

# **“LIONS TRACKS”**

**Lynchburg Lions Club Newsletter  
Lynchburg, Ohio**

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Summary of Events Since Winter  
(Lion Jim Faust, Editor)**

The Lynchburg Club plans to have at least two members attend the District Officer Training Seminar at Lebanon on June 28. Lion Jim Faust will be teaching the Zone Chair session. Lion Chris Hamlin will attend the Treasurer and Secretary sessions.

Lion Maxie Green was named the Zone 7 District Lion of the Year at the District Convention. Lion Maxie is a very active member of the Club and she has served as Secretary for many years. The Lynchburg Club had nominated her for the zone award. Congratulations Maxie!!

Lion Jim Faust will attend the District Lions Cabinet meeting in August. Lion Jim serves as a State Trustee for the Ohio Lions Foundation and he serves as the District Cabinet Parliamentarian. He also serves as the District OH-6 representative on the State Constitution and By-laws Committee. His latest official state committee meeting for that group was held on January 11 and the next meeting will be at the State Lions Office on July 19.

The Lynchburg Lions Club sponsors the Local Boy Scout Troop #120 and the Cub Scout Pack. One Lynchburg Lions member is currently serving as Merit Badge Counselor for several scouts. One Member serves as Liaison to the Scouts and also serves as the Chaplain/Counselor for the Troop. Several Lions members have attended the Scouts' Court of Honor programs. The Club sponsored the Troop Patrol Leaders to Leadership camp last year and it assists the Troop and Pack in various ways throughout the year.

The Lynchburg Club has donated \$100.00 or more to each of the official District, State, and International Lions projects again this year. At least 25 different projects and charitable groups have received donations already from the club since winter. The Club also purchased eyeglasses and gift cards for needy persons in the community. Special extra donations have also been made to Kamp Dovetail, the Southern Ohio Pregnancy Center, the St. Vincent DePaul Charities, and the Lynchburg Public Library this summer. The Club will donate to a special L-C Elementary School educational project and the School's needy student shoe program this fall.

The Lynchburg Lions Club will again conduct its annual Christmas Candy sale this fall and early winter. This sale provides most of the funding for all the donations for service projects that the club sponsors.

Lion Jim Faust participated in each of the State OLF Board of Trustees Board meetings this year. The most recent state OLF Board meeting was in May at the State Lions Convention and the next one will be via Zoom technology on August 10.

Several guest speakers and cabinet officials have visited the Club since last year. DG Rachelle, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Ben, and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Tony will be invited to visit the club later this fall for one of the Club's dinner meetings at the Lynchburg Lions Club Building. The club is always pleased to have them visit and give their presentations.

The Club will hold its annual Peace Poster Contest for Middle School students in the fall. At least 90 students competed last year and all were recognized by the Lions Club. The top five will be presented special cash awards and certificates. The first-place winner will be entered in the District Contest.

The officers for 2025-2026 were elected this spring and installed in June.

The club has hosted the Southern Ohio Antique Tractor Pullers' Association pulls for several years. The Pullers Association held three business meetings at the Lions Club Building this year. The club also hosts the Lynchburg and Lynchburg-Clay Alumni Committee meetings and several Scout meetings each year at the Lions Club Building.

The Club hosted and sponsored Lion Ron Derry and the GOOD program in March at the Lynchburg-Clay Elementary School. All fifth graders heard Lion Ron's presentation. He presented a general session and then conducted special demonstrations in each of the fifth-grade classes. Eight students received GOOD shirts at the end of the school year.

The Club sponsored two scholarships for L-C HS Graduates this spring. Each scholarship is worth \$500.00. The recipients are Addie Downing and Ava Doughman. Both were honored at the L-C Scholarship awards dinner as well as the HS Graduation ceremonies. They will be presented their checks at the Lions Club meeting in August where pictures will be taken in recognition of their service to the community.

The Lions hosted the recent Boy Scout Advisory Committee meeting at the Lions Club Building. The club sponsors both local Scout groups including the Boy Scouts and the Cub Scouts. The club pays the \$100.00 charter fee for each of these groups.

The District Lions Convention was held in April at Blue Ash. Lynchburg had four representatives in attendance. The Lynchburg Club was presented the first-place plaque in the Small Club division of the Governor's Contest for overall club activities. The Club also received the third-place plaque in the Communications competition. Several other certificates and honors were presented to the club.

The club plans to help fund several village projects that are being planned and it also plans to plant trees and do a community clean-up day for its environmental project.

The club has collected nearly 1200 pairs of used eyeglasses and several hundred used pill containers for distribution since November. They were delivered to the recent Zone meetings.