



Venedocia Lions Club
Prospective Member Information
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Dear prospective Venedocia Lion,

We would be pleased to welcome you to the Venedocia Lions Club and have you as a member.

As a member, we expect the following from you:

- Prompt payment of \$45 annual dues
- Attend club meetings on a regular basis
- Actively serve on assigned committees
- Participation in club activities
- Work with all members to complete our goals

Sausage Trailer:

The Venedocia Lions Club is well known for its sausage trailer that frequents many events in the Van Wert area, in addition to our annual Pancakes & Sausage Day on the third Saturday in March. Club Members are expected to volunteer to work at these events. These events fund our projects.

We have work schedules that are filled on a first come, first served basis. It takes the participation of many to make each of these events a success. Work schedules are always available on our website to view/print.

Easter Egg Hunt:

We host an Easter Egg Hunt on the Saturday directly prior to Easter at Memorial Park.

Halloween Judging & Treats:

We host a Halloween judging & treats event after the local Venedocia Trick or Treat, usually on the last Saturday in October. In 2020, we began partnering with Lion Jon Brewer for this event, which includes food, games, and music in the shelter house.

Christmas Giving:

We organize and manage Christmas giving to those in need in the Venedocia area. Widows of club members are also remembered with a gift.

Christmas Decorations:

We adorn the utility poles in the villages of Venedocia, Elgin, and Landeck with festive decorations that were made and are maintained by our club members. The decorations are installed on the Saturday after Thanksgiving and normally removed the first Saturday of the new year.

Scholarships:

We offer one-time scholarships to high school seniors who reside in Jennings or York Townships in Van Wert County and present certificates at either each school's award ceremony or graduation.

Eyeglasses, Sunglasses, Cases Collection:

We collect used eyeglasses, sunglasses, and cases to donate to VOSH for distribution to those in need.

Rentals: Mobility Device/Low Vision Reader:

We assist with the procurement and delivery of mobility device & low vision reading machine rentals to residents in need in the Venedocia area.

Support:

We offer monetary support to many community projects each year. The current year's list can be found on our website.

Lions Building Maintenance:

We perform our own basic maintenance on our Lions Building and surrounding property.

Meetings:

Our meetings are held on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month at the Lions Building in Venedocia. Some months we only meet once. Some meetings are dinner meetings with a speaker, some are not. We also have a steak fry and ladies' night in place of our regular meeting.

Communication:

We strive to maintain ongoing communication with all members concerning the activities of the club. We send email notices (ecards) in advance of each meeting that include an agenda and a list of upcoming events. We

also offer text reminders the day of the meeting, provided we have a phone # for you with texting capability and you permit us to text you.

Website:

We invite you to explore our website, **venedocialions.org**, which is a valuable source of information for upcoming meetings, events, work schedules, activities, projects, members, and history. It also contains links to Lions International information about becoming a lion, purpose, and guidelines.

Social Interaction & Fellowship:

Being a part of a group working toward community goals also provides positive interaction & fellowship. We all experience the good feeling of accomplishment and helping others alongside one another.

If being a member of an organization that participates in these activities appeals to you, great!

Please fill out the official Lions International Membership application form, submit your dues, and we can schedule your induction as a new member.

The Venedocia Lions Club currently pays the \$35 New Member Entrance Fee to Lions International. The \$45 annual dues only covers a portion of the fees paid to the Lions International and Ohio Lions for your membership in our club. Our club covers the remainder. Therefore, we expect our members to be actively involved in the club.

Thank you, Venedocia Lions Club

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