

# DISTRICT 14-E NEWSLETTER WESTMORELAND COUNTY



Monthly Newsletter Edition  
February | 2021

## District Governor's Message



Hello Lions All,

I hope your New Year is going good so far. I know we still have a few obstacles to overcome, but I know we will 'get- her-done". I still have a few District Governor Visits to reschedule, and will be contacting your club soon to reschedule as I would like to have them completed by the end of April. Also, a reminder that your club's District Donations are due by May.

There are several Lions learning opportunities coming up in the near future. The **"Winter's End Symposium"** will be held on Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup> from 12-5p at the Butler County Blind Association—if you are interested, please see the flyer with additional information in the newsletter. **The Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI)** will be held in March and you can see the information in newsletter as well. Both are excellent opportunities to

learn more about Lionism as well as a chance to make new friends from throughout the state. If you are interested in attending either event, please call me as soon as possible.

Our District is in need of Lions willing to take the next step and become a Zone Chairperson. If you are interested in stepping up, please feel free to reach out to me, 1VDG Margie, Global Leadership Team Chairperson (GLT)-PDG Aaron Slezak or any current Zone Chairperson for more information.

Our District North American Membership Initiative Team is also looking for additional team members. If you would like to be a part of the team that is working to expand & rejuvenate our Lions Clubs, please reach out to me or PDG Charlie McGrew. Remember, many hands make light work! Also, it is important to remember that all of our clubs need new members as new members bring new ideas and will continue our clubs into the future. The Lions Motto of "We Serve" needs members who open up to new ideas to help their communities. Keep asking friends, neighbors and family members to be a part of the world's biggest service organization—ask them to join in a service project so they can see how what we do impacts those in need.

The third Cabinet Meeting notice is also enclosed in this newsletter, and will be held in person at the Fellowship Hall of Trinity United Church of Christ in Delmont on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. There is plenty of room for social distancing, and remember to wear your mask. Nominations for next year's 2VDG, 1VDG & DG will be presented.

Also, 1VDG Margie and I are in the process of planning the **Spring Rally**. The event will be held at the Lamplighter in Delmont on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> with additional information to come.

As my year begins to wind down, I would like to take a moment to thank all of you for staying positive and for continuing to get things done. I know the Coronavirus pandemic has hindered us in some ways, but then again, has it really? It has caused us to think of new projects and new ways of serving those in need. Many clubs are utilizing Zoom to meet or using email and texting, and some are still meeting in person. The pandemic has definitely given all of us the opportunity to "Open Up To New Ideas". When I decided on my theme over a year and a half ago, I had no idea we would all be living this theme daily in our everyday lives let alone as Lions.

Happy Valentine's to each and every one of you.  
As always, please stay warm, health and safe.

Yours in Service,  
*DG Chuck*





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Environment



Hunger



Vision



Childhood Cancer

# NORTH AMERICAN MEMBERSHIP INITIATIVE

NAMI has **4** objectives which drive towards a single goal:

**Increasing the number of Lions in the US & Canada (CAI).**

**1** Rejuvenate Districts with New Clubs

## EXTEND THE SERVICE IMPACT AREA

This is where Districts will be able to use resources such as Community Needs Assessment, Branch Clubs, the Join Together program and others to build new clubs in areas where there is a need, but no service force

## INCREASE THE NUMBER OF HANDS DOING SERVICE WORK

New members in clubs means new ideas and new potential leaders. And of course, remember that for each new member, on average another 70 people can be positively impacted.

Revitalize clubs with new members

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**3** Re-motivate members

## LEARN WHAT BRINGS OUT THE PASSION, DO THAT

Sometimes just mixing things up will bring out the excitement of why members became a Lion in the first place. It comes with engagement, empowerment and making sure members are satisfied with new fellowships and exciting service.

## EDUCATE MEMBERS ON POSITION IMPORTANCE

This objective is all about helping members learn about the importance of each position within the Lion Club team and providing training so they are comfortable stepping into that next role, having their voice heard, and being an active member.

Leader Support

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## NONE OF THIS IS POSSIBLE WITHOUT YOU!

As with anything, success will depend on you. As a member, Lions are the driving force that will help LCI remain the largest service organization for the next 100+ years. To do this, empowered members must affirm to become a part of the growth. With this new initiative, more resources are available to help each of us as members, our clubs and our Districts to be successful. It now more than ever more than just a water-cooler conversation, it is action happening. And we want you to be right there in the middle of it, part of the foundation and part of the building.



TO LEARN MORE ABOUT NAMI, THE DISTRICT GOALS, ACTIONS AND MULTIPLE CLUB AND MEMBER RESOURCES, VISIT: [HTTPS://LIONSCLUBS.ORG/EN/NAMI](https://lionsclubs.org/en/nami)  
FACEBOOK @LIONS NORTH AMERICAN MEMBERSHIP INITIATIVE (NAMI)



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## IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Fellow Lions,

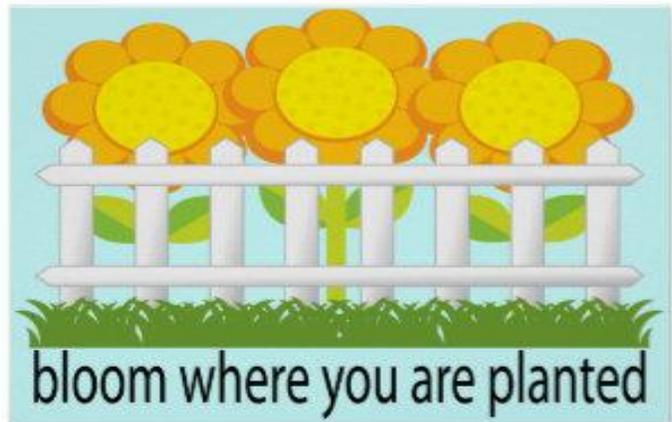
As committee chairs for the Eye Glass Collection for the District, we are respectfully asking that you please hold all donations at this time.

As a result of the pandemic, the research/recycling department at the University of Pittsburgh has placed a hold on accepting donations at this time & the storage facility where we are currently housing the glasses is at capacity. They fully expect to resume accepting donations late summer/early fall.

**When this program resumes, it has been requested that cases not be included with donations.**

Your understanding & cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Yours in Service,  
Lions John & Alice Heasley



# North America Membership Initiative



## Club Activity Calendar

You are invited to use this calendar to help plan and share service, fellowship and management activities with your club. All activities below are ideas to consider. Review the resources and edit the ideas to make this organizational tool work for you!

July	August	September
Start your club year with a celebration that includes recognition of incoming and outgoing officers.	August 12 is International Youth Day. Host a social event, like "Lion Day in the Park" with activities for young people.	Involve a local school in Lions' mission to encourage peace. Get started with a <a href="#">Peace Poster</a> kit and <a href="#">Peace Essay</a> rules.
Build your <a href="#">club committees</a> and ensure future Lion leaders are in them.	Identify learning needs and wants in your club. Talk to your district GLT about their training schedule and how best to provide.	Tailor your club meetings to fit your club members. Find a fun exercise to get started in <a href="#">Your Club, Your Way</a> .
October	November	December
October 10 is World Sight Day. Start on our <a href="#">Vision webpage</a> to find service project ideas and planning tools.	November 14 is World Diabetes Day. Visit our <a href="#">Diabetes webpage</a> to learn how your club can help fight this global epidemic.	December 5 is International Leo Day. Partner with your Leo club on a holiday project. Don't have a Leo club? <a href="#">Start one!</a>
Re-engage inactive members by sharing the service activities your club has planned and ways they can contribute.	Involve your whole club in identifying opportunities for improvement through the <a href="#">Club Quality Initiative</a> .	Thank your club leaders on reaching the half-year milestone! Share your club's accomplishments and plans.
January	February	March
January 13 is Melvin Jones' birthday. Honor his legacy with an open forum night to identify community needs for service.	February 15 is Childhood Cancer Day. Show how your club cares for children with a Valentine-themed <a href="#">fundraiser</a> .	March 8 is International Women's Day. Host a <a href="#">Women's Symposium</a> or a meeting topic on growing women Lion leaders.
All club events are great opportunities to get your club known. Our <a href="#">Public Relations Guide</a> has ideas and resources to help.	Lions are people who care. Make sure your fundraiser invites all who attend (and those who don't) to become Lions.	Form your Nomination Committee to begin preparing for club officer elections.
April	May	June
April 22 is Earth Day. Find service ideas to protect and restore the environment through our <a href="#">Environment webpage</a> .	May 28 is World Hunger Day. Start on our <a href="#">Hunger webpage</a> to identify ways to serve in providing access to nutritious foods.	June 7 is Lions Clubs Birthday! Hold a party to appreciate your club members and celebrate your club accomplishments.
Join Lions worldwide in welcoming new members to their clubs. Celebrate <a href="#">Worldwide Induction Day</a> on April 28.	Elect club officers for next year, so they can learn their positions and develop plans for your club's future achievements.	With your club's excellence in service, growth, communications and operations, apply for the <a href="#">Club Excellence Award</a> .

February 15th



INTERNATIONAL  
CHILDHOOD  
CANCER DAY

"The family is a nucleus around which most communities are built. The next generation's ability to thrive is closely tied to the supports of the local community. Lions and Leos have seen and felt the effects of cancer on children and their families, and continue to bring hope through tangible service and support."

As Lions, one of our strategic objectives is to help those affected by childhood cancer survive & thrive.



## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Message:

Dear Fellow Lions:

Happy New Year to you. I hope 2021 is happy and healthy for all of you.

With the arrival of the new year, it is time to think about nominations for club officers for your clubs. Also, perhaps some of your new members would like to be on the Board and contribute ideas and infuse energy for the functioning of your clubs. They may have new and creative fundraising suggestions and know of more ways to serve.

As you know, there is a big emphasis (North American Membership Initiative) on getting new members for the Lions. What would you suggest to get the Lions' motto and message to the public? Perhaps, when a new business moves into your area, a club member could go and introduce themselves and generate interest in Lionism and serving the area. If your community has a "community day" or programs for its citizens, Farmers Markets, Senior Centers, etc., have a club member speak to the organization about the Lions Club and indicate that they can do something worthwhile for the community. I am sure you have other ideas and initiatives to promote your organization. If you have a "new neighbors" club or have contact with a real estate agent, check with them to see who is new to the neighborhood. It is a great way for the new people to make friends and, at the same time, feel good about doing something for the community. Please share what has been successful for your club. Always have a couple of membership applications with you in case you need them.

It is also time to focus on designating the donations from your club. In addition to the regular agencies to which you contribute, there are so many needs this year because of the pandemic and its resulting impacts, that there is no shortage of organizations which need your help.

As you can see, it is a busy agenda that we have for this coming year. If you need any assistance with your programs, please give me a call. I will be more than happy to help you.

Happy Valentine's Day.

Yours in Lionism,  
Margie Wolff  
1st VDG



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Message:

What to write, what to write? With this ongoing and seemingly interminable pandemic there just is not as much happening. We have been forced to curtail some activities and even cancel others. It has been difficult and frustrating. Still one thing we are not is discouraged. When it really matters lions will always find a way to get the job done. Lions will improvise, adapt, and persevere. Perhaps now is the time to share with each other the various ways different clubs have been adapting to the current circumstances. So if something has worked let's hear about it.

If you found a new way to run your barbecue let everyone know. If you have been able to adapt your pancake breakfast to the current conditions share that insight. If you have found any way safely around the covid restrictions broadcast it. Ingenuity may very well breed even more ingenuity. We can all make good use of the district's newsletter and what we learn here can also be shared at higher levels. It is all part of working together for the same goal and purpose, service to others, especially those who are least able to help themselves.

Also, fellow lions, lets look to our own well-being while we work our way through this pandemic. Let's maintain those practices that protect ourselves and others. As much as we may dislike the mask let's wear it when appropriate. Let's still respect social distancing and respect this disease. And, if you are comfortable with it, let's be vaccinated as soon as possible. We will get through this and we will be all the stronger for it. Here's wishing all of you well and looking forward to seeing you.

Tony



## WOMEN AND FAMILIES IN LIONS

Everyone knows that February brings the joy of love for Valentine's Day, but this month is more than just chocolate, roses, and romance. Even though it is the shortest month of the year, there are still plenty of reasons to celebrate in February! Since leap year occurred last year, there are 28 days of celebration in 2021. I have listed 6 of my favorites you and your children can enjoy. If you would like to celebrate all 28 days, let your children be the web detectives to find out how to celebrate the rest of the month.

If the dark winter days are starting to drag on, try one of these fun excuses for festivities, that are listed below.

**Feb. 1: Baked Alaska Day:** Baked Alaska was first prepared to commemorate the purchase of Alaska in 1867.<sup>1</sup> This old-fashioned favorite combine's ice cream, sponge cake, and toasted or flambéed meringue to make a delicious dessert. This would be a fun activity with all the kids and a sweet reward at the end.

**Feb 2: National Tater Tot Day:** Sometimes they are paired with eggs, wrapped in crispy bacon, or smothered in melted nacho toppings. Whether they are homemade or store-bought, tater tots always make one hot and crispy bite. Make your favorite tater tot dish to celebrate National Tater Tot Day.

**Feb 6: National Pay a Compliment Day:** Everyone deserves a little extra kindness and love. Boost a friend or loved one's confidence by giving a genuine compliment. Have the children write a love letter to a grandparent, parent or best friend packed with compliments. It will turn out to be a cherished gift!

**Feb 9: National Pizza Day:** Maybe your family already has a regular pizza night, but today is the day to grab a slice in honor of this tradition. Why not learn how to make your own pizza. It is easier than you think, and the kids can make their favorite. It is well worth the effort and a fun family activity.

**Feb. 14: Valentine's Day:** Today's the day that celebrates love. Although the holiday has a history of matchmaking, in modern times the day has evolved into sharing anything that expresses love, including cards, red hearts, flowers, and chocolates. Why not show your loved ones how much you care for them today and every day!

**Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>: National Pet Day:** Every day seems to be Love Your Pet Day, but today is the official day to give your pet some extra affection. Try your hand at making healthy homemade treats. Go for an extra-long walk or spoil them with some new toys.

In closing, I hope you will engage your family in some fun activities! Stay warm, Stay Safe, and enjoy each day!

**References: (<https://www.thespruce.com/reasons-to-celebrate-in-february-4157659>)**

Mary Popovich  
West Newton Lions





*Help Us Help Others  
Join Lions*

## **Welcome New Members!**

**Monessen Lions Club**  
Steve Sillman

Steps on how to make  
the World a better place:

1. Join a Lions Club.
2. Stay in Lions Club.
3. Get others to join Lions Club.





THE MEANING  
OF  
LIFE IS  
TO FIND  
YOUR GIFT.  
THE PURPOSE  
OF  
LIFE IS TO  
GIVE IT AWAY.

**From around District 14-E:**

- Lion Mike Reese  
**Mt Pleasant Twp Lions Club**
  
- Lion Sondra Dull  
**Sewickley Area Lions Club**



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PLEASE FORWARD ALL NEWSLETTER ITEMS NO LATER  
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## Global Action Team

Dear Lions and Leos,

I hope that you and your families are doing well. This past year has been a challenging time for everyone. However, what are you doing to engage your members?

- Have your officers contacted each member to see how they are doing?
- Have you developed a project that members can do from home?
- Have you considered doing something special for some of the senior members of your community who will be alone for Valentine's Day?
- Have you provided some online training for your members or shared some valuable resources with potential leaders?
- Have you formed a partnership with your Leos to develop a project?
- Have you invited a community member to speak at your online meeting?
- Have you reached out to community members to share information about Lions and what your club does for the community?
- Have you considered sponsoring an essay contest for Middle School students about how their lives have been impacted due to the Coronavirus?

Yes, our lives have changed drastically, but that doesn't mean that our meetings, fellowship, and service need to end. Instead, we must find new ways to safely work together for the good of our communities because Lions are needed now more than ever.

Jim Lovell said, "There are people who make things happen, there are people who watch things happen, and there are people who wonder what happened. To be successful, you need to be a person who makes things happen." Continue to be a Lion who makes things happen.

Best wishes for good health and safety as you strive to "Serve with Kindness and Diversity." Thanks for all that you do.

Yours in Service and Friendship,  
Cindy Gregg, PID and Area 1-D Global Action Team Coordinator



## Leadership

Fellow members,

It is that time of year again. In order to transition into the next Lions year, we must begin to put thought into our club structures including officers and positions. Has anyone in your club looked over the Standard Club Structure organizational chart available on Lions Club International website?

The standard club structure provides organizational guidance for your club. The questions that need to be asked and opinions that need to be shared are simply “Does every officer in your club have an active obligation to carry out for their year?” Many of our officers have titles but no specific focus of what it is that they can bring to the club for the upcoming year.

For years it was simply president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, directors, tail twister and lion tamer. That seems to have been and still is the “norm” for most clubs. What specifically are your vice presidents undertaking for their year, and how about those directors? We must avoid filling a position just because. When the club is struggling with members stepping into leadership roles it is time to rethink those roles. Active roles bring about active members.

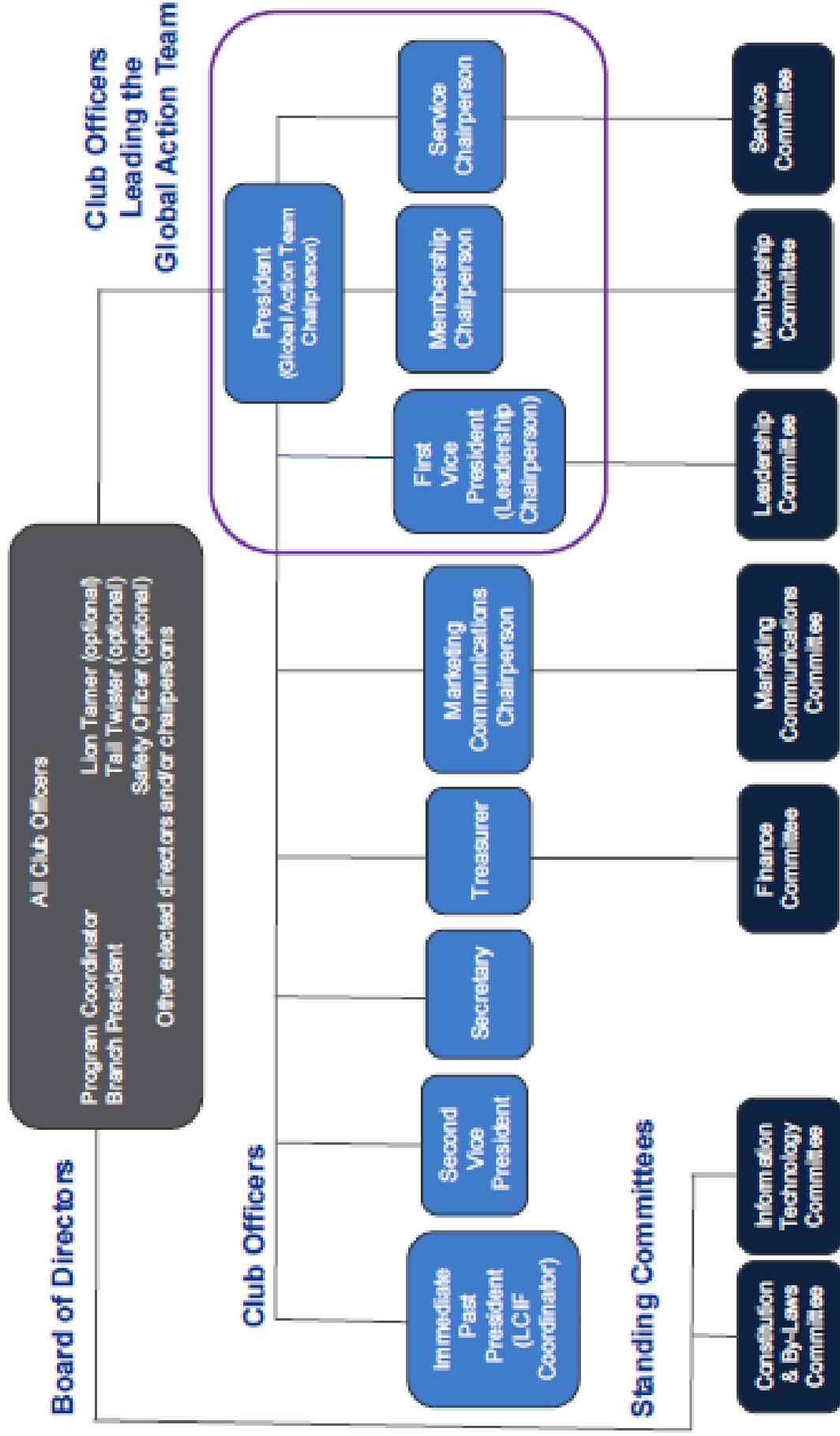
Now is the time to look over the standard club structure and rethink your club officer positions. Now is the time to realign ourselves for the future. Looking over the organizational chart it helps us to assign titles better which will help us assign tasks to each one of those titles. Examples would be to use those Vice President roles and Director roles and assign them to a position within the organizational chart. The chart can be tailored specific to each of our clubs. You may be adding a few positions, but honestly do not delete any of those positions. The organizational chart is there for a reason. It does help bring a club into the “Now”.

Have a copy of this chart available for your next board meeting. Send it out prior to your scheduled meeting to all members. Address the fact that there may be positions on the chart that will be new for the club. Let everyone know of the open positions that are on the chart and remind members that everyone must be actively helping to ensure that your club remains a vital part of your community.

Yours in Service,

*PDG Aaron Slezak*

# Standard Club Structure





## Membership

As we enter the month of February, our membership stands at 798. This as we know, is well below the LCI mandated 1250 members, but we are at a (+1) member year to date which is a step in the right direction. We are not alone; most volunteer organizations are experiencing declines in membership. The Pandemic along with other factors are having an affect on our Clubs ability to grow. We need to create new strategies to overcome these obstacles encountered when recruiting members. Society has dramatically changed in the years since a majority of us became Lions members. The family structure now includes single parent households or those where both parents hold full time jobs, women have now moved beyond being “stay at home moms” and entered the work force and in some cases, are now the families primary source of income. Economic conditions have caused many to lose their jobs entirely or have forced them to work multiple part-time jobs to make ends meet. Families with children are forced to juggle hectic schedules to accommodate their involvement in sports, extracurricular school activities, dance, or a multitude of other time consuming items. In addition, involvement in church groups, choirs, golf, softball, and bowling leagues, along with other volunteer commitments, all put a strain on our most valuable personal assets, our time and our treasures.

We need to be both progressive and flexible in embracing these lifestyle changes when recruiting new members. Our future lies in welcoming women, young adults, and families with children into our Clubs. We can no longer expect 100% participation at all Club meetings, service projects, or fundraising events. We must be grateful for whatever time an individual has to offer and thank them for their contributions. When collecting our International, State, District, and Club dues, we must realize that for some individuals, making a lump sum payment would put a huge strain on their finances and may be a deterrent to becoming a member. Why not setup a spreadsheet and let them make installment payments that fall within their budget constraints? With so many opportunities available to volunteer that don't require a monetary commitment, we need to promote our organization and Clubs for all that we do for our communities and those less fortunate than ourselves and convince them that the services we provide would, in most cases, not be available if we didn't exist.

People are motivated to serve for a variety of reasons. They are most inclined to serve if they can personally relate to a specific cause. If we promote the Lions for our contributions to Diabetes, Hearing, and Eye research, as well as, our Measles Initiative and other humanitarian projects, someone who has a friend or family member that suffers from diabetes, hearing loss, eye problems, or other ailments, may be inclined to join for these reasons. Our ability to determine what an individual is passionate about will be instrumental in acquiring, not only a new member, but also an active member. The power of our Lions motto “We Serve” is strengthened each time we add a new member.

Sincerely,  
PDG Dave Stitely  
District 14-E GMT Coordinator

# Service

## Campaign 100 – Empowering Lions Service

LCIF has launched Campaign 100 to strengthen the support it is able to give to Lions around the world. Our goal is to raise \$300 million dollars by June 2022. By raising this ambitious amount LCIF will be able to continue to live up to its mission of supporting the efforts of Lions Clubs and partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and grants.

## A World in Need



**2.2 billion**

people have vision impairment or **blindness**<sup>1</sup>

NEARLY

**one-third** of young teens worldwide have recently experienced **bullying**<sup>2</sup>

**1 in 11** people has **diabetes**<sup>3</sup>

**300,000** children

aged 0-19 are diagnosed with **cancer** each year<sup>4</sup>

**~1 in 9** people

**lacks enough food** to be healthy and active<sup>5</sup>

Each day, **300** people die from **measles**<sup>6</sup>

Weather-related disasters have grown more than **50%** over the last 40 years<sup>7</sup>

By 2025, **half** the world's population will live in **water-stressed areas**<sup>8</sup>

Lions have a motto of “We Serve” and our foundation empowers us to that Service. We have been trained as Lions to find those needs worldwide and to find ways to make them better. Our partnership with LCIF allows us to do that. Our impact becomes greater as we stand together. LCIF supports Lions Clubs projects by providing grants that impact areas of vision, youth, disaster relief, hunger, the environment, and other humanitarian needs. We have also expanded those causes recently to include diabetes and childhood cancer.

### VISION

We are leading the charge to rid the world of infectious blindness, reduce avoidable blindness and visual impairment, and improve overall quality of life by providing services to the blind or visually impaired.

### DIABETES

We are playing a major role in responding to the diabetes global epidemic. Targeting the communities where Lions live and serve, we are supporting diabetes prevention through multi-faceted, comprehensive health initiatives.

### YOUTH

We are serving youth through improved access to quality education, vital health services, inclusive social and recreational opportunities, and positive development programs.

### CHILDHOOD CANCER

We are strengthening medical and social services to help increase global life expectancy of children with cancer and enhance quality of life for patients and their families.

### DISASTER RELIEF

We are deeply engaging in disaster relief efforts to prepare for, and respond to, natural disasters.

### HUNGER

We are working toward a world where no one is chronically hungry, expanding resources and infrastructure needed to address food shortages around the world.

### HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS

We are sponsoring and delivering programs addressing the distinct needs of at-risk and vulnerable populations disproportionately impacted by social and economic factors and requiring special services.

### ENVIRONMENT

We are protecting the environmental health of our communities, generating long-term, positive ecological impact globally.

We are being asked to donate to LCIF to help this Campaign to be successful – participation is key. Donations that are made are eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowships as well as Progressive Fellowships. Clubs are also being recognized for Clubs where 100% of members donate \$100 and the Clubs where \$500 is raised per member will be recognized as Model Clubs.

Money raised by the LCIF Campaign 100 Empowers Service by offering grants around the world. We are all familiar with the LCIF Disaster Grants but there are also grants available for Childhood Cancer, Diabetes, Hunger, and Sight. If your Club identifies a project that addresses an unmet humanitarian need it should consider reaching out to LCIF to determine which LCIF grant might help fund the project.

## Congratulations on 60 Years of Service – PDG Tom Dix

On a closing note I'd like to say congratulations and many thanks to another pillar of Service to Lionism in our District. Past District Governor Tom Dix of the Chestnut Ridge Lions Club has recently celebrated his 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a member of Lions Clubs International. You are an amazing example of Service to the Community.

**Yours in Service, PDG Lance H. Remic - Global Service Team Chairperson, District 14-E**



## **Pittsburgh Professional Sports Teams Raffle**

### **Contents:**

**Mark Recchi – Pittsburgh Penguins Autographed Jersey**  
**Joe Mullen – Pittsburgh Penguins Autographed Jersey**  
**Evgeni Malkin – Pittsburgh Penguins Autographed Puck**  
**Paul Coffey – Pittsburgh Penguins Autographed Puck**  
**Jarvis Jones – Pittsburgh Steelers Autographed Mini Helmet**  
**Kris Bensen – Pittsburgh Pirates Autographed Baseball**  
**Pittsburgh Pirates Mini Louisville Slugger Bat**  
**Pittsburgh Penguins Sweater Tumbler**  
**Blanket / 6 Pack Cooler / 2 Custom Masks / Steelers Keystrop**

**(Approx Value: \$1,250)**

**All items donated by Lions Jason & Trisha Radmann**

**Drawing at the 2021 PA Lions State Convention – May 16, 2021**

**Donation: \$5.00 – (Not deductible as a charitable donation)**

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO LCIF Campaign 100 - ONLY 200 TICKETS!!!!**

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**DON'T FORGET TO TAG YOUR POSTS ON SOCIAL MEDIA!!!!!!**

Use the following hashtags on Twitter, Instagram (IG), Facebook (FB) or whatever other social media outlet that uses "hashtags". Hashtags are a way of grouping like posts.

**#district14eweserve**

**#district14elions**

**#14EDGChuck**

**District 14-E Lions  
Facebook Page**



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District 14-E Lions - The Official Facebook Page of District 14-E

Send your information to Amanda or Lance Remic for your Club's activities to be posted to the District's Facebook page. We want to show all that is being done by Lions of District 14-E.

Send info advertising your upcoming events or share photos of the events that have taken place to show the fun and success your Club had.

Email your info to [akbrant@atlanticbb.net](mailto:akbrant@atlanticbb.net) (Amanda) or [lremic@hotmail.com](mailto:lremic@hotmail.com) (Lance)  
Or text your info to 724-984-7644 (Amanda) or 724-309-6750 (Lance).



## CLUB SPOTLIGHTS: District Governor Visits & Activities

With donation money from our annual pancake breakfast last year, the club bought fleece and made 28 blankets. Scout Troop 1211 assisted with making the blankets, and then Lions John & Alice Heasley delivered them to Excelsa Health-Westmoreland last week. They were so excited with this donation as they will be gifting them to patients in the ER, OB, Cancer and Alzheimer units. They told that these blankets would offer comfort to patients young and old and would also help to calm them. We are looking forward to continuing this project and partnering with the hospital on an ongoing annual basis.



Delmont Lions Club – 1



Delmont Lions Club – 2



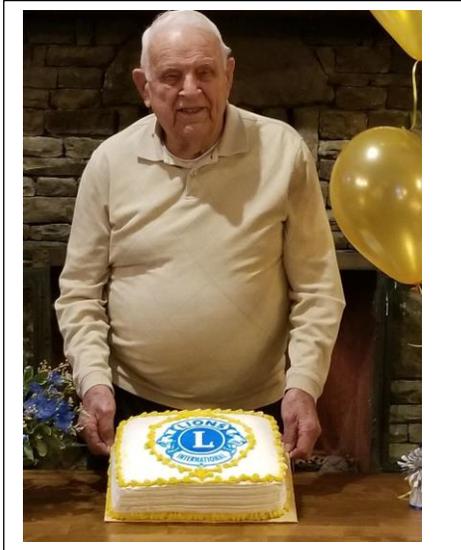
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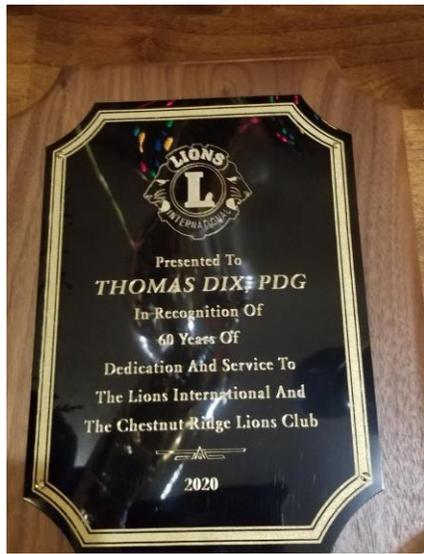
Delmont Lions Club – 4

Many things are  
cancelled  
but we haven't  
cancelled  
Happiness & Hope.





Chestnut Ridge Lion Club honored PDG Tom Dix for 60 years of service to his Lions Club and his community at their meeting in January. Club members met for dinner at Brady's Restaurant and surprised PDG Tom with decorations, a flower arrangement and a plaque in honor of the milestone. A delicious dinner and cake were enjoyed by all in addition to the fellowship. Kin Lion John Proper present the plaque to PDG Tom.





***Mt. Pleasant Twp. Lion***

members would like to thank all District 14-E Lions and Lioness who helped make this year's pajama collection a success. We would also like to recognize Walmart for their generous donation. This year 275 pairs of pajamas were collected and distributed by the WIC program.



# Bloomin' Where We are Planted!

## Lions Clubs Activities

### ZONE 1 (Zone Chair: Amy Thompkins)

**Chestnut Ridge** – 26 members.

**Derry** – 7 members. Club donated to the Dolly Parton Reading Project for children in the Derry Area.

**Greensburg/East Hempfield** – *No report.*

**Latrobe** – 19 members. Club honored Student of the Month from Greater Latrobe Senior High School.

**Mt. Pleasant Twp.** – 57 members. Held monthly sub and pepperoni rolls sale.

**New Alexandria** – *No report.*

**New Florence** – 18 members. Valentines Day Dinner--Date set for 2-9-21.

**Seton Hill University** – *No report.*

### ZONE 2 (Zone Chair: 2VDG Tony Catullo)

**Belle Vernon** – *No report.*

**East Huntingdon Township** – *No report.*

**Monessen** – *No report.*

**Rostraver Township** – 42 members. Due to Covid, a zoom boarding was held. The bags for Benches is on going and benches have been donated to St. Anne Church and the Rostraver Library.

A donation was made for the March for Parks and also 4 tickets were purchased for Shave the Stach.

**Scottdale Centennial** – *No report.*

**Sewickley Area** – 11 members. Monetary donation to Sewickley Twp. Library in honor of Sandra Full who passed away from covid19.

**West Newton** – *No report.*

**Youngwood** – 36 members. Held one meeting. Had 7 members aid with Toys for Tots.

**Yukon** – *No report.*

## Lions Clubs Activities cont'd:

### ZONE 3 (Zone Chair: TBD )

**Allegheny Township** – 13 members. Continued with Meals-On-Wheels, held club meeting per C.D.C.guidelines in person and by speaker phone, sold Lion brooms, collecting yearly dues and setting up slate of club officers for 2021-2022.

**Arnold** – 24 members.

**Delmont** – 42 members. Broom sales, collected 100 pair of eyeglasses, donated 28 fleece blankets to Westmoreland Hospital (Excelsa Health) to be distributed to Emergency Dept; the OB dept for families in need; & the Alzheimer's unit to bring comfort to the elderly.

**Lower Burrell** – 30 members. All club meetings have currently been put on hold due to safety concerns surrounding the Covid virus. Club members continue to get updated emails from King Lion Henry.

**Murrysville** – 23 members. No activity due to Covid.

**New Kensington** – *No report.*

**Slickville** – 46 members. The Club used it's John "Wallio" Perfetta Fire Fund to make a \$1,000 donation to a local family who has recently been the victim of a fire of their home. The Slickville Lions Club created the "Wallio" Fire Fund to help families that are displaced due to fire.

**Vandergrift** – 29 members. Broom sales, eye glasses collections, loaning and collecting used hospital equipment, selling our monthly gun tickets. We continue to only have one monthly meeting during the Covid pandemic.

**Washington-Bell Township** – 12 members. Made a \$200.00 donation to the Westmoreland County Food Bank. Donated to Alle-Kiski Kids. Made a \$100.00 donation to Project SEED weekend backpack food program. Continue to sell brooms and collect eyeglasses.

### ZONE 4 (Zone Chair: Jeff Jordon)

**Bushy Run** - 41 members.

**Irwin** – *No report.*

**Jeannette** – *No report.*

**Level Green** – 29 members. Penn Trafford High School senior scholarship presentation rescheduling due to COVID. Generating new fundraising opportunities such as basket raffle. Service project may be spring improvements to vandalized Level Green ballpark in conjunction with Level Green Womens Club. Post Civic info on outdoor Community Sign. . Monthly Strip tickets, collecting aluminum cans for recycling. Service: Meals on Wheels, maintaining outdoor Community Sign.

**Manor** – 11 members.

**Norwin** – 29 members. Met via Zoom. Wrapped up our 2021 Let's Try Again Raffle Ticket.

**Stewartsville** – 17 members. No club meetings or activities during January 2021 due to Covid 19 pandemic.

**Trafford** – 4 members. No January activity due to COVID.

**February 15, 2021 is International Childhood Cancer Day (ICCD)**, which is a global collaborative campaign to raise awareness about childhood cancer and to express support for children and adolescents with cancer, the survivors and their families.

Globally there are more than **400,000** children diagnosed with cancer each year, which means that worldwide, a child is diagnosed with cancer every **three minutes**.

In honor of ICCD, the **PA Lions - Multiple District 14** recognize and celebrate the 3 year partnership they have with their statewide childhood cancer charity partner, [Four Diamonds](#). The Four Diamonds mission is to conquer childhood cancer by assisting children and their families through superior care, comprehensive support and innovative research. Since the start of this partnership, PA Lions have raised over **\$145,000** through the **PA Lions “Care – For The Kids®”** project!

Four Diamonds offers a combination of **world-class care, lifesaving research and transformative philanthropy**, which is our hope for a cure. By continuing to expand the depth and breadth of their research, **Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and Penn State College of Medicine** will benefit kids **around the world**. Every day, they are generating new knowledge to help us better prevent, diagnose, treat and cure childhood cancers, in order to save the lives of children.

“Four Diamonds has provided our family with financial and emotional support through Elliot’s treatment and beyond. It means everything to us to be a Four Diamonds Family.”

— Amy and Eric,  
Four Diamonds parents —



Here’s how:

- Four Diamonds funds a team of more than **90 scientists and research professionals** working toward a cure.
- From 2012-2021, Penn State Children's Hospital was recognized by **U.S. News and World Report** as one of the leading pediatric cancer centers in the United States.
- Four Diamonds is a member of **5 national and international research consortia** that connect doctors and scientists to combine their efforts and find more effective treatments.
- All Four Diamonds researchers are funded by the **National Institutes of Health (NIH)**, which is an extremely competitive grant process.

Because of research, **more than 80%** of kids with cancer in the U.S. will survive. But, for some types of cancer, progress has been limited. We have more work to do, to **FIND BETTER TREATMENTS AND CURES** to help kids everywhere.

To learn more about or **PA Lions “Care – For The Kids®”** project and how you can help us to **conquer childhood cancer**, please visit our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/PALionsCareFTK> or visit our donation page [www.FourDiamonds.org/PALions](http://www.FourDiamonds.org/PALions) to make a gift.

For The Kids®

Lion Katie Anderson

Associate Director, Four Diamonds



The Lions Diabetes Board of Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties (LDBAW)

*“Reorganizing to Support Diabetes Patients in both Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties”*

Did you know that diabetes is the 7<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death accounting for more than 80,000 deaths in our country every year? Diabetes can lead to heart disease (number 1 cause of death) and to stroke (number 5 cause of death). You need to be aware that patients with diabetes may also experience kidney failure, possible lower limb amputations, and *adult blindness*. What is even more alarming is that there is no cure for diabetes (CDC.gov).

So, why have Lions Clubs of Allegheny County, with support from Lions from Westmoreland County, provided financial support for diabetes patients who cannot afford their medications since the program started in 1993? This program that began at UPMC McKeesport is a Lions’ priority (diabetes causing blindness) and was featured by Lions Clubs International as the first of its kind. The program later became a worldwide Lions’ initiative. The diabetes program has become even more prominent and important today than ever before.

Every club in Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties should be proud and honored to know that their financial support has been beneficial to the ongoing survival of this vital program. And, why is this important? Just think about it! If the Lions Diabetes Fund wasn’t important and did not exist, the program would not have survived over 25 years and hundreds of diabetes patients would not have received medications to control their illness, possibly accounting for more deaths. In fact, most programs are gone within a year or two.

The Lions Diabetes Board of Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties (LDBAW) reorganized in August 2020 to include assisting diabetes patients not only at UPMC McKeesport, but Westmoreland Hospital. This, too, is the first plan where two leading competing hospitals have been brought together for one cause - diabetes. Most recently, LDBAW learned that \$283,826 in medications reached 1,657 indigent diabetes patients at UPMC McKeesport since 2010. Moving forward now that LDBAW support includes Westmoreland Hospital, these numbers will increase significantly.

Speaking as chair of the board, we are honored to have Past International Director Cindy Gregg serve as vice chair. LDBAW’s new charter and bylaws were accepted and approved by Lions Clubs International because of Cindy’s efforts. Lions Chris Tognarine serves as the board’s secretary, and Lisa Gismondi is the board’s newly appointed treasurer with no set term of office. We are also pleased to have both District Governors Chris Raynak and Chuck Tompkins serve on the board, along with their appointed diabetes chairs Lions Dave Zimmer and Ron Somers. Vice District Governors Mary Ann Belles, Margie Wolff, and Anthony Catullo are also represented in a board rotation with significant leadership roles over the next two years.

LDBAW’s three and one-year terms are held by representatives from each county, and there are two permanent board members who were involved in the program from the beginning. They are: PDG Joe Donkin (permanent board member), PDG Mary Jane Keller, Lions Dee Connor, Marty Griffith, Dave Long, and Zack Meshner, as well as those serving as officers of the board.

Up-to-date diabetes patient information is provided quarterly by program directors Carla DeJesus of UPMC McKeesport and Michele Axelson of Westmoreland Hospital. Hospital presidents Mark O’Hern and John Sphon and his vice president of primary care Judy Haliko, as well as medical directors Drs. Mon and Lang, support the Lions Diabetes Board’s efforts. More information will follow on the possibility of scheduling a diabetes symposium sometime late spring. We are looking forward to their reports at our February board meeting.

If you personally or your Club is thinking of making a donation to a diabetes program that is yours and ours, please make your check payable to The Lions Diabetes Board of Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties, c/o Lisa Gismondj, Treasurer, 130 Long Drive, Irwin, PA 15642. Your donation will assist our diabetes patients who cannot afford their initial medications to begin treatment immediately.

Thank you for your continued support!

Submitted by:  
Michele Matuch, Chair  
The Lions Diabetes Board of Allegheny  
and Westmoreland Counties (LDBAW)

## MISCELLANEOUS REMINDERS!

**CAN YOU HELP?**

JOIN OTHER LIONS LIKE YOURSELF MAKING A DIFFERENCE  
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Pennsylvania Lions  
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A Four Diamonds Program Conquering Childhood Cancer

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fuseaction=cms.page&id=1175](https://fourdiamonds.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=cms.page&id=1175)

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/donate>

\$100 provides immediate relief to four people in the wake of a natural disaster.

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hands to  
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and your  
hearts  
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# Volunteers Needed

DISTRICT 14-E LIONS

## COMMUNITY SERVICE VOLUNTEER FORM

*No Experience Needed! Please consider giving some of your time to help those in need!*

Lions have had a long history of serving their community in times of need. District 14-E is proud to continue that long standing tradition by putting together a team of Lions willing to share their skills to help our neighbors during difficult times. Whether it is helping to clean up and rebuild after a natural disaster (flooding , tornado's etc.) or just helping a person in need , we want to be ready to lend a hand. Please fill out this form if you would be willing to help us with a project or two. **You do not have to have a specialized skill, to be part of this program** but if you do have experience in any of these areas or access to equipment please let us know.

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Lion's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in volunteering. I have experience in the following:

Plumbing

Electrical

Carpentry

Masonry

Painting

Drywall

Landscaping

General Volunteer

Roofing

Truck Driver (or can operate other equipment)

Access to construction equipment( please list on back of this form)

Please return this form to your club contact person. Thank you for your willingness to serve  
**Lion Cedric Stopansky ( contact me at 724-831-8107)**

# The International Association of Lions Clubs

Lions Clubs International®



Chuck Thompkins  
District Governor, District 14-E  
Pennsylvania, U.S.A. 2019-2020  
309 Beechwood Rd  
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## **NOTICE OF THIRD CABINET MEETING**

TO: CABINET OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS, CLUB  
PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES, ALL LIONS, LIONESS, AND LEOS

DATE: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2021

PLACE: TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST FELLOWSHIP HALL  
39 EAST PITTSBURGH STREET, DELMONT, PA 15626

TIME: 9:00 a.m. PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS MEETING (Past District Governors only)  
9:30 a.m. PRE-CABINET MEETING (Current District Cabinet only)  
10:00 a.m. CABINET MEETING (all Lions members and club representatives)

**ATTENTION:** Please provide a full written report to DG Chuck Thompkins by Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> so that copies can be provided and distributed to clubs. Only summary reports are to be delivered at the cabinet meeting and will be limited to three-minutes. Provide details in the written report to be shared with all clubs.

**Please note that masks and social distancing will be required.**



# 2021 Multiple District 14 Winter's End Symposium

The Lions of PA are cordially invited to attend the  
Multiple District Winter's End Symposium

When: Saturday February 20, 2021 from 9 am—3 pm

Or

Sunday February 21, 2021 from 12-5 pm

Where:

PA Lions State Office—Saturday

949 East Park Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17111

Butler County Association for the Blind—Sunday

322 N. Cedar Street, Butler, PA 16001



*Topics for Lions from All Levels of Lionism!*



*Come Out and Learn Something New!*



To Register Email [kburkholder@dejazzd.com](mailto:kburkholder@dejazzd.com) with the number attending so we can plan for lunch. (A \$6.00 donation will be taken for lunch)

Questions???

Email to the above address or call PDG Deb Burkholder 717-484-4892





# DISTRICT 14-E ANNUAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT



**HILLVIEW LANES  
EAST PITTSBURGH STREET, GREENSBURG, PA  
SUNDAY MARCH 21, 2021 - 1:00 P.M.**

The 2020 District 14-E Bowling Tournament will be held at Hill View Lanes on East Pittsburgh Street in Greensburg on Sunday, March 21, 2021. This is not a fundraiser, but rather a day of fun and fellowship for the Lions, Lionesses, Leos and friends of District 14-E. Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. and bowling will start at 1:00 p.m. There will be a boxed lunch from Kettlers Catering in Jeannette delivered to the alley. You will have a choice of a 6" Turkey or Italian hoagie with a fruit cup, cookie, and pre-packaged snacks will be provided as well. Clubs may submit multiple teams each consisting of four bowlers. Individuals may also register and will be assigned to a team. All entries must include each bowler's name with bowling average. Bowlers will be spaced for social distancing (one lane in between) and you must wear a mask.

**The cost is \$20.00, which includes three games of bowling and lunch. For those wishing only to bowl, the cost is \$12.00, and those not bowling but wanting to join us for lunch is \$10.00.**

**Please submit one reservation per team or individual prior to Saturday, March 6, 2021.  
NO RESERVATIONS -- NO BOWLING -- NO EATING!!!!!!**

**Any questions please contact tournament chairpersons John or Alice Heasley at 724-836-1490  
or trinjoal@yahoo.com**

**Make checks payable to District 14-E Lions and send with registration form to:**

John/Alice Heasley  
312 Beechwood Road  
Greensburg, PA 15601

(detach here, print info clearly, and mail form to above address)

Name of Lions Club \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name and Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Bowler \_\_\_\_\_ Average \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ Bowling and eating @20.00 each \_\_\_\_\_, # \_\_\_\_\_ Bowling only @ \$12.00 each \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ Eating only @ \$10.00 each \_\_\_\_\_, Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ Turkey sub lunch box                      # \_\_\_\_\_ Italian sub lunch box



## **Pennsylvania Lions District 14-L**

### **2021 State Convention**

### **Presented by Sheetz**

## **“Embracing our Differences to Change the World “**

Greetings Lions, Lionesses and Leos,

The 2021 PA Lions State Convention Host Committee has been diligently working to make this year's experience a memorable one. There will be seminars planned along with speakers and entertainment to inspire you and hopefully make your experience while here in Altoona an enjoyable one. We are in the process of arranging an open golf match for those Lions arriving on Thursday morning.

Friday will start you off with some seminars. Then ID Larry Edwards will be our after-lunch feature speaker, followed by a presentation of Hellen Keller and Melvin Jones. Friday evening will be the Necrology services followed by the Counsellors/District Governors Honors banquet. The evening will conclude with the Hospitality night with a Patriot theme and dancing to the Sharptons.

Saturday will open with additional seminars and the Four Diamonds Foundation presentation at the luncheon. Later in the afternoon we will have David Crone presenting “I'm No Dummy,” this show is a must see full of fun and laughter. Concluding your day with the International Banquet where we are pleased to have our International President Dr Jung-Yul Choi as the keynote speaker.

We look forward to seeing you at the 98th State Convention in Altoona.

PDG Dennis Clark

Chairman

MULTIPLE DISTRICT 14  
 2021 STATE CONVENTION  
 PRESENTED BY SHEETZ  
 CONVENTION SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE REVISED 1-9-2021

THURSDAY MAY 13, 2021

TIME	FUNCTION	LOCATION
8AM-5PM	State Convention Office	Room 211
12-5PM	Baskets Raffle	Room 204
12-5PM	Convention Registration	Front Hall
12-5PM	State Merchandise Store	Room 201
12-5PM	Vendors and Exhibitors	Exhibit Hall F&H
1-2:15 PM	State Council Preliminary Meeting	Ballroom 1&2
1-2:30PM	Partners in Service Meeting	Room 202
2:30-5PM	State Council Regular Meeting	Ballroom 1&2

FRIDAY MAY 14, 2021

TIME	FUNCTION	LOCATION
8AM-5PM	State Convention Office	Room 211
8-5PM	Basket Raffle	Room 204
8-5PM	Convention Registration	Front Hall
8-5PM	State Merchandise Store	Room 201
8-5PM	Vendors and Exhibitors	Exhibit Hall F&H
9-10AM	Diabetes Program: Linda Lupo	Rooms 202&203
9-10AM	PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp Board	Rooms 205&206
9-10AM	PA Lions Eye Research & Sight Conservation	Rooms 207&208
10-11AM.	Lions Club International Foundation	Rooms 202&203
10-11AM	PA Lions Hearing Research Foundation	Rooms 207&208
10-11AM	PA Lions Beacon Lodge Seminar	Rooms 205&206
11:30AM-1:30PM	Luncheon featuring ID Larry Edwards Leader Dogs for the Blind "Top Dog" Awards	Ballroom 4
2-3 PM	Helen Keller & Melvin Jones	Ballrooms 1&2
4:30-5:30PM	Necrology	Ballroom 1&2
6-7PM	Social Hour	Main Hall
7-8:30PM	Honors/PA Counsellors Banquet	Ballroom3
9-11PM	Hospitality Night	Ballroom 4

SATURDAY MAY 15, 2021

TIME	FUNCTION	LOCATION
8-9AM	Lions of PA Foundation Open Meeting	Rooms 205&206
8-9AM	LCIF	Rooms 202&203
9-10AM	LEO Gathering	Rooms 207&208
9-10AM	Global Action Team Meeting	Rooms 202&203
9-10AM	PA Counselors	Rooms 205&206
9-10AM	Western PA Hearing Foundation Meeting	Rooms 207&208
10-10:45 AM	IP Choi Meets with PA Lions	Ballroom 1&2
10:45-11:45 AM	All State Band Concert #1	Exhibit Hall
12-2PM	Luncheon: Four Diamonds Foundation and Lioness of the Year	Ballroom 3
2:15-3:30PM	Stride Walk	Around Complex
2:15-3:30PM	Sage Vision Sponsor	Ballrooms 1&2
3:45-5:15PM	"I'm No Dummy Productions": David Crone	Ballrooms 1&2
6-6:45PM	All State Band Concert #2	Exhibit Hall A&E
6-7PM	Social Hour	Hall
7-10PM	International Banquet	Ballroom 3&4

SUNDAY MAY 16, 2021

TIME	FUNCTION	LOCATION
6-8:45AM	Convention Registration and Certification	Rooms 205&206
6-9AM	Voting	Rooms 207&208
8-9:30AM	Melvin Jones/Key Member Breakfast	Ballroom 3&4
9:45-11:15AM	Convention Business Session	Ballroom 1&2
12-1:30PM	Council Orientation	Ballroom 1&2
12-1:30PM	Partners in Service Meeting	Room 202&203



**MD-14 State Council of Lions Clubs Convention  
98<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention – May 13 - May 16, 2021  
The Blair County Convention Center, Altoona, PA 16602**

Registrant Information:  Lion  Lioness  Leo  Guest

Sub District \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last, First, Preferred Name) (example DG, PDG, Lion)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (Residence) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) Email: \_\_\_\_\_

First Convention:  Yes  No Years as a Lion: \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Office Held: \_\_\_\_\_  Past  Present

**Spouse/Partner:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Needs:**  *Hearing Challenged*  *Visually Challenged*  *Physically Challenged*  
Let us know how we can help!

**Dietary Restrictions:**

**Hotel Information: ROOM RESERVATIONS MUST BE Made Directly to one of the below Hotels**

Conv. Center Marrot Court Yard	Call (814)-312-1800	\$104.00 Plus Taxes
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Altoona Grand Hotel	Call (814)946-1631	\$ 79.00 Plus Taxes
Hampton Inn	Call (814)941-3500	\$129.00 Plus Taxes

Deadline for Hotel Reservations April 17, 2021

Meal reservations Deadline April 17, 2021 **NO REFUNDS AFTER APRIL 17, 2021**

**REGISTRATION**

Convention Registration – **REQUIRED FOR ALL ATTENDEES** (No fee for children under 12 or Leos)  
Registration category will be determined by the postmark on your envelope!

**Early Bird/Regular (January 31<sup>st</sup> \$10.00) Regular (Feb 1<sup>st</sup> to April 17<sup>th</sup> \$12.50)** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Late (April 18<sup>th</sup> to on site (\$15.00))** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday Buffet Luncheon: Chicken Parmesan**   
**Alvera’s Meatballs  OR Pasta**  Price: \$22.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday PA Counsellors and District Governor’s Honors Banquet:**  
**10 Oz. Pork Chop  or Grilled Breast of Chicken**  Price: \$32.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Tortellini**  Price: \$28.00

**Name(s) of persons to be seated with:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday Buffet Luncheon: Soup and Sandwich Buffet**  Price: \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**International Banquet: Salmon Fillet**  Price: \$31.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**12 Oz Delmonico Steak**  Price: \$31.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Three Cheese Lasagna**  Price: \$26.00

**Name(s) of persons to be seated with:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Melvin Jones Breakfast: Breakfast Buffet**  Price: \$17.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**2021 State Convention Pin  X \$5.00** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please visit <http://www.lions14L.org/> for more information on the hotel accommodations and menus

**EACH REGISTRANT SHOULD COMPLETE A SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM!**

Make checks payable to: **2021 PA State Convention**

Mail completed forms and payment to: **Lion Kathryn Long, 423 Walnut Street, Lewistown, PA 17044**

**Registration committee chair: Lion Kathryn Long, (717)242-2205**

email [katyel.long@gmail.com](mailto:katyel.long@gmail.com)



**2021 Pennsylvania Lions  
State Convention  
Hospitality Night**



**Friday Night  
Patriot Theme**



**May 14, 2021 9:00 pm—11:00 pm  
Convention Center Ballroom**



**MUSIC PROVIDED BY THE SHARPTONS**



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MD-14 State Council of Lions Clubs  
 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention  
 The Blair County Convention Center, Altoona, PA  
 May 13 - 16, 2021



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**Submission Deadline March 13, 2021**

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*Mail this form and a copy of your ad to:*

**PDG Fred B. McKinley**  
**690 Dry Valley Rd.**  
**Lewistown, PA 17044**  
**(H) 717-248-9903**  
**(C) 717-994-4392**

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# LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

LEADER DOG NEWS FOR LIONS – Feb 2021

## Powerful Corporate Relationship Originating from Lions



Lions Club member, PDG Tom Polk was working in Information Technology in Wabash, Indiana when he answered a call from his employer who was seeking to make an impact with a charitable organization.

Through his club Lion Tom had raised money for and been involved with Leader Dog for years. He took this personal relationship to work with him and introduced Midwest Eye Consultants and Dr. Lindsay Culver (pictured above) to Leader Dog.

In only a few years time, Midwest Eye Consultants has donated more than \$126,000 to Leader Dog, has raised a puppy for the organization and dramatically increased awareness of Leader Dog within the state of Indiana.

Dr. Culver explained the impact blindness can have on people and the importance of making the community aware of Leader Dog, "I've already told patients about Leader Dog," she says. "A diagnosis like that can lead to depression and feelings of isolation. A Leader Dog can help a person regain their independence and confidence."

More clients served. Another puppy raised. All made possible by an introduction from a local Lions club member.

If you know of a business (big or small) you would like to introduce to Leader Dog, please contact our director of corporate relations, Dave Bann, at (248) 218 – 6318 or [dave.bann@leaderdog.org](mailto:dave.bann@leaderdog.org).



IN EVERY LEADER DOG  
LIES THE HEART OF A LION.

A Leader Dog partner since 1939.

## SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

### Serving through COVID

The need for our programs has not diminished since the pandemic. While we were able to hold a few classes in person, most of our services have been home deliveries for both guide dogs and white cane training. Summer Experience Camp was held (very successfully) virtually this past summer.

Leader Dogs Issued YTD\*: 53  
Orientation & Mobility (White Cane) Clients Served YTD: 41  
Summer Experience Camp YTD: 38

States/Countries Served (guide dogs and orientation & mobility) YTD: Colorado, Virginia, Tennessee, South Dakota, Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York, Minnesota, Michigan, Maine, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Florida, North Carolina, South Dakota, Washington, New York

States/Countries Served (Summer Experience Camp – virtually) YTD: Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, Canada

\* Year to Date runs with our fiscal year of July 1 – June 30. Current YTD is from July 1- December 31, 2020.

## Training Tips & More

Visit and share our blog (a fancy word for an article on the web) to learn training tips and experience client stories:  
[www.leaderdog.org/blog/category/blog/](http://www.leaderdog.org/blog/category/blog/)



## BE OF SERVICE

[LeaderDog.org/Lions](http://LeaderDog.org/Lions)

FOLLOW THE LEADER   

# Sponsor a hero. Be a hero.



Throughout our history, thousands of amazing donors worldwide have helped us empower people who are blind or visually impaired with lifelong skills for safe and independent daily travel. Now you have the opportunity to show your support in a new way, through a **Symbolic Puppy Sponsorship**. For \$500, you'll receive a picture, a profile and an official certificate of your sponsored Future Leader Dog. But more importantly you'll help make the following possible each year:

▶ **1,000,000+**  
Days of safe and independent daily travel

▶ **200**  
Leader Dog teams paired

▶ **100**  
Clients receive white cane training

▶ **6**  
Clients who are deaf and blind receive customized guide dog training

▶ **24**  
Teenagers gain leadership and travel skills

▶ **\$0**  
Cost to client



"I'm retired and on my own, so the dog is my world. If I don't get my five miles of walking, hiking or snowshoeing—I don't feel right. It's kind of an existence." -Randy & LD Senna



For more information or to sign up, visit  
[LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy](http://LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy)

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1039 S. Rochester Rd | Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115

# PUPPY SPONSORSHIP

A \$500 donation allows you to choose from a select group of puppies to symbolically sponsor and receive:

- ▶ A portrait of your sponsored Future Leader Dog suitable for framing
- ▶ Four wallet-size photos to share
- ▶ A profile of your Future Leader Dog with fun information such as personality traits, favorite toys and more
- ▶ An official sponsorship certificate
- ▶ **Each sponsorship comes with a matching plush puppy!**



**LEADER DOGS**  
FOR THE BLIND



**Sakari**  
Michigan



**Benton**  
Tennessee



**Thea**  
Wisconsin



**Sequoia**  
Michigan



**Papi**  
Michigan



**Harper**  
Maryland

**YES!** I would like to sponsor a puppy!

Name (Required) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring (*please circle ONE puppy*) Sakari Benton Thea Sequoia Papi Harper

Please make check payable to "Leader Dogs for the Blind" with "Puppy Sponsorship" in the memo.

Mail to: Leader Dogs for the Blind, 1039 S. Rochester Rd, Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115

You can also sponsor a puppy online at [LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy](http://LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy)



- Raised by volunteer Lion puppy raisers



## MD-14 Campaign 100 Fundraiser



International Director  
Larry Edwards

A current International Director and a Past International Director. What is a common feature in both pictures? Yes, a Moustache. Both men have sported a moustache for many years without shaving it off. Be sure to be there when ID Larry and PID Jim remove their own moustaches. All Lions who attend have an opportunity to watch. It all about raising needed money for the LCIF Campaign 100.



Past International Director  
Jim Cavallaro

The Shave The Stache's campaign is intended as a fun event with the overall goal of raising funds for Lions Clubs International Foundation CAMPAIGN 100.

When the overall goal of \$10,000.00 is reached both International Director Larry Edwards and Past International Director Jim Cavallaro will relieve their upper lips of the growth that has nestled there for a combined 100 years.

The rules are:

Contribute \$25.00 to LCIF by purchasing a numbered ticket.

With each contribution of \$25.00 your ticket will be eligible for a drawing at the conclusion of the Campaign for either a Melvin Jones Fellowship or a Progressive MJF.

There will be one MJF /PMJ awarded by the Multiple District for each thousand dollars that is sent to LCIF.

The Campaign will be concluded with the Shaving event to be held at the first State Convention when our goal of \$10,000.00 is reached.

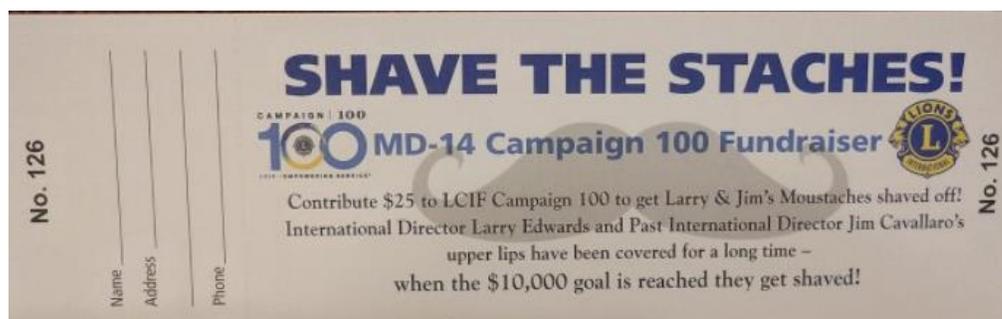
Additional tickets may be obtained and the return of the stubs and money can be sent to:

PDG Kerry McKnight  
(717) 880-6617  
6 Mulberry Lane  
New Freedom, PA. 17349

PDG Evan Punchard  
(724) 664-1953  
401 W. First Street  
Rural Valley, PA. 16249

Your checks should be made payable to Pennsylvania Lions MD 14.

TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED THROUGH DG CHUCK!





A Four Diamonds Program Conquering Childhood Cancer

## How to set up Your Recurring Gift



### Visit our fundraising page

Visit [FourDiamonds.org/PALions](https://FourDiamonds.org/PALions) and scroll down and click "Make a Donation."

MAKE A DONATION



### Select your donation amount

Choose "Monthly," enter your Lions Club name, fill out your contact and payment information.

Supporting PA Lions "Care - For The Kids"™

Your Donation

Donation Amount	\$1,000	\$500	\$100
	\$50	\$25	\$10

One-time  Monthly

Lions Club Name:

Payment Method:  My gift card  My credit card



### Help conquer childhood cancer

Here are some of the ways your recurring gift can help kids fighting cancer.



**\$10/ month** funds one day of art therapy.



**\$25/ month** provides one day of care and support from our chaplain, who helps guide the spiritual needs of patients and their families.



**\$100/ month** funds one week of child life support for Four Diamonds' outpatient clinic.



**\$200/ month** funds a private hospital room for a child and their family.

[FourDiamonds.org/PALions](https://FourDiamonds.org/PALions)

# Schedule of Events and District Governor Visits

FEBRUARY							MARCH							APRIL						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6		1	2	3	4	5	6					1	2	3
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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## February 2021

- 5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> State Council Meeting, Shippensburg
- 11<sup>th</sup> New Alexandria Lions DG Visit
- 13<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet Meeting
- 14<sup>th</sup> Valentine’s Day
- 15<sup>th</sup> International Childhood Cancer Day
- 15<sup>th</sup> President’s Day
- 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Winter’s End Symposium – Harrisburg or Butler
- 20<sup>th</sup> Bushy Run Lions – Virtual Night at the Races

## March 2021

- 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> RLLI Training Harrisburg, PA
- 21<sup>st</sup> District Bowling Tournament Hillview Lanes

## April 2021

- 4<sup>th</sup> Happy Easter
- 17<sup>th</sup> D14E Convention & Spring Rally
- 23<sup>rd</sup> D14E Youth Talent Contest



**2020-2021 DISTRICT 14-E PROJECTS DONATION FORM**

<b>CLUB</b> _____	<b>DATE</b> _____
Beacon Lodge Camp for the Blind	\$ _____
Care-A-Van	\$ _____
Diabetes	\$ _____
Disaster Relief Team Fund	\$ _____
Eye Research	\$ _____
Pediatric Cancer	\$ _____
Leader Dogs for the Blind	\$ _____
Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)	\$ _____
Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation	\$ _____
PA Lions Hearing Research Foundation	\$ _____
Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation	\$ _____
Westmoreland County Blind Association	\$ _____
Westmoreland County Deaf Services	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL DONATION:</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**Please note:** If your club has not already submitted donations, they must be received by May 1, 2021 to receive credit for 2020-2021. Donation check should be made out to District 14-E Lions and this form should accompany the check. Please mail check to Cabinet Treasurer, PDG Bob Mesher, 441 Gallitin Road, Belle Vernon, PA 15012 . If necessary, check can be given to District Governor Chuck before the deadline.

# KEY CONTACT INFORMATION:

## DISTRICT 14-E CABINET – 2020-2021

District Governor	Chuck Thompkins	Delmont	Amoose309@yahoo.com	724-989-8250
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District Treasurer	Bob Mesher	Rostraver Twp	robertmesher@comcast.net	724-379-8450

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Service	PDG Lance Remic	Slickville	lremic@hotmail.com	724-309-6750

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Social Media	Amanda/Lance Remic	Slickville	akbrant@atlanticbb.net / lremic@hotmail.com	724-984-7644 724-468-4626



## IMPORTANT WEB ADDRESSES

District 14-E Lions.....[www.lions14E.org](http://www.lions14E.org)  
Leader Dogs for the Blind.....[www.leaderdog.org](http://www.leaderdog.org)  
Lions Clubs International.....[www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)  
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp.....[www.beaconlodge.com](http://www.beaconlodge.com)  
PA State Council of Lions Clubs.....[www.palions.org](http://www.palions.org)  
Lions of PA Foundation.....[www.lionsofpafoundation.org](http://www.lionsofpafoundation.org)  
Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation.....[www.wpalhf.org](http://www.wpalhf.org)

Like us on Facebook: District 14-E Lions

Please consider a Personal Contribution to either of these two charities to supplement Club Donations. Thank You!

<https://fourdiamonds.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=cms.page&id=1175>

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/donate>

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