



A Servants Heart

District Governor Lilane Fox

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**CONGRATULATIONS IPDG Sara and District OH7
on a net gain of 22 members for the year!**

Excitement is in the air! OH7 has ended the year strong! We have a new club in Pleasantville, approved in June. We ended the year with a membership gain of 22, which is primarily because of this club. Congratulations are due to Extension Chair Tamarra Parker-Stephens and Mayor Jason Henderson for their leadership on getting this club established. AND congratulations to IPDG Sara Camacho for achieving her Mission 1.5 goals!

I want each of you to realize how significant it is that we achieved these goals. **This is the first year we have had positive net growth since OH7 has existed!** Lions, you had an amazing year! Let this be the first of many.

A great way to celebrate an amazing year is by attending the International Convention. Why, you ask? At the convention, you truly see the world of Lionism right in front of you and it is inspiring! At the Parade of Nations and during the International Flag Ceremony, you are confronted with how many different nations and cultures are involved in Lionism and working together to help people in need and better communities around the world. During the convention in Melbourne last month, we attended the Scandinavian and German receptions, hosted by the Lions of those countries, celebrating their culture and the work the Lions in their Multi-Districts accomplished and their plans for the next year. The Mid-West Breakfast was a chance to listen to candidates for International Director, where we learned of the service done by these individuals and what they hoped to be able to offer our association in the years ahead. Even when we don't speak the same language, I have experienced the bond between us because of our love of service.

The theme for this year is the same theme I have had as I have progressed through the chairs to be your District Governor - "A Servant's Heart." I truly believe it is the tying bond between us, and it is not only how we help our communities, but how we lead our communities and our clubs. All Lions are leaders, and by placing others before ourselves as we lead, we can truly bring hope to the people whose lives we touch, as well as to our fellow Lions.

International President Frabricio Oliveira also believes there's a leader inside every Lion. And his theme is to "Make Your Mark." He talks a lot of service to others, working collaboratively, and making things happen that others said couldn't be done. So let's get out there and "Make your Mark" with "A Servant's Heart" this year, my fellow Lions.

In Lionism,
DG Lilane Fox

DISTRICT GOVERNOR LILANE FOX

2024-2025 DISTRICT GOALS



Each year, Lions International requires District goals in four key areas: Membership Development and Extension, Leadership, Service and LCIF. For this Lions year, I committed to the following goals.

Membership Development and Extension which are our Mission 1.5 goals:

- 1 new club
- 111 new members
- Reduce average drops by 10% to achieve 124 or less drops for the year
- Net Growth of +1

Leadership:

- Our team will ensure 88% of zone chairpersons attend zone chairperson training.
 - Our district will confirm 25% of club officers (president, secretary, and treasurer) attend club officer training.
- Assess needs for Guiding Lion Training based on clubs in rebuilding and areas for new clubs that are promising, and hold a live training for guiding lions in those specific areas.

Service:

- Our team will ensure 100% of Lion and Leo clubs in our district report service. Each club will report at least two activities.

LCIF:

- Individual donors in our district will increase by 10% and clubs donating in our district will increase by 5%.
- Our District will achieve a Bronze level LCIF Chairperson's Medal by raising \$36,179.

I am happy to say these goals are achievable if we work together. This year proved our Mission 1.5 goals can happen. We are well on our way to our leadership goals with our recent trainings. You can still help achieve this goal by completing the officer training path assigned to you in the Lions Portal Learn App. I urge all our clubs to continue reporting service every month. If you need help doing this, please let either Service Chair Jenn Davies or CS Cathy Dardis know. And I am asking each of you to consider donating to LCIF personally. Every dollar matters, and helps our Foundation be able to put your donations to work helping people around the world. A percentage of these donations will also come back here to our District to help in our District service projects.

Thank you for your service and your dedication to the humanitarian work of Lions. Each of us together will continue to help make the world a better place!

We Serve!

DG Lilane



1ST Vice District Governor Kelvin Hite



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Hello my fellow Lions,

I'm writing this the day before we leave for Melbourne, for the International Convention. I will let you know how it was next month.

I think we are going to have a great year with DG Lilane showing us the way. I think she will do a great job as DG. I hope I will do half as good. We will need your help to get to her goals, as in the past years and future years to come, it's all about Membership. PDG Sara had the right path, Service. Service will get new members. All you have to do is invite people to help at service projects, tell them about all the things Lions do, then, just ASK them to join.

If you know any one that would like to start a new club, please let us help you. If your club needs help, let us know. We are here to help Lions grow and glow.

It has been very HOT lately, be careful. This is a good time to call all of your members and check on them and ask them why they aren't coming to the meeting's. Retention is a big why we can reach IP Patty Hills goal of reaching 1.5 million members by 2026. Till next time.

FVDG Kelvin Hite

Retention

Membership

**JUST
ASK**

Service
SERVICE



2ND Vice District Governor Tamarra Parker Stephens



Hello fellow Lions!

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Firstly, thank you all for your vote of confidence in me, and please know that I am honored and blessed to be serving as your 2VDG. By way of introduction, I have been a Millersport Lions since 2006 and am deeply involved in serving my community, locally and

statewide. I am a life-long learner and believe that the more we can learn about Lionism, and the incredible service Lions are doing locally and beyond, the more we will understand the true impact we are having on changing the world.

During the 2024-2025 Lions year, I will continue my roles as MD13 New Voices coordinator, and your OH7 GET coordinator. It is my hope to continue using both platforms to support our positive membership growth as we pursue Mission 1.5 goals. This will not be without its challenges, or it's hard work, but I believe that we can, and will achieve what we strive for. My plan is to integrate the innovation and creativity of New Voices, to engage and bolster our existing members, continue working towards new member recruitment, and to expand our service by planting new clubs. I believe that if we are to continue to serve our communities long-term, we must adapt to our changing communities, do relevant timely service projects, and grow our clubs by both retaining and adding new members.

“We serve!” It’s more than a motto, it is a belief in something larger than ourselves that is expressed in a lifestyle of making our communities better, one person at a time. I am truly passionate about being a Lion and look forward to these next few years serving boldly with you, and going where no Lion has gone before. Working together in fellowship, we Lions can make our portion of the world better and our humanitarian reach even greater. Thank you for all the hard work you’ve done so far, and I look forward to serving with you in the years to come. Please reach out to me if I can be of any help to you or your club.

Again, my sincerest gratitude for your faith in me, and do know that I will do my best for you, our clubs, our district, and our communities.

Yours in Lionism,

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TRAVELING WITH ID RON and LION KITTY



FROM THE DESK OF: IPID RON KELLER

“We will always be humbly indebted to the Lions of OH-7 for electing PCC Ron in 2021 as the OH-7 and then MD-13’s endorsed candidate for International Director. To follow in the footsteps of the only other Lion to ever serve as an International Director from our district has indeed been an honor and privilege. PID Dan Cole from the Marietta Evening Lions Club served as an ID from 1986-1988 and still fondly remembered as a Lion Legend.



2022 LCI Convention in Montreal immediately after being elected as an ID.

Many Ohio Lions traveled to Montreal in 2022, Boston in 2023 and Melbourne in 2024 to support us during each International Lions Convention and we appreciate everyone that made it a priority. Over the past two years, we have traveled to a vast number of multiple and single district conferences and conventions, meeting and speaking with thousands of Lions in Canada and the United States. We were fortunate to participate in a slew of local service projects with Lions and Leos, in an effort to help them spread kindness and make a difference in communities large and small. Ron was blessed during 2023-2024 to serve as chair of the International Membership Development Committee and have a direct impact on the launch of the Mission 1.5 Campaign. These memories we will cherish always. Thank you District OH-7 Lions for your unwavering support and generosity!!!!”

LET THE JOURNEY BEGIN...



Attending their first board meeting held in Minneapolis in October, 2022 .

The safari team in Kenya October 2023.



Parade of Nations at LCI Convention in Boston in July 2023.



LET THE JOURNEY BEGIN... (continues)

The Keller's presenting gifts to DG Marilyn Reeves at the 26M1 District Convention in Missouri in February 2024.



District 25D Lions Leaders giving a tour of a year-round service project they support in Noblesville, Indiana (March 2024)



Kitty with the other Partners-in-Service of the International Board after a service project in Vancouver, Canada in March 2024. (Can you find



The Keller's toured Ivy Green, birthplace of Helen Keller, during the Alabama Lions State Convention in April 2024. →

← The Keller's on Mt. Rose overlooking Lake Tahoe during the Nevada Lions State Convention in May 2024.





Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

Thank you for your financial support to LCIF during our 2023-2024 Lions year. Our district goal for donations during this year is \$31,671.00. As of June 24, 2024, we have \$32,583.31 processed for our District which puts us at almost 103% of goal. The last available report (processing through early May) shows we are one of two Districts in our region (four states) who have exceeded their goal for the year. Other Districts will reach their goal by the end of June. Each of you should take great pride in your support for LCIF. THANK YOU.

There are a couple of LCIF facts we should know about this year. LCIF grants have served over 40 million people this year. The following was posted on Lions Clubs International Foundation Facebook page (June24) “It’s been a great day at [#LionsCon24!](#) We announced LCIF raised US\$75M this year, celebrated our donors and partners, learned about LCIF grants and programs, heard from an impactful beneficiary, and more.”

There are many recognitions for both individuals and clubs who donate to LCIF. Our old District 13-K started awarding a Russ Williams Chapter Award in 1996 to clubs donating \$10 per member during the district award year (currently January 16 – January 15). At our cabinet meeting in February, it was approved to change the qualifying amount to \$20 per member. Please remember that the amount calculated for the club also includes donations made by members of the club. Please be aware that LCIF automatically provides banner patches to clubs for the fiscal year (July 1 – June 30) at the following levels: \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500 and \$1,000. We have a few clubs that will receive these banner patches.

The following shows clubs who have balances with LCIF to award one or more Melvin Jones Fellowships.

| Club | Number of MJF | Club | Number of MJF |
|-----------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| Carroll | 1 | Licking Valley | 1 |
| Chesterhill | 1 | Limestone Valley | 1 |
| Danville | 1 | Millersport | 1 |
| East Knox | 2 | Newark | 2 |
| Frazeyburg | 1 | Thornville | 1 |
| Lancaster | 2 | Warsaw | 7 |
| Lancaster Tarhe | 1 | West Muskingum | 1 |

Thank you for your continued support during our 2024-2025 Lions year.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Greg Randolph

CLUBS NEWS to SHARE...



BEVERLY LIONS CLUB



The Beverly Lions Club
Quarter Auction

When: July 20, 2024
Where: Beverly Methodist Church
700 Park Street
Beverly, OH 45715
Doors Open 1:00pm
Auction Begins 2:00pm
30 Games

Admission 18 and over \$6.00: includes one Paddle
No Item is under \$25.00 value
Bids will range from 3 to 8 Quarters
Items From:

| | |
|--|--|
| Briarwood Lane Tupperware Stanley Cups Home Décor Items | Thirty-One Yeti Michael Kor Purses Baskets of Goodies |
|--|--|

Concessions and 50/50 Drawing
Additional paddles: \$2.00 or 2 for \$3.00

BELPRE LIONS CLUB

The Belpre Lions Club had the privilege and honor of awarding July's Veteran of the Month, Jason Jeffrey! Nominated by Belpre Area Veterans organization pictured with President Lion Vicki Boggs.

Serve your community.
Become a LION today!



Belpre Lions Club

Meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday @6pm.
Belpre Nazarene Church
1301 Putnam Howe Dr.

← IT'S OFFICIAL...

The Belpre Lions Club has relocated. Same time but different location. Love to see you!



It was an honor to attend the flag bunting ceremony held by the Belpre Area Veterans. "Old Glory" has been a vital part of our country and will continue to be so.



MILLERSPORT LIONS CLUB



SWEET CORN FESTIVAL

It's ear-resistable fun!

NEWS RELEASE

MILLERSPORT, OHIO

JULY 10, 2024

The Millersport Lions have been busy every Wednesday and Saturday all Summer long preparing Historic Lions Park for the 77th Sweet Corn Festival on August 28 – 31. Besides four days of tractor pulls, all of the delicious sweet corn a person can consume, unlimited food choices, games for all ages, crafts galore, and a multi-million dollar midway packed with thrill rides, there will be continual free entertainment at four different venues. Featured is the rock group “McGuffey Lane” on Wednesday, country artists “Shenandoah” on Friday and the Jimmy Buffet tribute band “Parrots of the Caribbean” on Saturday.

The four-day extravaganza kicks off on Wednesday, August 28, at 6:00 pm with the Grand Parade. Lions throughout District OH-7 are encouraged to line the parade route and cheer on District Governor Lilane Fox and her partner, Lion Brian. Working diligently to raise funds for Lions charities will be the Glenford Lions Club, Heath Lions Club, Hebron Lions Club, Licking Valley Lions Club, Logan Lions Club, New Albany Lions Club, Pickerington Lions Club, Millersport Lioness Lions Club Branch, and the Millersport Lions. Also, District OH-7 Lions from numerous clubs will be working together in their game booth.

This will be the first festival since the death of Past District Governor Ed Otte. He served 34 consecutive years as an executive officer of one of Ohio’s best family attractions and community celebrations. PDG Ed was the longest serving festival treasurer in the 77 years of existence of the event. His dedication to his community was remarkable, especially his steady fiscal stewardship of the festival business operations. On any given day, residents could find him at Historic Lions Park, mowing grass, planting or mulching trees, sowing grass seed, spreading gravel, grading roads, hauling supplies, or helping on various building projects year after year. He indeed left a lasting legacy of community service and unselfish volunteerism.

Please join us in Millersport for ear-resistable fun and to honor PDG Ed’s legacy!

GALLIPOLIS LIONS CLUB

The Gallipolis Lions Club proudly recognizes Henry Bartels as our June Veteran of the Month for his unwavering dedication to our country. We are deeply humbled by his service and grateful for his commitment to protecting our freedoms. Thank you, Henry, for being an inspiration to us all!



MARIETTA NOON LIONS CLUB

Presidential Appreciation:
Kyle Burnworth



The Marietta Noon Club held their annual installation of officers and outgoing presidents awards! DG Sara and Lion Fergie installed this “ruff” board of officers by assigning each office a specific dog breed based on their duties.

Congratulations to all (including a few that will be awarded later) and best of luck to Lion President Jennifer Greene as our 100th President!



Ohio Lions Eye Bank Helen Keller Award:
Jennifer Greene



Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation Leadership Award:
Bob Hadfield

Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation Journey of Hope:
Kristi Hadfield



CLUBS NEWS to SHARE... (continues)

MARIETTA NOON LIONS CLUB



Melvin Jones Fellowship:
Brandon Burnworth

Cub of the Year:
Shelly Stormes



Lion of the Year Award:
Steve Stormes

EDITOR NEWS...

Hi Everyone

Hope all is well with each of you. It's a new year and lots of exciting things has taken place during IPDG Sara's year. Look out for another year of G R E A T things with DG Lilane. Our format for the newsletter is my usual layout. Please feel free to share ALL your clubs news and upcoming events for the calendar; you can include many activities past, present, and future. Deadline to submit is 25th of each month! missvicki13knews@gmail.com

Encourage and check with your club members to be sure they have their email address in the data base of Lion Brian Fox for the DENS. The newsletter will be sent via of DENS. I am so excited to hear from each o the clubs this year. It is going to be a wonderful time as we all obtain "A SERVANTS HEART"

Loving Lionism,

Lion Miss Vicki

P. S. This includes hearing from our fantastic group of LEOS!!!

PICKERINGTON LIONS CLUB



The Pickerington Lions gather around the beautiful Lions float displayed in the parade. It takes many to prepare, decorate and work together

The Pickerington Lions handed out lots of candy at the city's 4th of July parade!



DATES TO REMEMBER

July 20th-**BEVERLY LIONS**

Quarter Auction (see newsletter or DENS for more information.

July 27th-**MILLERSPORT-**

Team Strategy Session

August 1st-4th **BELPRE**

HOMECOMING Thurs/Fri begins at 5pm-10pm; Sat.9am-11and Sunday 10am-6pm

August 3rd-**CHESTERHILL**

BREAKFAST -7am-10am

August 18th-Cabinet meeting

August 19th Zone 4 at Amanda

August 21st-Zone 5 at Millersport

August 22nd-Zone 6 at Marietta

August 28th-Sweet Corn Festival begins at **MILLERSPORT**

September 7th-**CHESTERHILL BREAKFAST**

September 12 -Zone 1 in East Knox

September 19th-Zone 2 at Hebron