Clubs are encouraged to plan community diabetes awareness, such as:

- Hold a "Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness" event in your community.
- Organize a community support group for parents of children with diabetes.
- Invite a healthcare professional to speak about diabetes at your club or zone meeting.
- Support District OH1 Diabetes Fund. Partner with local healthcare provider to organize diabetes and vision screening.
- Participate in World Diabetes Day events on November 14.
- Distribute Diabetes Awareness pamphlets.
- Start planning today to help your community become aware.

Now is the time to send your club's donation for the District OH-1 Diabetes Fund. Every \$500.00 donation qualifies for a Dick Bryan Fellow award or \$500.00 donation over two years will also qualify. All donations are sent to the Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation. They are used for research. Educating your community on diabetes and sponsoring diabetic screenings are just as important.

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### **Happy Anniversary**

Cridersville Lions! Charter Date 11/6/1950  
Middle Point Lions! Charter Date 11/7/1956  
West Unity Lions! Charter Date 11/30/1948





**Louisville  
Kentucky**

**September 17-19, 2020**

### **2020 USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM**

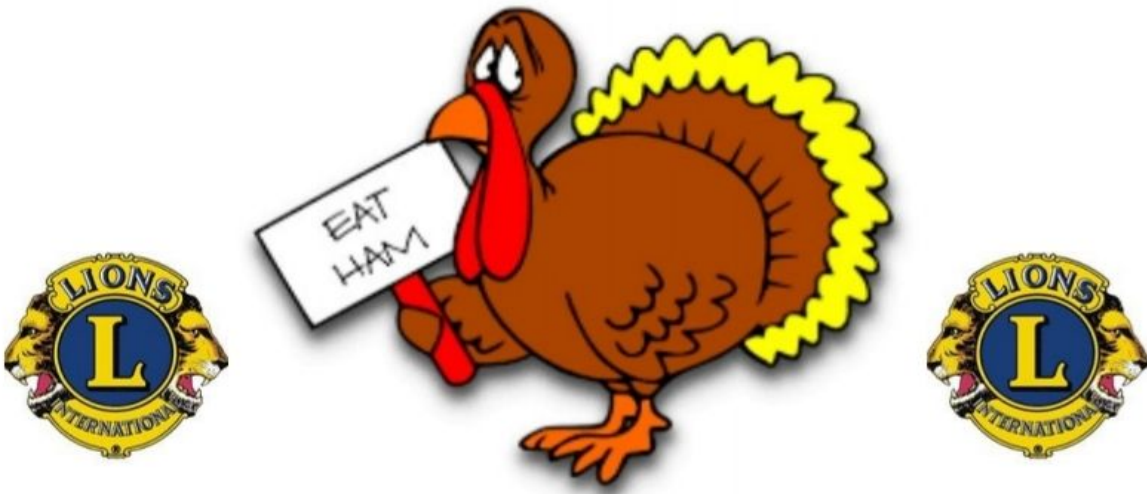
Plan to attend the 2020 USA/Canada Forum in Louisville, Kentucky. The Forum will be held September 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>. Fun Fact: 90% of the United States Disco Balls are produced in Louisville each year. More information to follow in future newsletters.



The 2nd combined Zone A & B Meeting will be November 21, 2019 at 6:30p.m. at the Napoleon Lions Center 750 W. Maumee Ave., Napoleon, Ohio. There will be no meal provided.

Deadline for the December Newsletter is November 27, 2019  
Submit your newsletter items to Newsletter Editor Jessica Reichley at  
[newsletter@ohiolionsoh1.org](mailto:newsletter@ohiolionsoh1.org) or [jlreichley@gmail.com](mailto:jlreichley@gmail.com)





# West Liberty Lions Club Annual Ham & Turkey Raffle

**Monday, November 18th  
@West Liberty Fire Dept  
7:00pm**

**Door prizes, \$50 cash raffle prizes,  
and of course whole hams & turkeys!**

**Bring the family- it's a good time!**



## Northwest Lions Eye Care Foundation, Inc.

***All 13 OH1 Lions are members of this  
foundation. Come to this meeting and see  
what YOUR Foundation is all about!***

**REMINDER: Foundation Meeting**  
***Sunday Nov. 17, 2019***

***Waynesfield Lions Clubhouse***  
***331 E. Wapakoneta St.***  
***Waynesfield, Ohio 45896***

**Time: 2:00pm      NO MEAL**

Let us know if you're coming to  
Lion Bob Segna 419-308-1906 or  
[rjsegna@frontier.com](mailto:rjsegna@frontier.com)

- New Cases, finalize old
- Reinvest matured CD proceeds

## ***DISTRICT OH-1 LEADERSHIP***

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