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Past International Director Larry Edwards And We Continue To Serve, Together We Can

Greetings Lions and Leos,

I truly believe that spring is now here. Cutting grass, planting flowers, and enjoying the warmer weather are with us. This reminds me that the MD 14 Convention is around the corner. What an event schedule. By the time this is printed you will have experienced an awesome convention. Our numbers for all events are up and our Lions will have enjoyed a great event while meeting IP Brian Sheehan and Lion Lori. I hope you all agree.



What is next? The International Convention in historic Boston. There is still time to register. Consider attending. A bus sponsored by the Multiple is going, so sit back, relax and be ready for several fun and education-filled days.

As we are coming closer to the end of the 2022-2023 Lions year, it is a good time to self-examine your goals and objectives. How did you do? If the answer is not as good as hoped, there is still time to make corrections and get back on the path. I always felt the goals are a road map to success. The thing about them is that they can be modified or corrected. If you are not hitting your target, don't let it get you down. Consider some simple changes and go at it again. Try asking your GAT coordinators to help you. They have a significant amount of experience and should be able to get you headed in the correct direction. Good luck on finishing strong.

Another subject I would appreciate your consideration for is LCIF. Coming out of Campaign 100, we have seen a bit of a letdown on Foundation contributions. With the number of disasters that have been prevalent within our own country, so much help is provided in the form of dollars to those in need. I know that many clubs are still financially struggling from COVID. I ask that all clubs and individuals dig deep to help make MD-14 again a proud supporter of LCIF. As I have had the opportunity of speaking in many districts around the country, I am suggesting that each Lion give \$10 to the Foundation. If we did that in MD-14 \$161,920 would be raised. That would triple the individual donations given this year. Remember our Foundation is a strong source of support for the many needs we, as Lions, have today. Please give it serious consideration. Thanks.

Until the next time we meet at a Lions event, I wish you all the best and keep serving.

PID Larry Edwards

Larry



Council Chair Dave León's Message

Fellow Lions and Leos of MD-14,

We are right in the middle of convention season as I sit down to write this. Many of the districts completed theirs in the month of April and the State Convention is just days away. Another month or so and the International Convention will be here. Hopefully your District Governor is working diligently with your 2023-24 District Governor-Elect to set goals for next fiscal year and put together a cabinet. Hopefully your district leadership is also making sure you have a full complement of Vice District Governors to carry Lionism to infinity and beyond!

This is also true for the clubs in MD-14. Hopefully you have elected or will be electing officers for the 2023-24 fiscal year. You too need to work on having a full complement of Vice Presidents and setting goals for next year. And, by the way, make sure your clubs' secretaries file the New Officer Reports (*the infamous PU-101 forms*) either manually or on MyLCI! Deadline: May 15th.

Since I am the treasurer of my own club, I am reminded that this is also the time of the year clubs start thinking about what to do with their surplus charitable funds. Thankfully many clubs do make appropriate donations throughout the year, but still have some money to give. I would be remiss in not reminding you all to support the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), the various regional foundations that support Lions clubs across many counties in PA, and the five MD-14 Projects.

There is a mantra I have been carrying for the last couple of years:

"We serve, we need people to serve, and we need Lions to lead that service!"

Yep, you guessed it, it is a call for Service, Membership and Leadership! The Global Membership Approach (GMA) puts it quite well through its Objectives:



- Revitalize clubs with new members,
- Re-motivate members with new fellowship opportunities and exciting service, and
- Provide training and support to our Lion Leaders.

If you haven't looked into this program, NOW is a good time to take a peek. You might learn something! Our Multiple District Global Action Team is ready and able to help. Drop me a note at murrylion2@aol.com if you are wondering

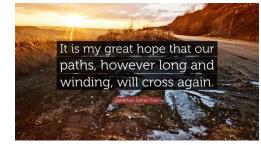
who they are?

This will be my last message to you Lions of MD-14 as Council Chair. It has definitely been an interesting year, especially living with a current District Governor in the house! It is every CC's hope that he/she leaves MD-14 as good, or in better shape, than when the gavel was handed over. Many changes happened during the year! You, fellow Lions, and those who write history, will be the judges of that. I believe I am leaving MD-14 in respectable shape and in the capable hands of Vice Council Chair Dr. Linda Zaneski. To the 2023-24 Council of Governors: Cheers and Break a Leg!

See you at the State and/or International Convention! If not...

Lion Dave León

MD-14 (PA) Council of Governors Chairman (2022-23) IPDG District 14-U



From Global Leadership Team Coordinator PDG Kerry McKnight

In this Lions year more than 300 Pennsylvania Lions will be taking classes related to becoming a more informed and educated Lion either online or by traveling to a classroom setting.

Fortunately, the number is increasing every year. In this article, your MD-14 Global Leadership Team is giving you something invaluable: the opportunity to continue your Lions' education and further your Lions' knowledge from the comfort of your own home and it's absolutely **FREE**!

The Lions Learning Center (LLC) has over 50 courses available online for Lions on a wide variety of subjects important to whatever your role is within a club or district. Please let me reassure you, even if it's been a few years since you last participated in taking any course, the LLC is geared to Lions of all education levels. Most courses take about one hour to complete with a simple quiz at the end of the course. To access the LLC, enter your Lions Portal, click on Learn and then the Lions Learning Center yellow **GO** button. The content library will display all the courses available.

Another amazing source of free training is "Lions University," with nearly 60 free online courses located at "lionsuniversity.org". It is simple to register and gain entry to the site. The Lions University is separated into three programs –

- Bachelor's program courses allow Lions to develop the skills necessary to lead a vital Lions Club. Courses are directed to the skills needed to be a great club leader.
- Master's program courses focus on giving support to clubs through district leaders. This
 program is aimed at District Level leaders.
- Doctorate degree program focuses on skills needed to be a training facilitator for adult volunteers.

These classes are also about one hour in length and are free to view and learn from the website with no obligation. Graduation from Lions University requires attendance at a USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, but it is not required to take the courses.

The final resource I wish to let you know about is YouTube.com. Simply enter "Lions Clubs Training" in the search box for an abundance of training videos. There is a wealth of information and training from various Lions-related sites. I am not even going to attempt to list the variety of Lions classes you can view on this website. Any Lion subject you could possibly need is either here or on one of the other sites listed.

I have heard too often, "I didn't fulfill my Lions responsibility *because* no Lions leader showed me how to do my job." District leaders need to encourage their team to review and learn from these wonderful classes. They are fabulous sources of help to even the most experienced Lion. Please contact me if you have questions or require help with any of these resources.

PDG Kerry
MD-14 GLT Coordinator
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LCIF REPORT

MAY 2023

As of this report, MD-14 is down over \$103,000 from this time last year. Thank you to those Lions and clubs that have donated so far this Lions year! If you or your club hasn't done so, please consider giving a donation (https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/donate?utm_source=lci-homepage-photo-lockup&utm_medium=link&utm_campaign=LCIF-mission). The need is so great today; just recently a tornado devastated a town in Texas. Our Lions motto is "We Serve" and there are people out there who desperately need help from us Lions! LCIF has been busy awarding grants for these disasters and our help is crucial to continue with these grants.

District 14-P has already reached 100% of its goal, with 14-D second at 79% and 14-K third at 69%.

Please have your club members seriously consider putting LCIF in your budget for next year and marking a fundraiser that the proceeds go to LCIF. Support from all clubs is critical to MD-14 meeting the goal set for us by LCIF.

Passing around a container or box for LCIF at your meetings is another way to accumulate donations for LCIF. Money can add up quickly this way!

Once again, if you or someone you know may be interested in a Legacy gift to LCIF, please let me know and I can put you in touch with the right people to assist you in making that happen.

On LCIF's website there are various grants that are available with the requirements that would help your community, as LCIF is *your* Foundation.

Your support is greatly appreciated not just by LCIF but by those people who benefit from your generosity!

Thank you!

PDG Evan Punchard,

MD-14 LCIF Coordinator



GREATER CANONSBURG LION, AWARD WINNING ARTIST



If you have attended the **District 14-M** regional convention over the past three years you have most likely seen or met **Lion Diane Krek** at her BLT Art booth. Lion Diane and her husband, Lion Melvin, are members of the **Greater Canonsburg Lions Club**. Diane has a genetic retinal disease called Retinitis Pigmentosa (RP) along with hearing loss. The two combined are referred to as Usher-2A. There is currently no treatment or cure for her affliction although worldwide clinical trials are ongoing, looking for a cure.

Diane was diagnosed with RP in 1990 at the age of 33. With the assistance of specialized software, large screen monitors and magnification tools supplied by Blind and Vision Services of Pittsburgh, she was able to continue her employment. In 2012 her vision loss progressed to the point that she could no longer work. Faced with going on disability, she wanted to become an advocate for vision loss and help where she could by making people aware of the help that is available for the blind and visually impaired.

Being an artist her entire life, she decided to go back to painting. In 2015 Lion Diane started her business, BLT Art, (Bear, Lighthouse and Train art). These are things that she and her husband enjoy and by incorporating all three items in a painting, she hoped to build vision awareness. Diane paints acrylic on canvas. The originals are high resolution scanned and prints are made from the scans. The prints are then matted and sold. For every sale, Lion Diane donates 20% to blind and vision research organizations.

In 2022, Lions Diane and Melvin met Lion Beth Slade from Leader Dogs for The Blind. After that meeting and learning about the program, Diane wanted to dedicate 2022 to fundraise for Leader Dogs. With the support of the Greater Canonsburg Lions Club, she and Melvin started a "Dog Tag" promotion throughout the summer and fall. They asked friends of theirs who own a local winery to help by selling the dog tags for one month. Between the dog tag sales, BLT Arts donation and miscellaneous other cash donations, Lion Diane was able to present \$1,000 to Leader Dogs!

In March of 2023, Lion Diane received an opportunity to enter one of her original paintings in an art contest sponsored by American Printing House for the Blind (APH). The painting is a 28" x 34" acrylic on canvas, autumn scene of New Presque Isle Lighthouse in Northern Michigan. She submitted the required documentation and photographs of the original artwork by the deadline of March 31st. When she had heard nothing by April 30th, she thought that she had not won anything. In early May, Lions Diane and Melvin took a trip to Rochester Hills, Michigan to visit the Leader Dogs for the Blind facility. While there, Diane received a phone call from APH advising her that her painting was unanimously selected as the winner of the Visionary Award. She will receive a cash award, certificate of recognition, invitation to the awards banquet in Louisville, Kentucky in October and her original painting will be on display in a gallery in Louisville through February 2024. The original painting will also be available for purchase during that time. This award is a very prestigious recognition from the blind and low vision community.

Along with winning the APH Visionary award, Lions Diane and Melvin were presented with the International President's Certificate of Recognition at the District 14-M regional convention in April 2023 from DG Mark Ellsworth and International Director Allen Snider for their commitment to fundraising and raising awareness to blindness and low vision. Lion Diane's artwork is also on display at The ARC of Washington County Art Gallery, 111 West Pike Street, Canonsburg, PA. She also has a website: www.BLTart.com.

The Greater Canonsburg Lions Club is proud of Lion Diane's accomplishments and to have Diane and Melvin as members.

Contributed by PDG Gloria Schmalz from Lion Melvin Krek



The Northeast PA Lions Service Foundation, on 6/14/2023, starts its 7th year of providing grant money for the original eye bank Districts C, D, G, H, K, L, T, U, W. In 2022 NEPALSF approved \$396,518.20 in grants ranging from \$805.00 to \$30,313.00. With good financial advice we buffered the Covid storm and continue rebounding.

OFFICERS FOR YEAR 2022 - 2023 ARE

PRESIDENT - PDG GERALD CHAPMAN VICE-PRESIDENT - PDG GEORGE HILSINGER

2ND VICE PRESIDENT - PCC RON DIETZ TREASURER - LION BOB DICKSON SECRETARY - PDG KATHY NEARY ASSISTANT TREASURER - PDG DAN LOMBARDO Many thanks to PDG Keldeen Stambaugh for developing a new website for us. Please see www.nepalsf.org.

We're happy to report our board is growing. Seven new board members have been added in 2022/2023:







Lion Carolyn



PDG Gayle Padfield 14-H



PDG Richard Padfield 14-H



PDG Fred Folland 14-K



Lion Jeanne Zieger 14-K



PDG Anna Clark 14-L

A Few Grants



Stonebridge Susquehanna Lions Club grant for \$850.20 makes Girl Scouts at Camp Archibald happy providing cleaning supplies, storage containers and kickboards. Camp Archibald is the 2nd oldest Girl Scout in PA. NEPALSF board member, PDG Joe Skinner presents the check. 6/2022

REMEMBER – NEPALSF GRANTS ARE AVAILABLE TO LEO CLUBS TOO!







Contributed by PDG Don Gibala



The **New Castle Lions Club, 14-N**, received a matching grant from the **Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation** for \$2,685 to replace the public access ramp and entry way into the City Rescue Mission facility.

Pictured are the check and the sponsor's recognition plaque being presented to **DG Gaylene Toland, LOPF Director PDG Don Gibala, City Rescue Mission CEO Jack H. Lynn, club secretary PCC Bill Morgan** and **club president Don Kemerer.**



Hanover Lions, 14-C, awarded monetary educational scholarships to two students from Delone Catholic School.

Pictured are Lion Jack Stewart, Grace Wildasin, Rachel Smith and Lion Tom Staub.



Lion Todd Boller (center),a Lion since July 1990, currently in the Hanover Lions Club, was awarded the Pennsylvania Counsellor's Distinguished Service Award by (left) International Director Ron Keller and District Governor Keith Shoff (right).



Lions Rick and Becky Boyer, Todd Boller, John Zinn, and Denny and Barb Bidwa assisted at the Manheim, West Manheim, Baresville and Park Hills Elementary Schools' eye screenings for hundreds of children expected to begin school next year.

Pictured above are **Lions Rick** and **Becky Boyer** of the West Manheim club.



The **Riverside Area Lions**, **14-N**, with the help of the **Rochester-Beaver Area Lions**, donated a TREX bench to Reed Landscaping to raffle off in support of the local K-9 police dogs. The money raised will be used to pay for the unexpected costs affiliated with the K-9 dogs in the area.

Pictured are **Lion Mike Milnes** and an employee of the **Reed Landscaping Company**.

All articles on this page contributed by PDG Chip Campbell

Riverside Area Lion president PDG Chip Campbell began a Hygiene Helper program in the Beaver County area. Recently Ellwood City Forge made a donation to the Divine Grace Ministerium which was divided between the Ministerium and the Riverside school system. The Lions Club also made a monetary donation through the Hygiene Helpers to Divine Grace Ministerium which will be used to purchase hygiene products for the more than 300 families it supports. In addition, dental supplies were donated by Dr. Marion and Miracle Dental.





Pictured (left) are Lion Andy Liller of the Riverside Area club, an employee of Ellwood City Forge, and Chris Spoa, a volunteer at Divine Grace Ministerium.

Pictured (right) are School nurse

Darcy Knight, Lion Joan Bowser

and School nurse Amber Gerhart

with the new wheelchair Riverside

Area Lions bought for the Riverside

School System.



POLO

ANYONE???













Little Beaver Lions, 14-N, recently completed another very successful Darlington Days' festivities which included, but were not limited to, two polo games, a tailgate party, food stands, a golf ball drop, a candy drop, and a lion driving a car in the parade. The participants and the Lions had a great time.

Contributed by **Lion Patrick Lindner**



The **Waterford Lions Club, 14-F**, recently awarded \$100 each to the seniors who had been named Students of the Month for the 2022-2023 school year.

Pictured above are Caitlin Riley, Sam Kightlinger, Kurtis Yaple, Kendall Stull, Bailey Bellis and Isaiah Simitoski. Named but not pictured: Hilina Pfaff and Jonah Reed.



At **Fort LeBoeuf High School's** Honors Convocation, the **Waterford Lions Club, 14-F**, awarded \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors.

Pictured are Lion Matt Stebick, honorees Caitlin Riley, Jacqueline Elegeer, Samantha McIntyre, Elena Tillich, Garrett Bartlett, Sadie Bowers, Anjalena Bucci, Molly Wright and Lion Cliff Pier.



One of the vans of the Ephrata Area Social Services (EASS) was at the end of its usefulness and could not be repaired. The van was used to pick up produce and bakery goods donated from local stores for the Hand-Up Exchange Food Pantry, to transport meals for their Meals on Wheels program, to take people to medical appointments, shopping and other needs around the town. The van was also used to collect food donations collected by the local Lions club at their semi-annual food drives where they collected more than six tons of food. EASS volunteer and East Cocalico, 14-D, Lion Woody Long realized that many programs would have to be cut and people in need turned away. He and PDG Bruce Carpenter discussed what could be done. The solution: apply for a grant from the Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Service Foundation. The East Cocalico Lions made a down payment and the NEPLSF paid the rest of the cost for a used 2016 Dodge Journey van. The EASS nicknamed the van "Lion" and had "Support Your Local Lions Club" put on the doors with the EASS' information.



Pictured above are **PDG Bruce Carpenter** handing the keys to the NORTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA **Casey Ellis,** Executive Director of EASS and **Lion Woody Long**. Pictured above are **PDG Bruce Carpenter** handing the keys to the "Lion" to

Contributed by PDG Bruce Carpenter

Pictured are

Treasurer Ollie McDevitt. President Liz Keppler, Vice President Isabelle Rogerson and

Secretary Ashlyne Rohler.

The Leo Club at **Fort LeBoeuf High School, 14-F**, celebrated its 25th year this past summer.

Contributed by Lion Angela Tarr, Summit Lions Club





(Left) **East Coventry Lions Club, 14-P**, recently inducted 27 new members. The **Cubs** reported that some of their favorite activities during the year were *Color a Smile*, *Clothespin Kindness* and *Candy Canes/Cheer Cards* where they enjoyed listening to holiday music and working together to create a candy cane message treat for members of their community.

Avon Grove Lions Club, 14-P, distributed more than \$34,000 to 28 non-profits at their distribution of funds night. This brought the total amount of donations to \$50,826.65 for the 2022-2023 year.

Pictured (right) are some of the recipients.



The **Leo Club** students from the TV middle school and their advisor, **Lauren Swann**, were thanked for their help at the food pantry.

All articles on this page contributed by **Lion Barry Marteny**



Avon Grove and **Parkesburg** Lions partnered to conduct eye screenings at the OABEST at Octara High School. Fifty-one children were screened with six referrals. Free children's books from the Lions Book Barn were distributed.



Members of the **Twin Valley High School's Leo Club, 14-P**, and their advisor, **Mrs. Sandra Crook**, worked with food pantry volunteers despite rain and cold weather and their dedication was much appreciated.





Avon Grove High School Leos shopped at the Giant for 171 items to supplement the Oxford Area, including West Grove, Neighborhood Services Food Cupboard. This is the second of three food donation efforts funded by the Avon Grove Lions Club.

Pictured are Leos Maddie Butler, Helike Milestone, Lexa Earley and Eve McGrath.

All items on this page contributed by **Lion Barry Marteny**



14-P, presented service chevrons to the Lions of the **Avon Grove Club** shown on the left for their years of dedicated service.

Pictured are Lions Becky Tolmie, 10 years; Bob Yeatman, 55 years; PDG Dave Sampson, 20 years; Eric Hansen, 10 years and Dave Priebe, 10 years.

Congratulations!



The **Summit Lions Club, 14-F**, awarded two \$500 scholarships to seniors at the Fort LeBoeuf High School's Honors Convocation in May.

Pictured (left) are **Megan Goellner**, **Lion Angela Tarr** and **Cole Jageman**.

Contributed by Lion Angela Tarr

Summit Lions also awarded two \$500 scholarships to seniors who were **Leo club** members.

Pictured (right) are **Leo Sophia Krasinski**, **Lion Angela Tarr** and **Leo Jessica Lock**.









Township Area Lions Club,
14-J, is shown receiving the
International President's Award
from International President
Brian Sheehan at the International
Banquet at the State Convention
in May. This award is the second
highest award in Lionism and is
awarded to Lions who have shown
a significant level of commitment
to the principals of Lionism and
outstanding contributions in the
world of service beyond the club and
district levels.



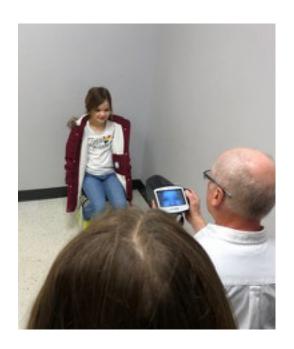
PDG Richard Hautz received the Key Award, presented by the Adams Township Area Lions Club president Lion Ron Partsch for having brought more than two new members into the club. He was recognized by LCI for promoting growth in Lionism.

PDG Richard is a Charter Member of the Adams Township Area Lions Club, 14-J, and is the chairman of the 2023 Pennsylvania State Convention.

Photo credit: Lion Penny Wagner

Articles contributed by **Lion Sue Houston**





Lion Club members offer Vision Screening for Pre-K Students in Hanover, PA

In March, Lion members from several local clubs joined forces to offer vision screening services for the **Hanover** elementary schools conducting Kindergarten registration days for the 2023-2024 school year. Left, **14-C PDG Dennis Cope** screens a child with the specialized camera that assesses potential vision issues such as myopia, astigmatism, strabismus, etc. When issues are detected, parents are informed to seek professional guidance for their child's vision needs.

Contributed by Lion John Zinn

Pill Bottle Collection Project

During the months of February and March, the **Hanover Lions Club, 14-C** engaged in a club service project collecting empty used prescription bottles. Working with the *Matthew25 Ministries* program out of Ohio, these collected bottles are cleaned, boxed, and sent to the M25M program. M25M then ships the bottles overseas to underdeveloped nations as part of healthcare packages where the bottles can be re-used for safe and clean distribution of medications to the poor in those countries. This is the club's first year for this service project and members collected 354 bottles, with a long-range plan to involve the entire community of Hanover next year.



Hanover Lions Club Supports the "Christmas In Hanover" Committee Lion Gerry DeGroft (center right) presents a check for \$10,000 to committee members. Justine Trucksess and Andrea Goodson, in honor and memory of Lion Carl Waldmann who passed in October 2022. The donation was given to assist with the committee's initiative for upgrading the town's antiquated Christmas decorations and provide a storage facility to maintain all its Christmas decorations and to store Santa's Cabin out of the weather. Lion Carl, a PA Counsellors Distinguished Service Award recipient, was a long time member of the town's Christmas committee and was instrumental in refurbishing the old Santa Sleigh and setting up the sleigh display (with music) for more than a decade during the Christmas season.





Hanover Lions Club Partners with Myers Meat Market and New Hope Ministries
To Feed the Hungry

Local families in need have been helped by a three-way partnership involving the **Hanover Lions Club, Myers Meat Market, and New Hope Ministries.** The Lions Club raises funds through various service-oriented projects throughout the year and designates a portion of these funds toward feeding the hungry via the Feed-A-Friend project. Working closely with **Ed Myers, owner of Myers Meat Market** and **Pam Driscoll of New Hope Ministries**, a variety of canned items are gathered from various grocery purveyors that will meet the current needs of the Food Bank at New Hope in Hanover. Pictured is Pam on the truck and Ed ready to load the pallet of nearly 1500 canned items. The Lions Club values the long-standing relationships with these two organizations to provide a service that meets one of the Lions Club's important Service Pillars.

For more information about the Hanover Lions Club, visit its website: www.hanoverlionsclub.org.

Contributed by **Lion John Zinn**



PDG Vance Stabley passed away in April 2022 but to our regret we never received notification. We pay him the honor of remembrance at this time.

PDG Stabley was District Governor of **14-C** for the 1981-1982 term. He was born on October 16, 1928 and passed on April 1, 2022.

Lion Zinn has a website created in PDG Stabley's honor here.



During the spring break, several of the **Fort LeBoeuf Leo Club**, **14-F**, members helped many other volunteers move and sort donated books for the Waterford Public Library's used book sale at the American Legion.

Pictured are Molly Wright, Lilli Vehovic, Anna Wolff, Elena Tillich, Thatcher Baney, Tanner Blum, Jack Sangl and Sophia Kraninski.

Contributed by Lion Angela Tarr

PDG Richard Kautz from the Adams Township Area Lions Club, 14-J, presented Forest Hills High School senior Kelly Miller with a \$1,000 Adams Township Area Lions Merlin Woodring Memorial Scholarship Awards. Kelly has a 4.2 grade point average and has taken advance placement courses. She plans to attend Mt. Aloysius College, majoring in information technology and digital forensics, minoring in computer programming. She volunteers at church and a camp for kids.

Contributed by **Lion Sue Houston**







At the Pennsylvania State Convention on May 20, 2023, students from the Forest Hills Leo Club were inducted by International President Brian Sheehan and their club was chartered at the luncheon. The Club is co-sponsored by the Adams Township Area and the South Fork Lions Clubs, 14-J. The Leo Club members took part in the service project: packing 500 buckets with disaster relief supplies.

PDG Harry Kornprobst worked with DG Galen George to get the club started at the Forest Hills Middle-Senior High School.

Contributed by Lian Sue Hauston







McKeesport Jions Club members were busy...



...weeding and planting the Soldiers' Mound in Renziehausen Park



...helping to relocate the Vietnam Memorial



...collecting used eyeglasses



...collecting plastic to earn a TREX bench

...and baking and delivering cookies to the police and fire departments, placing flags on veterans' graves in the McKeesport-Versailles Cemetery, sending prescription bottles to Matthew 25 Ministries, taking part in the annual Memorial Day service in McKeesport ...and planning the Summer Concert Series.

Contributed by Lion Annette James







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- There are more than 476,000 MJF recipients worldwide
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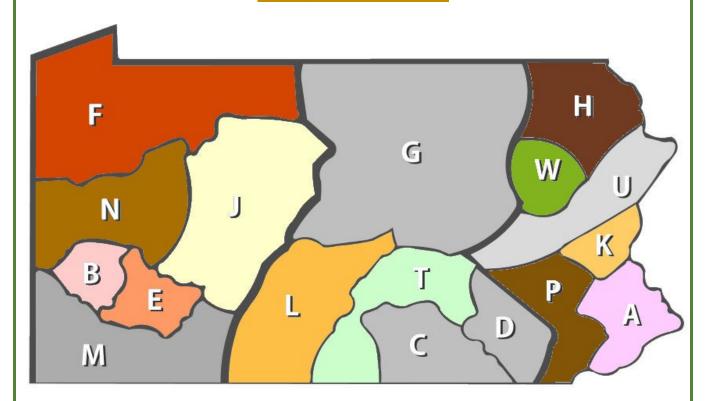
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Saturday,

October 7, 2023

Any questions or concerns,

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2023 Annual Research Seminar of the Pennsylvania Lions Sight Conservation & Eye Research Foundation



Saturday October 7, 2023 Continental Breakfast to begin at 8:00 AM Meeting begins promptly at 9:00 AM

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Hershey, PA 17033

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Registration Form

Schedule

8:00-9:00 AM Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:20 AM Opening Remarks

9:20-10:20 AM Presentations

10:40-11:40 AM Presentations

10:20-10:40 AM Coffee Break

11:40-12:00 PM Closing Remarks

12:00-1:30 PM Lunch and Conversation



From the main Penn State Hershey entrance:

- Follow Governor Road/Rt. 322 West for 0.4 miles.
- Travel 0.4 miles and turn left at the first traffic light onto Life Lion Drive.
- Follow Life Lion Drive to the first stop sign.
- Turn left on Campus Drive.
- The University Fitness and Conference Center building will be on your left (#16 on the map), with parking on the West and South sides of the building; turn left off Campus Drive at the UCC Parking sign.

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 After turning on University Drive, you will come to a stop sign and take a right on to Campus Drive. Stay on Campus Drive until you see University Fitness Center sign and turn right and follow sign to Conference Center Parking Lot.

Please send completed registration form

Registration is FREE.

Friday, September 29, 2023 at

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500 University Drive,

Hershey, PA 17033-0850

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If you have any questions, please call

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To: MD-14 Club Officers

From: Lion Ashley Grimm, Legal Counsel

Re: PA State Sales & Use Tax Exemption Form

Date: July 7, 2021

Pennsylvania State Sales and Use Tax Exemption form awarded to the PA State Council of Lions Clubs for use by clubs during fundraising projects. This form is valid through February 2026 and may be duplicated as needed but **SHOULD NOT BE POSTED ON CLUB OR DISTRICT** websites or social media where it would be accessible by the general public. We do not want to risk losing the exemption as the result of improper use of this form.

Courtesy of Multiple District 14 Legal Counsel Lion Ashley Grimm:

"The PA State Council of Lions Clubs is registered in Pennsylvania as an Institution of Purely Public Charity under The Institutions of Purely Public Charity Act, 10 P.S. § 371.et seq. As such, it, and its subsidiary clubs, quality for an exemption from PA Sales tax. This means clubs are exempt from paying sales tax when they purchase goods or services. It does NOT mean they are exempt from remitting sales and use tax to Pennsylvania during fundraisers."



Quoted in part from *The Mane Connection*, page 7, July 2022

NO LIQUOR IN RAFFLES!

Liquor not permitted in basket raffles

Please be aware: A popular staple in basket raffles is a "no-no."

After researching the matter with the Executive



Director of the PA House of Representatives' Liquor Committee and the PA Liquor Control Board, MD-14 legal counsel Lion Ashley Grimm reported that "liquor is not permitted to be in a basket for purposes of a raffle. This also includes silent auctions.

"This equates to selling liquor without a license," Lion Grimm said. "A wine and spirits gift card is permitted to be included in a raffle basket, though." Lion Grimm's research supported the opinion expressed by Lawrence County Treasurer Richard Rapone in a recent New Castle News story that had prompted MD-14 State Council Chair Bill Morgan to contact Lion Grimm.

As part of the News story, Capt. Jamie Jones of the LCB Enforcement Bureau said including any type of alcoholic beverage – be it a six pack of beer, a bottle of wine, a bottle of whiskey or the like – is a violation of the Pennsylvania Liquor Code, Title 47, and is an unclassified misdemeanor offense. The fine upon conviction is \$500, levied to the organization sponsoring the fundraiser and not the donor of the basket.

In the News story, Rapone pointed out, under the state's small games of chance law, it is illegal to host basket raffles at fundraising dinners used to benefit someone who is sick.





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