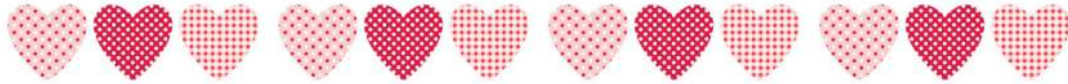


# OH 1 DISTRICT NEWS



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Greetings from  
**DG Faith Cataldo-Gauger**

### LOVE is SERVICE is LOVE

A few quotes from Mother Teresa:  
"If you LOVE, you will be willing to SERVE."  
"Unless we are to see God in our neighbor, it will be very hard for us to LOVE."  
"In your family, the SERVICE you perform and the work you accomplish are your LOVE for God put in practice."

One of the reasons why I love being a Lion is that it integrates so well with my personal faith journey. The "WE SERVE" focus of Lions is also why Lions membership works so well all over the world. Every religion has a service aspect, and even people who don't practice any religion feel the heart-warming benefits of SERVING OTHERS.

I think that there is an internal NEED in every person to help others that is built into our souls. For me, and obviously for over 1.4 million people around the world, SERVING OTHERS through Lions Clubs helps us to meet and fulfill that internal and spiritual need.

So, have you simply 'joined a club' OR have you developed a Lion's heart through SERVICE? Have you felt that "warm fuzzy" of knowing YOU made a difference for someone else?

Now the bigger question: Have you shared how SERVING OTHERS as a Lion feels? Have you invited others to join in on a SERVICE PROJECT? Have you asked them what they are PASSIONATE about? And shared with them how Lions around the world are doing that? Why not invite them to share their SERVICE PASSION with your club - and help them to accomplish it?

Love is Service is Love is Service is Love...  
Let's work together to make the world a little bit better through our SERVICE!

In loving, Lion's service,  
DG Faith : )



**2nd VDG Pam Olachia**

Ahhh, February means valentines, chocolate, passion, hearts and flowers. And more chocolate! This means hearts for service because if you ASK someone what their passion is, you can invite them into Lions membership, because we can make that passion come true through a Lions Club. And more members means more hands to complete projects that need to be done in a community. WIN/WIN Happy Valentines Day,,, add more members!

As A.P. Singh said "As Lions, service is what brings us together -- in our own neighborhoods and around the world....we share the same purpose: to make life better for others." Let's be sure our club is welcoming everyone with a heart for service. Every club should reflect the community it serves -- diverse, vibrant and full of potential.

Here's this month's five tips for club growth:

1. BE TRANSPARENT: show how your club works - people want to see real impact.
2. FOSTER A FAMILY ATMOSPHERE: make your club a place where everyone feels welcome.
3. BUILD FRIENDSHIPS: strong personal bonds strengthen club commitment.
4. SERVE THE COMMUNITY: meaningful service attracts people who want to make a difference
5. EMBRACE PARTNERSHIPS; working with other organizations can expand your reach. Don't keep your club a secret. Establish a social media presence. Be sure people are aware of your upcoming events and share lots of pictures of your club in action.



**Bits "n Pieces**

Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation has gas cards available in our District. A child's family can get assistance for 6 months (and apply for a 3 months extension, if necessary). The child must be under an active treatment plan, there are no income barriers, and no one with travel expenses is turned away.

Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation (OLERF) has Vision Simulation Cards and Foundation brochures available to Lions Clubs. They will also provide a great program for your club.

March and April always seem so early to have Conventions but it's necessary to get in all the affairs of the state before the end of the actual Lion year.

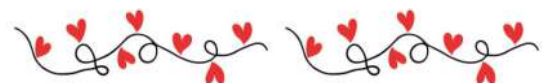
Bring your used but in good shape shoes and boots to this year's District Convention. They will be distributed within our District.

March 19th is the deadline for Membership Development grants to be considered by LCI. Visit the MDG webpage for more information.

Lions Learning Center is offering an online course on new club development. Have you checked it out?

Lions Portal: Many Lions and Leos serve their communities individually, outside of the activities planned by their clubs, districts or multiple districts. Some examples include bringing a meal to a neighbor, driving a friend to a medical appointment, or volunteering at their place of worship. This type of work is important and commendable; however, it should not be reported as a service activity.

Recycle your inkjet cartridges. Funds used to provide a mobility cart through Mobility Worldwide. Call Lion Tony at 937.545.9806



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A member recruiting guide to help clubs prepare to develop a culture of recruitment, and tips on the "Just Ask" program is available at [membership@lionsclubs.org](mailto:membership@lionsclubs.org).

Lions Quest is LCIs comprehensive and universal, evidence-based social and emotional learning program. More than 20 million students have been reached in 40 languages across 110 countries.

Head over to your favorite social media channels to see what Lions and Leos are up to. Share your own inspiring stories and tag your post #WeServe.

May 19th thru the 21st will be 2VDG Leadership Training. If you're interested in being a part of your districts' leadership team, act NOW to start this exciting journey.

I'll be traveling with the Alabama Lions to Colima, Mexico on an eyeglass mission February 20 thru March 1st. Please keep us in your prayers as we do Lions work utilizing glasses collected by Lions of our District. Lima Host Lion Corine Piper, DG Faith Cataldo-Gauger and PDG Craig Gauger will also be joining in the fun!!

**Other apps** to delve into and share:

- \* [lionsusa.org](http://lionsusa.org)
- \* [lions.virtual.org](http://lions.virtual.org)
- \* servanthero&lionsvirtual
- \* theservantherounderground
- \* lionscon27

1stVDG Pam Olachia  
"Heart & Hands for Service"



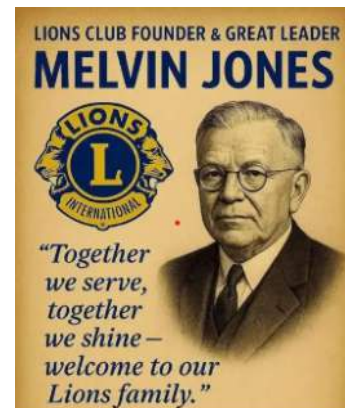
## 2nd VDG Joshua Barnes

As we move through the second half of the Lions year, this is a good time for clubs to think about growth and leadership development. Many members step into roles by learning as they go, and a little guidance can make those transitions smoother and more rewarding.

I want clubs to know that support is available. Whether a club is looking for ideas to strengthen membership, prepare members for officer roles, or better understand how certain responsibilities work, I am always here to help.

Strong clubs are built when members feel supported and prepared. If your club could benefit from assistance, training, or simply a second set of eyes, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Joshua Barnes  
Second Vice District Governor, MD13 OH1  
Holgate Lions Club  
(419) 906-8378  
Empowering Communities, One Roar at a Time




**CLUBS CORNER**


### North Baltimore Club Serve the Needy

For our Hunger project in January. the North Baltimore Lions Club , along with several Boy Scouts, volunteered to help serve the needy at St Marks Lutheran Church in Bowling Green. 6 Boy Scouts and 10 Lions along with church members served approximately 90 people.

*submitted by Fran Troutner Secretary*



Also! Six Jingle Balls , went to Powell Elementary Occupational therapist will give to children that need them.

### Cridersville is Going Nuts



Let me start by saying a belated Happy New Year and I hope your holiday season was wonderful.

During the holiday season, the Cridersville Lions Club had a fund raiser by selling Mascot Nuts. These are the same ones that you were able to taste test at the Waynesfield Region meeting in September. We have a limited supply remaining. If you or and club member are interested please feel free to reach out to me and we will get them delivered.

Our inventory includes:

- 1 pound bag of Mammoth Pecan Halves..... \$12.00
- 10 oz. bag of Cinnamon Glazed Pecans..... \$10.00
- 8 oz, bag of glazed pecans.....\$10.00
- 12 Oz, bag Chocolate Covered Pecans..... \$10.00
- 8 oz. bag of Pecan Caramel Clusters.....\$10.00
- 12 oz. Roasted & Salted Pecans.....\$10.00
- 12 oz. Roasted & Salted Jumbo Cashews..... \$10.00
- 4 Oz. Pecan Log.....\$6.00

Thank you for your attention,

*submitted by Z.C. Dorance Thompson,  
Cridersville Lions Club*



**Side note for TV watchers: Murdoch Mysteries was about Helen Keller. Season 11 Episode 3 Disney+**


**CLUBS CORNER**


**IMPORTANT  
Ohio Lions Eye Research  
Foundation (OLERF) News**

OH1 has a new trustee to accept your checks and awards information this year. It is Lion Joanne Moats. Please send any OH1 OLERF items (checks/awards request) to:

Lion Jo Moats  
108 Sam Anna Dr  
Bryan, OH 43506

*OLERF appreciates your support.*

**Arlington Lions Staying Busy and  
Keeping Warm**

At there last meeting, high school Principal Mar Vorroco spoke on a variety of topics.

There is one more basketball game to work and Lion Andrew is still treating the team to home baked cookies.

The calendar drive has come to a close.

And, please remember during this cold weather that the little food pantry by the winery needs to be filled more often, so if you have a few extra groceries or non perishables that you can share, please do so. Also the Good Hope Lutheran Church food pantry is seeing an influx of clients so food can be dropped off there also.

As you can see this club stays active in their community, partnering with the school and church. These Lions ROAR!



**Bluffton Inducts 2 New Members and  
Welcomes the Boys and Girls Club  
Attendees**



Bluffton American Legion and Bluffton Lions Club sponsored the students to Girls and Boys State in June 2025. This includes education in citizenship, to provide an opportunity to live together as a self-governing citizen and participate in the actual functioning of their government.



Ryan Gathard correctly works with Brethren Management Services at the Mennonite Home Communities, as Regional Director of Missional Advancement. He has 22 years working in fund raising for health care and senior living communities. He resides in Greenville with wife, Katie, two children and two dogs. He is committed to serving others and has been a lion in previous districts.

Kiley Rutzler is a local community member, residing near Rawson with her husband, Clay, and four children. Kiley is the owner of Event Pro Connections, providing event curating. She also works with The Red Tornado Collective, a marketing team that helps businesses grow. Kiley serves on two nonprofit boards and is proud to help businesses thrive in their community.



### District Convention is Almost Here!

Our District 13 OH1 Convention this year is Fri & Sat April 17 & 18, 2026 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Findlay. This is easy access off I-75 for much of our district!

The fun will begin on Friday evening as we welcome our International guest, ID Liz Crooke from California, with a '50's theme night. Think bobbie socks, saddle shoes, poodle skirts, & sock hop with some great '50's music! Maybe we should see who can do the best Elvis imitation? Of course, there will be the Kalida Lions famous hospitality room!

On Saturday morning we will be remembering our Lions members who have joined the heavenly Lions Club during this past year. **PLEASE submit names and photos of your deceased members from this past year to 1VDG Pam Olachia for inclusion in the necrology.**

The Saturday luncheon will focus on shining a light on our Lions Clubs service activities and club awards! We will also meet our Peace Poster winner and her family.

The afternoon will feature four fun & interesting breakout sessions to choose from.

Then the day will conclude with the grand Banquet in the evening and more awards and recognition.

We won't forget the important stuff: the business meeting and voting. **We need a candidate to run for 2nd VDG for next year!**

ID Candidate will speak during that time.

In an attempt to keep costs down - the cost of attending the convention basically just covers your meal expenses. All other convention costs are being covered by the Silent Auction (please donate a basket or some nice items to be auctioned), Raffles, Program ads, Table sponsors and the convention 'tax' part of our district dues.

Join in!  
DG Faith : )

### Registration form is online...

**Dates: April 17-18**

**Friday Night Meet 'n Greet** for our visiting ID Lion Elizabeth "Liz" Crooke

- Saturday:** Registration
- Business Meeting
- Necrology
- Lunch Buffet
- Business Meeting/ Elections
- Break-out Sessions
- Grand Banquet

**Deadline to Reserve Rooms:** March 5, 2025  
Room rates: \$124 plus tax  
Call (567)250-2525

**Registration Deadline:** March 25, 2026

**Table Sponsors, Raffle Basket forms and Advertisement forms for the program are on [ohiolionsoh1.org](http://ohiolionsoh1.org).** Let's **ROAR** and register!

**NEEDED! Someone to take pictures of the cabinet and dignitaries at the Grand Banquet.**







### From PDG Craig Gauger:

Clubs of 13-OH1, I know that you are all busy doing what you can in your community to help those in-need. I have emailed some who have little or no presence on the Lions Portal. I am the awards Chair. I keep track of entries on the Portal to show which clubs are telling their story. When I know and can read the written entry, I can tell the DG and you'll be earning recognition.

Some clubs aren't interested in recognition. Most of us don't do what we do for recognition, but almost everyone enjoys having a good word said about them or what they've done. As club leadership, awarding a member for a job well done may be what keeps them going. Not recognizing members can be a reason that they go somewhere else to volunteer where they feel that they are making a difference.

The big picture about this is even more important. When LCI seeks big business or big grants or to partner with another organization, when they can show in numbers and percentages what we (all of Lions world-wide) are doing, we are more apt to get that partnership or grant because we've shown that entity that we are the real thing, the ones who get it done!

Several years ago, LCI partnered with The Gates Foundation to get Measles vaccines out into the world. That project saved countless lives. If we weren't showing that we are a force, maybe they would have partnered with Rotary or some other group.



If only 40% of our clubs are reporting their activities, it doesn't look as good as 80%. As a PDG, I've visited the clubs in our district. I know that all clubs are active and getting the job done. Some do need assistance. It's difficult to ask for that. There are Lions out there eager to help where they can.

I really need to know what you are doing. If you're making donations to charities, please make a note in the Portal: donated \$200 to LCIF, donated \$100 to OLF, donated \$300 to Children's Cancer research, et al. Whatever you're doing, tell the story. Doesn't have to be long and detailed. "Just the facts Ma'am" Joe Friday. Really would like to see your stuff by mid-February!

For Portal assistance contact: Carol Collins 419-309-0574, PDG Bill Keller 567-674-9093, or Jill Simmons [jsimons@wcoil.com](mailto:jsimons@wcoil.com) or me- PDG Craig Gauger [gcgauger@hotmail.com](mailto:gcgauger@hotmail.com)

### It is Awards Time!

Club Secretary's, Presidents, and/or Club Administrators, Please email me your details of how you earned this award, pages 46-47 in District Directory.

I'm also the Diabetes Chair. If you've made a donation to OLERF directed towards a Dick Bryan Fellowship, please follow through with a mention in the Portal. Thanks to all!

*submitted by PDG Craig Gauger*

Note: check the portal for the **Club Excellence Award**: lions clubs.org, click on *Grants and Awards*, scroll down to *Excellence Awards*





### Ohio Leos Reach 100% Reporting!

A big "THANK YOU" to everyone who has helped the Ohio Leo Clubs reach 100% reporting as of 01/10/2026! It has definitely been a team effort to make that happen!

I want you all to know how appreciative I am of the many Leos, Lions and non-Lion school Leo Club advisors, who have worked to make this happen. This year has been a challenge - even to find who the correct contact is - but we made it!

A special thank you to members of the Ohio Lions Youth Committee, who at times, were "hounding clubs almost daily" to find information and get it entered by a club secretary or a district administrator.

Numerous years ago, someone told me that if I wrote down all the blessings I have received, I would need a dump truck to carry them. Today, I feel like if I could write down the name of every contact we have reached out to, I would need a semi-truck because each has been a blessing!

PCC Darlene Roll  
State Youth Chair

### OLPCF is Collecting New and Gently Used Shoes

All shoes, all sizes, all benefit pediatric cancer children and families in Ohio!

New and in good condition used shoes are needed to help raise funds for families affected by pediatric cancer in Ohio. From work and winter boots to ballet shoes, sandals to sneakers, golf and football spikes - all will help benefit children in need.

Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation is working with Funds2Org, who facilitate collection of shoes and distributes them to other countries for small businesses to purchase inventory for their businesses.

Through this recycling effort, the funds raised from each pound of shoes donated, will raise funds for OLPCF, and our sister in service organization - Kids Get Cancer Too.

Bring your new and lightly used shoes to district convention, district leadership school, or state convention for them to be bundled together and put into bags of 25 pairs. OLPCF's goal is \$10,000 which will be about 20,000 pairs of shoes! We know Lions serve, and we hope where there is a need - there is an extra pair of shoes!

Ask your friends, neighbors, co-workers, or congregation - their donations will make a huge impact for our children and families!

Sara Camacho  
Executive Director  
Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation  
[sara.r.camacho@gmail.com](mailto:sara.r.camacho@gmail.com)  
740-516-7810

### SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

**Because you are a Lion** - if you have children or grandchildren, or you know students who are active Leo Club members in a Leo Club in Ohio, who will be graduating from high school at the end of the 2025-2026 school year, they are eligible to apply for a scholarship offered by the Lions International Trading Pin Club (LITPC) - and no, you do not have to be a pin trader.

Please Email [youth@ohiolions.org](mailto:youth@ohiolions.org) if you would like to have a copy of the applications Emailed to you.

**The deadlines for both scholarships is by March 1, 2026.**

Please let me know if you have any questions.  
Thanks, Lion Darlene Roll  
State Youth Chair  
OH1 Youth Chair





Lions Clubs in Ohio,

The Ohio Lions Youth Committee would like to help Lions Clubs to participate in the 2026-2027 Peace Poster Contest, "Harmony in Humanity" - announced by LCI on January 15, 2026.

We know that the cost of ordering Peace Poster kits is \$11.95 plus shipping. It is the shipping that is the big part of the cost. (Your club can order a "digital" Peace Poster kit from LCI instead - new this year; however, the cost is still \$11.95 for the kit according to the LCI Supplies website and your club must print all the required information.)

As the Youth Committee offered for the 2025-2026 contest, we will purchase kits in a bulk purchase to reduce the cost of shipping. Each club would pay the Peace Poster kit cost plus U.S. mailing fees for kits mailed to you by the Youth Committee.

Each club that wants to order a kit (or more than one kit for multiple schools hosted by a Lions Peace Poster Contest) is asked to **Email [youth@ohiolions.org](mailto:youth@ohiolions.org)** with the following information:

- Lions Club Name
- Lions Club Officer/Member providing this information
- Email address
- Phone number
- How many Peace Poster Kits

This information is requested no later than February 15, 2026. We will order kits in-bulk no later than February 20, 2026. ***Each club that chooses to participate will be notified regarding the payment amount that will be required to be sent to the Youth Committee before a Peace Poster Kit will be provided to a club.***

Please let a Youth Committee member know if you have any questions.

Thank you!

Lion PCC Darlene Roll, Youth State Chair  
(Cell phone) 419-371-5515  
(Email) [youth@ohiolions.org](mailto:youth@ohiolions.org)


**STATE NEWS**




## LIONS IN THE WILD **WINTER RETREAT** AT DEER CREEK



**SIP 'N PAINT**-a tradition at Winter Retreat every year. Talent abounds.



PDG Deb Crawford organizing the many jars of Peanut Butter collected for OSU.



Lion Friends enjoying each other's company while waiting for lunch.





## PCC LYDIA HOUSER

FOR OHIO MD13 ENDORSED CANDIDATE FOR INTERNATIONAL  
DIRECTOR

A LITTLE BIT ABOUT ME



I am PCC Lydia Houser of the Mad River Lions Club, OH6, in Dayton, Ohio and I am running to be Ohio's endorsed candidate for International Director. I joined the Mad River Lions in 1999 and have served in leadership positions in numerous roles continuously since 2000. I was Governor of 13 OH6 in 2018-2019 and served as MD13 Ohio Council Chair in 2019-2020 during Covid. I have served as Executive Director for the Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation for seven years. I was elected to the state's Liaison Committee in 2022 and served through 2025.

I am married to fellow Lion PDG Ric Houser. My parents, PDG Freda and Lion Buck Wagner, were instrumental in me becoming a Lion. Lions are a family affair with my parents, husband, daughter (DG Rachelle), son-in-law Josh, and now grandchildren involved in Lions.

After a 39-year career at Wright- Patterson Air Force Base, I retired as the Chief of Configuration Management, Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance and Special Operations Forces Directorate managing a multi-billion-dollar portfolio.

Ohio's endorsed candidate for International Director should epitomize leadership in all areas of Lionism. I bring values-based leadership, executive experience, my talents as motivator, trainer, and presenter, and years of membership experience – from club rebuilding to new club development and mentorship. I am an experienced team leader, and I value my reputation as a Lion of integrity, innovation, and initiative.

Lions are more than a service group to me —they are a global family and a lifelong source of friendship and inspiration. Working side by side to serve others motivates us to meet needs with kindness and compassion. I believe that leadership means service, collaboration, and transparency.

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>.

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](mailto:LMHYOYO@aol.com) or via phone at (937) 609-6594.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61586735977187>



*PDG Jackie Miller*  
*For International Director*

Hello everyone. I would like to take a moment to introduce myself. I am PDG Jackie Miller from District 13 OH5, and I am a candidate for International Director.

Many of you already know me, as I have had the privilege of serving Lions across Ohio for many years. Perhaps we met at a convention while I was taking photographs, during a club visit where I shared a Helen Keller presentation, or simply while enjoying the fellowship at a Lions event. If we have not yet had the opportunity to meet, I sincerely hope we will very soon.

As an International Director representing Ohio, my **vision** is to motivate Lions to reconnect with the reason we began this journey of service. I am deeply committed to honoring our proud legacy while carrying it forward with hope and purpose. I believe that service begins with hope, and I am dedicated to inspiring that hope in every Lion I meet.

My **mission** is simple and heartfelt: to inspire Lions and share kindness wherever I go.

I joined Lions Clubs International in 2004, and each year my involvement and dedication to Lionism have continued to grow. To learn more about my background and experience, I invite you to read my biography on the Ohio Lions State website:

<https://www.ohiolions.org/news-events/news/827-meet-the-candidates-for-international-director>.

I have been fortunate to accomplish much through Lions and in my personal life, and while my bio highlights many of those achievements, it represents only part of my journey and my passion for service.

*It's Miller Time!*



## STATE NEWS



### OhioSEE Program-Gov. DeWine

*Information below was copied from  
<https://www.wkyc.com>*

“During a visit to [Cleveland](#) on Wednesday, Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine and state health officials announced the launch of a new program aimed at expanding access to eye exams and eyeglasses for young students in some of Ohio’s highest-need counties. The program, called OhioSEE, will provide comprehensive eye exams and eyeglasses at no cost to kindergarten through third-grade students in 15 pilot counties. Services will be delivered directly in schools, addressing gaps identified by the Ohio Department of Health that show most children who fail vision screenings do not receive follow-up care.”

“All the children who have been identified as needing an eye exam will have the opportunity to get an eye exam right there in school,” DeWine explained. “Then if it's determined they do in fact need glasses, the vendor will come back in three weeks or four weeks and actually fit the children.”

The announcement was made at Campus International School, where several students received fitted eyeglasses through Vision To Learn, one of the program’s vendors.

“What we are doing with OhioSEE is life-changing for these students,” DeWine added. “This is just the beginning.””

“DeWine first [announced the program](#) in September. According to the health department, about 80% of children in the pilot counties who are flagged during school vision screenings never receive additional eye care, often because of cost or access barriers.”

“OhioSEE hopes to bridge the gap for students whose families may struggle to arrange follow-up eye care after a failed vision screening by bringing eye exams into schools and covering the cost of those services.,” Vanderhoff said.” (Ohio Dept. of Health)

“The pilot counties include **Allen**, Butler, Clark, Clermont, Cuyahoga, Erie, Franklin, Guernsey, Huron, Jackson, Lorain, Mahoning, Marion, Montgomery and Ross. School districts can request enrollment information [through the Ohio Department of Health](#).”

*Editor’s note:*

*The reason I included this article in the newsletter is two fold. First, Lions have been ahead of the game for years with our pro-active eye screenings at the pre schools and schools. Second, this may be a good way to partner with this program as they work their way through the counties. Currently, Allen County is the only one in our district where the program will visit. It might be a good idea for the Lions of that area to touch base with the schools to possibly make arrangements to attend the eye screenings and maybe offer an extra hand. It would be good publicity if the OhioSEES program is willing. Just a thought. We have heard of this as it was developing. PDG Sue*




BULLETIN BOARD




## Shoe the Love!

Your closet clean-out can support kids fighting cancer!

## 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!**



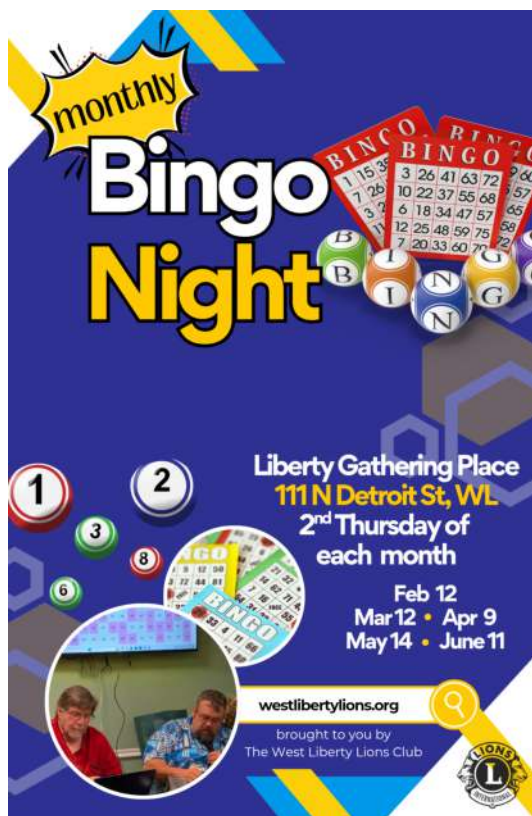

**Holgate Lions'  
Pancake Breakfast**

St. Mary's Parish Hall February 07, 2026  
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 our  
**Local Disaster Fund.**

Serving Breakfast so we can serve you!





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## Portage Lions Club 50th Charter Anniversary


Saturday, March 14, 2026  
Social 6:00 pm Dinner 6:30 pm  
Cost \$20.00

Christ United Methodist Church  
301 W Main St  
Portage, Ohio 43451

You are invited to come help us celebrate our 50th Charter Anniversary. Speaker will be PCC Dave Stockum.  
RSVP by Mar 7 to Lion Anne Deutschman  
419-601-2307 or jakgs@dacor.net





BULLETIN BOARD







**WEST LIBERTY LIONS CLUB—ANNUAL GUN RAFFLE**

All Proceeds go to park improvement at Lions Park!  
\$10.00 per ticket




- Ruger 5816 Mini-14 Ranch, .556x45mm NATO 20+1 18.50" Barrel, Blued Alloy Steel, Hardwood Stock, Optics Ready
- Sig Sauer Electro-Optics SOBM43001 Buckmasters Black Anodized 3-12x44mm 1" Tube BDC Reticle





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• Canik HG7854N TTI Combat Full Size Frame 9mm Luger 18+1 4.60" Black Nitride Fluted/Ported Barrel, Burnt Bronze Cerakote Optic Cut/Serrated Steel Slide, Black Polymer Frame w/Picatinny Rail



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**Rules and Information**

- Ticket Sales will be ongoing until 01/01/2026 or until all 1000 tickets are sold.
- No substitutions on prizes.
- Need not be present to win.
- Prize winners must be 21 years of age to win a handgun. If winner does not meet applicable age, or background requirements, or transferring the firearm to the winner would violate any applicable law—the equivalent cash prize will be substituted and awarded in the place of the firearm.
- All paperwork and firearms transfer to take place at Mad River Firearm Co—Bellefontaine, OH



**IMPORTANT:**

Foundation Meeting *Thursday Feb. 12, 2026*

Click this link to join **Zoom Meeting: TIME 7PM**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6802820166?pwd=UnBJc0hING4rU2tKWW9ZYXFzRnlXQT09&omn=89072975941>

(This link includes the Passcode)

**If the link does not work**, join meeting by following these steps. 1. go to [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us) 2. click on "join a meeting" 3. add in the Meeting ID: **680 282 0166** Passcode: **123789** 4. Host will let you into the zoom.

**Or, if you are using a Zoom app**, just enter Meeting ID **680 282 0166** and Passcode: **123789**

Last if no PC, call in 305-224-1968 or 309-205-3325

Registrations by **Wed. Feb. 11th** to Bob Segna [rjsegna5@gmail.com](mailto:rjsegna5@gmail.com) or Dan Ritter [dan\\_ritter2795@gmail.com](mailto:dan_ritter2795@gmail.com) or Darlene Roll [droll1998@gmail.com](mailto:droll1998@gmail.com)

You MUST REGISTER to receive meeting handouts.

**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN HONG KONG**

The 2026 Lions International Convention will take place in Hong Kong, China July 3 – 7, 2026. A visa is not required. Be sure to visit the Lions International website for more information regarding schedule of events, Parade of Nations, and registration.

**State Convention is Coming!**

Make plans now to attend the Ohio Lions State Convention. It will be held May 15 – 17, 2026 at the Holiday Inn Roberts Center in Wilmington, Ohio. Come celebrate with Lions from all over the state as we welcome International 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Lion Mark Lyon and his wife Lion Lynn as our guests for the weekend. In addition to state meetings, fun and informational sessions, and display areas, Club delegates will be voting for a candidate from Ohio to be a nominee for International Director.

 **BULLETIN BOARD** 

### OHIO LIONS 2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



**February 14, 2026**  
 Saturday: 3rd Council Mtg. 1:15  
 State Office



**March 7, 2026**  
 Saturday Cabinet Meeting  
 at Bluffton Town Hall  
 at 9:00 AM

#### District Conventions

- 06 - 08 OH7 Convention
- 13 - 14 OH5 Convention
- 20 - 21 OH4 Convention
- 27 - 28 OH2 Convention



**April 18-26**  
 Environment Week

#### District Convention

- 10 - 11 OH3 Convention
- 17 - 18 OH1 Convention**
- 24 - 25 OH6 Convention



#### May 2026

- 15 Friday 4th Council Meeting
- 15-17 Fri-Sun State Convention
- 19 - 31 VDG-Elect Training
- Super Weekend*



**September 2026**  
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