



OH5 PRIDE REPORT

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OCTOBER 2025



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due by the 27th of the month

SAVE THE DATE:

Regional Lions
Leadership Institute
Oct. 24-26, 2025
Deer Creek State Park

Super Braxton 5k
Nov. 1, 2025
Reynoldsburg HS
Summit Campus

Ohio Lions Winter
Retreat
Jan. 16-18, 2026
Deer Creek State Park

District Convention
March 13-14, 2026
Embassy Suites by
Hilton Columbus
2700 Corporate
Exchange Dr,
Columbus 43231

from the desk of

1VDG GARY LIKENS

Greetings OH-5 Lions.

As we move further into our Lions year, and are made aware of all the great service projects each Club within OH-5 is undertaking, I am reminded of why I became a Lion. Why this organization is so vital to all our communities, large and small. There are needs everywhere whether the community is affluent or poor, urban or rural. We Serve them all.

I recently had the occasion to attend my third USA/Canada Leadership Forum. This time in Atlantic City. Many great learning opportunities as well as socializing with Lions from all over the US and Canada. If I could recommend one event to attend outside of our district and state, it would be the Forum.

Continue the great work and remember, "where there is a need there is a Lion.

Schedule for October

Oct. 1- FVDG group 31
Zoom meeting
Oct 3- Gahanna Lions
Vietnam Wall food booth
Oct 4- London Lions Helping
hand for Seniors workday
Oct 6- Bexley Lions
Oct 7- London Lions
Oct 13- Convention
Committee
Oct 14- Versailles Lions
Oct 16- Arcanum Lions
Oct 21- London Lions
Oct 24-26- Regional Lions
Leadership Institute (RLLI)

Yours in Lionism,
1VDG/ZC Gary Likens
Secretary London Lions



PDG Jackie Miller, District 13OH5 GLT

September 26, 2025

Fellow Lions, It's been a crazy busy year for me and I apologize I haven't gotten out to see any of you or gotten to zone meetings yet this year.

I had hoped to get those additional leadership training sessions planned for you all who didn't make the training in June but I've been business with Regional Lions Leadership Institute on the State Level so it's taken my time away for that. We'll still get the training done for you, it will just be later in the year and I apologize for that. In the meantime, if you need me, let me know. I'll find time for you, I promise.

Speaking of RLLI, it's coming up on October 24-26 and I'm happy to report we have 23 participants in Level 1! Maximum we are allowed per LCI rules is 25, so I'm happy with that. I hope the Council of Governors will let us hold an Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI) in the next 2 years and more of you can join us. We'll find ways to make it cheaper. MDS Debbie and I have already been talking about how we can do that.

Have any of you been working on the District GLT Contest? I hope so. Let's get involved in our District and have some fun with this contest. Get out and meet some new fellow District Lions. Let's see how who can beat who to the finish line! How many from your club can get there first? If you don't remember what it is, see the contest information further in this newsletter.

Let me know if I can come and visit your club? I'd love to talk with your club about leadership.

Yours in Lionism,
GLT PDG Jackie



PDG Jackie Miller, District 13OH5 GLT

September 26, 2025

Fellow Lions,

I'm proud to serve this year as District 13 OH5 LCIF Chair. This also is keeping me busy along with District GLT and MD13 GLT.

I hope you all know how important LCIF is in our progress to SERVE! Without them there are many all over the world who wouldn't get the assistance they need. Thanks to your generous support and service many at home and all over the world have a better life because of what you do and especially how much you give!

In August LCIF approved 114 grants totaling more than \$9.3 Million!

September was Childhood Cancer Awareness month. As you all know we are having our **SuperBraxton on November 1st** in support of Childhood Cancer. I hope many of you have plans to help us support Childhood Cancer in our District! You don't have to attend and walk/run to support pediatric cancer. You can simply donate or become a virtual walker. Click here to help out....
<https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Reynoldsburg/SuperBraxtonPediatricCancer5K?rsus=200-500-6fc41725-e8d5-4964-9281-931cbaa07d84>

October 10th LCIF recognizes **World Mental Health Day**. Lions can raise awareness of mental health and well being in their communities. Did you know LCIF has District and Club Community Impact Grants, Matching Grants,

Leo Service Grant, and Lions Quest Grants to support these efforts? Your donations to LCIF makes supporting these initiatives possible.

100% of EVERY donation you make benefits LCIF grants and programs, every gift – large AND small – MAKES A DIFFERENCE to someone in need!!

Ask me how!

LCIF Coordinator PDG Jackie Miller

pdgjackie@gmail.com

Honoring Lion Kathi Kinney – Melvin Jones Fellow

The Marysville Evening Lions Club is proud to announce that longtime member Kathi Kinney has been awarded the distinguished Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Kathi Kinney has been a dedicated member of the Marysville Evening Lions Club since 2018, consistently exemplifying the values of service, compassion, and leadership that define Lionism. Her tireless commitment to community initiatives, fundraising efforts, and volunteer outreach has made a lasting impact on the lives of countless individuals throughout Union County.



2VDG Fred Porter presents the Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Kathi Kinney

In the newsletter cover photo, Lion Kathi stands proudly alongside fellow Melvin Jones Fellows from our club, a powerful reminder of the legacy of service that connects us all. Together, they represent the heart of our mission: “We Serve.”

2024-2025 Necrology Information

Greetings OH-5 Lions Club Secretaries and District Officers,

This is FVDG Gary Likens. I am responsible for the Necrology service at our District Convention in March of 2026. We will honor and remember our Lion brothers and sisters who have passed away during the year from March 1st of 2025 to February 28th of 2026.

In order to simplify the process District GAT Stu Koble has set up the following dedicated email address:
d13oh5necrology@gmail.com

The names of any Lion who passed during this time period, along with any photos or memorabilia must be sent to this email address so we can properly honor them at the Convention.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (505) 934-9700 or at my email address
garylakens.londonlions@gmail.com.

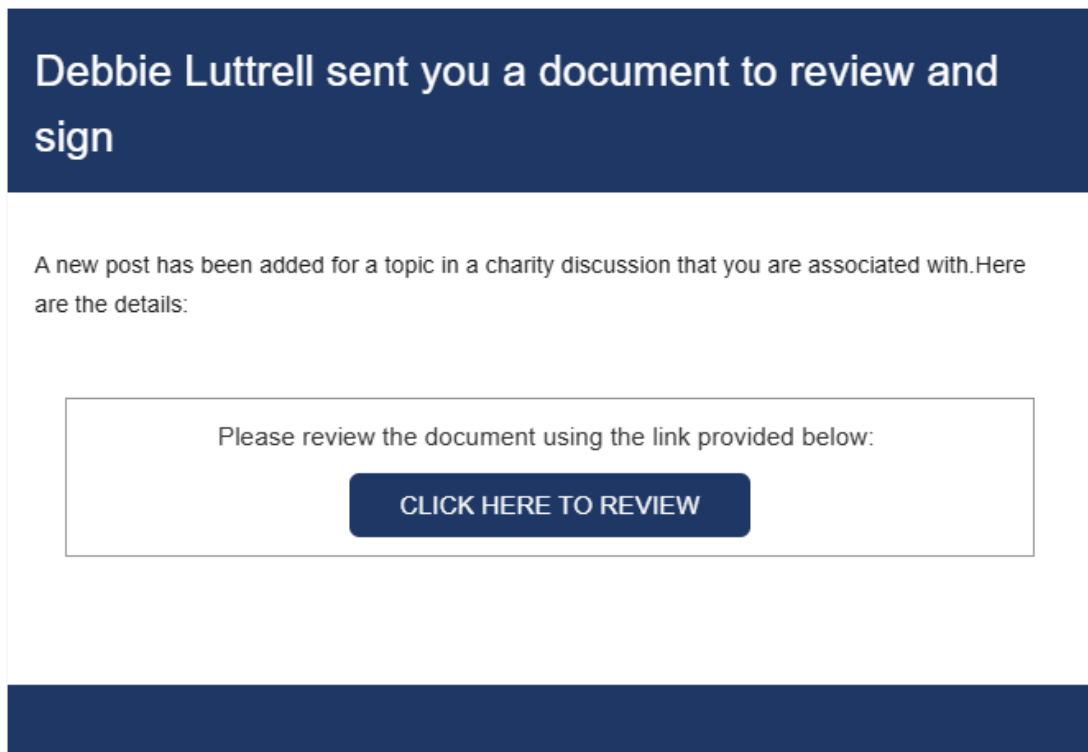
Yours in Lionism,
FVDG Gary Likens





Spam/Scam Alert!

Please be aware that scam and email phishing attempts have been increasing lately. Here is some information on what phishing is and how to spot it: <https://www.phishing.org/what-is-phishing>
In particular be on the lookout for emails that say they are from OhioLions, Inc, Lion Office, Deborah/Debbie Luttrell, or Mike Kerek. One today that was received by multiple Lions had the subject line "Complete With: DOS: 09/18/2025 / Request for Proposal -PO#40845/.pdf". **This is a scam/phishing attempt- do not click!** The email looks like this:



If you are ever not sure about a message you are receiving, **contact the Lion directly by a known safe email, phone number, etc.** Keep your information safe and CHECK before clicking!



2026 Ohio Lions PDG Association Raffle

Tickets are now available for purchase and/or sale for the 2026 Ohio Lions PDG Association Raffle. The drawing will be held at the state convention on Saturday, May 16, 2026.

- Tickets are \$5.00 each and may be sold to anyone (not just to Lions).
- Tickets and money must be returned no later than May 1, 2026 - however, the sooner the better!
- Checks payable to Ohio Lions PDG Association

The proceeds from this year's raffle will go to the Ohio Lions Foundation (OLF). As many of you know, OLF supports:

- disaster relief grants in Ohio
- a college scholarship program
- James T. & Betty Coffey Fund grants
- a low vision reader program
- managing restricted funds set up by Lions Clubs.

Contact OH5 PDG Joe Jackson for tickets:

(937) 307-4581

shoelessjj71@gmail.com

Thank you for reading!

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| www.e-district.org/sites/district13oh5/ | www.facebook.com/DistrictOH5 |

New Albany Lions Club

Turkey Shoot & Raffle

IN MEMORY OF RON SCHLEPPI

SHOOTS - Oct. 25th, Nov. 1st, Nov. 8th

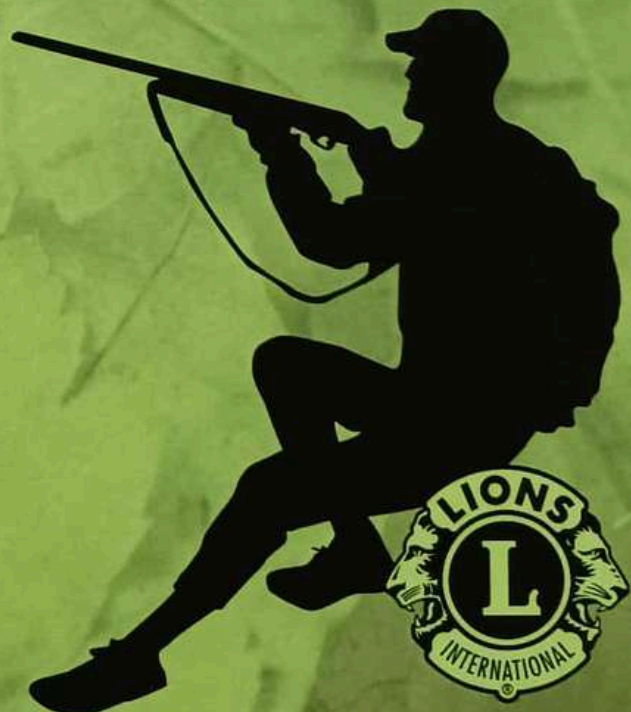
Doran's Farm - 5462 Babbitt Road, New Albany
9A.M. to Noon

Raffle Prize \$250 Cabela's Gift Card

Raffle Tickets \$2 Each or 3 for \$5

**Need Not Be Present To Win
Drawing to be held Nov. 8th**

For more information, call 614-743-6067





THE LONDON LIONS CLUB PRESENTS
THE 3RD ANNUAL

THE EYEBALL

Buy tickets
here!



October 25th, 2025
21+ ONLY
7 PM- 11 PM

Della Selsor Building
Madison County Fairgrounds
205 Elm Street, London Oh 43140



GAT – GLT Contest

Lions Year 2025-2026

Runs 7/1 - 3/1

Leadership Contest runs yearly for all Lions in District 13 OH5. A Leadership award and pin will be awarded to all who successfully complete the contest. A total of 10 Leadership events per year must be attended and approved.

CLUB VISITATIONS

Club Visitations – not your own (excluding Zone Meetings) 2 Per Year
Must be confirmed by Club Officer – Sec’y/Treasurer or President (sign off)

EVENTS

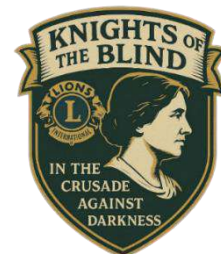
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| Leadership Training | Registered, GLT will confirm |
| Attend Your Own Zone Meeting | Zone Chair Signs Off |
| Attend Another Zone Meeting | Zone Chair Signs Off |
| Other (Bowling Tournament, Muirfield, etc - Participant) | Committee Chair Sign Off |
| Winter Retreat | Registered, GLT will confirm |
| District Convention | Registered, GLT will confirm |
| State Convention | Registered, email confirmation |
| USA/Canada Forum | Registered, email confirmation |
| International Convention | Registered, email confirmation |

6 Per Year

LEADERSHIP (these will be confirmed by the GLT with appropriate DG or other representative)

District Officer or Cabinet Member
District or State Philanthropic Board Member/Rep (Canine Companions, COLEB, OLRF, Pilot Dogs, Ohio Lions Foundation, etc)
Club Officer or Committee Chairperson

2 Per Year



Application for GLT Contest

Return to pdgjackie@gmail.com or take a photo and text to 614-530-1861
no later than 3/5 every year. Once all 10 are complete you can turn in.

Name: _____

Club: _____

| | Club, Event, Leadership Position | Date | Sign off, Registration confirmation, etc. |
|--------------|----------------------------------|------|---|
| Club Visit | | | |
| Club Visit | | | |
| Event 1 | | | |
| Event 2 | | | |
| Event 3 | | | |
| Event 4 | | | |
| Event 5 | | | |
| Event 6 | | | |
| Leadership 1 | | | |
| Leadership 2 | | | |



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cancer causes.

8th Annual

Super Braxton

Pediatric Cancer 5K Run/Walk

November 1, 2025

Reynoldsburg HS Summit Campus
8579 Summit Road, Reynoldsburg, OH



YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



**\$75,000+ FOR
RESEARCH
AND
COUNTING!!**

From the free kids race where all children 12 and under win a medal, to princesses and Star Wars Characters, plenty of food, awards and a forgiving but accurate 5K route, this event is perfect for both the competitive runners and families out to walk alike!

Event Schedule

8:00-9:00 Registration

(performing arts center)

9:00 Kids Fun Run (FREE)

(event start location)

9:30 5K Start

Braxton Long lost his 3 year battle with cancer on July 24, 2017 at the age of 8 years old. He loved life, was optimistic and kind by nature, and had a smile on his face to the end.

Please note: registration cut-off for shirts is Oct. 15. We cannot guarantee your shirt size will be available after this date.



For more information, forms, or to register, please visit the District OH5 Lions site at district13oh5.org





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Reynoldsburg HS Summit Campus
8579 Summit Road, Reynoldsburg, OH



7:30-9:00am Registration 9:00am Kids Fun Run (FREE) 9:30am 5K

Registering for (Please Check One):

____ I'm registering as a regular participant. (Age: ____)

____ I am a former or current pediatric cancer patient, or immediate family member, registering to walk/run. (FREE, but still must register.)

____ I'm registering as a Virtual Walker. (Walk on your own time, your own schedule, but you are still supporting the cause.)

If using this form for multiple participants, please add each additional person in the lines below:

____ Age ____ ____ Age ____

____ Age ____ ____ Age ____

Contact Information:

Name: _____ Team Name (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZC: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Shirt(s) needed: ____ CM ____ CL ____ S ____ M ____ L ____ XL ____ 2XL ____ 3XL

Please note: shirt sizes are only guaranteed for participants who register by October 15.

Enclosed please find my payment of: \$ _____ Ck #: _____

(Additional donations are appreciated and can be included in the check or money order.)

\$30/person, which includes T-Shirt. **Early Bird Discount: \$25/person if registered by 10/15/25!**

Former and current Pediatric Cancer patients and their immediate families are free, but must still register. Make checks payable to **Reynoldsburg Lions Club Charitable Fund** and mail to *Super Braxton Pediatric Cancer Run, c/o Reynoldsburg Lions, P.O. Box 575, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068*. Contact reynlions@outlook.com with questions, or visit district13oh5.org.

Hosted by the Reynoldsburg Lions Club & the Reynoldsburg HS Leos Club.

Sponsored by District 13 OH5 Lions.





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November 1, 2025

Event Sponsor Form



Please Check one of the Options Below:

____ **GOLD \$1000** (list on website with link; sponsor banner at event; PA announcement before/during/after event; promotional materials in packets, name on event shirts)

____ **SILVER \$500** (list on website with link; company name on banner; promotional materials in packets, name on event shirts)

____ **BRONZE \$250** (list on website with link, named on sponsor banner, name on event shirts)

____ **MILE MARKER \$100** (company name on mile markers, similar to golf hole sponsors)

____ **In Kind or Other Amount** (we are in need of snacks, water, etc.)

Contact Information:

Name: _____

Company Name (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZC: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Enclosed please find my payment of: \$_____ Ck #: _____

____ **This donation is tax deductible. Please check here if you need a letter.**

Make checks payable to **Reynoldsburg Lions Club Charitable Fund** and mail to *Super Braxton Pediatric Cancer Run, c/o Reynoldsburg Lions, P.O. Box 575, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068*. Contact **reynlions@outlook.com** with questions, **or donate directly at district13oh5.org on the link**. Sponsored by District OH5 Lions. Hosted by the Reynoldsburg Lions Club & the Reynoldsburg HS Leos Club.



Olentangy Lions Club

HOLIDAY MADNESS

ALL profit goes to support Delaware County food programs

Only 100 tickets will be sold with \$1500 returned to players

\$500 will go to help Delaware County food programs

Contact any member of Olentangy Lions
or
Mail your entry and payment to:

Olentangy Lions
458 Commons Drive
Powell, OH 43065

For more information call 740-591-8077 or brd1954@gmail.com

WINNING AMOUNTS BY WEEK

Week 1 pays \$40, \$40, \$40, \$40 and \$100

Week 2 pays \$40, \$40, \$40, \$40 and \$100

Week 3 pays \$40, \$40, \$40, \$00 and \$100

No winner on Thanksgiving Day (Dow Closed)

Week 4 pays \$40, \$40, \$40, \$40 and \$100

Week 5 pays \$100, \$100, \$100, \$100 and \$100

Each entry can win more than once



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OLENTANGY LIONS HOLIDAY MADNESS 2025

Cost of each entry is \$20. Winners are determined by closing value of Dow each day. One winner per day except Thanksgiving. Entrants name will be placed on a 10 X 10 grid. Each block will be a value from 00 to 99. The cents value of the Dow's closing value will determine the winner each day. First winner will be chosen on November 10th. Game ends December 5th.



Thank You!

Olentangy Lions Club
PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City, Zip: _____

Proceeds benefit **Food for needy programs**

COME JOIN US!



**FOR A WINTER RETREAT
JANUARY 16-17-18, 2026
at
DEER CREEK STATE PARK LODGE
at Mt. Sterling, Ohio
online at OhioLions.org**

**Registration by December 1, 2025-\$130
4 meals included**



**Visit with the Global Action Team
Members:**

PCC Kerry Parker, Regional GAT
PDG Jackie Miller, GLT
PCC Dave Stockum, GST
Lion Tim Kershner, GET
PCC Mike Kerek, GMT



**Enjoy These Sessions
and more...**

"So, What is that Sound About?"
Origami
Paint 'n Sip
Outdoor Adventures and
Performances
Explore Your Family Tree
A Little History
Young's Jersey Dairy
Culinary Adventures
Sing Along
Board Games and Euchre
Pilot Dogs
Pilot Dog Service Project



MARK YOUR CALENDAR



2026 Ohio Lions Winter Retreat

January 16, 17, 18, 2026

REGISTRATION FORM
DEER CREEK STATE PARK RESORT
MT. STERLING, OH

REGISTRATION:

Full registration paid by December 1, 2025 will be **\$130.00**. Full registrations December 2, 2025 – January 3, 2026 will be **\$145.00**. No registrations will be accepted after January 3, 2026. 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. To use your credit card: go to www.ohiolions.org & use PayPal and send your registration form to the address above. **NO CANCELLATIONS WILL BE REFUNDED OR REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER JANUARY 4, 2026.**

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

District

NAME: _____ EMAIL: _____

NAME: _____ EMAIL: _____

NAME: _____ EMAIL: _____

Will attend Sip and Paint (\$30 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 calling 1-800-282-7275 and ask for the Ohio Lions Winter Retreat block. Room reservations must be made prior to December 1, 2025 to get the \$129.00/night plus tax rate.

After December 1st 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.deercreektatepark.com for all of the winter events and resort amenities that are offered at the lodge. Make this a family outing!!!