



A Servants Heart

District Governor Lilane Fox



Volume IX Issue 12
JUNE-2024-2025



foxl3@aol.com

Cell: 614-208-4823

A Heartfelt Thank You from Your District Governor

As we enter our final month of this incredible Lions year, I want to extend my deepest thanks to every club in District 13 OH7. Your dedication to serving your communities is what makes our organization strong. It's why we are Lions — to help those in need, bring hope to others, and lead with compassion. It has been my great honor to serve as your District Governor this year. While I believe every DG feels this at the end of their term, I truly wish I could have done more. Yet, looking back, I am filled with pride at what we have accomplished — together.

We didn't achieve every goal, but we achieved some big ones:

- 100% service reporting — an incredible show of commitment and transparency.
- 25% reduction in dropped members — far surpassing the 10% reduction target.
- Club officer training participation exceeded our goal by 8% — Strong leaders lead to strong clubs, and your investment in leadership is already making a difference.
- LCIF fundraising goal achieved which was \$36,620! An historic accomplishment for our district!

These milestones are not mine — they are ours! They belong to every Lion who stepped up, served, led, recruited, fundraised, and believed in the power of "We Serve."

As you continue the journey this Lions year and into the next, I encourage you to:

- Keep spreading Lionism to more people;
- Be willing to try new things and embrace innovation;
- Listen to your members and support their ideas;
- And above all — serve your communities and each other.

Thank you for an unforgettable year so far. I am proud beyond words to be a part of this remarkable District. We are truly making our mark with a servant's heart this year!

In service and gratitude,

DG Lilane



kelvinhite@gmail.com

1ST Vice District Governor Kelvin Hite



Well fellow Lions, another year has passed, and we need to thank DG Lilane Fox for a great year of Leadership and direction that OH7 has gone.

It will be up to me to continue to lead you too keep growing this District. We are doing a great job, but we cannot take that foot off the accelerator. We must keep looking for new members and new clubs.

Robin and I will be going to the International Convention in Orlando Fl. In July. That is where I become your District Governor. Hold on and ride with me for a couple of months I will get things going as soon as I can. If I can do half as good as our last two DG's it will be fine.

I'm still looking for Zone Chairs for zones 1,3,7. I don't know why no one wants to help. This is one of the best offices I have ever held. This is a two-year position, you DO NOT have to move up after two years. You have the best time visiting clubs, meeting other lion members, and finding a place to meet 3 times a year.

We are having Zone Chair Training on June 7th in Logan, OH.

Please give me or Sara a call if interested.

Yours in Service

DGe Kelvin Hite

Retention

Membership

JUST
ASK

Service
Service



lontamarra@gmail.com
740-407-4002

2ND Vice District Governor Tamarra Parker Stephens



Hello fellow Lions!

It's hard to believe that we have arrived at the final month of this Lion's year. There have been so many wonderful activities and service done in our communities! As I look back on them, I am truly inspired.

It's exciting to see the upcoming, district-wide schedule of events, including car shows, tractor pulls, breakfasts lunches, and dinners, festivals, tree, plantings, road, cemetery, and neighborhood cleanups, and all of the other wonderful projects that we do during the warmer months.

We continue to work on starting two new clubs, Lithopolis and Baltimore, and I do hope that we see their formation very soon. Do keep your eyes open for other areas that need clubs, because I truly believe that every community needs a Lions club to make it complete.

As always, membership issues are always on my mind, and I encourage you to invite someone to be a part of our Lions family. The Recruiter's Passport is a resource that is always available to you, so please reach out if you would like more copies. Remember that when you complete the booklet and invite someone to join, you get a recognition pin... we do love our pins!

To those of you who have already recruited a new member, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. Without hands to do service, we are unable to do the best work we can for our communities. Please continue to make our important work possible, keep bringing in those hands that want to serve from their servants heart.

Thank you for a wonderful year as 2VDG. I look forward to serving all the Lions of district OH7 as 1VDG and beyond. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me for visitations, events, and questions.

Lastly, I just want to thank DG Lilane for being a true inspiration and passionate leader. I look forward to working and serving with DGE Kelvin and our newest officer, 2VDGE Kitty. Again, thank you for a wonderful year, let's finish strong, and start off our next Lions year even stronger.

Yours in Lionism and service,

1VDGe Lion Tamarra



TRAVELING WITH PID RON and KITTY



Meet the welcome committee upon our arrival at the Sun Valley Airport. L-R: Lois Sutton, Eye Bank Board Chair; Julia Miller (our host); PID Floyd Miller Jr. (our host); MDS/Convention Chair Jennifer Weeks and CC Betty Simpson.



Visiting with Leos attending the MD39 Lions Convention in Sun Valley, Idaho on May 2-3. Kitty & I had a session with them..

We enjoyed helping the Leos assemble hygiene bags for Women Shelters in Idaho.



This is a photo of the Sawtooth Mountain Range and Sun Valley from the Galena Pass near the site of the convention.



TRAVELING WITH PID RON and KITTY continues...



A Little Touch of History!



MD13 LCIF Coordinator and LCIF Chair IPIP Dr. Patti Hill with me at Sawmill Creek Resort.



This is the Ernest Hemingway Memorial in Sun Valley. Here is where he wrote his best novels. He is buried nearby.



Visiting the Loudonville Lions 75th Charter Celebration as the guest speaker.



PID Ron Keller, declared that this was a popular candy bar while visiting in Idaho at MD 39 convention. You will just have to decide yourself.





**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

Thank you for your continued support for LCIF. As of May 26, the total donations received and processed from our district by LCIF total \$34,489.00. As a reminder the goal set for our district is \$36,484.00 (slightly less than I previously showed). Additional donations which have been sent or promised will help us exceed our goal. **THANK YOU.** Because of you we will have surpassed our goal for multiple years. Please continue your AWESOME support in the future.

In my last LCIF article for the District, I wanted to provide quotes from various individuals about how LCIF Grants have made a difference in their lives.

1. **Vision Care Recipient** : “Thanks to the LCIF grant, I can see my grandchildren’s faces clearly for the first time in years. It’s a blessing I never thought possible.”
2. **Disaster Relief Beneficiary** ”The support from LCIF and Lions gave us hope when we had lost everything. Their kindness and generosity helped us rebuild our lives..”
3. **Youth Program Participant** “The Lions Quest program funded by LCIF taught me valuable life skills and gave me the confidence to pursue my dreams.”
4. **Community Leader in Africa** : “;The water wells provided by LCIF have transformed our village. Access to clean water has improved our health and quality of life.”
5. **Healthcare Provider in India** :”LCIF’s support for vision screenings has *changed countless* lives. Many people can now work and support their families thanks to improved eyesight.”
6. **Community Member in Nepal** : “The LCIF grant helped us build a new school after the earthquake. Our children now have a safe place to learn and grow.”.
7. **Healthcare Worker in Kenya** : “;With LCIF’s support, we were able to conduct eye surgeries that restored sight to many in our community. It’s a miracle for those who thought they would never see again.”
8. **Disaster Relief Volunteer in the Philippines** : “;LCIF’s timely assistance allowed us to provide immediate relief to families affected by the typhoon. Their support was crucial in our recovery efforts.”
9. **Youth Program Coordinator in Brazil** : “The funding from LCIF has empowered our youth with leadership skills and opportunities they never imagined possible.”
10. **Environmental Project Leader in Australia** : “Thanks to LCIF, we have been able to plant thousands of trees, helping to restore our local ecosystem and combat climate change.”
11. **Community Leader in Haiti** : “LCIF’s support was a beacon of hope after the earthquake. The rebuilding efforts have given our community a new lease on life.”.
12. **Vision Program Beneficiary in Bangladesh** : “Receiving eye care through LCIF’s grant has changed my life. I can now work and provide for my family with dignity.”
13. **Disaster Relief Recipient in Indonesia** : “The aid from LCIF and Lions was a lifeline during our darkest days. Their compassion and support helped us recover and rebuild.”
14. **Environmental Initiative Leader in Canada** : LCIF’s grant enabled us to launch a successful conservation project, preserving our natural heritage for future generations.”

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Greg Randolph
Email: liongreg@outlook.com
Phone: 740-401-0207
Cell: 304-893-7765



CLUBS NEWS to SHARE ...



ATHENS LIONS CLUB

What a beautiful day for some exercise! Athens Lions Club members Mike Harrington and Tina Scott conducted a litter pickup today along State Route 682 (Mile Marker 2 - 4) in Athens, Ohio. Four full bags of trash were collected.



THORNVILLE LIONS CLUB

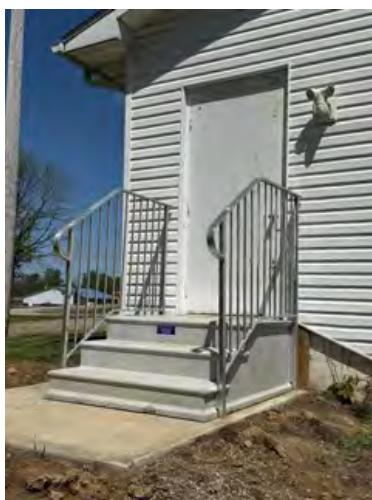


Members of the Thornville Lions had the honor of assisting the American Legion in placing flags on the graves of our veterans at the Lutheran Reformed Cemetery. This tradition is a small but heartfelt way to show our gratitude and ensure that those who served our country are remembered this Memorial Day.



We're proud to stand with our community in paying tribute to the brave men and women who gave so much for our freedom. Thank you to all who helped make this moment of remembrance

RUSHVILLE UNION LIONS CLUB



More upgrades are being made to the Rushville-Union clubhouse to make it safer and more easily accessible for their community! Getting everything in top shape to celebrate 75 years in 2026!





MARIETTA NOON LIONS CLUB



Rainy morning but the bridge is full of Heroes

Thank you to Eric Clark, President of the Belpre Area Veterans for volunteering with us this morning!



PLEASANTVILLE LIONS CLUB

\$1,000

Grand Prize



Is your organization looking for ways to make quick money!

We have a solution for you.....

Partner with the Pleasantville Music and Street Festival by selling tickets for our \$1,000.00 GRAND PRIZE. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3/\$5.00. Drawing will take place at the festival on Saturday, August, 23, 2025. Winner need not be present.

How do you make money? You keep 50% of the total of tickets sold. Return unissued tickets and 50% of the cash raised to the festival and your organization keeps 50%. It is that easy!

If you are interested in participating, please call our office at 740-468-2237, complete the form and you will be issued tickets. All tickets and money must be turned in no later than Monday, August 18th, 2025 to be entered in the drawing.





CLUBS NEWS to SHARE ...(continues)



BELPRE LIONS CLUB



Belpre Lions (left-to-right) Gary Webb, Jolene Reeder, Laura Coram, and Kendra Webb ready to serve.

Spaghetti Dinner & Auction



Our local Women's Club are great supporters at our activities whenever they can. Appreciate them so much.



Some of the attendees checking out the auction items to bid on!



CLEANING UP UNFINISHED ITEMS



Belpre Lions Gary, Steve, and George are taking the very rusty and old Lion Emblem sign that was welded to the sign bracket on side of the road. At our old location. (Left)

Our sign that was on the old building is also coming down and used for the new location. Lions Gary, Laura, and George are getting that done! Yeah!!!



Lions Diane and Jack Coram greeted and collected the donations for the spaghetti dinner.



CLUBS NEWS to SHARE ...(continues)



BELPRE LIONS CLUB

Service to help beautify the City!

BEFORE



AFTER



Several Belpre Lions diligently weeded and cleaned the flower bed that has the Belpre sign at the end of the toll bridge. Pictured are: Lions Laura Corm, Geolge Gilbert, Kendra Webb, Gary Web, and Steve Reeder, .Also helping was Lion Jolene Reeder. (photographer)

The pictures on right are the before and after of the backside of Belpre Sign It is seen when you are heading towards the toll bridge or taking Main Street to go around the city via Washington Blvd.

Sponsoring Flag for Bridge of Heroes !



Belpre Lions Club was honored to be able to sponsor a flag in honor of all the Belpre Area Veterans and past service members for the Marietta Noon Lions Bridge of Heroes. We thank all of our past and present service members. "Remember all gave some but some gave all."





CLUBS NEWS to SHARE (continues)...



FRAZEYSBURG LIONS CLUB



Lion Earl Paazig for the club presented an Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation Dick Bryan Fellowship award. In recognition of significant contribution to research into the causes and cures of diabetes. OH 7 District Governor Lilane Fox congratulated Bob on his years of serving the Lions.



The Frazeysburg Lions Club honored Lion Robert "Bob" Bickle for his 65 years being in the club. Club members and guests met at Primrose Retirement Community for dinner with him on May 13th. President Kathy Moran reminded Bob that Burkam Welsh sponsored him June 1960. Bob was twice president of the club, sponsored 5 members into the club, and has been a Melvin Jones Fellow since 1997.

CONGRADULATIONS LION BOB!

JACKSON LIONS CLUB



The Jackson Lions were excited to finally get their monument in front of the flag pole at the Buckeye Community Services Group Home



CLUBS NEWS to SHARE ... (continues)



LICKING VALLEY LIONS CLUB



The Licking Valley Lions completed their first Highway Cleanup of the year collecting 19 bags of trash from a 2-mile stretch of road.

Welcome to
the Lions Family!

LICKING VALLEY LIONS CLUB

The Licking Valley Lions inducted a new member at their last meeting! Andrew Nichols is sponsored by Lion Jodi Nichols. He is excited to begin to share his love of helping others with the LV Lions! Welcome to the Lions Family Lion Andrew!



Praying...
 **PICKERINGTON LIONS CLUB**

For the family of **Lion Shirley Jacobs, of the Pickerington Lions Club, who passed away last month.** She was 92. She joined the Pickerington Lions with her husband, Terry, in 2004. Although Lion Shirley's health didn't allow her to be active in the club in recent years, she was quite active in her early Lionism. She served on the club's Board of Directors, served on our Sunshine Committee and was a strong supporter and ambassador for the Central Ohio Lions Eye bank, giving talks and even making videos about the sight-saving surgery she received from COLEB.

Lion Shirley enjoyed the fellowship of Lions and those who served with her will miss her greatly.





CLUBS NEWS to SHARE ...(continues)



BEVERLY LIONS CLUB



IPDG Sara presented 5 Journey of Hope Awards to Lions Rhiannon Loane, Diana Oliver, Cathy Rose, and Debbie Marshall. Lion Becky Harshbarger was not present at this time.



Three Beverly Lions became “Journey of Hope Fellows” for their dedication to fighting Childhood Cancer. Lions Kevin Adkins, Heather Mahoney, and Kay Shreve.



Beverly Lions LeeAnn Stan and Brad Lanier presented scholarships to seniors from Fort Frye and Waterford High Schools.

Congratulations!



CLUBS NEWS to SHARE ...(continues)



BEVERLY LIONS CLUB



The Beverly Lions Club proudly presented 6 Dick Bryan Awards to Lion Charlotte Kitts, Lion Greg Randolph, Lion Anah Lion David Miller, Lion Jeff Oliver, and friends of the Beverly Lions Tiffany and Erik Simms.

District Governor Lilane Fox installed the 2025-2026 officers for the Club. Pictured are: Governor Lilane Fox, Lions Larry Arnold, PDG John Shreve, Greg Randolph, Diana Oliver, Deb Marshall, PDG Janice Arnold, Kevin Adkins, Lee Ann Stan, and Heather Mahoney (front row center)





STATE NEWS to SHARE...



State Convention News



PDG John and Lion Kay Shreve attended the State Convention.

Helen Keller candles were at the Grand Banquet for the Ohio Lions State Convention.



After traveling to Idaho, PID Ron and Lion Kitty attended the MD 13 convention at Cedar Point where Lion Kitty was elected in an emergency session to the position of 2nd VDG of District OH7. Surprise! PID Ron thought he was done traveling.
CONGRATULATIONS 2nd VDG Kitty!!!



State Convention News



My Reason For Attending The State Convention

was to witness the re-enactment of Helen Keller's address to Lions International, where it happened, exactly 100 years ago. I was not disappointed. It was a moving experience to hear her words in the same building where they ignited the passion of Lions Clubs a century ago. The re-enactment wasn't limited to that speech alone but the rapt audience was presented with four vignettes of Helen's life at various stages, from untamed child to ambassador to the world for the ideals of compassion, peace, and justice. Written by Lion Kris Keller



The crowd was captivated as they watched history being re-enacted before them; A peek of how amazing it was back then and all the lives that were touched since then.





DISTRICT NEWS to SHARE ...



LEADERSHIP SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS!

Lots of learning, fun, fellowship, and food!

Over 60 Lions came out to participate in our district leadership school, and learned more about Lions!



Lions attending different sessions at the Leadership School .



Lots of classes were available. Pictured below are all the facilitators for the day. From left to right are: DG Lilane Fox, 1stVDGe Tamara Parker-Stephens, DGe Kelvin Hite, PDG Sue Diehm, PDG Mary Bumpus, Lion Brian Fox, Lion Dan Osborne, Lion Cathy Dardis, Lion Greg Randolph, and PID Ron Keller. Also a shout out to PDG Sara Camacho!





CLUBS NEWS to SHARE ...(continues)



MILLERSPORT LIONS CLUB

Bowling for Dollars



Millersport Lions Kelvin Hite, Robin Hite, Kris Keller, Diana Keller and Kim Reaper represented the club at Tiki Lanes for the Lancaster Lions fundraiser. A good time was had by all despite the creaky joints and years since any of us has rolled a ball.

Storm Damage

The high winds caused substantial damage to Historic Lions Park, knocking down trees, tearing sheets off of metal roofs and snapping off the utility pole that held one of the giant ears of corn created by Lion Dina Keller





NEWS FROM THE LEOS



LYICKING VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL LEOS

The LVMS & LVHS Leos completed their own highway cleanup of a stretch of road near the schools. They collected 33 bags of trash and 2 tires!



MUSKINGUM VALLEY LEOS

The Beverly Lions and the Muskingum Valley Leos decorate their Veteran Monument





NEWS FROM THE LEOS

continues



SOUTH GALLIA LEOS



I could not be prouder of my Leo Lions Club members! They collected 66--YES you heard right-- 66 units of blood today at our blood drive. I would like to thank the students of South Gallia, the community members as well as the staff of South Gallia for all the donations we received! This is how we do it in the 'Ville!



NOTE FROM THE EDITOR...

Fellow Lions,

Greetings! It always amazes me how quickly the year flies by. Each year it feels like it's faster than the year before. Thank you to ALL OF YOU for sending me news of your club and keeping me updated on what your club has been doing and what is coming up. It is great sharing these great activities with each other. I look forward to hearing from you each month. DON'T STOP!!! I will be continuing as next year's Newsletter Editor, so keep the NEWS coming. You are always great! Yearly and monthly activities can be featured early on the calendar so others can know what is happening in your neck of the woods. Until next time have a great month. Take Care.

Lovin Lionism

Lion Miss Vicki

State News



"Service thru Leadership"

MD13 Ohio Lions

Global Leadership Team

MD13 GLT Coordinator

PDG Jackie Miller

pdgjackie@gmail.com

***District Coordinators for
2024-2025***

Lion Anne Deutschman – OH1

jakgs@dacor.net

Lion Ann Miller – OH2

babba4ajm@gmail.com

Lion Tammy Cruise – OH3

Tammy.cruise@sayrehospitalitygroup.com

PCC Dave Gauch – OH4

pccdave1213@gmail.com

PDG Jackie Miller – OH5

pdgjackie@gmail.com

Lion Mary Bookman - OH6

mbookman82@gmail.com

IPDG Sara Camacho – OH7

Sara.r.camacho@gmail.com

May 15, 2025

Dear Aspiring Lion Leader,

We are pleased to inform you that MD13 GLT will be offering a Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI) to the Lions of Ohio! All three levels will be offered this year. All Levels will be limited to twenty-five participants each Level, so you'll want to get registered ASAP since class size is limited!!

The Lions Institutes are indeed the "Ivy League" of leadership training. The institute at all levels will be a two-and-a-half-day immersion into developing and improving your leadership skills. This training will help you in your work life, your Lions career, and in your personal life as well. If you've ever thought about taking on a Leadership role in your club and beyond, this is the Institute for you!!

The institute is specifically designed to enhance your leadership skills. It will **not** be about fundraising, membership, or service projects. It will be about **Leadership!** This will be held at Deer Creek State Park, Mt Sterling, Ohio on October 24 - 26 and attendance is required for the entire event.

The cost to participants is \$185.00. The total institute cost per participant amounts to over \$300. Thanks to Grants from LCI and funds from the MD13 GLT committee you can attend for much less than the institute cost. Your only other expenses will be your breakfast and transportation to and from. Your hotel bill, 2 lunches and 1 dinner will be paid in full by MD13 GLT.

Below you will find the list of criteria and qualifications for all levels. Remember, space is limited to 25 participants for each level so make sure you get signed up before space runs out! We **MUST** have at least 15 Lions per level to hold this RLLI, so make sure you get the word out to **all** Lions.

We are proud to be able to offer this opportunity to the Lions of Ohio and look forward to receiving your application. If you have questions feel free to contact any committee member listed on the side column.

Sincerely,

PDG Jackie Miller

MD13 GLT Coordinator



State News

Continues...



Eligibility Requirements for attending all levels of RLLI	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Attended a previous Regional Lions Leadership Institute (any level) or Emerging Lions Leadership Institute.	No	Yes	Yes
Basic Computer Competency	Yes	Yes	Yes
Must Attend ENTIRE Institute	Yes	Yes	Yes
An interest in learning about Lions leadership opportunities	Yes	Yes	Yes

CRITERIA FOR MD-13 LIONS REGIONAL LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

1. Your member and club number are available on your membership card, from your club secretary, or on your membership information on LCI's website.
2. **DO NOT** send money with this application process, if your application is accepted, payment instructions will be sent with your acceptance notification.
3. This information will be available soon on MD-13 Ohio Lions website www.ohiolions.org and select the **GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM** tab or click on the Global Action Team (GAT) Logo (see above).
4. All applications must be completed online.
5. All applications must be received **NO LATER THAN September 24, 2025** to be considered.
6. Participants will share a room at Deer Creek State Park Lodge. A single room is available by paying a higher fee.
7. Click this [link](#) to complete the application process and, if accepted, you will be notified by GLT Chair, PDG Jackie Miller, of your acceptance.



CLUBS NEWS to SHARE... (continues)



DATES TO REMEMBER:

2025

June 7-**ZONE CHAIR** Training- Logan, Ohio

June 21-**RUSHVILLE-UNION**-Chicken dinner 4pm-7pm

July 31-August 3 **BELPRE** Homecoming Festival

August 14-17-**Ohio Association of the Deaf & Blind** holding a Retreat (see flyer)

August 27-30-**MILLERSPORT SWEET CORN FESTIVAL**

September 24th- **DEADLINE FOR RLLI** application

October 11 & 12 **BELPRE LIONS** Apple Butter Stir Off Festival

October 24-26th, 2025-**RLLI** (Regional Lions Leadership Institute)

