

# Changing the World



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## LCI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### We Are Stronger Together



Dear Lion,

You and your fellow Lions serve your community at the local level, but never forget that you are part of an incredible global network of dedicated volunteers who are united in our mission of service. Together, you are changing peoples' lives for the better, every day, all around the world.

From helping to prevent blindness, to supporting children and families affected by childhood cancer, to protecting our environment, you are delivering care and kindness and bringing hope where it's needed most.

There is no greater calling on earth than to join together to give of our time and our talents to help those in need. That's what Lions do - that's what *you* do. Thank you for your commitment to creating the change that empowers others to achieve their potential.

Yours in service,

*Dr. Patti Hill*

International President, Lions Clubs International





## District Governor Report December 2023



Happy Holidays to all. I hope you are Healthy, Wealthy and Wise this season or at least some of that. We are busy with family this Thanksgiving weekend as we bake cookies, a long standing tradition in my family. I am now nurturing the grandchildren, the 2 oldest girls are 11, the boy 8 and the youngest girl is 3. The older girls have done this for several years and will hang out with me. The baby has a short attention span, but Briar will play with her anytime she gets bored. It works for us.

We have been very busy visiting clubs around the district. I believe we are half done. Things slow down in December with many clubs only meeting once and that's their Christmas Party. We have been invited to a few and have our own club party to attend. I'm in charge of the meat, so I'll be there.

Project Change is going very well. We have deposited over 1,300 dollars so far. Keep up the good work. Looking forward to a new batch of change (or checks made out to Lions District 13 OH4 with "make change" in the subject line) at the next Cabinet meeting on February 18th, 2024. That feels weird to write. The time is flying.

Mission 1.5 is not flying as well in our district. As of today we are down 21 in the district. After the holidays we need to polish up our new member ideas and go on a LION Hunt.

Don't forget Pilot Dogs. We are still collecting Johnson & Johnson Baby Shampoo, Nyla Bones, Donutz and Kong Toys. Get them to your zone chairs and they will get them to Ray Delmore or bring them to the next cabinet meeting and Ray will take them from there.

Thank you all for your support this year and God Bless this Holiday Season.

*Lion Janet Christen*

Governor District 13 OH4

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## First Vice District Governor Report December 2023



Isn't it great to be a Lion!

As I travel to clubs around the district, I hear great ideas for fundraisers and service projects. Share your activities with other clubs in the monthly district newsletter. You never know when it might help another club.

Regarding membership, as of November 25 we are at -21 for the district. Congratulations to the Canal Fulton, North Coast, Painesville, Ravenna, and Uniontown clubs for adding new members in November. Let's work toward positive membership growth by the end of December. Remember to keep IP Patti Hill's goal of 1.5 million members in mind and to Ask One, Get One, and Keep One. Start working toward a Club Excellence Award.

This year we had four clubs participate in the Peace Poster contest. This is three more clubs than we had last year. Hope we have a few more clubs participating next year.

Our district Melvin Jones Eye Care Foundation will have a delegates meeting on December 5 at 7:00 PM at The Friends Church in Deerfield, Ohio. Please send your club delegates to find out what the Foundation has been doing so far this year.

I encourage everyone to attend the Winter Retreat at Salt Fork on Jan. 12 – 14. You need to register by January 3, 2024. I hope to see you there.

Happy Holidays!

Yours in Lionism,

*Lion Bill Humphrey*  
First Vice District Governor



## Second Vice District Governor Report December 2023



I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving! I was able to enjoy the holiday spent at home with the family. This year I am very thankful for my family, friends and the Lions Club.

I just attended the Regional Lions Leadership Institute II Training Conference. I found this time spent to be very beneficial. There were a lot of in-depth and educational topics that enhanced our leadership skills and understanding of the Ohio Lions Organization. I know there are plans for more leadership conferences in the future, so please be sure to attend. You will find it both a great team-building experience and training. I am very thankful for the opportunity.

Fall into Service is complete. I hope all clubs were able to participate. Please make sure you report your service projects. As a district we provide great services to our local communities. I know that those communities appreciate our help, so thank you for all that you do.

As you may have picked up on, the theme of this article is being thankful. I would be remiss to not talk about my gratitude for the new role as 2nd Vice District Governor. I have started reaching out to all the clubs in Region 2 to arrange a visit by the end of the year. I also have a couple of Zone Meetings scheduled soon. I hope to get to know your clubs a little bit better throughout the upcoming year. I am thankful for this opportunity, as it will support my growth as a Lion. I also look forward to being a leader in the district and working with each of you. If you have any needs, please don't hesitate to reach out. My cell phone number is (216) 789-1214.

I am thankful for each and every one of you!

Best regards,

*Lion Brett Housley*  
Second Vice District Governor

## **District LCIF Coordinator Report** **December 2023**



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

Lion Friends:

It's December – a time known for gift giving. If you're like me, sometimes I find it difficult deciding what gift is appropriate for a friend or family member. This brings to mind two suggestions from our organization:

1. Consider giving a donation to our foundation – LCIF. Then write a loving note to the personal recipient, letting them know that this gift, given to honor them, may help needy people in our town, country, or elsewhere when disaster strikes.
2. Consider donating to purchase one of the beautiful new Helen Keller Commemorative ornaments. (See the flyer following my report.) You can do this online or through me. (I don't charge shipping if we can find a way to get together!) Donation of \$18 for aluminum, \$23 for bronze.

As I said last month, please remember that not only whole clubs, but individuals can contribute throughout the year. Our district goal this year is based on \$27.00 per member. It's a large total, but each member could set aside \$5.00 per month to donate. Just send me the amounts and I can report for you, or there's an online donation form you can fill out at [lcif.org](http://lcif.org). Just let me know so I can keep district records.

Melvin Jones Fellowships can be given to honor service-minded individuals. (Each requires an accumulated donation total of \$1000.) As of September, the following 25 clubs have passed that goal or are very close:

Alliance, Brimfield (close), Calcutta, Canal Fulton, Canfield, Conneaut, Cortland (close), Crestwood, Hartville, Highland Heights, Homeworth, Jackson Twp., Lisbon, Lordstown, Magnolia, New Waterford, N. Canton, Painesville, Poland, Randolph, Rootstown Twp., Tuslaw, Uniontown, W. Point, Willoughby Eve.

There are also 5 individuals who've surpassed \$1000. Newton Falls is our only "model club". District OH4 has an available DCG Grant balance of over \$8000 which can be used toward a grant of our choice, with the possibility of combining different grants.

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## District LCIF Coordinator Report December 2023



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

Your own club and/or district can apply for a grant to help finance a larger-scale project that fits a service area of: Vision, Youth, Disaster Relief, Humanitarian Efforts, Diabetes, Childhood Cancer, Hunger, or the Environment.

It's all about giving, my friends. Giving of time, talent and funds to support our service to the world.

We serve!

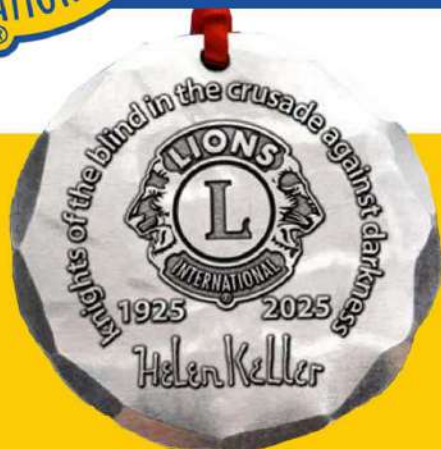
*IPDG Carol Snyder*  
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*Helen Keller*

**CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIVE**



## **Ohio Lions and Wendell August Forge Are honored to present a limited edition ornament**

At the 1925 Lions International Convention at Cedar Point, Ohio, Helen Keller presented her challenge to the Lions to be her "Knights of the Blind"

Her cause lives on as today's Lions provide vision services worldwide as one of eight global initiatives.

For a suggested minimum donation of \$18 (US dollars) for the hand forged aluminum and \$23 for the bronze version, with all proceeds benefiting Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), you will receive a one of a kind memento, with Helen Keller's digital signature.

All Ohio Lions LCIF Leadership will have these to offer in person. All others can purchase through WAF website directly at [wendellaugust.com/lcif](https://wendellaugust.com/lcif)

WAF and the Ohio Lions *thank you* in advance for your donation and sharing in a piece of Lions International history.

This fundraising project is brought to you by the LCIF Leadership team of MD13 Ohio.

**INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING:** We greatly appreciate our international customers. While online international orders aren't available due to various shipping complexities, we do consider minimum bulk orders of 100 pieces or more on a case-by-case basis, with certain restrictions. For assistance, please call 1-800-923-4438. For a timelier response, email [info@wendell.com](mailto:info@wendell.com) and type "LCIF Helen Keller" in the subject line. Thank you for your understanding. We're dedicated to providing a smooth experience for all our international customers.





## Global Membership & Retention Approach December 2023



Hello Lions of District OH4,

A Seasons Greetings to you all! Enjoy the fun of the special holiday you celebrate during this month of December. Did you know there are several multicultural holidays people celebrate at this time of the year? Here are a few; Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, "Boxing Day, Omi-soka, Las Posadas, & Yule are celebrated throughout the world in December. Check them out with a google search. Happy Holidays to everyone and to all a Happy New Year!

As we end 2023 and plan for building our clubs in 2024, take a look at creating an activity where you can invite prospective "helping hands" to join you in service. In a recent GMT meeting I attended, the thought of doing a small project at a club meeting was presented and the group in attendance agreed to the approach. Remember, we didn't join Lions to sit at meetings but joined to serve others in our community. Perhaps a small project planned for a meeting where we can invite others to help may be a way to retain and build our clubs. Things like comfort kits for the homeless, egg hunt stuffing, to filling stocking for kids in the hospital. Let your imagination roll! The list could be endless and be sure to share your ideas on face book.

Let's continue to recognize our new Lions to our district. As of this article writing, we welcome the following new Lions that appear on our District's New Membership Report from Lions Clubs International. I will continue to recognize our new Lions and the club each month when they appear in our report. Our new Lions and clubs for November include:

Canal Fulton: Lion Linda Krino, Lion Tod Krino and Lion Phyllis Mahaney

North Coast: Lion Charlene Leveno

Painesville: Lion Jeremy Grabowsky, Lion Marie Grabowsky & Lion Joe Wallace

Ravenna: Lion Daniel Thompson

Southeast Portage County: Lion Michael Johnson

Uniontown: Lion Dennis Boley

Welcome these NEW Lions to our Lions Pride in Service.

**Remember... "Together We Can Grow"!**

*Lion Judy Young*

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## CC Dave's Report to the Sub-Districts for December



Lions of MD13,

As this communication will reach you sometime during the Holiday Season, best wishes to you and your family and friends as you gather together in thanksgiving and celebration of all that has been given to you. Thank you so much for all you give back to those who are not as fortunate.

November has been an exciting month in MD13, and December promises to be equally productive and fun. We just completed an RLL2 Training Weekend at Salt Fork Lodge in Cambridge, Ohio. Lions representing all the districts in MD13 were in attendance, ranging from club members to a sitting International Director. We were blessed to have ID Ron Keller fly/flee from Iowa via Chicago/Columbus/Millersport during the wee hours Saturday night and early Sunday morning and appear for lunch and enlightenment Sunday afternoon in Salt Fork. At the other end of the Lions experience, Kevin Plummer of Logan Lions shared his first five months of Lions experience with a gathering that included three first vice district governors, a second vice district governor, a sitting DG, three FDI graduates, a few past council chairs, numerous zone chairs, a GLT, an MDS, PDG's, and moi! We investigated how we became Lions, the skills we had to offer MD13 and our local clubs and districts, identifying potential leaders, and how the multiple district worked and supported Lions work through the responsible use of dues and donations. GLT Chair PDG Jay Carey hopes to follow this training up early next Fall with an Emerging Lions Leadership Institute for current and aspiring club officers.

At the November Council of Governors Meeting, we had an excellent presentation from a representative of the Charitable Division of the Ohio Attorney General's Office. Her presentation was recorded and is currently being edited to possibly being offered as a YouTube program. Keep your eyes open for that unveiling. A tour of the Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank, which stores and provides corneal tissue for research and surgeries, was part of the day, as well as two fine dining experiences provided by the Eye Bank! At the meeting, the DG's voted to have Constitution and By-Laws frame two motions; one to

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## CC Dave's Report to the Sub-Districts for December

eliminate the International Relations Committee and a second to promote the New Voices Platform. These would be considered at the February CoG Meeting and could be offered for approval at the State Convention in May. In her monthly meeting, PCC Kerry Parker reported Service Projects reported to MyLions rose from 46% of our clubs to over 70%, in part due to the Fall into Service Campaign. Let's continue to work on letting folks at all levels of society, Lions and non-Lions, know about the good things we do. As I write this report, we are +10 in membership growth for the current Lions Year, but clubs should be looking to their non-participating and non-paying members this month finding ways to help them continue as contributing members of our organization. At the Salt Fork Training highlighted earlier in this message, providing mentoring and training, both of new and existing members, was offered as one way we can do a better job of retention. While we have added almost 400 new members this year, seeing a growth of +10 only takes a little simple math to see we have lost nearly 390. PCC Kenny Schuck's Global Membership Team is about ready to unveil a program to promote membership growth. We have one new club, three in the works, and at least two potential branch clubs being investigated in MD13 at this time. The goal set for us by the International is 918 new members and 8 new clubs. We are barely beyond one third of our Lions Year. We can make this happen, folks!

Check out [ohiolions.org](http://ohiolions.org), our state website, for information on the Winter Retreat and the Spring Convention Season. Those who attended the recent RLLI Training will tell you how much fun it is to gather with Lions from across our districts and state, sharing fellowship, training, and service ideas. Having attended Cabinet Meetings in all our districts, five STEPS walks, a handful of charter nights, and other local Lion events, I can say with confidence that we have an outstanding organization in MD13 of which we can be proud to say we are a member. MD13 Lions are being recognized outside our state boundaries as well. PID Steve Sherer is Chairman for the 2024 USA/Canada Forum in Louisville, Lion Tamarra Parker-Stephens was the feature speaker in the October Meeting of the Regional GAT, Lion Robert Borger is the alternate for Leo Liaison in CAI, and ID Ron Keller is Chairman of the Lions International Membership Committee. Congratulations!

Let's serve, let's grow, and let's have fun in the process.

CC Dave Stockum



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Phone: 330-840-8303 (Leave a message.)

December is the month for decorating, making plans to celebrate and preparing for a new year. We, at the Lions Eye Program, will be settling in our new office at the Cleveland Clinic Lutheran Hospital, 1730 W. 25<sup>th</sup> Street and strategizing how to reveal the best kept secret in Ohio.

Please plan to join us via Zoom WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10th at 6:30 PM in the comfort of your home to learn about a program that has been in existence since 1970 and is still going strong today.

Reservations can be made by emailing us at [lionseyepgm@gmail.com](mailto:lionseyepgm@gmail.com). More information is available at our [lionseyeprogram.com](http://lionseyeprogram.com) website.

We look forward to sharing our mission of eye care for those less fortunate, and we hope you will too.

Lion Earl Cohen  
President



## District 13 OH4 2023-2024 Zone Chair Meeting Dates

( Please submit your meeting info as soon as possible so we can fill in these tables. )

### 1st Zone Meeting

Zone #	Zone Chair	Date	Location
1	Dennis Farmer		
2	Charlie Hutson	Tue, 10/3/23	Ashtabula Lions
3	Betty Robbins	Wed, 10/4/23	Girard Lions
4	Missy Harmon	Thu, 9/7/23, 6:00 PM	Kent United Methodist Church
5	Roger Mansfield	Wed, 9/20/23, 6:30 PM	Rootstown Lions
6	Cathy Price	Thu, 10/5/23	Canfield Lions
7	James Harshman	Thu, 9/21/23	Alliance Lions
8	William Ferrebee	Wed, 9/13/23	Beach City Lions
9	Linda Salom	Mon, 10/23/23	Sherrodsville Lions
10	Nancy Kirkbride	Thu, 9/21/23, 6:00 PM	New Waterford Community Bldg

### 2nd Zone Meeting

Zone #	Zone Chair	Date	Location
1	Dennis Farmer		
2	Charlie Hutson		
3	Betty Robbins		
4	Missy Harmon	Wed, 11/29/23	Ravenna Lions
5	Roger Mansfield	Wed, 11/29/23	Southeast Lions
6	Cathy Price		
7	James Harshman		
8	William Ferrebee	Tue, 12/5/23	Perry Lions
9	Linda Salom	Tue, 11/28/23	Magnolia Lions
10	Nancy Kirkbride	Wed, 11/15/23	Lisbon Lions

## District 13 OH4 2023-2024 Zone Chair Meeting Dates

( Please submit your meeting info as soon as possible so we can fill in these tables. )

### 3rd Zone Meeting

Zone #	Zone Chair	Date	Location
1	Dennis Farmer		
2	Charlie Hutson		
3	Betty Robbins		
4	Missy Harmon	Wed, 3/20/24	Windham Lions
5	Roger Mansfield	Tue, 3/19/24	Randolph Lions
6	Cathy Price		
7	James Harshman		
8	William Ferrebee	Thu, 3/14/24	Tuslaw Lions
9	Linda Salom	Thu, 3/7/24	Jackson Lions
10	Nancy Kirkbride		

### 4th Zone Meeting

Zone #	Zone Chair	Date	Location
1	Dennis Farmer		
2	Charlie Hutson		
3	Betty Robbins		
4	Missy Harmon		
5	Roger Mansfield		
6	Cathy Price		
7	James Harshman		
8	William Ferrebee		
9	Linda Salom		
10	Nancy Kirkbride		

The required Delegates meeting will be in person with the Board  
Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.  
at the Deerfield Friends Church Fellowship Hall

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## MELVIN JONES DISTRICT 13 OH4 LIONS EYE CARE FOUNDATION SEMI - ANNUAL DELEGATE MEETING

DECEMBER 5, 2023 7:00 P.M.

DEERFIELD FRIENDS CHURCH

(rear west end = NE entrance)

*(Should the weather turn sour for poor driving conditions – the meeting will be held by ZOOM  
with notifications and instructions by the District web email on Sunday evening prior.)*

The “Eye Care Foundation” Code of Regulations with supported/related documentation in the District OH4 Constitution and By-Laws defines the semi-annual meetings and that every Lions Club in District OH4 shall be represented by its club delegate and/or alternate. The input from the delegates is important to the board, services, programs and the clientele that we service.

*However, any Lion member of the District is welcomed to join us.*

Club delegates and alternates are to be club members, in good standing, selected by each club with their contact information sent to the Foundations’ Secretary or to sebr\_cna@att.net.

THIS IS YOUR FOUNDATION..... If you know of a child or grown-up in your community who needs eye care – and the local Lions Club cannot afford or a Lions Club may not be able to service the area = please contact your Zone Promoter or let us know. We have numerous contacts for assistance or may start our own application process through the Foundation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us by phone or email - - listings in the District OH4 Directory

We Look Forward and Hope we see everyone

Save the Dates: January 12-14, 2024

## **WINTER RETREAT**

Salt Fork State Park Lodge in Cambridge, Ohio



Plan to attend a fun weekend with Lions from all over Ohio. Lions sessions that are included will be Guiding Lions Training by OH4's PDG Dave Gauch, How to Navigate a LCIF Grant Request, and Roaring Into Technology to name a few. There will also be speakers sharing history of the National Museum of Cambridge Glass, Guernsey County & The National Road. There will be the popular Sip 'n Paint session for a small material fee, as well as sessions on Tea Leaf Readings, Self Defense and Origami. There will be something for everyone. The key point is this will be a great time during January after the hustle and bustle of the holidays to catch up on some Lions knowledge or just sit back and learn about the area around Salt Fork and play cards with your friends. Registration begins sometime in October. Save some \$\$\$ and be sure to register by December 1, 2023 for the Early Bird Rate. Early Registration is \$125.00 per person plus room costs at the lodge. Registration includes all programs and meals for the weekend. Hope to see you attend!



# Come to the Ohio Lions Winter Retreat

## REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

January 12-14, 2024  
Salt Fork State Park  
14755 Cadiz Rd  
Lore City OH 43755  
(740) 432-1508

Fun Sessions

Entertainment:  
Possible Karaoke

Get Together  
With Friends

Fun

Lions Sessions

Euchre  
Tournament

Sip and Paint is  
Back. Register  
Online \$30

Food

Auction for a 4-day  
stay at a Hilton resort  
courtesy of CC Dave  
Stockum (\$\$\$ to be  
donated to pediatric  
cancer)

Calling  
All  
Lions!



Registration paid by 1 Dec 23: \$125

Registrations 2 Dec 23 – 3 Jan 24 \$140

No registrations will be accepted after 3 Jan 24

Register online at [www.ohiolions.org](http://www.ohiolions.org)

Or send in the registration form and make all checks payable to: "THE OHIO LIONS" and specify LIONS WINTER RETREAT in the memo line and to: Ohio Lions, 4074 Hoover Rd., Grove City, OH 43123

NO CANCELLATIONS WILL BE REFUNDED AFTER 4 JAN 24





## 2024 Ohio Lions Winter Retreat

January 12, 13, 14, 2024

REGISTRATION FORM  
SALT FORK STATE PARK  
CAMBRIDGE, OH

### REGISTRATION:

Full registration paid by December 1, 2023 will be \$125.00. Full registrations December 2, 2023 – January 3, 2024 will be \$140.00. No registrations will be accepted after January 3, 2024. Make all checks payable to: "THE OHIO LIONS" and specify LIONS WINTER RETREAT in the memo line and return with this registration form to: Ohio Lions, 2082 Stringtown Rd., PO Box 155, Grove City, OH 43123; Fax: 614-539-5055; Email: [ohiolions@gmail.com](mailto:ohiolions@gmail.com). To use your credit card: go to [www.ohiolions.org](http://www.ohiolions.org) & use PayPal and send your registration form to the address above. **NO CANCELLATIONS WILL BE REFUNDED AFTER JANUARY 4, 2024.**

Please provide an Email address to receive updates on the Winter Retreat!

District

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Will attend Sip and Paint (\$25 fee) \_\_\_\_\_ (limited to 25 people)

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** Please List any special dietary needs required, including the need for a Diabetic Meal.

Registrant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Registrant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

### Session Facilitators

\_\_\_\_ Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ would help as a session facilitator at the Winter Retreat.

### HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Hotel reservations must be made through the hotel by phone: 1-740-435-9000. Room reservations prior to November 30, 2023, may be made by requesting the Ohio Lions Winter Retreat group rate of \$119.00/night plus tax **with 1 to 4 persons per room**. After November 30<sup>th</sup> the room rate may increase. The resort only has a limited number of rooms and may sell out. The State Office will not accept hotel reservations or room deposits.

Check out [www.saltforkparklodge.com](http://www.saltforkparklodge.com) for all of the winter events and resort amenities that are offered at the lodge. Make this a family outing!!!



# FIRST CALL TO CONVENTION WITH

## GOV. JANET & PDG WAYNE CHRISTEN



### OHIO LIONS DISTRICT 13 OH4 CONVENTION

#### MARCH 22, 23, 2024

#### HOLIDAY INN CANTON, OHIO



District Governor Janet Christen invites all Lions, Lioness and Leos to attend the 8th annual District 13 OH4 Convention. (CHANGE) Gov. Janet has decided the convention will be two days this year starting on Friday evening, ending with the Grand Banquet on Saturday evening. There will nothing on Sunday.

We will begin on Friday, March 22, 2024 with registration from 3:00 PM till 5:30 PM. The opening ceremony be at 5:45 PM, meal at 6:00 PM with entertainment to follow. This will allow you the opportunity to meet new friends and renew old acquaintances. The Hospitality rooms will be open after the entertainment. Saturday will be devoted to Educational Forums, District Business Meeting, voting and there will be a Luncheon for all. There will not be a separate Cabinet Banquet this year. The Cabinet will be recognized at the Friday evening Banquet. The Grand Banquet will be held Saturday evening. Our guest for the weekend will be ID Lee Vrieze and his wife Lion Mary from Jim Falls, Wisconsin.

#### WE ASK EACH CLUB TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

1. Send a list of names of all deceased members since our last year's Convention for our Memorial Service. This is for ALL Clubs whether your Club is coming to the convention or not.
2. Select your Delegates and Alternates now! You get One Delegate and one Alternate for every ten members in your club or major fraction thereof.

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#### REGISTRATION FEES

Lions or Spouse	Entire Convention .....	\$120.00
	This includes Friday Banquet, Luncheon, Grand Banquet. All Convention functions, Entertainment and Hospitality Rooms.	
Lions or Spouse	Friday Night Buffet Only .....	\$45.00
	Entertainment and Hospitality Room	
Lions or Spouse	Saturday Luncheon Only .....	\$30.00
Lions or Spouse	Saturday Grand Baquet .....	\$45.00

All tickets will be issued in registration packets and all persons wishing to attend must register in advance.  
**No tickets will be sold at the door for any meal Functions.**

**Deadline to register for Hotel & Convention will be Febuary 19, 2024**

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**ROOMS: \$130.00 Per night including Taxes. This rate includes a free breakfast coupon.** The convention is over Saturday night but if you choose to stay this rate still applies. You make this reservation thru the Convention Chairman and remit payment with reservations.

**THE RESERVATIONS AND MONEY MUST BE SENT TO THE CONVENTION CHAIRMAN IN ORDER TO GET THIS PRICE. THIS PRICE IS ONLY IF YOUR HOTEL REGISTRATIONS ARE MADE AND PAID THROUGH THE CONVENTION CHAIRMAN DO NOT CALL HOTEL FOR RESERVATIONS!**

**ALL REGISTRATIONS** must include member's title, name and spouse's title and full name. If you are bringing a friend, please list his/her full name.

**Full registration fee must be sent with the registration forms. Names will not be registered for the convention until the fees are received. Registration must include member's full name and spouse's full name. If you bring a friend, please list his/her full name.**

**Deadline to register for Hotel & Convention will be February 19, 2024**

Please **do not** send in Hotel Registration without convention registration forms.

**NO PARTIAL PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED**

All Registration Forms with fees are to be sent to:

PDG Tom Kirkbride  
39764 S.R. 517  
Lisbon, Ohio 44432  
330-424-7955 or 330-853-6565 (Cell)  
Lion Nancy cell is 333-853-1289

**Make all checks payable to: District 13 OH4 Convention Fund**

**Cutoff Date for Cancellation or Refunds is March 1, 2024. No Refunds after that date. This applies to rooms and registration.**

Again this year, we will have assigned seating at the Grand Banquet; tables will be assigned according to the postmark on your paid registration.

**PDG breakfast will be Saturday morning . If you have a paid hotel reservation you will receive a breakfast coupon. If you don't have a paid hotel reservation the cost will be \$15.**

**Friday night theme and attire is:**

**LIONS ARE "HAPPY" TO SERVE**

**DRESS IN YOUR HAPPY THE DWARF SHIRT OR OUTFIT OR ANYTHING  
DISNEY  
PRIZE FOR THE BEST DRESSED MALE AND FEMALE**



OHIO LIONS DISTRICT 13 OH4 CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM  
MARCH 22,23, 2024

CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO 13 OH4 CONVENTION & SEND FORM WITH CHECK TO: PDG Tom Kirkbride  
39764 State Route 517  
Lisbon, Ohio 44432

RESERVATION DEAD LINE IS FEBRUARY 19, 2024

LIST ON THIS FORM ALL MEMBERS, SPOUSES AND GUEST THAT ARE ATTENDING ALL OR PART OF THE CONVENTION. PLEASE NOTE IF SPOUSE IS A LION, ETC. Please select your grand banquet meal

(Print your name as you want it to Appear on your name badge)	Entire CONVENTION \$120.00	FRIDAY ONLY \$45.00	Saturday LUNCH ONLY \$30.00	Saturday GRAND BANQUET \$45.00	Grand Banquet Lemon Pepper Chicken	Grand Banquet Beef tenderloin	Total
( Example) PDG Tom Kirkbride	\$120.00				X		\$120.00
(Example) Lion Nancy Kirkbride	\$ 120.00					X	\$120.00
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							
NUMBER REGISTERED							

SEND FULL AMOUNT DUE WITH THIS FORM TO THE CONVENTION CHAIRMAN  
Duplicate forms can be downloaded off the District Web Site (NO Cancellations/refunds after March 1, 2024)  
SEE OTHER SIDE FOR HOTEL REGISTRATION

HOTEL REGISTRATION FORM

MARCH 22, 23, 2024

OHIO LIONS DISTRICT  
13 OH4 8th ANNUAL CONVENTION

Holiday Inn  
4520 Everhard Rd.NW  
Canton, Ohio 44718

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

NAME OF CLUB \_\_\_\_\_ ROOM MUST BE RESERVED BY FEBRUARY 19, 2024

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO 13 OH4 CONVENTION & SEND FORM WITH CHECK TO: PDG Tom Kirkbride  
39764 S.R. 517  
Lisbon, Ohio 44432

LIST BELOW THE NAMES OF ALL MEMBERS WHO WISH TO RESERVE A ROOM AT THE HOLIDAY INN. THIS  
WILL GUARANTEE RESERVATIONS FOR THE CONVENTION. YOU WILL BE PAYING THE CONVENTION CHAIRMAN.  
IF YOU DO NOT CANCEL YOUR ROOM BY MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> YOUR HOTEL RESERVATION WILL NOT BE REFUNDED

**REMEMBER, THE CONVENTION WILL END AFTER THE GRAND BANQUET ON SATURDAY EVENING. IF YOU CHOOSE TO  
STAY SATURDAY NIGHT. PLEASE MARK THE SATURDAY COLUMN AND REMIT PAYMENT.**

LION SPOUSE	FRIDAY \$130.00	SATURDAY \$130.00	TOTAL	GUEST PER ROOM	SPECIAL REQUEST
(SAMPLE) PDG Tom & Nancy Kirkbride	\$130.00		\$130.00	2	Non Smoking – 2 Double Beds

SEND FULL AMOUNT DUE WITH THIS FORM TO THE CONVENTION CHAIRMAN  
Duplicate forms can be downloaded off of the District Web Site (NO Cancellation/Refunds after March 1, 2024)  
SEE OTHER SIDE FOR CONVENTION REGISTRATION

8<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL OHIO LIONS DISTRICT 13-OH4 CONVENTION  
OFFICIAL DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE FORM

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

NAME OF CLUB;\_\_\_\_\_

SEND TO: PDG TOM KIRKBRIDE  
39764 S.R. 517  
LISBON, OHIO 44432

THIS FORM IS FOR LISTING DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES ONLY:  
ALSO PLEASE LIST ALL PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR’S IN YOUR CLUB ON THIS FORM AS  
DELEGATES AT LARGE

NAME	DELEGATE	DELEGATE AT LARGE (PDG’S)	ALTERNATE

EACH CLUB IN GOOD STANDING ON THE JANUARY, 2024 MEMBERSHIP REPORT CAN  
SEND ONE (1) DELEGATE PER EVERY TEN (10) MEMBERS OR MAJOR FRACTION THERE  
OF.

I CERTIFY THAT THE DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES LISTED ABOVE ARE MEMBERS  
IN GOOD STANDING OF THE \_\_\_\_\_ LIONS CLUB

\*\*\*\*\*

SIGNED BY THE CLUB SECRETARY:\_\_\_\_\_

DATE:\_\_\_\_\_

OHIO LIONS DISTRICT 13 OH4 2023/24 CONVENTION

LIST OF DECEASED MEMBERS FOR MEMORIAL SERVICE

SINCE OUR LAST CONVENTION

NAME OF CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: PDG Tom Kirkbride  
39764 S.R. 517  
Lisbon, Ohio 44432

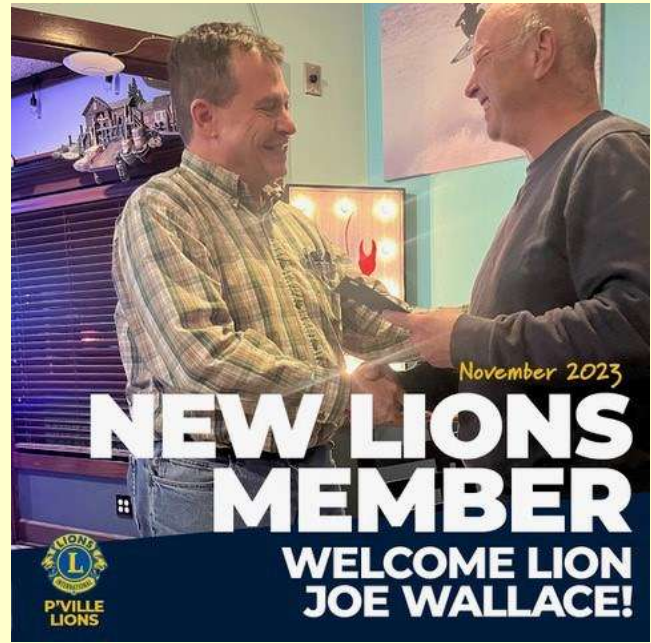
*This form is used to list members who have passed away since the last Convention*

Name of deceased Member ( <u>Please Print Clearly</u> )	Date of Death
_____	_____
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# Club Reports

**Painesville Lions Club** new Lions and Lion Cub, and Lions Cub bake sale.



# Club Reports

On November 16th, the **Kent Lions Club** was given a “Citizen's of the Year Award” by the city of Kent for their environmental efforts, predominantly associated with their Trex plastic recycling program. The Kent Lions hold a plastic recycling drop-off for the community for 2 hours on the last Friday of every month. Since February 2021 they have collected 15,932 pounds (8 tons!) of plastic bags, film and wrap.



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Lions from the **Kent, Ravenna, Uniontown and Hartville Lions Clubs** combined to screen students in the Kent and Ravenna schools this fall. In total, 1852 students were screened and 194 of those were referred for further evaluation.





# Club Reports

The **Windham Lions Club** fall 2023 giving projects.

**SEPTEMBER 2023** \$50 Purchase and club donated sweatpants for Head Start children



**OCTOBER 2023** \$75 Purchased mums for Windham Village flower boxes. High school students planted the flowers.



**NOVEMBER 2023** \$200 Donated to Windham United Methodist Church for Thanksgiving baskets



# Club Reports

The **Ravenna Lions Club** holds a community drop-off for plastic on the first Saturday every month from 10:00 AM until noon in the parking lot at the corner of Riddle and Prospect Streets in Ravenna.



\* \* \* \* \*

*I know many clubs in the district participate in the Trex plastic recycling program.*

*It would be pretty cool if in a future newsletter we could put a picture or two from each club showing their efforts.*



## Club Reports

Zone 4 held its second zone meeting on November 29 hosted by the **Ravenna Lions Club**. Dinner was prepared by the Lions and wives and consisted of four different home-made soups, salad, bread and a cart full of many different home-made desserts. Attendance was good from all four clubs in the zone. Attendees included DG Janet Christen, PDG Wayne Christen, PCC Dave Gauch and PDG Tony DeLuke. Presidents, or their reps, from the **Crestwood, Ravenna, Kent and Windham Lions Clubs** reported on club activities and membership, and presented their clubs' latest contributions from the Project Change campaign: a total of \$182.76. Also, \$125 netted from a basket raffle will go to STEPS. The photo below shows the Lions, who are veterans, who led the Pledge of Allegiance to open the meeting.







# ASHTABULA LIONS CLUB

## Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, December 2, 2023

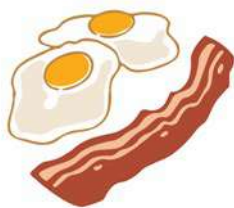
8:30 AM to 11:00 AM

Trinity Presbyterian Church

1342 W. Prospect Rd, Ashtabula

Pancakes, Sausage, Bacon, Eggs, Juice, Coffee

\$8.00



The Ashtabula Lions Club plans to hold a pancake breakfast on the 1st Saturday of every month.



**PAINESVILLE LIONS**  
**HOLIDAY**  
**RAFFLE**

 **12/09**  
**FB LIVE**  
**Drawing**  Square

**1st Prize \$750**  
**2nd Prize \$250**

**TICKETS: 1 for \$10 or 3 for \$25**

Drawing is December 9.

Pay online or contact Lion Ernie Richmann by messaging to 440-668-8310.

Holiday Raffle

checkout.square.site

<https://checkout.square.site/buy/FHCPUVB7SBFAAQWTFVRISIKE>



## **WINDHAM LIONS 2024 PANCAKE BRUNCH**

**JAN 7 - FEB 4 - MAR 3**

**The Windham Lions will host an all-you-can-eat pancake brunch at The Brick Chapel on 9001 N. Main Street, Windham. Brunch consists of pancakes, eggs, sausage and beverage.**

**Time: 8:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**Adults & Teens cost is \$8.00 Presale tickets \$7.00**

**Youth ages 5 - 12 - \$7.00 Presale tickets \$6.00**

**Child 4 and under Free**

**Serving the Windham community since 1955**

# February 17, 2024

## Solar Eclipse 2024



**Presented  
by:**

McKenzie Villataro,  
Portage County Emergency  
Management Agency

**Where:**

Brimfield Methodist Church  
1235 Tallmadge Rd Kent

**When:**

Presentation at 1:00 pm in  
Sanctuary; refreshments and  
activities downstairs following

**What:**

Learn about how the upcoming  
Solar Eclipse can affect you!

Sponsored by the Brimfield Lions Club  
Questions? Please call 330-552-7240

The Brimfield Lions Club is hosting a Solar Eclipse information session.

February 17, 2024 - 1:00PM

Brimfield Methodist Church - 1235 Tallmadge Rd. Kent, OH, 44240

There will be activities after in the basement of the church.



## UPCOMING CLUB ACTIVITIES

## Mark Your 2023-2024 Calendar

**DEC 2 - ASHTABULA LIONS CLUB, PANCAKE BREAKFAST, TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 8:30-11:00 AM.**  
For more information see [page 30](#).

**DEC 9 - PAINSEVILLE LIONS CLUB, HOLIDAY RAFFLE, FACEBOOK LIVE DRAWING, PURCHASE TICKETS ON LINE.**  
For more information see [pages 31](#).

**JAN 7 - WINDHAM LIONS CLUB, PANCAKE BRUNCH, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM, THE BRICK CHAPEL, 9001 N MAIN ST, WINDHAM.**  
For more information see [page 32](#).

**FEB 17 - BRIMFIELD LIONS CLUB, SOLAR ECLIPSE INFO SESSION, 1:00 PM, BRIMFIELD METHODIST CHURCH, 1235 TALLMADGE RD.**  
For more information see [page 33](#).

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## UPCOMING DISTRICT &amp; STATE ACTIVITIES

## Mark Your 2023-2024 Calendar

**DEC 5 - MELVIN JONES DISTRICT 13 OH 4 LIONS EYE CARE FOUNDATION, SEMI-ANNUAL DELEGATE MEETING, 7:00 PM, DEERFIELD FRIENDS CHURCH.**

For more information see **page 15.**

**JAN 3 - LIONS EYE PROGRAM, INC., DELEGATE MEETING, 6:30 PM. THIS IS A ZOOM MEETING.**

For more information see **page 12.**

**JAN 12-14, 2024 - WINTER RETREAT, SALT FORK STATE PARK, REDUCED REGISTRATION UNTIL DEC 1, REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON JAN 3.**

For more information see **pages 16-18.**

**FEB 10, 2024 - COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MEETING.**

**FEB 18, 2024 - CABINET MEETING, DEERFIELD FRIENDS CHURCH, 2:00 PM.**

**MAR 22-23, 2024 - DISTRICT 13 OH4 CONVENTION, HOLIDAY INN, CANTON, OH. REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR CONVENTION AND HOTEL IS FEB 19, 2024.**

For more information see **pages 19-24.**

**MAY 4, 2024 - SPRING SOCIAL.**

**MAY 17-19, 2024 - LIONS CLUBS MD 13 STATE CONVENTION, WORTHINGTON, OH.**

**JUN 21-25, 2024 - 106<sup>th</sup> LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA.**

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