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SAVE THE DATE

Ohio Lions Winter Retreat
Salt Fork State Park
Jan. 12-14, 2024

Ohio Leo State Convention
Waldo, OH
Feb. 24, 2024

OH5 District Convention
Deer Creek State Park
Mar. 15-17, 2024

Ohio Lions State Convention
DoubleTree Columbus/Worthington
May 17-19, 2024

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FROM DG MIKE KEREK

I was saddened to learn that the Northwestern Club made the decision to close their doors this month. My only hope is that the Lions who were active in the club find a new “Lions Home” in the area. Another community without our presence.

There are clubs struggling around the district; while not many, there are a few. I’ve asked what they’ve done in the last 6 months or a year, service activities, fundraisers, really anything at all. I get the same tired answers: too old, too few, too worn down to try.

My question to them is, why haven’t you asked for help? We have some strong, thriving clubs in our district. Growing in not only community involvement but in membership.

The question to those clubs is, what are you doing so well?

The answer to both questions is attitude. Attitude is a self-fulfilling prophecy.

With a positive attitude comes a positive outlook, new energy, the desire to right the ship and continue on a course of successful ventures without giving up. That event didn’t work as planned? No problem, we’ll tweak it and try again. This person wasn’t interested in Lions, there are more people out there to ask. Finding new opportunities to help others, engaging others when possible, making every day a good one through your efforts.

We are entering a New Year! That means the hassles, the hardships, the excuses, the “woe is me” attitude is gone! Over, done with. We are past 2023. Now is the time to assess your situation and, if needed, FIX it. Address every challenge with a solution and if you don’t have one, ask others to help. DO NOT GIVE UP! Keep in mind, the Lions are the ones that OTHERS turn to when they need help. Why are we allowing age or size of club to dictate whether we can make a difference? When ONE person can make a difference in the life of someone else, why can’t your club?

Can YOU provide a meal for a hungry person? Or a coat for someone who’s cold? How about helping a school child with a few school supplies? Make a blanket to give to a foster child? Can YOU help a senior, or a vet, or someone who is ill, with one small thing that makes his or her life a little better? I didn’t say big, did I? I said small. Because enough people chipping in with small things end up being big.

If YOU can do these things – hold on, I thought you were too old, and there is, after all, only ONE of you – then why can’t your club? Service to others isn’t about the size of the project. It’s about the heart that went into it. The hope you gave someone else with an act of compassion that says you care.

2024 is the year to divest yourself of negative thoughts and fill them with positive outlooks. We CAN, we WILL, we SERVE.

DG Mike Kerek

Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank Helen Keller Sight Saver Award



The Helen Keller Sight Saver Award, created by Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank to honor a nominated individual who embodies the charge the Lions Clubs received from Helen Keller in 1925 to "...hasten the day when there shall be no preventable blindness...." By spreading awareness, educating the community, or raising funds, the recipient of the Helen Keller Sight Saver Award has served as a Knight for the Blind in his or her community.

If your Lions Club has donated \$1000 and have someone that is deserving of this award do not hesitate to apply today. More information and application are with the flyers at the end of this newsletter, or visit <https://www.coleb.org/hkss/>

MARION LIONS CLUB CHARTER NIGHT

The New Marion Ohio Lions Club will be celebrating their Charter Night at the Marion Area Chamber of Commerce, 267 West Center St, Marion, Ohio 43302 on Saturday, January 27 at 6pm.

Please join us in celebrating this great accomplishment with the charter members of the Marion Ohio Lions Club. Attached are the invite and flyer for this charter night event. Cost is \$25 per person.

Start-Up donations are appreciated. These can be made via Cash, Check or Venmo. (Note "Marion Ohio Lions Donations" in notes if using Venmo). Make donation checks out to "Marion Ohio Lions Club".

RSVP Required by Jan. 20, 2024, email mr.marionmatters@gmail.com or mail to Michelle Ryman-Lille, 371 Fies Ave. Marion, Ohio 43302 (Please indicate in RSVP if vegetarian meal is needed)

UPDATE FROM OLENTANGY LIONS CLUB:

During December, the Olentangy Lions Club held their annual Christmas meeting and dinner at Monte Carlo in Powell, Ohio. We discussed updates and Lion Bob Dotson shared that our Holiday Madness contest was successful! We were able to make a \$1,000 donation to Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, Ohio. This organization provides basic materials and needs to community members. The store is free and is stocked with donations and operated mostly by volunteers. We are also very excited to welcome 3 new members to our club this month!

LEO SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship applications are available on the Ohio Lions website (www.ohiolions.org) and then click on "Leo" at the top home line to go to that page. On the lower left are the following:

1. LITPC Scholarship Application

The Lions International Trading Pin Club is proud to announce a Youth Scholarship of US\$2,500 for a graduating senior who is the child or grandchild of a Lion, Lioness and/or a member of a Leo Club.

2. Ohio Lions Scholarship Application - for Ohio Leos only

Two (2) \$500 scholarships will be awarded to graduating senior Ohio Leos.

The deadline for both scholarships is March 1, 2024.

Any questions, please contact youth@ohiolions.org.

Submitted by Ohio Lions Youth Committee
 PCC Darlene Roll, Chairperson & OH1 Chair
 OH2 - PDG James "J.J." Jeavons
 OH3 - Lion James Feils
 OH4 - Lion PAt Bissler
 OH5 - Lion Bill Phythyon
 OH6 - Leo-Lion Robert Borger
 OH7 - PDG Fred Boring

OHIO LEO STATE CONVENTION

Attached to this newsletter is the registration form for the Ohio Leo State Convention on Saturday, February 24, 2024, in Waldo, Ohio (between Marion & Delaware, Ohio). We encourage you to attend.

This is a wonderful 1 day event to bring Leos and advisors together to learn about what each club does and how you serve. There will also be leadership training and a service project. We have heard that in the past, Leos have said that the state convention was one of their favorite activities. There are some items we need your help with regarding this event - even if no one from your club attends:

- Will your club be attending the Convention? Yes or no. (Need that info by January 9th.)
- If attending, while registration is needed by February 9, 2024, we need to know shirt sizes for attendees by January 12, 2024. Please Email that information to youth@ohiolions.org.
- If attending, we are asking each club to prepare a tri-fold "storyboard" that shares information about your club, pictures, etc. - to tell who you are and in what ways you serve your community and beyond.
- If attending, there will also be time to share your "Best Project" with attendees. Think about one project that is your favorite and prepare a presentation.
- The Waldo Food Pantry will be our service project at the convention. They have shared that the items most needed are toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex, all-purpose cleaners, and glass cleaners. We are encouraging clubs to bring these items to the convention.
 - If you are not attending, would your club like to participate in this project - or provide similar items to a pantry in your area?

WE SERVE... And We Always Have!

As we head into the new year, the Lions of OH5 are well on the way to doing – and reporting – lots of service. All of the LEO clubs in our District have reported in, and about 85% of the Lions Clubs have done the same. If you are one of those last few clubs, we urge you to report the service we know you have been doing. If you are having trouble filing your reports, please contact District Governor Mike Kerek.

From International Director Ron Keller comes an idea for your Lions Club, a Leo Club you may sponsor, or even or any Lions Cubs you are fostering. See the flyer on the next page regarding The Crayon Initiative. It might be a good project to consider if you are looking for something to do in regards to the Lions International initiative regarding pediatric cancer. Be creative. We don't know many Lions who have a lot of crayons lying around the house these days – but the schools, nursery schools, after school programs, Sunday Schools – they all use crayons, and they all weed through them periodically. BE THERE when they do!

Rather than New Year's resolutions, I thought I might offer some service-related New Year's resolves, echoing some famous (and surprising?) people:

"I've learned that people will forget what you said. People will forget what you did. But people will never forget how you made them feel." (Maya Angelou)

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in service to others." (Mahatma Gandhi)

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'what are you doing for others?'" (Martin Luther King, Jr.)

"Not all of us can do great things, but we can all do small things with great love." (Mother Teresa)

"I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And I will not let what I cannot do interfere with what I can do." (Edward Everett Hale)

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth." (Muhammad Ali)

"Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world." (Desmond Tutu)

Lion Jane Jarrow

District OH5 - GST



Monthly Trivia Contest



Be the **first** to send the correct answer to the Lions Trivia Question each month and win a \$10 Lions Money prize, to be spent on anything Lions related, from your DG!

Please note, these questions will NOT be easy.

Send answers to districtoh5news@gmail.com

Lion who joined the Lions Club Elk in 1992 became the first to accomplish what milestone in Lions history?

Answer to December: 22 clubs. Congrats to Lion Mandi Himler!

The Lions Funnies



2024 CALL TO CONVENTION

District Governor Mike Kerek invites you to the OH5 2023- 2024 Convention. The District OH5 convention is March 15-16, 2024 at Deer Creek State Park Lodge and Conference Center, 22300 State Park Rd 20, Mt.Sterling, Ohio 43143.

Join us Friday evening for a costume contest, free food, and drinks. Chris Waller will be doing the painting class again for those interested too.

Saturday is jam packed with activities such as hearing the Martin Family (Foundation Fighting Blindness) at the luncheon, attend the educational sessions in the afternoon, participate in a Service project and attending the Grand Banquet Saturday evening with keynote speaker PID Bruce Beck.

The cost is \$90 for the complete convention (including luncheon & Grand Banquet), \$40 for the Luncheon only, \$50 for Grand Banquet only and Friday festivities are free. Lodging at Deer Creek State Park is extra.

Attached to this newsletter are the Registration form, Business Meeting Delegate form and the Convention Agenda. Mail the registration form and club delegate form to PDG Jackie Miller, 6728 Cherry Bend, Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110. If you want to register online, visit district13oh5.org.

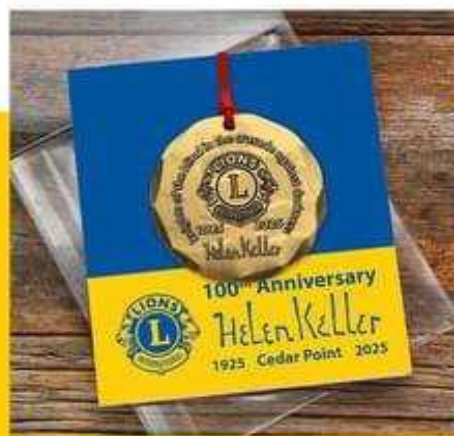
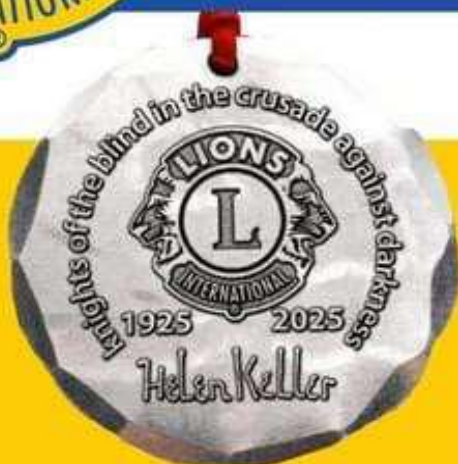
Are you a partner agency?

There are two ways to participate in the District Convention on Saturday, March 16, 2024 at Deer Creek Lodge: reserve a space for a display and or present a quick overview of your agency's mission such as the Ohio School for the Blind, Newsreel, Prevent Blindness Ohio, Pilot Dogs, or The Ohio Lions Foundation. Presentations will be Saturday morning after Necrology with limited time (3 minutes) to inform registered guests what your agency does to serve the District.



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

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 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.

You Are Invited to

MARION, OHIO LIONS CLUB
CHARTER NIGHT

January 27, 2024 @
At 06:00 Pm

Marion Area Chamber
of Commerce
267 W. Center St.
Marion, Oh 43302

Cost \$25 per person,
includes meal
RSVP Required

RSVP Required by Jan. 20, 2024
email mr.marionmatters@gmail.com
or
mail to 371 Fies Ave. Marion, Oh 43302
(Please indicate in RSVP if vegetarian meal is needed).



START-UP DONATIONS REQUESTED
Can be made via Cash, Check or Venmo.

Make Registration & Donation Checks
payable to Marion, Ohio Lions Club



RSVP

Marion Ohio Lions Club Charter Night

Kindly respond by January 20th, 2024

NAME

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ACCEPTS WITH PLEASURE

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DECLINES WITH REGRETS

OF ADDITIONAL GUEST

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vegetarian



Ridgedale Lions Club



21st Annual
2024



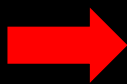
Daytona 500 Dinner & Auction



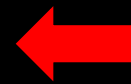
Saturday, February 17, 2024

DOORS OPEN AT 4:00 PM, DINNER AT 5:00 PM, AUCTION FOLLOWING

NEW LOCATION!



All Occasions Catering
6989 Waldo Delaware Rd
Waldo, OH 43356



NEW LOCATION!

JOIN US AND GET INVOLVED

- Buy a ticket for \$15 and enjoy a fun evening at the auction, which will include a ½ chicken dinner with sides prepared by All Occasions Catering.
- Buy an auction item and support the Ridgedale Lions Club service projects.

Tickets are available by calling a Ridgedale Lions Club member at _____ or 740-244-6258. Limited number of tickets available.

LIVE AUCTION OF 1/24 SCALE NASCAR COLLECTORS DIE-CAST CARS.
IF YOU ARE THE TOP BIDDER FOR A CAR IN THE LIVE AUCTION, THAT
WILL BE YOUR CAR IN THE FEBRUARY 18, 2024 DAYTONA 500.

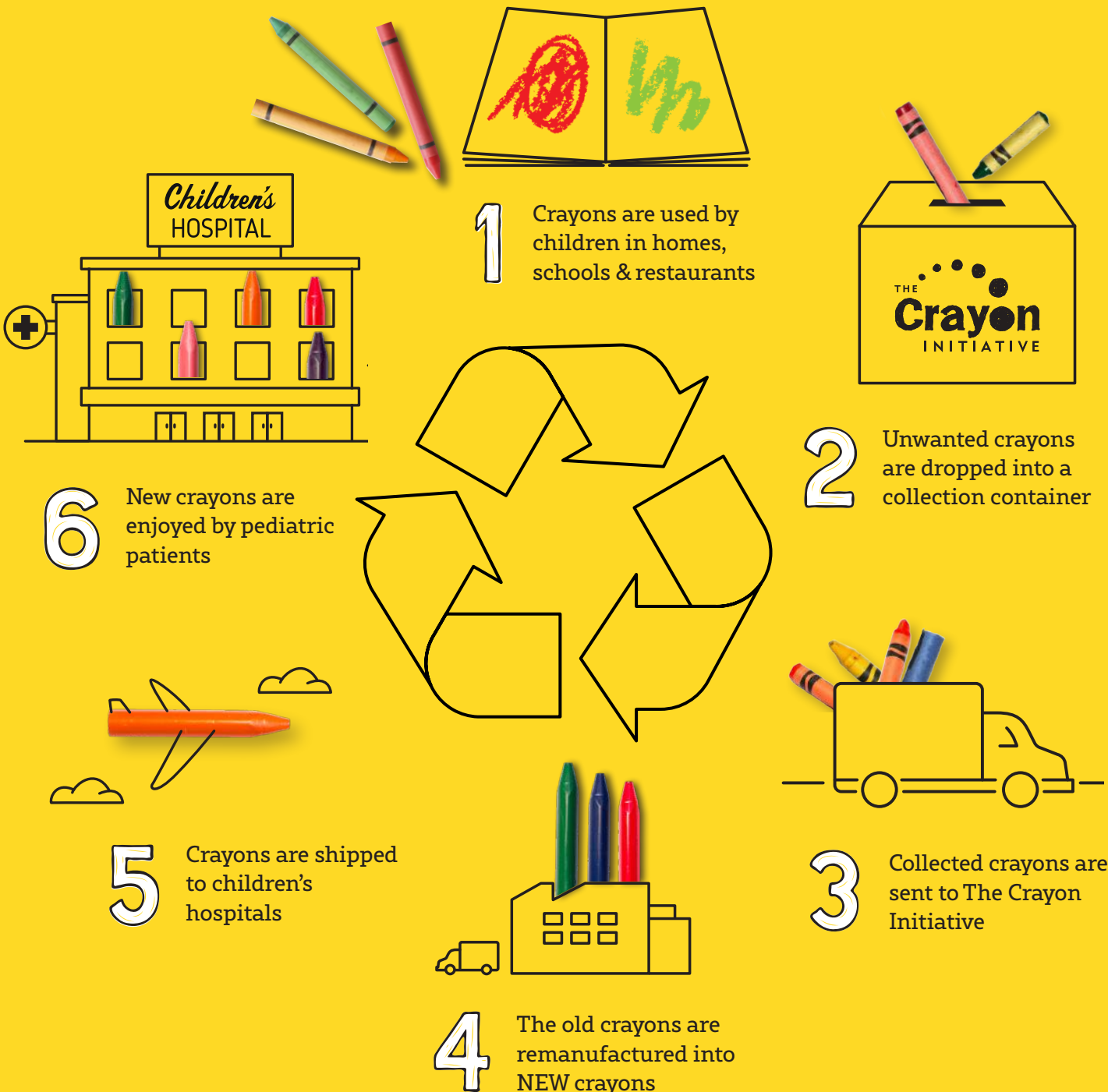
Many more ways to win! – Total purse over \$2,500!

The evening will include a SILENT auction with many NASCAR collectibles among other various non-NASCAR items.

**ALL MONEY RAISED WILL BE USED BY THE RIDGEDALE LIONS CLUB TO
SUPPORT THE CLUB'S DONATIONS AND SERVICE PROJECTS.**

WHAT HAPPENS TO YOUR UNWANTED CRAYONS?

Millions of pounds of crayons are discarded every year, turning into a waxy sludge that clogs our landfills. With your help, we can recycle and remanufacture them into new, free crayons for kids in children's hospitals across the U.S. Join us and color a life at thecrayoninitiative.org.





MD13 – Ohio Leo State Convention - 2024
February 24, 2024 – All Occasions Catering & Banquet Facility
6989 Waldo-Delaware Road, Waldo, Ohio 43356

All Ohio Leo Club members, advisors, and interested Lions are invited to the 2024 Ohio Leo State Convention. Below is the registration information for the event. If you have questions, please Email youth@ohiolions.org or call 419-371-5515.

Deadline for registration – Friday, February 9, 2024

Day's Events (Tentative Schedule)

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Registration
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Welcome, Icebreaker, Scavenger Hunt, Get-to-know other attendees
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	LCI Leadership Session – Time Management
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch, Review Best Project Displays & Club Information
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Best Project Presentations
2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Service Project for the Waldo Food Pantry
2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Wrap-up and Departure

Registration Fee - \$20.00 per person; due when submitting registration form. Checks payable to Ohio Lions. The fee includes lunch and a 2024 Leo State Convention t-shirt.

Please send form and money to: PCC Darlene Roll, 1385 Township Road 216, Bellefontaine, OH 43311-9644.

Leo Club:	Advisor:	Contact #:
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Attendee Name	Attendee Contact #	Attendee Email	Shirt Size

Please use additional paper, if needed.

Total Attendees:	Total Amount Enclosed:
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District Governor Mike Kerek Invites You To The

OH5 2023-2024 Convention



When:

March 15-16, 2024

Where:

Deer Creek State Park
Lodge & Conf. Center
22300 State Park Rd 20
Mt Sterling, OH 43143

Cost:

Friday Night Free
\$40 Luncheon
\$50 Grand Banquet
\$90 Whole Convention*
*(Lodge Room Extra)

Attire:

Lions Casual

Friday Night: Come relax, enjoy free food and drinks, play cards, enjoy the fireplaces, socialize, etc. Back by popular demand, Chris Waller will be doing the painting class again for those interested! Family friendly, but free adult beverages will be available as well. Costume Contest: dress as what YOU perceive a Hero looks like! (Costume contest open to all ages!)

Saturday:

Necrology

Business Meeting, Foundation/Agency reports, Nominations

Lunch: (noon) Special Guests the Martin Family (Foundation Fighting Blindness)

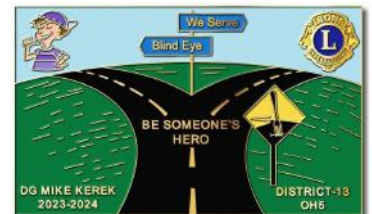
Elections

Sessions: GMA (Global Membership Approach—learn how to increase membership & satisfaction!)

District/Other Resources for Clubs (You don't have to do it all alone!)

Service Project: Packing care bags for children in Dayton & Nationwide Children's Hospitals

Grand Banquet: (seat 5:30, start 6:00) Keynote Speaker PID Bruce Beck



**Make sure to visit BlueFrog
& all the other agencies
while you're there!**

**To register online, visit district13oh5.org
Or mail your registration by March 1, 2024
Room Rates end Feb. 14. Register today!**

OH5 District Convention Agenda

March 15-16, 2024 Deer Creek State Park Lodge

Friday:

4:30 – 7:30pm Registration & Delegate Registration Open
7:00pm Welcoming Remarks
Costume Contest – come as what YOU perceive a Super Hero looks like!
7:30 – 9:30pm Painting With Chris (Limited seats available!)
7:30 – 10:00pm Hospitality Rooms Open. Parlor Room Open for cards, etc
Other Bar, fireplaces, etc available

Saturday:

7:30 – 5:30 Registration Open
7:30 – 1:30 Delegate Registration Open
9:00-9:30 Necrology
9:30 – 9:45 Break
9:45 – 10:45 Business Meeting & Agency Reports
10:45-11:00 Break
11:00 – 11:45 Nominations
12:00 – 2:15 Lunch
2:30 – 3:15 Elections
3:15 – 3:30 Break
3:30 – 4:15 Session 1 – **GMA** (Global Membership Approach – learn how you can improve your club!)
4:15 – 5:00 Session 2 – **What's Out There?** Resources for Clubs to Assist in Services
3:30 – 5:00 Service Project: Activity Bags for Children in Children's Hospitals (Dayton & Nationwide)
5:00 – 5:30 Break
Dignitaries to report for pictures
5:30 – 6:00 Grand Banquet seating
6:00 – 9:00 Grand Banquet

Blue Frog will be present, as will various agencies.
Come enjoy the ambience of Deer Creek State Park Lodge!
Network with fellow Lions from around the district and state.

Meals:

Lunch Potato Bar Buffet with trimmings
Banquet Italian Buffet

Gluten free meal available if indicated on registration form

Registration ends March 1! Get your forms and checks in soon!

2024 OH5 CONVENTION REGISTRATION

<http://district13oh5.org/>

March 15-16, 2024
Deer Creek State Park Lodge
20635 State Park Rd 20, Mt Sterling, OH



ENTIRE CONVENTION\$90
FRIDAY NIGHT FUNFREE
SATURDAY LUNCH.....\$40
GRAND BANQUET\$50

Club Name

Room Rates are **\$120/Night + Tax**

Call for Reservations:
Deer Creek State Park Lodge
Phone 740-869-2020

District: _____

Please make your own room reservations and use the code: **OLD5**

Room rates are good until February 14, 2024

Name	Club/District Position	Entire Convention \$90	Lunch \$40	Grand Banquet \$50	Friday Night ONLY

Please make checks payable to: **District OH5 Lions, Inc.**

MAIL TO:

PDG Jackie Miller
6728 Cherry Bend
Canal Winchester, OH 43110
614-530-1861
pdgjackie@gmail.com

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 1, 2024

Please Note: NO MEALS may be purchased after this deadline!

Special Meal Requirements: Gluten Free ☐ Vegan ☐ Other: _____



**Lions District 13-OH5
District Convention
Credentials Form**

Club Name: _____

Number of Members: _____

Certification of Delegates

In accordance with Article VII, Section 2, of the District 13-OH5 Lions Constitution which states that each chartered club in good standing is entitled to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, or major fraction thereof (5), who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day, we the undersigned, do certify that the following Lions have been duly appointed to represent our Lions Club. All Past District Governors, in good standing, shall be considered a Delegate-at-Large and entitled to one (1) vote, in addition to the delegate quota of their respective club. Nothing herein shall be construed to allow any person more than one (1) vote.

DELEGATES MUST ALSO REGISTER AT THE CONVENTION. DELEGATE REGISTRATION CLOSSES AT 1:30 PM.

Delegates

Alternates

print names below and leave boxes blank

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Delegates-at-Large (PDGs)

1. _____	<input type="text"/>	3. _____	<input type="text"/>
2. _____	<input type="text"/>	4. _____	<input type="text"/>

Mail to: PDG Jackie Miller
6728 Cherry Bend
Canal Winchester, OH 43110

Club President's signature _____
or
Club Secretary's signature _____
or
District Governor's signature _____



Application for Advertisement Space in the DISTRICT 13-OH5 Convention Booklet

<http://district13oh5.org/>

Please reserve space for us in the District 13-OH5 District Convention Program. We understand that acceptance of this contract and advertising space is subject to the approval of the District 13-OH5 Lions Inc. and Convention Committee are not responsible for errors or omissions beyond reasonable diligence and control. Copy of advertisement or camera ready copy is herewith submitted with payment no later than Feb. 15, 2024.

RATES

Business Card Size Advertisement (black & white)	\$20.00
Half Page Advertisement (5"x4" horizontal – black & white)	\$30.00
Full Page Advertisement (5"x8" vertical – black & white)	\$50.00

All checks & money orders payable to **DISTRICT 13-OH5 LIONS, INC.** Please specify on the memo line that the payment is for a Convention Program Advertisement.

Enclosed is a check or money order in the amount of \$_____ covering full payment for our advertisement.

Name/Company/Club: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

Authorized Signature

Date

Send this form and payment to:

CT Dave Risen, 1219 Hilton Dr, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068-1346

Email camera ready advertisement and advise size of ad (business card, ½ or full) to PDG Jackie Miller, pdgjackie@gmail.com

Ads will be reproduced as close to the original artwork that is provided as possible. Printer will use discretion if necessary to improve the quality.

Please provide email address if you would like to see a proof

Thank you for your support!

Attention Veterans – Families/Friends of Veterans



Honor Flight at Home. In Ohio. In Marion!

Honor Flight Columbus is excited to announce our fifth Honor Flight at Home in Marion to supplement our long standing mission of honoring our senior veterans by providing them with a no-cost trip to Washington, D.C. to visit their memorials. Our Honor Flight at Home program is designed to recognize and honor, in Marion, any veteran that served active duty from 1941 to 1975, who has not previously gone on an Honor Flight, and **cannot** travel to Washington.



This free program will be held: Saturday, June 8, 2024
Tri-Rivers Vocational School
Rt. 95, east of Marion. Across from Meijers

Check in starts at 1:00PM
Program is scheduled to run from 2:00 to 3:00PM.

Deadline for submitting applications is May 25, 2024. Send application to:
Honor Flight at Home
Veteran Application
Attn: Margie Saull, Event Coordinator
2406 Owens Road West
Prospect, OH 43342-9783

Questions? Call Margie at 740-360-8902 or email: saulkgw4@yahoo.com
For family and friends, if you would like to donate towards the cost of this program (souvenirs for the honored veterans), please make check payable to Honor Flight Columbus and write "Marion Honor Flight at Home" on the memo line and then mail your check to Margie. Thank You!



For HFC Use Only: Last Name _____ Date Rec'd: ____/____/20____

HONOR FLIGHT AT HOME - MARION

Honor Flight Columbus (HFC) recognizes America's senior Veterans for their sacrifices and achievements by flying them to Washington D.C. to see their memorials. We realize not every veteran is able to make this trip. We honor your service to our country, and we would like to invite you to a local Honor Flight at Home event. If you are interested in attending, please fill out this application and mail it to the address listed below. **Currently, HFC recognizes any Veteran age 65 and over with at least one day of active-duty service.**

FIRST		MIDDLE		LAST		What is your PREFERRED NAME?	
GENDER <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		AGE		BIRTHDAY Month/Day/Year			
POLO SHIRT SIZE		EMAIL ADDRESS					
ADDRESS							
CITY				STATE		ZIP	
PHONE	DAY		EVENING			CELL	

SERVICE HISTORY

Please circle all applicable: World War II: 1941-1946, Cold War: 1947-1950,
Korean War: 6/27/50 to 1/31/55, Cold War: 1955-1961, Vietnam War: 2/28/61 to 5/7/75, Post Vietnam

Branch of Service: Army Navy Marine Air Force Coast Guard Merchant Marine

Details about your service: Where,
When, and What did you do?

EMERGENCY OR OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME	RELATIONSHIP
EMAIL	PHONE

Please review carefully and sign: **This event is only for Veterans that have not been on an Honor Flight trip and who are unable to fly to Washington DC. Participation in the event is in lieu of flying. The undersigned acknowledges and agrees:**

1. Photographic, video, and audio equipment are frequently used to create media to memorialize and document HFC missions, trips, and events. My image may appear in a public forum (websites, news, or print media, for example) to acknowledge, promote, and advance the mission of the HFC program. I hereby release HFC, all media creators, staff, volunteers, and HFC partners from all claims and liability relating to said media. I hereby give permission images captured of me during HFC activities through video, photo, or other media, as it is used for the purposes of HFC promotional material and publications, at HFC's sole discretion, and waive any rights of compensation or ownership thereto.

2. I further state that medical insurance is the responsibility of the veteran and I understand that HFC does not provide medical care. I understand and accept responsibility for any illnesses or injuries incurred while participating in the Honor Flight at Home program sponsored by Honor Flight Columbus.

SIGNATURE	DATE
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Please mail this application to: Margie Saull, 2406 Owens Rd W, Prospect, OH 43342
For more info contact Margie Saull at 740-360-8902 or saullgw4@yahoo.com

Fellow Lions,

I hope your Holiday Season went well with family, friends and fellow Lions. As I wrote this, it didn't look like the weather was going to be prohibitive of anticipated Holiday activities. Of course, this is Ohio, and we all know "if you don't like the weather, wait a day and it will change!" **Happy New Year.** May 2024 bring you all the things that you treasure: happy families, good health, and positive experiences in your personal activities – the Lions being one of those!

Among the goals for the second half of our Lions Year, membership growth is a major one. We are unveiling the Recruiter's Passport Program at the Winter Retreat on January 12-14 at Salt Fork State Park. If you get this newsletter in time, registration for the Winter Retreat ends January 3. Go to ohiolions.org for registration information. While you are there, you might check out some of the YouTube videos we have produced using last year's Marketing Grant. These videos can be used for membership nights. We are currently planning new videos on our LEO's and some of our foundations.

A second goal is to improve our communication. Keeping our websites updated has been important for our District Governors, as well as producing regular newsletters like this one. On the Multiple District Level, we have published two quarterly newsletters, an international convention and new officers supplement, and a direct distribution program utilizing subscribers' email accounts. Remember that you can find reports to and minutes from the Council of Governors Meetings by entering **cog** in the username slot and **lions** as the password on the MD13 Website log-in.

On February 24, there will be a LEO State Convention at the Event Center near Waldo, Ohio. LEO Clubs are being added to district rolls and their activity is getting reported on MyLlon. They are working on a video competition for their convention. If your club sponsors a LEO Club, congratulations! If not, it's a simple process once you find an advisor, and your District Governor would be glad to provide assistance in the process. Not only are the LEO's having their convention, but the district convention season is not far off. Check your district website for information pertaining to your district's convention. I'm looking forward to seeing many Lion friends at your convention and making a few new ones.

Best wishes,

CC Dave Stockum