

DISTRICT 14-E WESTMORELAND COUNTY NEWSLETTER



Monthly Newsletter Edition
JULY | 2023

District Governor's Message



Greetings Fellow Lions,

I hope you all had a safe and Happy 4th of July spent with family & friends!

As you read this newsletter, I will be in Boston at the International Convention where I will officially be sworn in as your District Governor for the upcoming 2023-2024 Lions Year. I want to thank everyone who agreed to serve as Cabinet Members and Committee Chairs for this upcoming year. I am looking forward to our year together and have every confidence that we (my team and all of you) will work very hard to accomplish many great things!

My theme for the year is ***"Transformation-Change-Rebirth"***, and you will be hearing more about that during my District Governor visits, but to give you a quick peek, it means that we all need to transform/change in order for rebirth/growth to occur. We need to be open to new members and their ideas in order to continue to grow Lionism into the future. I will also have additional information for you in regards to the new International President's (Dr Patti Hill) environmental theme ***"Changing the World"*** when it is provided to me to be shared with you.

The District has several goals to achieve this year, and I know if we all work together, we will be able to achieve great things. I plan on having updates in every newsletter so everyone can see the District's progress toward each goal which will hopefully spark you all into action. The District's goals are:

1. Increase Club Officer Training to 20%--if every club could send at least 2 of their club officers to the training, this goal would not only be achieved, but exceeded!
2. Appoint 1 new Zone Chairperson—our District is in dire need of Zone Chairpersons, if you are interested in learning more, please reach out to myself or PDG Chuck.
3. Start 1 new club branch with at least 5 charter members—membership is down not only in our District, but all over the world, so we need to do all we can to increase our numbers!
4. Attain positive membership growth of 1 by the year's end—remember, even if your club adds new members, we need to be mindful of the losses we have as the losses are far outweighing our gains—we need to plan to replace ourselves as well as our older members!
5. Increase Club service reporting to 50%--I know you are all doing service in your communities, but we really need to strive to get it reported—help is available with this—it is vital when obtaining funding from major contributors!
6. Increase LCIF (Lions Clubs International Foundation) individual donors to 3%--PID Cindy will be leading this effort as our District's LCIF Coordinator, and she has some fun opportunities up her sleeve for us to achieve this goal as well as exceed it!

7. District Wide Service Project—This is my personal goal—I would like to expand the book drive for Pediatric Cancer patients to include the entire district and for all clubs to take part and there are two parts to it. As you know, for the past several years, many clubs/zones have taken part in this project—just think of how many more children’s lives we could touch if every member of District 14-E would send a book! The books would need to be collected by the first of November so they can be labeled with a Lions sticker, and shipped off for distribution at Christmas. Now, enter a new twist—I would like to apply for a Lions of PA Foundation matching grant to provide Nintendo Switch Systems and games to the children for Easter. In order to be able to apply for the grant, I need everyone who provides books to also provide a receipt so I can total the amount spent on books in order to get the games. We need to do everything we can to bring a bit of relief to the pediatric cancer patients and their families, and we can help with this through books and video games! This project means a lot to me as I could not imagine what the families go through during the process. I also plan to invite Lion Ashley Grimm to our Spring Rally to let us know the impact of our efforts on the families at the Hershey Medical Center.

July is looking to be a very busy month already...the International Convention in Boston, Beacon Lodge Appreciation Day/75th Anniversary celebration, the District’s 50th Anniversary Golf Outing, my club visits starting, and the Banner Passing Ceremony. As I said before, we need everyone’s help in order to make all of these events a success. No matter how big or how small, every little bit helps. When you attend events outside of your club and comfort zone, you meet new people, generate new ideas, and continue to flourish and grow!

I know this looks like a lot, but I know we can achieve these goals and have fun while doing it! Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns throughout the year as I am here to help you and your club succeed as well. Let me know when your club has an activity planned and if I am available, I will stop by to either help or support!

Yours in Service,

DG Amy



*"I can accept
failure,
everyone fails
at something
but I can't accept
not trying."*

Michael Jordan

First Vice District Governor Note

Greetings fellow Lions,

My goal in drafting a monthly article is to be concise, and to hopefully share information of value to you. If you are taking the time to read this, I want it to be a productive use of your time.

My "day job" is in the field of information security. In addition to Lions-related content, I will share recent information security trends with you to help keep you safe online. Here we go!

1. Baskets Still Needed for Knights of the Blind Golf Outing on July 22.

If you or your club can donate a raffle basket, please contact me as soon as possible. Baskets can be brought directly to the event, or I can arrange to get them from you in advance. Contact me at jeffreybob14e@gmail.com to arrange your donation or with any questions.

2. Email Phishing: Unknown Links in Email Messages

"Phishing" is the name given to fraudulent email messages intended to trick you into giving up personal or financial information. They often pretend to be from a utility or credit card company and often display logos you might recognize. They typically contain language intended to get you to ACT before you can STOP AND THINK. Language intended to invoke fear, anxiety, or the need for fast action should always make you stop and consider whether or not the email is legitimate.

- **Banks, credit card companies, and other legitimate businesses** will not contact you by email to request personal information or to ask you to provide or change passwords. Payment reminders and online bills are only real if you have personally set up that arrangement in advance.
- **The Internal Revenue Service** will never contact you by email to extract payment.
- **Another red flag of a scam** is any time you are asked to pay in order to receive something (like a prize) and anytime that "gift cards" are the requested form of payment.

QR codes are those square graphics filled with dots that are designed to be scanned by a smartphone to deliver you to a mobile website. **QR codes are basically internet links, and you should treat them with the same care (and skepticism) that you would a web link you get in an email.**

What should you do if you think you might be facing an email that might not be for real? If you get an email from the bank, the gas company, Amazon, wherever - and you are *not sure* it's legit – don't reply to the email message. Instead, call them. If you can't call, find a legitimate email address on the company's website to contact. Most companies post security information for customers on their websites.

Stay safe out there, and don't forget to donate some baskets!

Thanks,

1VDG Jeff Jordan
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Second Vice District Governor Message

Hello there! And Happy New Year to you all! (Lions New Year that is)

My name is Lion Lisa Gismondi and I am the new Second Vice District Governor for District 14-E for 2023-2024. I am honored and very excited to begin my journey with all of YOU! I am the Editor of this fine newsletter, Zone Chairperson for Zone 3, District Historian, and recently became a Guiding Lion.

As you can see, I wear several hats for the District. For my club, I am also the Membership Chairperson and I am the Board Secretary for Beacon Lodge. So yeah, I have a couple irons in the fire!

But that is OK. I know where my priorities are and that is to serve and support our District Governor and to also serve each and every one of YOU! I firmly believe in "Leave no Lion Behind". I am here as a resource for all of you. I want everybody in Lions to have a good experience. YOU matter to ME!

For my first article as a writer (instead of Editor) I want to talk about THAT word....**Change**.

Change is hard. We hear it every day of our lives. Change your tone, change your attitude, change your underwear! HAHA.... We work hard to build our surroundings. We blanket ourselves in what we know, how we live daily, and who we are as people. And so when someone tells us we need to change, we freeze, we withdraw, we want to run away!

And in our clubs, it's the same thing. How many times have you heard, "But we have always done it this way", "That will never work, we tried it before", "I'm not doing that – that is not how you are supposed to do that"..... How many lions stop coming to meetings or participating in projects because they don't like the changes they are seeing in their clubs?

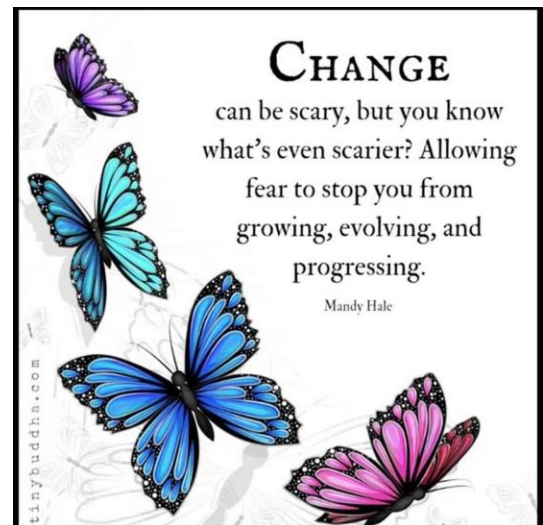
Whether we like it or not, change is happening. It is happening in every single one of our clubs....and unfortunately, it isn't always for the good. Membership is falling, Lions are not coming to meetings or participating in service projects, positions at the district level are not getting filled or they are being filled by the same folks who are already wearing multiple hats.

But with change comes opportunity! It is a New Lions Year and we have the opportunity **to transform** ourselves in ways we may have never thought of before. I challenge all of you this summer to reflect. Take stock in what is working and look at what may NOT be working anymore. What could you change to get it working again? What can your club do to get your members excited about being engaged?

Resolve this year to reach out to your members and see what you can do to re-energize your club. Engagement is so important for your existing club members and getting everyone excited will make it attractive to potential new members coming on board! Share with other clubs what is working for you so that they may try them also! We are all in this together! So my challenge for all of you this year is try one thing new! And then tell me about it! Let's share with each other how change is GOOD! Let's leave no lion or club behind this year! We are all caterpillars ready to change and begin our **rebirth** of sorts to fly high like that of the butterfly!








Peace & Love,

2VDG Lion Lisa G.

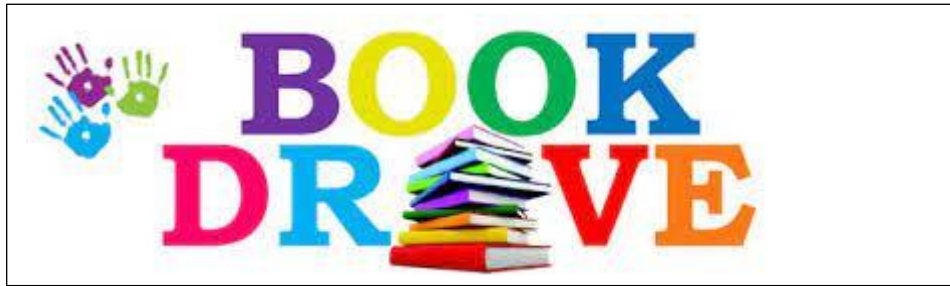


DISTRICT 14-E 2023-2024 GOALS Report Card

How this works: Status is set to GREY out the gate. Each month we will evaluate our progress and the Status will change from Gray - Red- Orange -Yellow- Green. And watch our Caterpillars change to Butterflies!

	GOAL	Status	Transformation - Change - Rebirth
1	Increase Club Officer Training to 20%	0	
2	Appoint ONE new Zone Chair	0	
3	Start ONE new Club Branch with at least 5 charter members.	0	
4	Attain positive membership growth by net ONE.	0	
5	Increase Club service reporting to 50%	0	
6	Increase LCIF individual donors to 3%	0	
7	District-wide Service Project – District 14-E Book Drive (see announcement)	Introduced in this newsletter	

District 14-E Lions Book Drive



District 14-E will be having a Book Drive for Pediatric Cancer patients at Hershey Medical Center in time for Christmas!

WANTED: New books for children and adults up to age 35. Or you can send money for books to be purchased. Please include a receipt for the books as I plan to apply for a matching grant from the Lions of PA Foundation to purchase Ninetendo Switch Systems and games to send to Hershey for Easter!!

WHEN: Books or money can be given to DG Amy prior to November 1st.

WHAT: After books are purchased and received, there will be a labeling and packing party on November 18th as all books will have a label placed in them to note they are from District 14-E in memory of Samuel Grimm before they are shipped off to Ashley Grimm & the Hershey Medical Center to be distributed for Christmas.

WHY: Because books can give the children and parents some much needed relief from their situations, and more importantly, because

WE CARE and WE SERVE!!





*Lions, LEOS and Guests
You are Invited to Attend the
DISTRICT 14-E PASSING OF THE BANNER
From the
Rostraver Township Lions Club
To the
Delmont Lions Club*

Saturday, July 29, 2023 at 1:00 PM.

Location

*Youngwood Lions Pavilion
Youngwood Park and Pool
801 South 10th Street, Youngwood, Pa 15697*



Reservations should be sent to:
PDG Tom Gregg
1130 Willowbrook Road
Rostraver Township, PA 15012-3202



Make Checks payable to: **Rostraver Township Lions Club**

Name: _____ Club: _____

of Reservations: _____ @ \$10 each Amount owed: _____

Reservation Deadline is Tuesday, July 25, 2023

The International Association of Lions Clubs

Lions Clubs International ®



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NOTICE OF FIRST CABINET MEETING

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

DATE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 12TH, 2023

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

TIME: 8:45 a.m. PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS MEETING (Past District Governors only)
9:15 a.m. PRE-CABINET MEETING (Current District Cabinet only)
9:30 a.m. CABINET MEETING (all Lions members and club representatives)

ATTENTION: Please provide a full written report to DG Amy Thompkins by Saturday, July 29th 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.

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS

DISTRICT 14-E GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP APPROACH

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Hello Fellow Lions,

I am honored to serve as District 14E's GMA Lead. GMA stands for Global Membership Approach. The GMA is a proven membership program that has proven effective in areas that has implemented the program. Area Leader PID Cindy shared that over half of the Multiple Districts that used the GMA had a net membership growth. As a district, we are looking to have a net increase in membership for the 2023 – 2024 Lions year. If we accomplish this, it will be the first time in many years we have had a net gain.

We will be using the GMA approach on the District and Club levels. We need our clubs to stop giving excuses about why they can't increase their membership and start realizing the reasons why they can and must increase membership. You won't be in this alone. I and the entire GAT Team will be at your call. We plan on giving you the training and resources you need to make and execute a reasonable membership growth plan. We ask that each club has a Membership Night in **October**. We ask that you do this membership event a little differently than the usual informational meeting. The information about Lionism and the costs involved can still and should be given but we ask that you conduct a simple service project that the club and invitees can take part in. This could be something simple like making flannel tie blankets or eyeglass case first aid kits. You can come up with your own project ideas, but the idea is to get them involved in service and not bored and turned off through a straight informational meeting.

There are four parts for successful club membership growth:

- 1. Build a Team:** put together the team that is going to be **responsible** for carrying out the **club's goals**.
- 2. Build a Vision:** the team meets with the club to decide what the **club members** want to accomplish with the club's membership. If the club members aren't involved and aware of what is happening, success is difficult if not impossible to accomplish.
- 3. Build a Plan:** without a plan nothing will happen. The plan must be simple, measurable, accountable, realistic and timebound. For example: 3 new members by December 1, 2023 the membership chair, service chair, Team Members and club members will be responsible. The plan should be reviewed and adjusted as needed. It is a living document.
- 4. Build Success:** by following and working the plan. When you have met your goal, it is time to do 2 things. 1 Celebrate your club's success and 2 make a new plan and keep up the momentum generated by the former plan's success.

The district will be looking to adding new clubs and replacing clubs in areas that have lost their Lions Club. This is in addition to being there and giving assistance to the clubs as needed. We have always been known as the Excellent District, let's show the rest of Pennsylvania just what excellent Lions we are.

May you meet with success in all your endeavors.

Yours in Lionism,

PDG Tom Gregg, 14-E GMA Lead

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Four Diamonds invites you to Play For The Kids™!

Summer is officially here! It's time for kids to get outside and enjoy sunshine and laughs. No child should be spending their days fighting cancer instead. Intense treatments can keep them from having the strength to play. When you commit to playing and raising funds, you're changing this reality! Four Diamonds kicks off its annual fundraising program, Play For The Kids, today, uniting supporters nationwide to conquer childhood cancer!

LET'S PLAY!

Starting now, you can register as part of a team or as an individual participant and begin fundraising.

Rally your friends and family to join the Four Diamonds community to play like kids. Teams can host a variety of events - everything from food eating contests to fitness challenges - to raise funds for Four Diamonds families.

You can choose for your fundraising dollars to benefit Four Diamonds directly or Penn State IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON™). (**NEW** this year, donations made to participants supporting THON after July 1, 2023, will be able to credit the THON club/org of the participants' choosing!)

With your help, dollars raised by Play For The Kids support the latest breakthroughs in childhood cancer research and ensure that every Four Diamonds child, regardless of income, receives the highest quality of childhood cancer care without ever seeing a bill for that care.

To learn more and be inspired, [join our Play For The Kids Facebook group!](#)

For The Kids®,

Lisa Johnson

Associate Director Volunteers and Family Engagement | Play For The Kids™

Four Diamonds at Penn State Health Children's Hospital

playforthekidsinfo@pennstatehealth.psu.edu

In addition, September is Childhood Cancer Awareness month. It is time to start making plans on how your club will see a spotlight on Childhood Cancer. I will have more next month on this special month

Yours in Service

PDG Tom Gregg

14-E Childhood Cancer Coordinator



Global Action Team

Dear Lions and Leos,

Welcome to the start of a new Lions' year. Thanks to last year's officers for helping to move our clubs and district forward. Of course, best wishes to the new club and district officers as we work to accomplish the district goals for 2023-2024.

By now, each club should have written two to three goals to help the district achieve its objectives. Certainly, one of your club's goals should relate to membership since our members are the driving force behind our service projects and fundraisers. In addition to providing more hands to serve our communities and to offer ideas for newer projects, additional members provide us with a larger leadership pool to chair committees and to serve as club and district officers. Likewise, more hands allow us to provide more relevant services within our communities.

Do you remember when you were inducted as a new member, you promised to seek additional members, or to at least, provide your replacement? How many of you took that promise seriously and have sponsored a member? If each of us had fulfilled this promise, our clubs and our district would be thriving.

With this in mind, DG Amy has assigned some of our Guiding Lions to assist in helping clubs with less than 20 members to increase their membership in the coming year to allow us to make more of an impact in our communities. When your club is contacted, please allow these Lions to help you become even more vibrant than you already are.

Together, we can change our clubs, our community, and the world. Thank you for all that you do to serve those in need of our help. Have a great year!

Yours in Friendship and Service,

Cindy Gregg, PID (2013-2015)

2023-2024 Area Global Action Team Leader (Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia)



Dear Lions and Leos,

How much do you know about our Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)? Last year, at this time, we were eagerly anticipating the final results of Campaign 100, our most challenging fundraising effort, to date. Of course, we were thrilled to hear at the Montreal Convention that the campaign exceeded our expectations by raising more than \$325 million.

These funds are providing new grant programs for Hunger and Childhood Cancer. They are helping to mobilize the Refugees and Displaced Persons fund to provide safety and security for those fleeing their homes during immensely challenging times. Moreover, these funds enable us to quickly award grants in times of disaster and global crises, like hurricanes, floods, tornadoes, wildfires, the war in Ukraine, and the COVID-19 pandemic.



Unfortunately, many Lions in North America have the misconception that those funds go offshore. Here in 14-E, we have been the recipient of several LCIF grants that have supported our Blind Association, various communities affected by floods, as well as Covid. Unfortunately, only about 6% of individual Lions throughout the world support LCIF. So, as this year's District LCIF Chairperson, I am challenging EACH member to make a personal contribution of \$5, \$10, \$25, or whatever you can comfortably afford to assist in LCIF's humanitarian endeavors.

As Lions, we can certainly be proud to say that "Every cent donated to LCIF is used to help others" because the interest from our investments covers administrative costs. There aren't too many organizations that can make that statement.

So, please consider personally supporting OUR Lions Foundation this year. Thank you for all that you do to serve others.

Yours in Service and Friendship,

Cindy Gregg, 2023-2024 14-E LCIF Chairperson

TRANSFORMATION

Hello Fellow Lions,

I hope all of you have had a great July 4th. I hope you also got to see some beautiful fireworks. I would like to wish you all good luck this summer and would like to hear about your vacations, holidays, and time off when DG Amy & I get back from the International Convention in Boston.

I would like for you all to take a look back on the past year and see what you could change or transform in order to have rebirth for this upcoming year. DG Amy is a live wire. She is a true Lion at heart...always thinking about what we as Lions can do to help others in need. We are going to have a fun and enjoyable upcoming year with her!

I am planning on holding the Club Officer Training in August. As this is one of DG Amy's goals, I am asking that all officers, and those interested in becoming an officer someday, attend the training. I know you will pick up some useful tips while learning and having fun. Plus, you will get to eat and make some new friends! The date will be Monday, August 28th at Hoss's from 6p-8p. There will be guest speakers for each office, and also time for discussions.

I will have more for you on the Leadership side of things next month. I am hoping to learn some new things myself and come back with new ideas to share and put into action with all of you!

But I will ask you in the meantime to put on your thinking caps and come up with some new ideas for the upcoming year. As always, I am just a phone call away if you need any help.

Your Fellow Lion,
PDG/GLT Chuck





Club Officer Training

All lions are invited to the Club Officer Training. All presidents, secretaries, treasurers, and membership chairs should attend, but any and all club member who has an interest in any of the offices are welcome to attend.

The meeting will take place at Hoss's in Greensburg from 6pm-8pm on Monday, August 28th. The back room is reserved for us.

There will be brief presentations on each of the club offices given by those who have had successes in each area. There will also be time for questions and discussions in order to share ideas!

Please let PDG Chuck know if you will be attending (724-989-8250 or chuckt309@yahoo.com).

Waitresses will be available to take orders if you so desire.



CHANGE

GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM – *BRING SOMEONE*

CLUB MEMBERSHIP GOALS

Membership in the District is in the 700's right now. We have lost several Clubs in the last few years. It can happen very easily. You must work to not let that happen.

With the new Lions Year your Club needs to set its goals and increasing membership has to be one of those goals.

How many new members are you going to bring into your Club this year? Work with your Club Members and Board of Directors to set a Membership Goal.

You do not need to bring in 10 members this year (though you should aim high). Bring Someone...Even just 1. Who knows what that 1 person might do?



BRING SOMEONE

As your District Global Membership Team Chairperson, I am bringing a new Membership theme to the [District](#) called "Bring Someone."

What is Bring Someone?

Bring Some is the idea of bringing in new Members, orienting Members in what Lionism is about, and constantly engaging Lions so that they feel a sense of satisfaction through Service and Leadership so that their Membership is retained.

Bring Someone – Member Recruiting

Does your Club have enough members to do everything that you want to do? Are there other opportunities for Service that your Club could be doing if you had more members. What happens to your Club if you were no longer able to Serve tomorrow? Bring Someone to strengthen your Club's impact on the community and to carry on the hard work that you and others before you have started.

Bring Someone – Member Orientation

Orientation is important to new Members but is also critical for Members of all years of Service. Things change, new needs arise, new programs and opportunities emerge. If someone asked you about a Lions program that your Club, District, Multiple District or Lions International does, could you explain it to them in a way that would make them want to be more involved? Bring Someone to learn about Lionism.

Bring Someone – Member Retention

We work hard to bring in new Members but are we working hard to retain those members? Are your Club Members engaged? Do they feel a level of satisfaction in the time they spend with your Club? If a Club Member does not feel engaged or that they are volunteering to their full potential, they will lose interest and maybe even leave. Can you overwhelm a Lion by trying to push them into more than they want or are able to do at a given time? You sure can. Bring Someone into the level of Lionism appropriate for them.

Bring Someone – Service

It is the reason we are Lions – Service. We need Membership to be able to perform Service. Use Service as your recruiting tool. It is not necessary to be a Member on a Club roster to help with Service. Bring Someone to your next project. Tell them you could use their help. Use the Service project as the opportunity to teach the potential member the good we do as Lions.



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Bring Someone – Leadership

Where do your Club Leaders come from? From your Club Membership. Where do our District Leaders come from? From your Club Leadership. Does your Club have all the Leaders that it needs? Probably not or at least not forever. You need to grow your Membership so that you have a larger pool of potential Leaders. Bring Someone (even yourself) to a level of Leading our Lions to better Serve our communities.

“Bring Someone is the idea of bringing in new Members, orienting Members in what Lionism is about, and constantly engaging Lions so that they feel a sense of satisfaction through Service and Leadership so that their Membership is retained.”

MEMBERSHIP INVOLVES EVERYONE. IT'S KEY TO CLUB SUCCESS AND TO ENSURE THE FUTURE CONTINUES.

My Membership sponsor helped pin me with my Membership pin and in less than a year from that date he passed away. A mentor Lion from my Club brought me to my first District Cabinet meeting not knowing where I'd go from there. He saw our Club's first District Governor but he is no longer with us today. A fellow Club Member co-chaired our chicken BBQ and he cooked hundreds of chickens over the year. He is no longer with us but our BBQs continue. Sadly we lose Members for a reason that none of us can control – death. We will continue to honor those Members who pass by remembering them but we need to make sure we honor them by continuing the Service and Leadership that they helped start.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q: How can I help grow my Club's impact in the community?

A: Start a Branch Club. Do you have people in your community with a common interest – golfers, motorcyclists, cyber professionals? A Branch Club can be formed with as few as 5 members.

Q: Is Bring Someone different than any of the other Membership recruiting methods (Just Ask, Ask One, Modified PA Plan, etc.)?

A: That depends on you. Membership plans come in many shapes and sizes. In talking with Lions, I have heard them say “that this has been tried before.” “We had that type of plan before.” Okay, so what do you do to grow Membership? The plan doesn't have to be this one or that one. It should be what works for you. When it works, make sure you share it.

Q: Who are the Members of the District Global Membership Team?

A: The District Governor, the VDGs, the Zone Chairs, the Club level Membership Chairpersons, the Members of your Club, You!!!!

Stay tuned..... Much more to come from GMT/PDG Lance Remic on working with clubs throughout our District to set Membership Growth Goals for the 2023-2024 Lions' year.

2023-2024 Club Membership Goals		
Club	Membership Growth Goal	New Members 2023-2024
Allegheny Twp.		
Arnold		
Bushy Run		
Chestnut Ridge		
Delmont		
East Huntingdon Twp.		
Greensburg East Hempfield		
Jeannette		
Latrobe / Derry		
Level Green		
Lower Burrell		
Manor		
Monessen		
Mt. Pleasant Twp.		
Murrysville		
New Alexandria		
New Florence		
New Kensington		
Norwin		
Rostraver Twp.		
Seton Hill		
Sewickley Area		
Slickville		
Trafford		
Vandergrift		
Washington/Bell Twp.		
West Newton		
Youngwood		
Yukon		
Totals		

Welcome to the New Members of District 14-E

Name:

Club:

Sponsor:

**Nothing to appear here yet...Get to
work on your Club's membership
goals so that this list grows!!!**



**New
Members!**

In Memory of our Departed Lions...

God does not seem to be concerned about the size of the talent he has given us in life, or about the grandeur of the service that we are able to offer him. He cares about the faithfulness of our service. He values the little things that are done lovingly and consistently in his name. Any service offered from a sympathetic and compassionate heart matters most.

When the heart is right and one's dedication is complete, God's response is always the same: "Well done, good and faithful servant." It is not the size of the gift or task that matters, but the size of the heart of the giver.

In memory of the one who has served with us and has been taken from us. At such a time, wealth and reputation, power and intellect are no longer of great importance. It is the lifetime of service that we honor, time spent in giving rather than receiving. In these moments we echo the words of our Lord, "Well done, good and faithful servant."



*Charles "Chuck" Stickel - June 24, 1955 - May 25, 2023 - Slickville Lions Club -
Charter Member*

*Charles "Chuck" Quinter - June 30, 1929 - June 8, 2023 - Level Green Lions Club -
53 Year Member*

*Jerry Long - December 18, 1941 - June 19, 2023 - Vandergrift Lions Club -
42 Year Member*

**Please send information of your Club's departed Lions to District 14-E GMT,
PDG Lance Remic (lremic@hotmail.com) to have the included in this list.**

REBIRTH

SERVICE

At the heart of Lions clubs there is one constant: SERVICE. Giving your time and energy to others is a fantastic way to help your community. Yet, it also provides a great feeling for you that can spread and have a positive impact in your life and how you approach the world.

I might be new to this position but, service has always been a part of my life. Making someone's life a little easier by a small act of kindness is very rewarding.

If your club ever needs assistance in any service activity, feel free to ask me.

Please report your service thru the Lions International.

Below is a monthly schedule guideline that Lions International created.

I would like to thank PDG Lance Remic for his past years in this position.

Sincerely,

PDG Charlie McGrew

14-E Service Chair

Lions Club Service Calendar



You are invited to use this calendar to help plan and share service activities with your club. Edit the inspirational ideas below to make this tool work for you, your club and your community.

July	August	September
July 1 begins a new Lions Year! Start your Service Journey and share the resources in the Service Toolkit with your club.	August 12 is <i>International Youth Day</i> . Visit our Youth webpage for service ideas, including the LCIF Lions Quest program.	The second week in September is time to #CelebrateCommunity and serve with a Kiwanis, Optimist or Rotary club in your area.
October	November	December
The second Thursday in October is <i>World Sight Day</i> . Start on our Vision webpage to find service ideas, planning tools and LCIF grant opportunities.	November 14 is <i>World Diabetes Day</i> . Visit our Diabetes webpage to learn how your club can help fight this global epidemic.	December 5 is <i>International Leo Day</i> . Partner with your Leo club on a service project or start a new Leo club.
January	February	March
Sponsor a Peace Poster and Peace Essay contest inspire youths' visions of peace. Kits go on sale January 15.	February 15 is <i>Childhood Cancer Day</i> . Our Childhood Cancer webpage includes service ideas and LCIF grant opportunities to help affected families.	Lions Day with the United Nations was first held in March 1978. Plan an advocacy activity to help make positive change.
April	May	June
April 22 is <i>Earth Day</i> . Find service ideas and LCIF grant opportunities to protect and restore the environment on our Environment webpage .	May 28 is <i>World Hunger Day</i> . Our Hunger webpage provides ideas on how your club can help and LCIF grant opportunities to magnify your service.	LCIF's first Disaster Relief grant was awarded in June 1972. Hold an LCIF fundraiser or check the LCIF Grants Toolkit to extend this legacy of service.

Women and Families

“Where Liberty Dwells, there is my Country.” Benjamin Franklin. These wise words ring true, especially today with the politically driven turmoil and unrest that exists today! Everyone is looking forward to celebrating Independence Day, but often we forget the sacrifices made to provide the freedoms we sometimes take for granted. This well celebrated holiday is in honor of the day the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776. This must be kept in mind as we enjoy cookouts, parades family and fun. The focus of this day needs to reflect the history of our country and what an exciting time to incorporate this important lesson with family and friends.

As I was drafting this article, I kept thinking back to how we sang familiar songs associated with our independence as a nation. We learned all the words and most people my age can sing them by heart today. My favorites were, “My Country Tis of Thee, The Star-Spangled Banner, and America the Beautiful.” This is another reason I am proud to be a member of the Lions, to begin each meeting honoring God and our country and pledging service to others.

Here are several ideas on how you can celebrate a safe and happy holiday with your family while honoring the true meaning of Independence Day!

1. Invite a veteran to your family BBQ and make it an Independence Day Theme.
2. Schedule a family outing, pack a picnic lunch and stay for a fireworks display. (Fireworks became a trendy way to celebrate national prosperity and patriotism.)
3. Have the camera ready and capture moments of your celebration and make a scrap book of your memories.
4. Search the web or community calendar to see what other activities are going on in your community.
5. Look up safety rules and laws for home firework use, prior to your celebration.

In closing, I will end with more famous quotes, “Those who won our **independence** believed liberty to be the secret of happiness.” “With freedom comes responsibility.” “Where liberty dwells, there is my country.” “We must be free not because we claim freedom, but because we practice it.” Accessed from web: w6-30-2021
www.goodreads.com, accessed 6-23-2023.

Till next time.....

Mary E. Popovich, West Newton Lions



Suicide Awareness

Wow! It's a new Lion's year already?!?! Thank you to DG Amy Tompkins for trusting me to take on Chairperson for Suicide Awareness. As many of you know our District Gov. theme this year is Transformation, Change, Rebirth...Like that of a Butterfly. I would like to build on this theme in my future writings.

As we start our Lion's year off, I would like us to think of the word "Change". How does that word make you feel? Happy, Nervous, Overwhelmed, or Stressed? Just one little word can make you feel so many things, in a matter of seconds. But most of us have the ability to cope with change and deal with what comes at us on a daily basis. There are friends and family members that don't have the ability to handle everything that comes at them daily. Sometimes changes can be overwhelming to a point it cannot be handled. Those friends might threaten or talk about suicide in order to avoid change and the feelings that come with it. Even if someone just talks about it, take it seriously. Talk to them, give them resources they need to get help, offer them a ride, a phone, or even your ear to help! Suicide doesn't have an age, color, and doesn't discriminate in any way. We are not all the same, remember not to put anyone down or belittle anyone for feeling this way.

There are numbers that I will remind you about just in-case you ever need them:

1-800=SUICIDE or 1-800-784-2433

1-800-PPD-MOMS or 1800-773-6667

1-866-488-7386 for LBGTQ

1-800-273-8255 for Veteran

1-877-968-8454 Youth America

If you want to text: PA to 741741

In Lionism,

Amy Yaszak
Vandergrift Lions Club



How Our Clubs are helping our Communities to make the world a better place.....

ZONE 1

CHESTNUT RIDGE – 24 members. We held two monthly meetings and donated 200 to our community volunteer fire company to support their response to local disasters. We also are planning our summer corn roast.

GREENSBURG EAST HEMPFIELD - 10 members. Obtained 2 Gift/Donations for District Golf Outings (KOTB and WCBA), Continued Maintenance for the Gardens at Lynch Field and St Clair Park, set up plans for annual Camp Cadet picnic with State Police.

LATROBE-DERRY – 20 members. Collected Eyeglasses, collected pliable plastic, weeded mini gardens, picked up highway trash.

MOUNT PLEASANT TWP - 47 members. Held monthly sub and pepperoni rolls sale. Held a golf outing on June 23 with all proceeds donated to the WCBA.

NEW FLORENCE – 18 members. Fundraiser - Bolivar Days, June 17. Sold hot sausage, hot dogs and drinks. Brickfest - August 12 from 10:00am to 5:00pm. Will be selling hot sausage. Benches - We now have four. Will be placed at the park with a Donated by New Florence Lions plaque. We have three guests looking to join the club. Rick Davis brought in two and Bejo Nanni brought in one. Explaining to them about what we do as a club. All three were given applications. Planning for 50th Annual Knights of the Blind Open. Beacon Lodge 500 Club - Will donate \$150.00. Beacon Lodge Appreciation Day, Beacon Lodge 7th Annual Golfing Outing. Preparing for August 31 ticket drawing.

ZONE 2

ROSTRAVER TWP - 43 members. Another sellout BBQ. Still collecting bags for benches. PDG Chuck and DGE Amy were our guests at our dinner meeting at which time DGE Amy presided over our installation of officers.

SEWICKLEY AREA – 9 members. May: 2 members attended MD convention in Indiana, PA. May and June: Broom sales ongoing.

YOUNGWOOD – 39 members. Held Strawberry festival netting \$2,060.00 and donated \$2,200.00 to the Youngwood Library. Donated \$500.00 to Food to Go for Kids backpack program. Donated \$100.00 to the New Stanton Blessings Box. Donated \$200.00 to the HEAL animal shelter in Youngwood. Donated \$1,000.00 to LCIF. Donated \$200.00 to 4 Diamonds Childhood Cancer Research.

YUKON – 24 members. Selling monthly tickets.

ZONE 3

ALLEGHENY TWP - 9 members. Continued with Meals-On-Wheels, held club meeting, selling Lions Brooms and continue Beacon Lodge collection.

DELMONT - 34 members. Sold 4 brooms, collected 250 pair of used eye glasses for recycling for the month of June. Tied 19 fleece tie blankets for Westmoreland Hospital. Took part in the Farmers Market. Held club/bod meeting to discuss upcoming business & activities, and determine final grant disbursement of \$2250. Held Road Cleanup--9 volunteers, and 16 bags of trash collected.

MURRYSVILLE – 18 members. Held 2 meetings. Collected 352 pairs of glasses, 19 Rx sunglasses 24 sunglasses, and 15 clip-on sunglasses. Collected 6 sets of hearing aids. New Member and Officers inducted by DGE Amy. Held collection of personal care items for “Manna bags” for Welcome Home shelter at local grocery stores. Purchased more backpacks for the shelter. Received a \$1,000 donation from Mother of Sorrows Church outreach fund to purchase items for the shelter.

VANDERGRIFT - 25 members. Promoted our club and Lionism at the monthly town Gathering on Grant, selling brooms and meeting people. We continue to sell raffle tickets, brooms, collect glasses, and loan out/collect used hospital equipment. Lion Jerry Long passed away 6/19/23. 42 year member, past President.

ZONE 4

BUSHY RUN – 36 members. No report. Donated funds to Penn Township Ambulance agency to help meet their mission of providing life support to lives at risk.

NORWIN – 32 members. Sponsored an Ice Cream social for the Friends of Irwin Manor. Participated in the Nature Festival at Irwin Park. Made community donations. Collected eye glasses and hearing aids. Sold brooms. Recycled plastic.

LEVEL GREEN – Aluminum can and used eyeglasses collections, building rentals. Held banquet and new officer induction with ZC Jeff Jordan. Presented Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Roger Van Ryn, and a special commendation to Marlene Van Ryn for past service to the club through running building reservations. Lion Chuck Quinter passed away 6/8/23. 50 year member who touched every project the club took on.

MANOR – 15 members. Held a Chicken BBQ. Delivered prepared meals to the Greensburg Homeless Shelter.

Thank you to those clubs reporting. A reminder – you must submit your activities and service reports to LCI. This is separate from your submission to the District Newsletter through the www.lions14e.org website. If you have any questions about reporting your club’s service to LCI, please contact your zone chair as soon as possible.

“If it isn’t reported, it didn’t happen....”

Bushy Run Lions Club
Lion Susie Kerr is shown here presenting a check to the Penn Township Ambulance Association. This donation will help meet the Association’s mission of providing Life support to lives at risk.



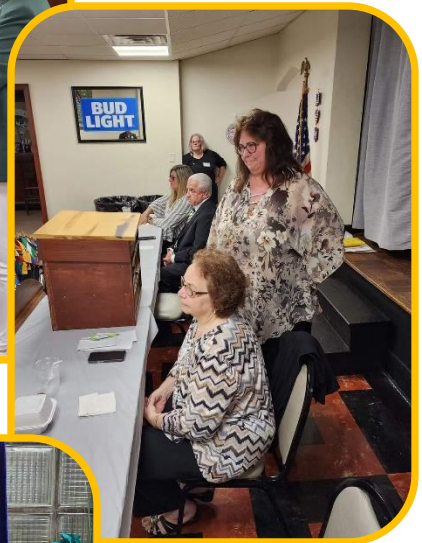
Yukon Lions doing some Eye Screenings during the Yukon Fishing Derby



Delmont Lions & Friends Fleece Blanket Tying Service Project and the Road Clean-up Crew!



Rostraver Twp Lions Club Officer Installation Night.



Monessen Lions Club New Member Induction, Club Officer Installation, & Plaque presentation for Lion Angelo for his puppy "Angi".



Murrysville Lions Club New Member Induction and Club Officer Installation.



Slickville Lions Club New Member Induction and Club Officer Installation.



New Florence Lions Club New Member Induction and Club Officer Installation.



District 14-E Lions Facebook Page

facebook



Like Us on Facebook – [District 14 E Lions](#)

[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 (Amanda) or lremic@hotmail.com (Lance)
Or text your info to 724-984-7644 (Amanda) or 724-309-6750 (Lance).



Scan this QR Code to check out the District 14E Website!

What is a QR Code?



QR codes are 2D barcodes which contain any kind of information that can redirect scanners to online information. This QR Code, when scanned, will take you to the District 14E website. Try it out!

(you will need to have a QR Reader app on your phone)

Don't forget to tag us on your photos and 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

#14EDGAmY



celebrating
50 YEARS
Knights of the Blind Open
Saturday, July 22, 2023



**RAFFLE BASKETS
NEEDED!**

*Please help make this
fundraiser a success!*

- \$50 value suggested
- Can be donated by **Clubs, Companies, or Individuals**
- Baskets may **not** include alcohol
- Baskets due by **Sat. July 8, 2023**
- Contact 2VDG Jeff Jordan at jeffreybob14e@gmail.com or 412-418-3646

THE PDG \$50 FOR 50 CHALLENGE!

District 14-E has a challenge for all of our PDG's!

The Knights of the Blind Open is celebrating it's 50th ANNIVERSARY!!!

This golf outing has been one of the District's signature events for the last 50 years! To make this an extra special anniversary we are challenging the D14-E PDGs to donate \$50 to this year's open! We would love to see a PDG name on ALL OUR GOLF CARTS!

(See sponsorship form in this newsletter to donate!)



DISTRICT 14-E

50TH
ANNIVERSARY!!!

GLENGARRY GOLF
LINKS



50th Annual District 14-E Knights of the Blind Open



PDG Jason M. Mesher
230 Grant Street
North Huntingdon, PA 15642
(724) 255-3515
mesh_dogg@hotmail.com

Glengarry Golf Links
166 Lentz Road
Latrobe, PA 15650
(724) 423-4653
www.golfglengarry.com

SPONSORSHIP FORM

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

PHONE NO.: _____ EMAIL: _____

SPONSORSHIP	BENEFITS	COST	SELECT HERE
Diamond Level	Registration for 2 golfers, tee sign, full-page program ad, and recognition during dinner	\$1,000.00	
Gold Level	Tee sign, full-page ad, and recognition during dinner	\$500.00	
Silver Level	Tee sign	\$150.00	
Bronze Level	Beverage cart sponsor	\$75.00	
Individual Level	Golf cart sponsor (not available for clubs or businesses)	\$50.00	
Program Ads:	Full-page Half-Page Quarter-Page Patron	\$100.00 \$75.00 \$50.00 \$2.00/name	

All sponsorship information and artwork must be turned in by no later than **July 8, 2023**. Make checks payable to "**District 14-E Lions**" and put "**2023 KOTB Ad**" in memo line. Please return this form and forward any artwork to be used on either the signage or in the program ad to:

PDG Tom Gregg
1070 Willowbrook Road
Rostraver Township, PA 15012
tomgregg1@verizon.net
(724) 872-0700

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



50th Annual District 14-E Knights of the Blind Open



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North Huntingdon, PA 15642
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Glengarry Golf Links
166 Lentz Road
Latrobe, PA 15650
(724) 423-4653
www.golfglengarry.com

Saturday, July 22, 2023

Registration 1:00 PM

Shotgun Start: 2:00 PM

REGISTER EARLY AND SAVE \$10!

Registration must be received by July 8, 2023 and all forms must include payment. No Exceptions and no onsite registration payments will be accepted.

REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

Green Fee and Cart, Snacks, Free Beer/Soft Drinks, Sandwich at turn, Skill Prizes, Souvenir Gift, and Steak Dinner.

Please note that the amenities included with your registration is subject to change due to COVID-19 restrictions or other unforeseen circumstances.

REGISTRATION FORM

\$100.00 per player for registrations post-marked by June 24, 2023.
\$110.00 per player for registrations post-marked between June 25 and July 8, 2023.
Make checks payable to "District 14-E Lions."

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NO.: _____ EMAIL: _____

TEAM MEMBERS (please indicate if anyone wants their dinner to go):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Submit Registration Form and Checks to:

PDG Jason Mesher
230 Grant Street
North Huntingdon, PA 15642
mesh_dogg@hotmail.com



MD-14 REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

MARCH 8-10, 2024 Red Lion Hotel, Harrisburg, PA

CANDIDATE'S REGISTRATION FORM

Cost \$175.00 (includes Institute, lodging and meals)

Checks should accompany this form and be made out to "PA State Council of Lions Clubs" & Mail to: PDG Kerry McKnight, 6 Mulberry Lane, New Freedom, PA 17349

Questions to PDG Kerry McKnight at klm52@aol.com or 717-235-2790

(Past participants, District Governors, Past District Governors ineligible)

Submission Deadline Date: January 31, 2024 (No refunds after deadline) Maximum 40 attendees
Please type or print

First Name _____ Last Name _____

District Number _____ Member Number _____

Highest Lions Office Held _____ Current Lion's Title _____

Email** _____ Preferred Telephone # _____

****Please Type or Print CLEARLY! Will be used for ALL Communication regarding the institute**

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Club Name/Number _____ Month/Year Joined _____

Offices Held Within Lions Club _____

Committee Positions Held Within Club _____

Why is this institute of interest to you? _____

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By signing below I hereby commit to the conditions of attending the 2024 MD-14 RLLI

- Participants must arrive at the hotel on the arrival time & date indicated in their acceptance email.
- Participants are responsible for arranging their own travel to and from the institute.
- Participants must stay at the hotel throughout the institute.
- MD-14 GLT will make all hotel reservations.
- Participants are required to stay through 3:00 p.m. on the last day of the institute.
- If they depart prior to 3:00 p.m. on the last day, they will not receive acknowledgement or their RLLI participation certificate.
- Participants may bring a laptop, if available, for use outside of the classroom.
- Participants are required to complete pre-assignments prior to arrival at the institute.

Candidate's Signature _____ Date _____

District Governor Must also Complete and Sign this Form

In what ways will this candidate benefit from attending the Regional Lions Leadership Institute

District Governor Member Number _____

Name of District Governor _____

Signature of District Governor _____

Email (Please print) _____

Date _____



LIONS INTERNATIONAL

PEACE POSTER

lionsclubs.org/peaceposter

#peaceposter

THE 2023-2024 CONTEST

Dare to Dream

To a young person, a dream isn't just a wish, hope or desire — it's a path, a goal, an ambition. But achieving that dream takes hard work. So this year, we're asking young people to show how they'll turn their dream of a peaceful world into reality.



Order a Peace Poster Contest Kit

To sponsor the Peace Poster Contest, Lions clubs can order a contest kit from January 15 to October 1. The kit is available in 12 of our official languages. A kit is needed for each contest sponsored.

The 2023-2024 Contest

Dare to Dream

Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

[Order Your Kit](#)

**To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only).*

Peace Poster Contest Deadlines

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

- **January 15:** Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **October 1:** Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.



4 MEALS
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with registration

NO SHUTTLES NEEDED
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in six city blocks

SEPT. 21-23, 2023

OVER 80 SEMINARS

FREE PARKING
at The Row hotels



4 INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKERS
during meals

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3 RESORTS ONE DESTINATION

EARLY REGISTRATION
ENDS MAY 31, 2023

THE ROW Reno offers 24-hour entertainment with access to 32 restaurants, 25 bars and lounges, and several shows and nightclubs, all within a walkable range of world-class recreational destinations.



Visit LionsForum.org
for more information



CHALLENGE

The Beacon Lodge Golf Outing is coming up in August. I am challenging all Past District Governors and newly installed District Governors to sponsor a hole for the low price of \$100.00. Send your check and information to Beacon Lodge or contact your District's Beacon Lodge Board member. **REMEMBER THIS IS YOUR CAMP! SUPPORT IT! WE NEED YOUR HELP!**



MANOR LIONS



SATURDAY, July 8th

11 AM – UNTIL SOLD OUT

**\$10 for 1/2 CHICKEN, ROLL, APPLESAUCE,
COOKIE and DRINK**

Rt. 993 at Roberts Roofing parking lot

**COME HELP SUPPORT THE LIONS CLUB
SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY**



Norwin Lions Club 7th Annual Mini Golf Tournament



**Kerber's Dairy
Saturday, August 26, 2023
9am to 1pm**

\$15 Ticket Includes:

- One round of mini golf
- Light refreshments
- Door Prize entry
- Performance awards

Scan the QR code or contact a member of the
Norwin Lions Club to purchase your tickets!
Or go to NorwinLions.com for additional information



**Serving the Norwin
Area
Since 1955**





Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

Will hold its 20TH Annual

GREAT DUCK RACE

**Held at PA Lions Beacon Lodge
Camp on Lions Appreciation Day**

**Sunday, July 16, 2023
Post Time 12:30
\$5.00 Donation**

**1st Place Prize--\$1,000
2nd Place--\$500.
3rd Place--\$250.00
4th Place--\$125.00
5th Place--\$125.00**

**Don't hesitate to contact your Beacon Lodge Board Member
for tickets and information.**





Celebrate Beacon Lodge's 75th Birthday & PA Lions Appreciation Day

Schedule of Events

Join us in celebrating our 75th birthday!

On July 16th we will be having a birthday party for Beacon Lodge along with Pennsylvania Lions Appreciation Day.

We welcome ALL Lions and Leos.

You are most cordially invited to bring your families to Beacon Lodge for this occasion.

We will be having a chicken BBQ and all the fixings. Lunch will be served from 11:30 am until 12:30 pm.

The cost is \$10 per person.

Reservations are required and must be received by June 30, 2023.

Please make checks payable to Beacon Lodge with PLAD on the memo line to purchase tickets.

Mail to:

PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

114 State Route 103 South Mount Union, Pa 17066

Starting at 9:00 AM:

Camp Store

50/50 Raffle Tickets

Basket Raffle

9:00—11:00 Mini Golf

10:00—11:00 Worship Service

11:00—1:30 Pin Traders

11:30 Introduction of IPDG's/

Invocation / Lunch

12:30 The Great Duck Race

1:30 Camper Entertainment

12:30—2:00 Camp Tours

12:30—2:30 Afternoon Activities & Games

3:00 Announcements/ Winners

3:30 End of the day / Benediction

Pin traders are invited! Please contact:

Amos Shatzer

11268 Alexander Ave.

Mount Union, Pa 17066

(814) 542-9654

ashatzer@verizon.net

Clubs planning to attend by bus are urged

to give us ample notice so that we may

have adequate parking arrangements.

PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

114 State Route 103 South

Mount Union, PA 17066

(814) 542-2511

office@BeaconLodge.org



**TO REGISTER
TODAY**

Beacon Lodge's 7th Annual Golf Outing

**Saturday,
August 26th, 2023**

Shotgun Start at 1 PM

**American Legion
Country Club**

Mount Union, PA 17066

18 Hole Scramble

**Only \$75 per golfer
Includes:**

- ⇒ **Greens Fees**
- ⇒ **Cart**
- ⇒ **Prizes & Awards**
- ⇒ **Snacks, Beer, Pop, & Water all day**
- ⇒ **Food is available throughout the day**

**Limited to 80 Players—
First come, first served**



Prizes

1st Place Team — \$300

2nd Place Team — \$200

3rd Place Team — \$100

Plus

**\$50 Pro Gift Shop Certificate Skills Prizes on all Par 3s
Longest Drive & Longest Putt**

Register Today!

<https://bit.ly/beaconlodge>

**Contact: Jonathan Carver
114 State Route 103 South
Mount Union, PA 17066
(814) 542-2511**

office@beaconlodge.org

Make checks payable to: PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp 7th Annual Golf Outing August 26, 2023

Add-Ons

Overnight Accommodations at Beacon Lodge Camp	Free
Please call Beacon Lodge to make arrangements 814-542-2511	
Early Bird Golf - 18 holes Friday, August 25 (all day)	\$24

Sponsor Information*

Name for Sign: _____

District 14- _____

Contact: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

*Send before August 11, 2023
Thank you for helping us serve!

In 1948, Lion Carl Shoemaker helped found Vacations for the Blind, a summer camp designed for adults with vision impairment. Since then, the name was changed to PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp. The program has also changed to include children and adults with a wide range of disabilities. By providing a sponsorship or joining us at the American Legion Country Club, you will be helping us continue our mission of providing a summer camp experience to our statewide community of Adults and Children living with Special Needs.

Golfer Registrations and sponsorships now available online!
Use the link or QR Code below.

<https://bit.ly/beaconlodge>



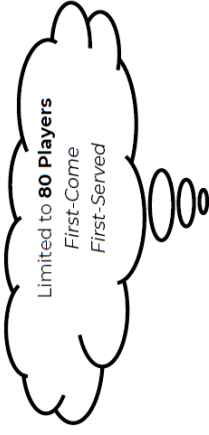
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp
c/o Jonathan Carver
114 State Route 103 South
Mount Union, PA, 17066



PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp 7th Annual Golf Outing

Saturday, August 26, 2023, 1:00 pm

**American Legion Country Club
Mount Union, PA, 17066
814-542-4343**



PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

Are you looking for a way to help special needs children and adults **AND** have fun?

Then, this golf outing is exactly what you're looking for!

When: Saturday, August 26, 2023
Check-In – Noon
Shotgun start at 1:00 pm

Where: American Legion Country Club
Mount Union, PA, 17066

Format: 18-hole Scramble

Price: Just \$75/golfer includes—
Green Fees
Cart

Prizes & Awards
Snacks, beer, pop, and water
all day
Food is included throughout
the day

To Register Online:

Scan the QR Code on the front or visit
<https://bit.ly/beaconlodge>

**Note: make checks payable to
“PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp”
and return:**

c/o Jonathan Carver
114 State Route 103 South
Mount Union, PA, 17066

7th Annual Golf Outing

Prizes

1st Place Team \$300
2nd Place Team \$200
3rd Place Team \$100

PLUS:

Skills Prizes on all par 3s:
Longest Drive and Longest Putt -
\$50 Pro Shop Gift Certificates

**Your support as a Sponsor is crucial to
the success of PA Lions Beacon Lodge
Camp.**

Sponsor Levels:

Diamond - \$10,000 Includes Naming
Rights for the outing, Logo Branding on
event website, Score Cards, and all pin
flags; a 3'x2' diamond-shape Pavilion
Sign, 4 paid Foursomes and an 18"x12"
Hole Sponsor Sign (at a tee or green)

Ruby - \$5,000 Includes 3'x2' Ruby sign, 2
paid Foursomes and an 18"x12" Hole
Sponsor Sign (at a tee or green)

Platinum - \$2,500 Includes 3'x2' Platinum
sign, 2 paid Foursomes, and an 18"x12"
Hole Sponsor Sign

Gold - \$1,500 Includes a 3'x2' Gold Sign, 1
paid Foursome, and an 18"x12" Hole
Sponsor Sign

Silver - \$1,000 Includes a 3'x2' Silver Sign,
1 paid Foursome, and an 18"x12" Hole
Sponsor Sign

Bronze - \$500 Includes a 3'x2' Bronze
Sign and an 18"x12" Hole Sponsor Sign

Hole - \$100 Includes an 18"x12" Hole
Sponsor Sign

Cart - \$50 Includes an 8.5"x11" sign on cart



Golfer Registration Form PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

Format: 4-Person Scramble
(One single-digit handicap per team)

Team Name _____

Golfer #1 _____

Address _____

City/St/ZIP _____

Phone (H) _____

Phone (W) _____

Email _____ Hcp _____

Golfer #2 _____

Address _____

City/St/ZIP _____

Phone (H) _____

Phone (W) _____

Email _____ Hcp _____

Golfer #3 _____

Address _____

City/St/ZIP _____

Phone (H) _____

Phone (W) _____

Email _____ Hcp _____

Golfer #4 _____

Address _____

City/St/ZIP _____

Phone (H) _____

Phone (W) _____

Email _____ Hcp _____

2023 LIONS/LEOS SPONSORSHIP REPLY SHEET

To facilitate the processing of camper registrations, we would appreciate knowing if your club has approved sponsorships. In February, forms will be available on the camp website: BeaconLodge.org

We _____ will provide the following sponsorship(s):

Name of Lions/Leo Club	District	County	Check #
_____ \$650 - Adult Camp Perception/Adult Camp Liberty/Camp ConnXions/Camp AD(H)Dventure	_____	_____	_____ Check Enclosed:
_____ \$600 - Adult Camp Empower	_____	_____	_____ Check will be mailed by (date):
_____ \$550 - Adult Camp Felicity/Camp L.E.A.P./Camp Sensational	_____	_____	_____ Beacon Lodge Camp to bill club:
_____ \$500 - Adult Family Camp/Children's Camp Unite	_____	_____	_____ (note all billing is done after camp closes in August, if you
_____ \$250 - Adopt a Counselor	_____	_____	_____ want billed before this please specify above)
_____ Total \$ Amount			

_____ YES, PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp may designate the person(s) to benefit from our sponsorship.

_____ NO, Please designate the sponsorship to the following person(s):

Camper Name _____	Age _____	Address _____	New Camper: YES/NO _____
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_____ If new camper, please have the camper contact Beacon Lodge Camp at 814-542-2511 for camper registration information.
 _____ Person Completing Form:

Name _____	Address _____
Club Office/Position _____	Phone _____

Please note: The commitment or payment of a sponsorship does not satisfy a camper's registration. A camper will be considered registered upon receipt of the completed registration and the \$100 registration fee.

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO: PA LIONS BEACON LODGE CAMP EMAIL - office@beaconlodge.org
 114 STATE ROUTE 103 SOUTH FAX - 814-542-7437
 MOUNT UNION, PA, 17066



Join us for the LDBAW

Lions 14-B and 14-E Diabetes
Golf Challenge

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF
THE LIONS DIABETES
CENTER

Saturday, September 9, 2023



Butler's Golf Course, Elizabeth, PA
Shotgun: 9:00 AM (8:00 AM registration)
Cost: \$125.00 per golfer
(Dinner only—\$30)



Event Major Sponsor \$2,500
(Includes 8 golfers, Souvenir Recognition, 4-Dinners, Tee Sign)

Type 1 - \$1,500
(includes Foursome and Tee Sign)

Type 2 - \$1,000
(Includes Twosome and Tee sign)



Beverage Cart - \$250
Tee or Green - \$100 (sign)
Dinner Only - \$30

Mail Check to Chairman:

PDG Joe Donkin (14B)
P.O. Box 184
Elizabeth, PA 15037
pdg92932@aol.com



Mail Check to Co-Chairman:

PDG Tom Gregg (14E)
1130 Willowbrook Road
Rostraver Township, PA
15012
tomgregg1@verizon.net

Make Checks Payable to: (LDBAW a 501C3)
Lions Diabetes Board of Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties



REGISTRATION FORM

FOURSOME #1

Golfer 1 _____

Golfer 2 _____

Golfer 3 _____

Golfer 4 _____

FOURSOME #2

Golfer 1 _____

Golfer 2 _____

Golfer 3 _____

Golfer 4 _____

Name on Tee Sign: _____

Beverage Cart Sponsor: _____

Tee or Green Sponsor: _____

Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation Fellowship Application

The Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation Fellowship and Contributing Membership Programs

Both of the following programs have been established to help provide funding to support the projects of the Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation. Our goal is to continue our mission of providing assistance for adults and children through the purchase of audiology devices that will improve hearing for those who are hearing impaired.

The Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation Fellowship Program

The Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation Fellowship has been established to help provide funding to continue to provide hearing aids for individuals in need.

By naming a person a WPLHF Fellow your contribution goes toward helping those with hearing challenges be able to once again, hear and communicate with the world around them.

For a \$250.00 donation the recipient of the fellowship will receive a lapel pin and plaque (pictured here) indicating them as a fellow.

The recipient of this award need not be a Lion. Anyone who supports the process of improving hearing can be honored with this award.



The Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation Contributing Membership



You can show your support for the Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation by becoming a contributing member. A \$10.00 purchase provides the pin seen here.

Check out the Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation website at www.wpalhf.org or contact one of your District Board Members for more information.

The application can be found in the Newsletter Email. Just scroll down and find the block that says "Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation Fellowship Application" and click on it.

If you wish for a copy to be emailed to you, please reach out to PDG Lance Remic or myself at the following emails:

Lremic@hotmail.com

Or

Lisgis67@msn.com



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Lions Districts Supported by the Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation:

- 14-B – Allegheny
- 14-E – Westmoreland
- 14-F – Crawford, Erie, Forest, Mercer, McKean, Venango, and Warren
- 14-J – Cambria, Cameron, Clearfield, Elk, Indiana, and Jefferson
- 14-L – Bedford, Blair, Fulton, Huntingdon, and Mifflin
- 14-M – Fayette, Greene, Somerset, and Washington
- 14-N – Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Clarion, and Lawrence

The Lions Clubs within the above counties are able to take referrals for auditory devices (hearing aids). If you have a need or your club has an individual, please contact the Board Member from your respective County/Lions District to start the application process.

For more information about the Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation visit the Web site at:



www.wpalhf.org
OUR MISSION

To provide assistance for adults and children through the purchase of audiology devices that will improve hearing for those who are hearing impaired.

Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation







FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION


Pennsylvania Lions CARE FOR THE KIDS™




A Four Diamonds Program Conquering Childhood Cancer

JOIN US IN THE FIGHT TO CONQUER CHILDHOOD CANCER!

- 1 VISIT OUR FUNDRAISING PAGE**
 Visit FourDiamonds.org/PALions and look for the state of Pennsylvania towards the bottom of the page.
- 2 CLICK ON YOUR DISTRICT**
 Click on your district/county and make a donation or create a fundraising page for your club.
- 3 CREATE A FUNDRAISING PAGE**
 Click "Join our Team" and then click "Continue to Next Step". Enter a fundraising goal, select if you would like to make a donation and fill in the other required information. Then click "Continue to Confirmation".
- 4 RAISE FUNDS TO CONQUER CHILDHOOD CANCER**
 Your fundraising page is now set up and you can begin fundraising for your Lions Club and help Four Diamonds Conquer Childhood Cancer.

 Personalize Your Page
  Connect to Twitter
  Connect to Facebook
  Send Donor Invites

FourDiamonds.org/PALions


Pennsylvania Lions CARE FOR THE KIDS™


A Four Diamonds Program Conquering Childhood Cancer


How to set up Your Recurring Gift

- 1 Visit our fundraising page**
 Visit FourDiamonds.org/PALions and scroll down and click "Make a Donation."


MAKE A DONATION
- 2 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	\$100	\$500	\$1000
	\$50	\$20	Other
- 3 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

Please note that these flyers can be found by clicking on the appropriate box found in the Newsletter Email. This is being done to minimize space taken up with repeat articles and to help make the newsletter more manageable in size!







Four Diamonds 2021-2022

PA Lions- Care for the Kids

\$32,110.85


Thanks to your efforts, Four Diamonds provides world-class care and life-saving research to kids fighting cancer.


Here are some examples of how your fundraising dollars are making an impact:

- 
918 hours of music therapy for patients to play instruments, sing and listen to or create music to alleviate pain and express feelings (\$35/hour)
- 
214 hours of Child Life services to help children cope with their treatment through play therapy and distraction techniques (\$150/hour)
- 
161 days for a clinical nutritionist to provide information and resources to help keep a child as healthy as possible and help reduce side effects of therapy (\$200/day)
- 
32 days for a team of dedicated social workers to support families with the adjustment from diagnosis, through treatment and into survivorship (\$1,000/day)
- 
30 hours of ongoing research, which focuses on finding better, safer treatments and cures for childhood cancer (\$1,080/hour)
- 
7 months to maintain essential research equipment at the Four Diamonds Pediatric Cancer Research Center (\$4,500/month)


FOUR DIAMONDS
 Conquering Childhood Cancer

Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love.





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:

<input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing	<input type="checkbox"/> Electrical
<input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry	<input type="checkbox"/> Masonry
<input type="checkbox"/> Painting	<input type="checkbox"/> Drywall
<input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping	<input type="checkbox"/> General Volunteer
<input type="checkbox"/> Roofing	<input type="checkbox"/> Truck Driver (or can operate other equipment)
<input type="checkbox"/> 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)

Check out the latest newsletter **UPDATE** from **LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND!**

Find attachment in the email! **ENJOY!**



UPDATE

LEADERDOG.ORG | ISSUE 1 | 2023 | LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND



The Client Experience

The On-Campus Experience

New Volunteer Puppy Raiser Options



LEADER DOGS
FOR THE BLIND

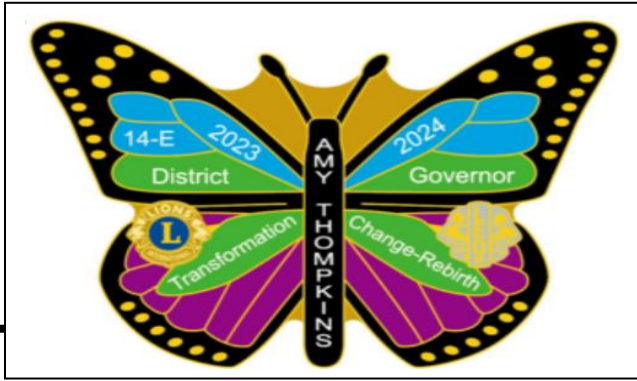


You've probably seen many pictures and stories of **Leader Dog** clients confidently navigating life with their white canes and guide **dogs**, but there's a lot that goes into those success stories!

Though we also offer models of our Guide **Dog** and Orientation and Mobility programs that take place in other locations, most of our clients start their journeys to travel independence right here on our Rochester Hills, Michigan campus. In this issue of **Update**, we hope you'll enjoy a behind-the-scenes view of some of the things clients experience during an on-campus program at **Leader Dog**.

In the photo below, one of our clients enjoys pizza and beer night.





2023-2024 DISTRICT 14-E PROJECTS DONATION FORM

CLUB _____

DATE _____

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

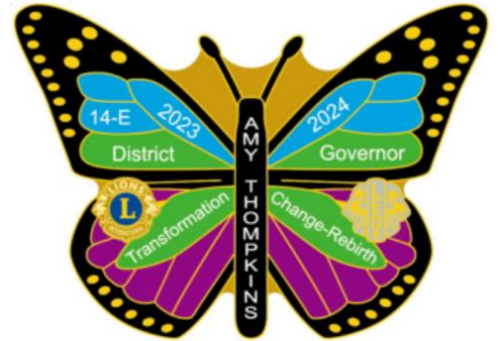
\$ _____

TOTAL DONATION:

\$ _____

Please note: If your club has not already submitted donations, they must be received by May 1, 2024 to receive credit for 2023-2024 Lions Year. 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 Robert Mesher, 441 Gallitin Road, Belle Vernon, PA 15012. If necessary check can be given to District Governor Amy before the deadline.

District 14-E Change Agents:



DISTRICT 14-E CABINET – 2023-2024

District Governor	Amy Thompkins	Delmont	amoose309@yahoo.com	412-551-0327
1st Vice District Governor	Jeff Jordan	Level Green	Jeffreybob14e@gmail.com	412-418-3646
2 nd Vice District Governor	Lisa Gismondi	Delmont	Lisgis67@gmail.com	724-454-3653
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District Treasurer	Robert Mesher	Rostraver Twp	robertmesher@comcast.net	724-323-5458

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*Transformation
Change -Rebirth*

IMPORTANT WEB ADDRESSES

District 14-E Lions.....www.lions14E.org
Leader Dogs for the Blind.....www.leaderdog.org
Lions Clubs International.....www.lionsclubs.org
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp.....www.beaconlodge.org
PA State Council of Lions Clubs.....www.palions.org
Lions of PA Foundation.....www.lionsofpafoundation.org
Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation.....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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