

DISTRICT GOVERNOR DEBBIE LUTTRELL | APR. 2023 | LY 22-23



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Send newsletter articles to:

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due by the 27<sup>th</sup> of the month

#### SAVE THE DATE

New Voices Symposium Deer Creek State Park May 6, 2023

Ohio Lions State Convention Marriott Columbus Northwest May 19-21, 2023

Learn to Roar Tolles Career &Technical Center, Plain City June 10, 2023

USA/CANADA Lions Leadership Forum Reno, Nevada Sept. 21-23, 2023

#### **EARTH DAY**

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## DISASTER RELIEF

LCIF and Matthew 25 Ministries are helping the Mississippi communities hit by the tornado. Page 5

#### **COMPLIANCE**

Be on the lookout for these red flags! p.9

## FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

LCI has added new resources to the Family Membership and Cub Program pages. Learn more... Page 6

## STATE CONVENTION

Details at end of newsletter!

## From DG Debbie: thank you!

What a great convention and all thanks to my wonderful convention committee headed by Lion Jennifer Luttrell and her committee: Lions Kelly and Paul Hogrell; Lion Toni Gray, PDG Jeff and Lion Loretta Sweeney and Lion Linda Rosine. Thank you all for your dedication and support before and during the convention.

Congratulations to all who were given awards; while you cannot give everyone an award, I attempted to showcase newer Lions that are making great contributions to our district.

Please consider joining us for our New Voices Symposium in May and our Learn to Roar Leadership Training in June; both events are open to everyone and I know that PDG Jackie Miller, our district GLT chair, is coordinating both events and they will be great experiences for Lions at all levels.

Our district will be participating in The MD13 Membership drive again for May through the end of June. We are asking clubs to bring in 2 new members. Invite your non-Lion friends to projects this spring and let them see how much good and fun you are having; what a great way to introduce them to Lions!! More on this next month.

Together We Can!

DG Debbie

#### **SERVING TOGETHER**

District OH5 led the way, but the other Districts of MD13 are doing their part as well, and it appears that, *once again*, we will end the year, statewide, with 100% reporting of service to LCI. That means every Lions and Leo club in the state will have reported in on completing at least one service activity. Last year, the Ohio Lions of MD13 were the only multiple district WORLDWIDE to boast that accomplishment. LCI President's slogan for this year is, "Together, We Can!" The Ohio Lions are proving just that.

The challenge, now, is to double down on that commitment to service. Let's see if the Lions Clubs of OH5 can each find a way to do at least one more service project between now and the end of the Lions year (June 30<sup>th</sup>). It doesn't have to be a Lions Club project – it just needs to be Lions participating and demonstrating (once again) that *WE SERVE*. Consider working with another organization or group to serve your community. Do you have in mind a service project that requires more hands than you have available? Consider setting up the project (getting the materials ready, identify a date and location), and then invite others to help – a scout troop, a middle school class, the local senior center? They don't necessarily have to come out to your meeting – consider taking the service project to them.

Below is the description of just such a project that you could use as a model – something you can do with YOUR club this month.

Yours in Service,

Lion Jane Jarrow

OH5 GST

lionjjarrow@gmail.com



#### A DO-IT-YOURSELF EARTH DAY PROJECT FOR 2023

The Tri-Village Lions are planning an Earth Day project for this year that will use the time and talents of the Lions, to prepare materials for seniors from the local Senior Center, who will compile Earth Day Kits for 125 5th graders at one of our local schools. A win-win-win project that YOU can do all or part of in your community.

#### WHAT?

Each Earth Day Kit will contain a copy of the Lions Save-Our-Planet Coloring Book, one green crayon (every page in the coloring book ends in "color it green!"), an individual mini peat pot, a soil pod, some seeds for planting, and some environmentally themed worksheets and word games. Estimated cost: \$.90/kit

#### WHO?

The Tri-Village Lions will print and compile the coloring books (3 back-to-back pages), order the other materials, divide the seeds into small packets for use, and print the worksheets.

On April 18th, we will take all the assembled materials to the Upper Arlington Senior Center where a group of 12+ volunteers will compile the individual kits, with appropriate labels identifying this as a project of the Tri-Village Lions Club "with help from our friends at the UA Senior Center." The kits will be distributed to the fifth graders at Tremont School on Earth Day, April 20.

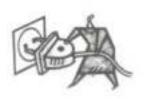
The Tri-Village Lions would be happy to share the template for the coloring book and the worksheets with any club that would like to participate. It will take less than 10 minutes to make it your own (a few places where you need to replace "Tri-Village" with the name of your club/community, and one place where you will want to give a link to your local recycling center instead of the Tri-Village link shown). After that, you get to decide how much of our approach you are in a position to approach. We will share where you can buy boxes of green crayons, the peat pots, soil pods, and seeds (all available from Amazon), or you may choose to compile/distribute some-but-not-all of the items in our Earth Kits. But we hope you'll consider doing SOMETHING.

For more information, contact Lion Jane Jarrow at <a href="mailto:lionijarrow@gmail.com">lionijarrow@gmail.com</a>



This is an energy vampire. He does not suck blood. He sucks energy. He uses cell phone chargers and computer monitors and other electronics that are carelessly left plugged in.\*







 According to the U.S. Department of Energy, 75% of all the electricity consumed in the home is standby power used to keep electronics running when those TVs, DVRs, computers, monitors and stereos are "off."



### Where there's a need, there's a Lion.



#### MISSISSIPPI TORNADO

On the evening of Friday, March 24, strong storms and a tornado hit southeastern sections of the USA, leveling communities in Mississippi. So far, 26 people have been killed as a result of the storm and dozens more have been injured. The mayor of Rolling Fork, Mississippi reported their entire town was destroyed after enduring sustained winds of 170 miles per hour.

When a natural disaster strikes, we, as Lions, are ready to help. Right beside us is Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), our global foundation. LCIF is mobilizing funds, including a US\$50,000 Major Catastrophe grant and a US\$10,000 Emergency grant to empower Lions in District 30-M, Mississippi to help their communities recover.

- Monetary donations can be made to LCIF with Mississippi Tornado Relief in the memo line. (Note if you donate
  online, it will go to the general disaster relief fund; please send checks to your district LCIF chairman.)
- Item donations can be delivered to **Matthew 25 Ministries in Blue Ash, Ohio**. They have trucks sending goods to the affected areas. Please see the following list for needed items. https://m25m.org/disaster/mstornadoes23/
- Contact the Mississippi Lions for information on how to help: 30Mhelp@gmail.com

#### EAST PALESTINE, OHIO

Through the Ohio Lions Foundation, Lions of District OH4 are providing residents of East Palestine, OH with gift cards to address citizens' immediate living needs.

The initial distribution of gift cards was held on Friday, February 24; the allotment of gift cards was exhausted in two hours time. A successor Lions gift card distribution is set for Wednesday, March 1, 2023 for local residents. These Lions gift cards, totalling \$10,000 to date, are assisting the community in helping meet their needs.

The Ohio Lions Foundation is the disaster relief resource which funds the in-state gift card distribution, as overseen by OH4 Lions clubs nearest East Palestine. In communication with the East Palestine City Administration, state and federal agencies are providing the community with cleaning supplies, food and water to local residents impacted by the train derailment and its aftermath.

Lions who seek to assist the community are asked to send donations to:

The Ohio Lions Foundation

P.O. Box 470301

Broadview Heights, OH 44147

Memo: East Palestine relief

YOUR DONATIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE WHEN COMMUNITIES
ARE IMPACTED BY DISASTERS

#### Family Membership

The Family Membership section of the LCI website has been enhanced and the "Cub Program" was redesigned with more resources available to clubs to encourage young couples with children to join Lions Clubs. Check it out: <a href="https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/family-membership/cub-program">https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/family-membership/cub-program</a>



What great things does YOUR club have to share? Let us know! Message districtOH5news@gmail.com with your pictures and stories!

#### OH5 & OH6 NEW VOICES SYMPOSIUM

**Participants Wanted!** There will be a New Voices Symposium hosted by OH5 and OH6. Symposium is for both women and men.

- Date May 6, 2023
- Where Deer Creek State Park
   20635 State Park Road 20, Mount Sterling, OH 43143
- (740) 869-3124
- Time 9 am 4:30 PM
- Maximum 50 participants

PID Connie LeCleir-Meyer will be our LCI guest and is an LCIP certified trainer. She brings a wealth of knowledge, and we are excited she can join us for the day! PCC Kerry Parker and Lion Jane Jarrow will also be trainers. Theme is Combating Hunger. Goals for this will be:

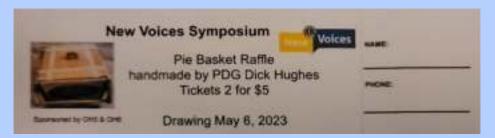
- Feeding School Children
- Feeding Low-Income Families
- Feeding the Homeless
- Food Pantries Government vs. Non-Profits

The New Voices symposiums aim to promote gender parity and diversity, while seeking to increase the number of women, young adults, and other underrepresented populations in our organization. The symposiums are useful tools for pinpointing needs and relevant service opportunities that will spark the interest of people of all ages and backgrounds in the community. They serve to promote Lions clubs and service projects of interest to the community, recruit non-Lions, as well as provide information and resources for chartering a new club or club branch with the goal of developing new community projects.

There is beautiful wooden pie basket carrier that we are selling raffle tickets for at 2 tickets for \$5. Anyone can buy a ticket to help support this New Voices Workshop.

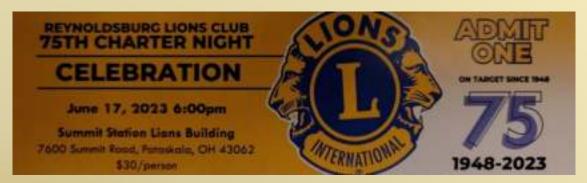
Attached at the end of the newsletter is the application for the event. Everyone will get a Polo shirt with their registration. This event is open to men and women.

Please sign up quickly. We have seats for 25 people from each district. Please contact PDG Jackie Miller, (614) 530-1861 or email: <a href="mailto:pdgjackie@gmail.com">pdgjackie@gmail.com</a> for additional information. You can also email to get a raffle ticket!



## Reynoldsburg Lions 75<sup>th</sup> Charter Night

Reynoldsburg Lions Club is celebrating our 75th Charter Night on June 17, 2023. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased from any Reynoldsburg Lions Club member.



Reynoldsburg Lions Club is holding their 4th annual auction on April 27, 2023 (the ticket is misprinted at 2022) at 6pm at the Summit Station Lions Building. Tickets are \$15 which includes a meal and door prize ticket and can be purchased from any Reynoldsburg Lions Club member (some contact info below).



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Lion Bob Theisen

RJTheisen123@gmail.com

614-403-8389



## Dangerous Practices



"Best Practices" are a set of guidelines that represent the most efficient or prudent course of action in a given situation. They are important to know for the proper running of your club. Just as important, are "Dangerous Practices" which can land your club in big trouble. Avoid these situations.

- 1. Using Copyrighted Images. Do not use images from the internet unless they come from a free public domain site. There are companies using sophisticated search engines to find copyrighted pictures on websites, social media sites, and more. Your club can be invoiced and sued for using copyrighted images. Free public domain sites include: Pexels, Wikimedia Commons, Unsplash, and Public Domain Archive.
- 2. Advertise Taxable Sales and Not Submit Taxes. The Ohio Department of Taxation has staff responsible for monitoring the websites and social media platforms of non-profit organizations. They are looking for organizations advertising fund-raising projects that sell taxable items (flowers, brooms. Lightbulbs, etc.) and either do not have a vendor's license or do not submit sales tax for that project. This violation costs the state monetary income and will become a major focus.
- 3. Improper Gaming Activities. The Ohio Attorney General's Office is also monitoring websites and social media platforms of non-profit organizations. They are searching for advertisements of card tournaments, and other gaming activities to ensure they are part of a "festival" and that profits are donated to a charity. They also search for Bingo and instant bingo games of organizations without a Bingo license from their office.

#### FEB/MAR NEWS FROM OLENTANGY LIONS CLUB

- Hosted speakers from the Student Volunteers for Optometric Service to Humanity (SVOSH) and Seeds of Caring- this organization was a grass roots effort to provide opportunities for families to participate in service together.
- Completed two service activities for Common Ground. 1) Filled folded hearts with Starburst candies and sealed them with a lion sticker. 2)
   Made fruit gel Valentine's monsters. These will be shared in the meals served to the community.
- Hosted the March Zone Meeting at Taranto's Pizza!
- Hosted speakers from the Student Volunteers for Optometric Service to Humanity (SVOSH) and Seeds of Caring- this organization was a grass roots effort to provide opportunities for families to participate in service together.
- Hosted speaker Captain Tom Lennon who spoke on behalf of the VCAS
   (Veteran Companion Animal Services). He shared several heartwarming
   ways of how his program places companion animals with veterans
   displaying PTSD. A \$100 donation from The Olentangy Lions Club was
   made to VCAS.
- Hosted speaker Sophia Taylor. She is an Olentangy Orange High School student making an impact in her community through a Family Promise project. Club collected donations to present to Sophia and her project.

Congrats to Olentangy Lions Club on an impressive line up of speakers! Have you brought in someone new to talk to your club lately? What a great way to make **connections in your community**!



## Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction

Sponsored by the Green Camp Lions Club

Sunday April 16, 2023 3pm - 6pm

Auction bids to close at 5:45pm

### **Green Camp Community Building**

Meal is a freewill donation

100% of net proceeds will go toward philanthropic causes within our community

This past month, members of the *Worthington Noon Lions Club* returned to Columbus' Ronald McDonald House near the Nationwide Children's Hospital to volunteer for another meal prep session. This time we assisted Chef Blair prepare the Fireman's lunch; pasta, sausage, and vegetables. Our club members chopped, stirred, served parents whose children are being treated at Children's Hospital.



Lion Members preparing lunch: front, Lion Dr Brenda Toler, Pat Lee, Lion Eileen and Lion Bob Brenner, Lion Joan Bird, Deb Harper and President Lion Timothy Lee

Ronald McDonald House is a non-profit organization that provides accommodation for families of seriously ill children who are receiving treatment at nearby hospitals. Their mission is to keep families together and provide a "home away from home" during what can be a very difficult time.

The first Ronald McDonald House was opened in 1974 in Philadelphia, and today there are over 360 houses in more than 64 countries. The houses are typically located near hospitals, which makes it easier for families to be close to their child during treatment. The houses are funded by donations and volunteers, and they provide a range of services to families, including meals, transportation, laundry facilities, and playrooms for siblings.

One of the things that makes the Ronald McDonald House so special is the sense of community that it creates. Families who stay at the house often develop close relationships with other families who are going through similar experiences. Volunteers and staff members are also an integral part of the community, providing support and comfort to families during their stay.

In addition to providing accommodation for families, the Ronald McDonald House also supports medical research and programs that benefit children's health. They partner with local hospitals and organizations to provide resources and education to families, and they work to raise awareness about the needs of seriously ill children and their families.

Overall, the Ronald McDonald House is an incredible organization that provides vital support to families during a difficult time. Would your group be interested in donating their time in meal preparation, contact Volunteer Manager Meika Hills (614 227-6032) or learn how to give a donation, contact Major Gifts Officer Darla Stover (614 227 6033). Ronald McDonald House stands ready to receive your assistance.



Ronald McDonald House Chef Blair is presented Worthington Noon Lions Speaker Award from President Lion Tim

Lion Clubs, since their 1917 beginning in Chicago have always stood to help those in need.



## JOIN US FOR



## WALK FOR VISION 5K

SUPPORTING THE CENTRAL OHIO LIONS EYE BANK

## SATURDAY April 29, 2023

Sponsored by: District OH-5 ZONE 4 Lions Clubs



Fees: \$25 Adults Kids 7-18 \$10 Kids 7 and under Free\*

REGISTRATION STARTS: 7am
WALK/RUN STARTS: 8:30 am
PROSPECT COMMUNITY PARK
PROSPECT, OHIO

## ~~REGISTRATION FORM~~

Pre-Registration is required for the free T-shirt by April 7th, 2023 We are accepting same-day registration with no free T-shirt offer

(Please Print) First & Last Name:		
Mailing Address:		
Age on Race Day:	Shirt Size:	
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QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT ZON	E 4 LIONS CHAIRS TOM & DIANA MYE	RS ~~740.360-6385 ~ <b>THANK YOU!!</b>

\*Kids under 7 will NOT receive a free t-shirt\*



## Plain City Lions Club Annual Dinner & Auction Thursday, April 27, 2023

#### **Der Duchman Restaurant - Plain City**

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.- Dinner served at 6:30 p.m. \$20

#### These are some of the items that have been donated for the auction

U.S. flag made of three different types of wood with the stars inlaid. - Lion Perry Beachy

Ecco weed trimer – Beachy's Small Engines

Stihl battery hedge trimmer – Hilliard Lawn & Garden

Socket Set – Lion Larry Meyers

Impact Wrench and Torque Wrench – Lion Dave Metcalf

Adirondack Chair – Yutzy Farm Market

Perch Dinner for 10 – Lion Roger Weeks

Yeti Cups (2) – Lion Rick Kaufman

One skid of Softner Salt – ASE Feed

One Year of Donuts = Dutchman Hospitality

Auctioneers – Jay Kurtz, Geoff Smith and Don Westlake



# Saturday, April 29, 2023 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**Scioto Downs Racino** 

6000 South High Street Columbus, Ohio

## Tickets On Sale Now!

https://GroveCityLions.org/beer-fest

**MUST BE 21 YEARS OR OLDER TO ATTEND EVENT** 

Please Drink Craft Beers Responsibly

All proceeds benefit Pilot Dogs and Grove City Lions' Sight Care Programs



## Come one, come all to the 2023 State Convention!!! May 19-21,2023 at the Columbus Northwest Marriott Hotel Dublin, OH

Registration Fee: \$120 per person. Deadline: May 1<sup>st</sup>. No refunds after May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Hotel Reservations: \$119/night + tax, call 614-791-1000 and ask for the Ohio Lions Room Block. Deadline: April 24<sup>th</sup>.

Our LCI Guest for the weekend will be 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Patti Hill and Lion Greg Holmes, from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Purchase your Canadian t-shirts, available for pre-sale only (see registration form), and will wear them on Friday night to make them feel welcome!!!

Attached: Delegate and registration forms, and the ballot item that will be voted on. These items are also available on our website: www.ohiolions.org.

The Ohio Lions Global Service Team wants your used pill bottles – prescription bottles, over-the-counter pill bottles, and vitamin bottles. On Saturday of the State Convention volunteers will sort and bag the bottles for use by Matthew 25 Ministries in Blue Ash. (see flyer attached).

Friday Night: Our sponsor for Friday night is Pilot Dogs. After dinner we will have a presentation from Lion Jim Alloway and staff. Afterwards, we will have entertainment by musician Jim Boedicker.

We look forward to seeing you in May!!!

The State Convention Committee

#### \*\*MULTIPLE DISTRICT 13 OHIO LIONS 102<sup>nd</sup> STATE CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM\*\*

May 19 - 21, 2023

**The Columbus Northwest Marriott** 

5605 Blazer Parkway, Dublin, OH 43017

#### HOTEL RESERVATION

Hotel reservations are available at the Marriott Cols. NW and can be made directly through the hotel at the following number: (614) 791-1000. Daily rate: \$119.00+tax. Please mention Ohio Lions to receive this rate. Reservations received after April 24, 2023 will be provided on a space available basis at prevailing rates. The State Office will not accept hotel reservations or room deposits.

#### CONVENTION REGISTRATION – **DEADLINE**, May 1<sup>st</sup>

- 1 Full Registration \$120 (includes all meals and activities)
- 2 Business Registration Only (NO Meals) \$15
- 3 Friday only (dinner, music & hospitality) \$35
- 4 Saturday Awards Luncheon & Seminars Only \$40
- 5 All Day Saturday (seminars, Saturday Luncheon, Grand Banquet and Hospitality) - \$85
- 6 Grand Banquet only \$45
- 7 Children meals (ages 4-12) Contact State Office

NO REFUNDS AFTER MAY 5th.

#### **Convention Schedule:**

Friday – Opening Dinner – Pilot Dogs Music – Jim Boedicker

**Saturday** – Business, Memorial Service, Leadership seminars, Awards Luncheon, Voting, Grand Banquet, Hospitality

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

PLEASE PRINT

Club Name/District:

Contact Person:

Phone:

#### **SERVICE PROJECT – Pill Bottles**

(See Flyer on Ohio Lions website)

PRINT or TYPE  Name as to appear on name tag.	Registration Choice -	DELEGATE	T-Shirts S – XL - \$8 Specify Sz. & Qty	T-Shirts 2XL- \$10 Specify Qty	T-Shirts 3XL -\$12 4XL -\$12 Specify Sz & Qty	Special Dietary Needs	Amount

Make checks payable to: Ohio Lions, Inc.

Send to: 4074 Hoover Rd., Grove City, OH 43123

PH: (614) 539-5060 E: ohiolions@gmail.com To use credit card go to www.ohiolions.org & use PayPal\* Total Due

FIRST 150 FULL REGISTRATION ATTENDEES WILL RECEIVE A 2023 MD-13 STATE CONVENTION PIN

## MD13 – OHIO LIONS, INC. STATE CONVENTION CLUB CREDENTIALS FORM

District 13	Date:	Club:	
Membership Status	s as of April 1, 2023	Members:	Living PDG's
Each chartered Club in one (1) Delegate and o club, or a major fractic International Associatic lub which is newly checonvention, shall have and a day as shown on entitled to at least one	Articles XI Section 5 of the MD a good standing on the first day of the (1) Alternate for every ten (10 on thereof, five (5) being consider on Office as of the first day of the partered, and any other chartered its delegate quota determined on such record date in the records of	13 – Ohio Lions, Inc. Corf any convention of Multip b) of its members who have red a major fraction. Member e month last proceeding the club which takes in new members who f the international office. I	D13 STATE CONVENTION  Institution states the following:  Institution states the follow
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## Application for Sponsor-A-Table Sign 102nd Annual Ohio Lions State Convention

The Ohio Lions MD13 will be celebrating our 103th State Convention in May of 2023. The convention committee is raising funds to keep the registration cost down so all Lions can attend. We want to make this a memorable weekend for all Lions. To help defray expenses, we are asking individual Lions, Lion Clubs and Lion Committees to sponsor a table at one of our meals. For \$20.00 you can honor a PDG, a current District Officer, or in memory of a departed Lion. Your Sponsorship can be for Friday Night, Pilot Dogs Night, Saturday Luncheon, or Saturday Nights Grand Banquet. If you have no preference the committee will place your sponsorship where needed. You may sponsor one event, two events or all three, each sponsor helps keep our cost down and recognize your club or a fellow Lion.

We hope you will consider being a Sponsor-A-Table participant.

Friday Night

Pilot Dogs Night

(Lions Club, Lion's Name, etc.)

Friendship Luncheon

(Lions Club, Lion's Name, etc.)

Grand Banquet

Governor's Grand Banquet

(Lions Club, Lion's Name, etc.)

No Preference

Make checks & money orders payable to OHIO LIONS INC. Please specify on the memo line that the payment is for a Sponsor-A-Table. Please no later than April 15, 2023.

Enclose is a check or money order in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ covering the payment of our sponsors.

Lion Name/Lion Club/Etc.: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Send this form, payment to:

PDG John Davis, 933 Thornapple Lane, Findlay, OH 45840

419-306-7003 jdavis1952@hotmail.com

Thank you for your support!

#### **MD-13 Constitution Existing language:**

#### Section 3 State Revenue and Funds

The revenue received under Section 1 and 2 of Article VIII shall be distributed as state funds and as district funds [Refer to Article X Section 1.]. The state funds shall total **\$12.16** of the annual per capita dues. The allocation of state revenue among funds will be determined by the Council of Governors upon recommendation of the Finance and Long-Range Planning Committee and will be documented in the MD13 Policy Manual.

#### Proposed Language, change in RED

#### **Section 3 State Revenue and Funds**

The revenue received under Section 1 and 2 of Article VIII shall be distributed as state funds and as district funds [Refer to Article X Section 1.]. The state funds shall total \$17.16 of the annual per capita dues. The allocation of state revenue among funds will be determined by the Council of Governors upon recommendation of the Finance and Long-Range Planning Committee and will be documented in the MD13 Policy Manual.

#### Rationale:

Since there has been a decline in membership since the last dues increase over 12 years ago, the Ohio Lions membership has dropped over 4000 Lions. This loss of revenue has impacted the two operational funds of MD13 (State Council and Office Operations). These funds are losing approximately \$25,000 each year and are estimated to run out of money around 2025-2027. For this reason, a dues increase is proposed.

Cutting costs has been performed during this timeframe. However, there is a limit to this; after that Lion services must be impacted. An organization that is actively cutting services such as training and recruiting Lion leaders cannot thrive. A thriving growing Ohio Lions is in everyone's best interest.

If the Ohio Lions had not lost these members (i.e. over \$40,000 in in one year alone), this proposal would not be necessary, We have been unable to stem our losses in membership. To survive and then hopefully grow, the Ohio Lions need to approve this proposal.

# PILL BOTTLE COLLECTION

#### FOR STATE RECYCLING PROJECT



District GST
Jane Jarrow
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IPCC Kerry Parker kep121@msn.com

How can you participate??

The Ohio Lions Global Service Team wants your used pill bottles – prescription bottles, over-the-counter pill bottles, and vitamin bottles.

Bags of bottles are needed for the State Convention May 19 - 20, 2023. Volunteer Attendees will sort and bag the bottles for use by Matthew 25 Ministries in Blue Ash.

We are recycling all pill bottles – with and without labels. Label-free bottles will be shipped for reuse; labeled and sticky bottles will be recycled into road reflectors.

#### STEP ONE

Make sure there is a cap for each bottle.

#### STEP THREE

Remove all labels; personal information must at least be blacked out

#### **STEP TWO**

Clean each bottle, please.

#### STEP FOUR

Get the bottles to a drop off point: state convention or district location. Ask your District GST for drop off information.