



DG Grace's 14-U Newsletter

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Immediate Past District Governor Matthew Uroskie, District Governor Grace Karrer, 1st & 2nd VDGs Daniel Borchick & Alicia Silliman



Dist. Governor Grace's Message

Hello everyone!!

I'm back from Australia as your new Dist. Governor. The convention was great but the plane rides, not so good. My group stayed pretty much together and looked out for each other. An experience I will never forget.

Besides that, I have been busy in our District. I installed officers from Pine Grove – Wayne Twp – and Tower City. What a great night.

Elliott Hilton from 14 N stayed an extra night to go with me and Rosz.

I attended Matt's last cabinet meeting and he presented me with the governor's bell – gavel and banner.

I participated in zoom phone call, as the District's GAT Chair, along with 50 other people. Lion Beth Stevens in charge.

Coming up I will be doing a Leader Dog Program at Lehigh/Lioness. Jeff, Lori and Leader Dog Max will be with me.

My pins are done and for sale at \$5.00 each. My directories are at the printers. My 1st cabinet meeting is set up. Hope to see you there.

Again, thank you for electing me as your governor.

DG Grace



1st Vice Dist. Gov. Daniel's Message

Hello Lions and Leos,

Here we are already in our Lions' new year. Congratulations District Governor Grace on your Governorship. Governor Grace and I have an upcoming training in Orlando FL. At the beginning of August for GAT training.

Thank you, Immediate Past District Governor Matt, for your past leadership.

Congratulations to our 2nd Vice District Governor Alicia Silliman.

I have a very busy month coming up in August. Like I said, I'm going to FL. Then we have a council meeting in Harrisburg. Then at the end of the month I'll be going to Michigan to visit Leader Dog. I can't for that! I just hope I don't come home with Beacon the dog PDG Trisha and PGD Jason Radmann were training.

Please remember to report your events. Please recruit new members, very important for Lions survival. Please support other District Clubs even if just to say "how are things going" or "can I lend hand", we all make up the team, no matter what club you're a member of.

Thank You.

Yours in service

1VDG Daniel

District 14-U is on Facebook. Make sure you check us out and "Like" and "Follow" us for info on District and Club activities:

<https://www.facebook.com/district14u/>



MAKE YOUR MARK

Everywhere we serve,
every time we give, we bring
kindness and compassion,
change and hope.

And we make our mark on the
lives we touch, the communities
we serve and the world we share.



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INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT
2024-2025

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE 2024-2025

Make Your Mark

There's a leader inside every Lion.

And leaders know that, through collective action and individual commitment, we can inspire and empower whole communities. Making them healthier and stronger than ever before. And making our mark in the process.

As leaders, we unite people through our clubs, and in our mission of service. We foster collaboration so we can do what others say can't be done. We embrace innovation so we can bring our bold service vision to life. We give caring people the chance to serve with us so they can lead with us as Lions. And with every new member we bring, we make our mark on the future of service.

Together, we reach out to the people who need us. We amplify voices that would otherwise go unheard. We change lives in ways that only Lions can. And with every life we touch, with every community we serve, we make a mark that will endure, and will never be forgotten.





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**PENNSYLVANIA LIONS' APPRECIATION DAY
CELEBRATING 76 CONTINUOUS YEARS OF CAMPING
SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2024**

Sunday, July 21, 2024, has been designated as "Pennsylvania Lions Appreciation Day." This is the day to recognize not only Immediate Past District Governors, District Liaisons, and all Lions and Leos for their outstanding support of the Beacon Lodge Program.

As a Lion or Leo, you are cordially invited to bring your families to Beacon Lodge to join the festivities. Festivities will begin at 9:00 AM. Lunch will be served from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM. The cost is \$10.00 per person.

Pin Traders are invited to participate – contact Jason Radmann at lionjasonradmann@gmail.com if you wish to display pins.

Clubs planning to arrange for bus transportation are urged to give the camp ample notice so adequate parking arrangements can be made. Bring lawn chairs and or blankets for seating during the camper's talent show. Certified service animals are allowed to attend if you bring the certification paper from the training entity.

We hope you will be able to visit the camp on "Pennsylvania Lions Appreciation Day" to observe what your contributions have made possible. Every Lion in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania should be very proud of their part in making the Beacon Lodge Camp possible.

**PRE-PAID RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE BY JUNE 30
PLEASE SEND THE COMPLETED FORM (BELOW) TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS WITH PAYMENT**

PLEASE NOTE: NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER JUNE 30, 2024

**PENNSYLVANIA LIONS APPRECIATION DAY
JULY 21, 2024**

PLEASE RESERVE _____ Picnic Meals @\$10.00 EACH = TOTAL \$_____

TICKETS WILL BE PICKED UP ON JULY 21 BY:

NAME & ADDRESS OF PERSON MAKING RESERVATION:

NAME STREET CITY STATE ZIP

Club and District

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$_____

A 501(c) 3 NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION (GIFTS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE)



District 14U 1st Cabinet Meeting

Sunday, August 18, 2024

At Minersville Lions Pavilion

850 Church Street, Minersville, Pa 17954

Cost: \$25.00 Per Person

**Brisket, Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Mac & Cheese, Cole Slaw,
Chips, Roll, Pie, Water & Soda.**

Lunch at 1:00pm Meeting to follow

Please return this form by August 10th

Name _____ Club _____

Number Attending _____ Amount Enclosed _____

Checks should be payable to: District 14U Lions

Mail to: Dorothy Pomian
2200 1st Avenue Apt.214
Pottsville, Pa 17901

Calendar of Upcoming Events

PROPOSED CLUB VISITATION SCHEDULE *

• August 27, 2024	Tannersville Lions Club
• Sept. 10	Greene Dreher Lions Club
• Sept. 18	Minersville Lions Club
• Sept. 24	Stroudsburg Lions Club
• Sept. 26	Franklin Township Lions Club
• October 1	Jim Thorpe Lions Club
• October 3	Milford Lions Club
• October 14	Shohola Area Lions Club
• November 4	Pottsville Lions Club
• November 7	Dingmans Ferry Lions Club
• November 18	Valley View/Tri-Valley L. C.
• November 20	West Penn Township Lions Club
• December 2	Schuylkill Haven Lions Club
• January 6, 2025	Palmerton Lions Club
• January 9	Porter Tower Lions Club
• January 14	Saint Clair Lions Club
• January 28	Tamaqua Lions Club
• February 6	Pocono Lions Club
• February 10	Wayne Township Lions Club
• February 17	Bowmanstown Parryville L. C.
• February 19	Little Schuylkill Lions Club
• February 25	Orwigsburg Lions Club
• February 27	Pine Grove Lions Club
• March 6	Lehighon Area Lioness L.s C.
• March 10	Bushkill Smithfields Lions Club
• March 12	McAdoo Lions Club
• March 26	Mahoning Township Lions Club

* NOTE: visitations are subject to change

DISTRICT & STATE EVENTS

- July 21st, 2024 - PA Lions Appreciation Day at Beacon Lodge Camp in Mount Union, PA
- August 18th, 2024 – First District 14-U Cabinet Mtg. @ the Minersville Lions Pavillion.
- August 25, 2024 – District 14-U Lions Clubs at the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs @ Coca Cola Park.

NEW DATE FOR THE DISTRICT 14-U EVENT AT THE IRON PIGS!

Want to have a fun day and give back to Lions Clubs International? On **August 25th** we will have a *Lions District 14U Day at the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs* at 1:05PM. Tickets are \$16 and they include a \$2 voucher to be used at any of the food stands. \$4 of each ticket sold will go to LCIF. What a great way to give back!

NOTE: This is open to ALL, not to just Lions. The link below is good for friends, family members, and anyone in the community that wants to support Lions Clubs.

📅 Aug 25, 2024 1:35 PM EDT

Lions District 14 U

Come on out to Coca-Cola Park on Sunday, August 25th to see the Lehigh Valley IronPigs take on the Rochester Red Wings!

First pitch is at 1:35 PM with the gates opening at 12:15 PM

This game is "Sensory Friendly" - reduced visual and audio stimuli, access to sensory friendly room in the PNC Club Level, sensory bags available at guest services

\$4 from each ticket goes back to the **Lions District 14 U**

Each ticket purchased through this link will include \$2.00 of ballpark credit on the barcode!



TO ORDER TIX, GO TO: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Lionsdistrict8>

SUBMISSIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER

DG Grace would like to publish the monthly Newsletter *by the 6th of every month*. Please forward all Club Announcements and Messages for the Dist. Newsletter no later than the 2nd of the month.

Forward them to Editor Dave at: murrylion2@aol.com



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 resource 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 Peace Poster kit and Peace Essay rules.
Build your club committees 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 Your Club, Your Way!
October	November	December
October is World Sight Day. Start on our Vision webpage to find service project ideas and planning tools. Re-engage inactive members by sharing the service activities your club has planned and ways they can contribute.	November 14 is World Diabetes Day. Visit our Diabetes webpage to learn how your club can help fight this global epidemic. Involve your whole club in identifying opportunities for improvement through the Club Quality Initiative	December 5 is International Leo Day. Partner with your Leo club on a holiday project. Don't have a Leo club? Start one! 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. All club events are great opportunities to get your club known. Our Marketing Communications Guide has ideas and resources to help.	February 15 is Childhood Cancer Day. Show how your club cares for children with a Valentine themed fundraiser Lions are people who care. Make sure your fundraiser invites all who attend (and those who don't) to become Lions.	March 8 is international Women's Day. Host a Women's Symposium for a meeting topic on growing women Lion leaders. 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 Environment webpage Join Lions worldwide in welcoming new members to their clubs. Celebrate Worldwide Induction Day on last Saturday of April.	May is world Hunger Day. Start on our Hunger webpage to identify ways to serve in providing access to nutritious foods. Elect club officers for next year, so they can learn their positions and develop plans for your club's future achievements.	June 7 is Lions Clubs Birthday! Hold a party to appreciate your club members and celebrate your club accomplishments. With your club's excellence in membership, service, leadership & organizational excellence and marketing communications, apply for the Club Excellence Award .

Club Activities...

Bowmanstown-Parryville

- The Club's 48th Charter Observance Banquet was held on Monday 6/17 at the Bowmanstown Volunteer Fire Company Hall. During the Charter Observance Banquet Lion Loraine Neal presented a Memorial Bible to Lion Earl Reabold in memory of his wife Lion Jean Reabold. PDG Gary Bender performed the "Installation of Officers" ceremony and presented Lion Cheryl A. Ravert with a Melvin Jones Fellowship.



- Donations:
 - \$100.00 - Dream Come True
 - \$300.00 - Valor Project/Paul's House
 - \$600.00/each – 4 Student Achievement Award Recipients
 - \$1,000.00 – LCIF – 1 Melvin Jones Fellowship Recipient
 - \$400.00/each – Fire Police from the 3 local Volunteer Fire Companies (Bowmanstown, Parryville and East Penn Township)



Fire Police Check Presentation:

(left to right) Lion Norman Engle, Jr.; East Penn Township Vol Fire Co – Dave Weiner; Parryville Vol Fire Co – Assistant Chief Greg White and Sue Homm; Bowmanstown Vol Fire Co – Chief Michael Spairana, Jr. and Jay Reid

- Had a joint Meeting with BARC and Bowmanstown Volunteer Fire Company members to discuss plans for the Bowmanstown Community Picnic to be held 7/15 in the Fire Company Grove. Also worked with members of BARC and the Bowmanstown Volunteer Fire Company to clean the grounds and concession stand and trailer in preparation for the 7/15 Community Picnic.



Student Achievement Award Recipients:

(left to right) Lion Larry Engle, Brayden Hosier, Michael Bowman, Ciara Berhel, Lion Ruth Augustine

- It is with great sadness that the Club notes the passing of member Lion Richard C. Beers on 6/30/2024.

Bushkill-
Smithfields

- Our club donated \$100.00 towards Childhood Cancer Research and Assistance.

Dingman's Ferry

- *No activities filed for June.*

Greene-Dreher

- *No activities filed for June.*

Jim Thorpe

- *No activities filed for June.*

Franklin Township

- *No activities filed for June.*

Lehighton Lioness
Lions

Lions

- Our Club Marketing Chair created a new video highlighting one of our bingo events. We are glad to share it with all of you:
https://www.canva.com/design/DAGJVoucZIU/YNga-TGPi4sWgMGD6_iUzw/watch



Leos:

- *No activities filed for June.*

Little Schuylkill

- *No activities filed for June.*

Mahoning Twp.

- Had a successful ice cream social on June 12.
- Will be holding an ice cream social on July 10 from 4:30pm – 7:30pm at our Normal Square pavilion at Fritz Valley Rd and 443.
- Donated \$200 to Family Promise of Carbon County.

McAdoo



District Governor Matt Uroskie presented 1st Vice District Governor Daniel Borchick with a certificate of appreciation at the cabinet picnic on June 30th.

- The fundraiser bus trip to Wind Creek Casino on July 11th is full—56 passengers.
- We sold lottery calendars for the month of June.
- We collected 142 pair of glasses which were delivered to the St. Clair Lions building by Pres. Daniel Borchick.
- President Borchick presented Lion Mary Labert with a Membership Key Award for having sponsored 20 new Lions during her years as a Lion.

Milford

- Two Milford Lions cleaned up Christian Hill Rd., collecting five bags of trash.

Minersville

- *No activities filed for June.*

Orwigsburg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No activities filed for June.</i>
Palmerton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No activities filed for June..</i>
Pine Grove	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held An Evening with Elvis as a fundraiser. Raised %550. • Held our first Blue Grass Festival as a fundraiser Raised \$990. • Held a Legends of Country Music Show as a fundraiser. Raised \$650.
Pocono	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The club conducted its annual Golf Outing fundraiser at Pocono Manor golf course on June 19. The event was successful with 128 players, 148 diners and many community and hole sponsors. • The club awarded its annual awards (Melvin Jones Fellow, Lion of the Year Award. William Lewis Community Service Award, Pocono Lions Distinguished Service Award), and installed the FY 2024-2025 officers at an event held on June 27. • The van drivers took eleven disabled or transportation-limited veterans from their homes to their medical appointments at the VA Medical Center in Wilkes Barre.
Porter Tower	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did Meals on Wheels. • Three volunteers provided Senior Rides to Appointments.
Pottsville	<p><u>Lions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No activities filed for June.</i> <p><u>Leos:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No activities filed for June.</i>
Saint Clair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to have Monday night bingo. • A little slow during the hot season. • Keep the glasses coming in.
Schuylkill Haven	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Club gave several awards this year to the Schuylkill Haven High School Class of 2024: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Schuylkill Haven Lions Club Excellence in Citizenship Service Award - \$250 to the senior best demonstrating contributions of time and energy to the improvement of the community and school – Addison Marie Zelinsky ○ Schuylkill Haven Lions Club Excellence in Education Award - \$250 to a boy in the vocational instruction who achieved the highest honor – Merlin Rain Goerner ○ Schuylkill Haven Lions Club Excellence in Education Award - \$250 to a girl in the vocational instruction who achieved the highest honor – Vanessa Isabella Noecker ○ Schuylkill Haven Lions Club Excellence in Education Award - \$250 to the Salutatorian – Reagan Eva Mitchell ○ Schuylkill Haven Lions Club Excellence in Education Award - \$500 to the Valedictorian – Christopher Killian George, II ○ Schuylkill Haven Lions Club Award - \$50 to a student who excels in instrumental music – Sean Thomas Seven • The Club’s Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast was featured on the WYOU and WBRE newscast: Pancakes were on the menu at Schuylkill Haven High School. The Club has been hosting the annual meal that falls on Memorial Day for decades.



Shohola Area

- Two \$1,500.00 scholarships were given out -- one to a student from Delaware Valley High School who will be attending Kutztown University in the fall, and one to a student from Wallenpaupack Area High School, who will be attending Drexel University.
- We gave \$500.00 to a family in need.
- The sportsman's raffle was held on Friday, June 28th. Congratulations to the four winners!

Stroudsburg

- Lion Lilly collected 183 pairs of eyeglasses

Tamaqua

- *No activities filed for June.*

Tannersville

- *No activities filed for June.*

Valley View/Tri-Valley

- Four members volunteered a total of 148 hours assisting 31 people with various activities.
- Two members volunteered a total of 38 hours to deliver 122 MOWs to local shut-ins.
- Three members volunteered a total of 22 hours assisting persons in the community.
- Two members volunteered 3 hours administering/assisting with the Recycled Hearing Aid Program.
- Two members volunteered a total of 8 hours assisting with the concession stand as Lions Club members at the Valley View Park.

- One member volunteered 10 hours attending the meeting in Harrisburg and performing duties for NEPALSF
- Two members volunteered a total of 3 hours collecting and sorting used eyeglasses.
- The club donated \$200 to District 14-U Childhood Cancer Program.
- Fourteen members volunteered a total of 72 hours during the club's fundraising events at the Benigna's Creek Winery in coordination with their planned Sangria Sunday and Picnic at the Winery. The club raised a total of \$212.00 for the combined events.

West Penn Twp.

- Our 2024 Chicken BBQ "Drive Thru" Fund Raiser was a big success. Everyone enjoyed the Bell & Evans chicken. The BBQ was a SELL OUT. Pre-Orders are the way to go.
- The 2024-2025 West Penn Township Lions Officers and Directors were installed at their Banquet. District Governor Elect Grace Karrer from Saint Clair Lions Club officiated and installed all officers and directors into their respective Lion offices.
- Past International Director Robert Miller from the West Penn Lions Club presented an International Presidential Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of LCI President Dr. Patti Hill from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada to Lion Becky Neumoyer.



Lions from left to right are: DGE Grace Karrer, Lion Judy Miller - 1 Yr Director, Lion Jackie Selitto - 2nd Vice President, Lion Gary Kistler - 1 Yr Director, Lion Rebecca Neumoyer - Incoming President, Lion Tina Dougherty - 1st Vice President, Lion Karissa Brothers - Outgoing President, Lion Bob Neumoyer - Club Secretary, Lion Jeremy Brothers - 2 Yr Director, Lion Leroy Wentzel - Tail Twister, Lion Stacey Lechleitner - 2 Yr Director.

- Feeding the Hungry: Lion Gary Kistler reported that currently we help 5 families containing 8 adults and 3 children. A \$50.00 gift card from Giant Foods, Lehighton was donated to 4 families. The 5th family, since they have no transportation, received \$50 in non-perishable / perishable food items.
- New Member Blake Tharp Inducted by PID Robert Miller.

- Mackenzie Moyer & family will be presented the Marian Catholic Academic \$500.00 Award check
- Band Concert in the Park - The Cressona Band concert has been approved for August 7th at the W.P. Park-



PDG Bob presented a Lions of PA \$16,500 grant for Pediatric Cancer to IPDG Lisa & ZC Bob Silliman at the June District Cabinet Mtg.

Wayne Twp.

- The club donated \$100.00 for Pediatric Cancer Patients.
- The club donated \$100.00 to the LCIF for tornado victims.
- The club hosted a regularly scheduled Red Cross Blood Drive at our local fire company. The drive yielded 43 units of blood which can save up to 129 lives.

New Lion Members

POCONO LIONS CLUB

Wendy Flanders
Rick Flanders
Russell Kemp

STROUDSBURG LIONS CLUB

Janice I. Metcalf
Svetlana Mas-Wegele
Joan F. Weidner

Departed Lion Members

BOWMANSTOWN-PARRYVILLE L C

Richard C. Beers

GREENE DREHER

Donald Shepard

PORTER TOWER LIONS CLUB

Colleen Wolfe





Bowmanstown-Parryville Lions Club

Come visit our Concession Stand--

Carbon County Lion/Lioness Fair

(3285 Little Gap Road, Palmerton, PA)

August 5-10, 2024

West End Fair

(570 Fairgrounds Road, Gilbert, PA 18331)

August 18-24, 2024

Palmerton Community Festival

(305 Delaware Avenue, Palmerton, PA 18071)

September 6-8, 2024

Hope to see you at the Fair!!

THE LEHIGHTON AREA LEO'S

BASKET

RAFFLE

197 NORTH 6TH STREET, LEHIGHTON, PA 18235
ENTER THROUGH THE DOWNSTAIRS DOOR



SEPTEMBER 14TH
11 AM TO 3 PM



JOIN THE LEO'S!
MUST BE 12-18 YEARS OLD
CONTACT SUE FOR MORE INFORMATION
(610) 704-7122

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Region 3

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PDG Charlie Zimmerman 570-915-6951

Interesting Links

Lions Clubs International	www.lionsclubs.org
PA State Council of Lions Clubs	www.palions.org
Lions Clubs International Foundation	LCIF
Lions of PA Foundation	www.lionsofpafoundation.org
NEPA Lions Service Foundation	www.nepalsf.org
Leader Dogs for the Blind	www.leaderdog.org
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp	https://beaconlodge.org
PA Lions Care for Kids	PA Lions CfK
PA Lions Sight Conservation & Eye Research Foundation	PA Lions SC & ER F
PA Lions Hearing Research Foundation	www.plhrf.org

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