

District 14C Newsletter September 2023



A Message From the District Governor



District Governor Marty Zimmerman

Some of my message for this month comes from remarks from the first cabinet meeting. (So may sound familiar to some of you) I am humbled to serve as District Governor working with an amazing group of volunteers, yes volunteers. All of us have the same amount of time each day and I am thankful that all of you choose to spent some of that time serving others. Lions of Pennsylvania just completed 100 years of service, congratulations to all of you!

I'd also like to take this opportunity to CONGRATULATE IPDG Keith on one fantastic year of leadership. He truly made a difference. I'm proud to announce that in District 14-C 19 clubs qualified for Club Excellence Awards. 12,11. 13, 15 yes, I know looking at previous District Governors there are some large shoes to fill – okay I am a social worker so I not great at math, so probably got the sizes of shoes

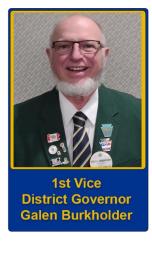
wrong. With your help, I will do my best to continue to build upon the strong foundation of leadership in 14 -C. I am grateful and give thanks to Clubs and Lions who purchased ads or sponsorships for the directory. A special to thanks PDG Dennis Cope for putting it together, and PDG George Reisinger for his special relationship with Ben Franklin to get it printed. I have started visiting Lions Clubs in the District and appreciate the warm welcome and having the opportunity to interact with the Lions of the district. I am encouraged that a number of the clubs are adding new members. Of course, membership is a major area of focus as we begin the campaign to reach 1.5 million Lions by 2027. Our district has been able to recruit new members every year, but unfortunately the number of members leaving outstrips the gain. I could be wrong but my view is if you are following your passion doing something you enjoy, while working with others in friendship /fellowship that makes a difference in your community, you will not walk away from it.

Fred Rogers stated" We **live in a world in which we need to share responsibility**. It's easy to say "It's not my child, not my community, not my world, not my problem." Then there are those who see the need and respond. I consider those people my heroes.

Where there is a need there is a Lion - so as lions we are often the ones that respond (you may not view yourself as a hero, but you are making a difference). My pin states "you can make a difference "I truly believe that is true. Please join me in making a difference and Changing the World, starting here in 14 - C. Thank you for all you do.

District Governor Marty Zimmerman

A Message From the 1st Vice District Governor



WE SERVE!

We (Each) Should Make a Difference!

If you are still among those in the workplace, you look forward to receiving your paycheck. Why not? After all you earned it.

If you like your job, you want to continue to be a worthy employee. What does that mean? It means you make changes, mature, and grow:

- Take advantage of new tools of the trade, or new software and updates.
- Enlarge your portfolio.
- Multitask and/or brainstorm as part of the team.
- Pass constructive criticism up and positive reinforcements down.
- Become a valuable asset.
- Become better at what you do.

So, you are retired? Doesn't matter. You should still practice these habits, even if you are a Lion? Especially if you are a LION.

Doesn't matter if you are a first-year Lion, or District Governor for 14-C. You should be constantly learning because in this information age, everything around us is constantly changing.

How do you do that? Take the online seminars available for District 14-C. The content is second to no one.

See the listing—and how to register—in this and future issues of the District 14-C Newsletter.

The challenge has been issued. Let's have some ACTION. Let's ROAR.

Lions All Thank you for your service.

Galen Burkholder

1st Vice District Governor

A Message From the 2nd Vice District Governor



Greetings Lions and Leos of District 14-C!

We look forward to the cooler weather Fall brings, but Lionism is heating up. Lions Clubs International has announced a new plan for membership into the organization, *MISSION 1.5. MISSION 1.5* is the drive to reach **1.5** million members worldwide so we can better meet the growing needs of our communities and serve more people than ever before. Because membership in North America has been decreasing for nearly 45 years, *MISSION* 1.5 was developed as a four-year plan to **increase our membership** to 1.5 million members and **to serve 1 billion people** throughout the world **by June 20, 2027**. To accomplish these goals, we need to have EVERY Lion onboard.

Closer to home at the District level, District Governor Marty has established some goals. By end of 2023-2024, District 14-C will Charter 1 Conventional Club & 1 Branch (or) Specialty Club. Also, District 14-C will achieve a positive membership growth, lose less than 70 members (not including loss by death), and will induct 100 new members into existing or new clubs. So the plan for new Club(s) is to review areas in the District that had Lions Clubs in the past. These areas that had Clubs were Abbottstown, Devers, Fairview Township, Glen Rock, Grantley, Greater Enola, Hampden, Hillcrest, Lewisberry, Lincolnway, Manchester Township, Mt. Rose, North York, Penn Township, Seven Valleys, Shiremanstown, Silver Springs, Springettsbury, Thomasville, West Fairview, Wrightsville, Yoe, York (Downtown), York Township and Zions View. The District has made contact with SpiriTrust Lutheran to see if there is any interest in starting Branch Club(s) at their facilities in Shrewsbury, Hanover and Gettysburg.

What is needed at your Club level is to maintain membership through retention, and if a member has left your Club, there is a letter on the next page to ask them to rejoin. It is imperative **that ALL clubs add members**, with particular emphasis on women, younger members, and various ethnic groups because our membership needs to reflect the diversity of the communities that we serve. Make it a family affair and ask members of your family to become a member. The "Just Ask" booklet has been updated to help in getting new members. As you can see, we have some work to do, but Lions have never been shy of work and making our Communities and World a better place to live.

Thank you for "Changing Your Community" and for "Changing the World."

Yours in Lionism, Doug Nace

Letter for Former Members

Dear Past Lions Member's Name

Your Lions Family misses you! I am the membership chairperson and am interested in keeping the Lions Family of <u>Club Name</u> healthy. In this regard I hope to keep our membership roster active and am encouraging current members to bring new members into the family. I am also looking forward to having past members, such as you, return to the family and help us maintain our relations with the communities we serve. I would love to discuss with you the reasons why you withdrew from our club, both so we can better serve our members and in the hope that we can resolve any issues on our side.

I therefore am extending to you an invitation to rejoin the <u>Club Name</u> Lions Club. I would be very happy to have you attend our meeting on <u>Day and Date</u> as our guest. I would like to discuss with you at that time the different types of membership that are now available, noting that meeting attendance is no longer required. We are seeking individuals who will join us in our service to the community and the world.

Your previous interest in serving the community was commendable and I am sure you would like to continue to do it as a Lions member.

Please let me know if you have any concerns, which I can be reached by the following means. <u>Telephone Number, E-mail Address, Address and Text Number.</u>

Thanking you in advance for your consideration in this matter and your interest in the past, I remain,

Yours in Lionism,

Lions Members' Name

Membership Chairperson

Club Name Lions Club

Cabinet Meeting Highlights

PDG Kerry McKnight installed members of the 2023-2024 District 14-C Cabinet Meeting



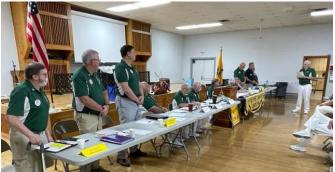
DG Marty Zimmerman



2nd Vice District Governor Doug Nace and 1st Vice a District Governor Gale Burkholder



Secretary Patti Wurzbacher and Treasurer Phil Olphin



Zone Chairs Mike Fenicle, Todd Boller, Jay Stroup, Duarte Hull, Don Dippner and Michele Lefler

Cabinet Meeting Highlights



PDG Kerry McKnight presented IPDG Keith Shoff the Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation's PIP Joe Wrobleski Award.

Awards Given at Cabinet Meeting

Lion Deb McKnight received the Presidential Certified Guiding Lion medal from DG Marty Zimmerman at August's District 14-C Cabinet meeting. She served successfully as the Guiding Lion for the Jacobus Area Lioness Lions Club.



IPDG Keith Shoff presented Lion Patti Hullmann with a framed peace poster given in appreciation of all the work she has done over the years for the Peace Poster Contest.





By Robbie Teal

Recently there was a news article about a local restaurant that refused service to a young blind lady and her service dog. The owner of the restaurant asked the blind person and her family to leave because of the service dog and was reported to have said some very disparaging remarks. This situation was wrong in so many ways. Not only was the owner of the restaurant in violation of ADA Compliance, but also Pennsylvania Human Relations Act 43 P.S. 953.

ADA requires businesses with a "no pet policies" to allow service animals to accompany a person with a disability. Under PHRA 43, Service Dogs and Service Dogs in training are entitled to equal opportunity in all aspects employment, education, as well as equal access to and treatment in all public accommodations and any housing accommodation or commercial property without discrimination. Violation of this law may result in an award of damages or other remedies. Pennsylvania is one of many states that recognize the importance of Service Dogs in training, and give them the same privileges and rights as a Service Dog.

When I started training my first Future Leader Dog Molson (Molson Golden the Golden Retriever), I carried with me a letter of introduction to all local businesses explaining who FLD Molson was, and what his training involves. The Future Leader Dog Puppies that I train go everywhere I go (sort of attached to the hip) and anywhere I think a blind person would do. Grocery stores, Doctor offices, Department Store, and even to the movies. Businesses became so used to seeing me and a FLD that I was training at the time, if I showed up without the puppy; I was asked where he was and why he wasn't with me. Even now, I get asked, "When are you getting your next puppy?" I have only had one place that denied me access, a Doctor's office, and that was because the Doctor was allergic. That is understandable. Remember as a Puppy Raiser, the FLD and myself are Ambassadors of Leader Dogs for the blind and as such should always make the effort to put our best foot forward.

Sign up now for the Bus Tour to Leader Dogs for the Blind. The date has been changed to November 10th -12th, 2023.

Lions International Peace Poster and Essay Contest



AH! A mantra that we can all live by no matter what our age!

And, for our **Lions International Peace Poster Contest** for 2023/2024, the children will be creating posters to share **their** vision of world peace by displaying their "dare to dream." With nothing to hold them back, they will turn their dream of a peaceful world into reality. The theme for the children to express in their posters is "**Dare to Dream**."

The Lions International Peace Poster Contest is celebrating its **36**th birthday this year! Children of the ages 11 to 13 are eligible to enter the contest. The contest encourages

children to think about what world peace means to them and to demonstrate their unique vison by creating a poster.

I am sure you are starting to hear school bells ring in your neighborhood as we are in ours. If you haven't already, this would be an excellent time to contact and share with a teacher or an advisor of a classroom, church youth group, homeschool group, scouting group, etc. about the peace poster contest and how it gives children the opportunity to express their vision of world peace.

Last year, we had 6 clubs sponsor youth in our district which was incredible! But, this year, let's try to expand that number to 7 or 8 clubs. That would be so awesome! Please consider making this one of your goals in your club to serve our youth by sponsoring them in the Peace Poster Contest. Without our sponsorship, this opportunity is lost. And considering, we have some of the most talented and creative children in our district, I cannot wait to see their creations for this year!

For sight impaired children, there is the **Peace Essay Contest** for them to enter. The information about the essay contest is available on the LCI Website. The theme is the same, "**Dare to Dream**."

You can order your Peace Poster kit on the LCI website or order by phone with the number being listed on the website, also.

Please let me know if there is any way I can help your club to become a generous sponsor of children in this contest. I would love to come to speak to your club about the contest or visit with the teacher, principal, counselor, advisor, youth group leader, etc. with you to make a presentation about the contest. Contact me at hullmannt@aol.com or (717) 600-7642.

Lion Patti Hullmann
District 14-C Peace Poster Chair



There is a saying if you want something done give it to a busy person. In my experience, I have always felt better physically and mentally when I have been busy. Periods of unemployment or and transition with a lot of free time have been difficult. Another observation I have made, is as your position changes, your responsibilities shift, as does your perspective. You are faced with new challenges and the need for new solutions. Sometimes, you may ask yourself why did I take this new position? It was much easier before. However, with that change of perspective usually you begin to see a larger picture and realize in your new role you can truly have a larger impact and make a difference.

Within Lionism, the individual Lions Club is the foundation of service to a community. Beyond the club there are zones, the district, the multiple district, and constitutional areas. Looking at District 14 – C, we are blessed with many dedicated Lions who are serving in leadership positions. I would ask you to consider thinking about serving your district as a zone chair, or positions within the Global Action Team. Yes, these positions are current filled, but my hope is to identify candidates that could shadow (assist) existing zone chairs and District Coordinators in the areas of Service, Membership and Leadership to prepare a smooth transition rather than a stop /start model. Again, I value all that each lion does for our district, but would ask you to consider stepping up to broaden your perspective and increasing the difference that you make in your service to others.

DG Marty Zimmerman



LIONS DISTRICT 14-C

A Sub-District of Pennsylvania Lions Multiple District 14 Serving Adams, Cumberland, and York Counties

SEMINAR SERIES

District 14-C is proud to present eight interactive on-line seminars for Lions club members and club leaders during the months of October 2023 through June 2024. All the seminars but two will be conducted through Zoom video conferencing. Pre-registration is required in order to participate in each seminar. Use the links provided below to register. An email will then be sent to confirm your registration along with a link to access the seminar.

GUIDING LIONS Certification Program - Saturday, October 14, 2023 9 a.m. to Noon in person.

The Guiding Lion Program is designed to assist clubs that are newly chartered, established or are rebuilding. Guiding Lions are assigned for a two-year term by the district governor in consultation with the sponsoring or established club president. Certification is valid for three years. PDG Kerry McNight will lead this seminar. This is an in-person seminar.

Email PDG Kerry to register klm52@aol.com

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION SEMINAR - Thursday, October 19, 2023 7:00 p.m.

This seminar provides information about the Lions organization beyond the club level. First year members and their sponsors as well as all Lions Club members are welcome to participate and will gain a better understanding of the organization and what it means to be a Lion. The presenters for this seminar are GMA/GET 2ndVDG Doug Nace and IPDG Keith Shoff. Click below to register.

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CLUB LCIF COORDINATOR (IPP) SEMINAR (new) - Thursday, November 16, 2023 7:00 p.m.

This seminar will focus on the responsibilities of a Club LCIF Coordinator and offer guidance on how to have a successful year. For some clubs this is the Immediate Past President of the Club; for other clubs, it is an individual appointed by the current President. Participants will learn how to get donations from their own club and members, and learn how to help the District reach its goal for the Club year. PDG Kerry McKnight will lead this seminar. Click below to enter the meeting.

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<u>CLUB PRESIDENTS AND VICE PRESIDENTS SEMINAR - Thursday, April 25, 2024 7:00 p.m.</u>

This seminar will focus on the responsibilities of a Lions Club President and offer guidance on how to have a successful year. Both current Club Presidents and Vice Presidents are encouraged to participate. PDG Lisa Griffie will lead this seminar. Click below to register.

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CLUB SECRETARY / CLUB ADMINISTRATOR SEMINAR - Thursday, May 2, 2024 7:00 p.m.

This is an orientation and update training for Club Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries, and Club Administrators. District 14-C Cabinet Secretary Patti Wurzbacher will lead the seminar. Basic responsibilities will be explained along with guidance on reporting to LCI. The seminar will include opportunities for questions and answers. Click below to register.

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ZONE CHAIRPERSON SEMINAR - Thursday, May 9, 2024 7:00 p.m.

This seminar is intended for current and prospective Zone Chairs. Participants will be given an overview of the duties of the Zone Chair. This seminar will also focus on resources available to Zone Chairs and implementation of the 2023-2024 District 14-C goals and action plans. Instructor will be GLT 1stVDG Galen Burkholder. Click below to register.

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NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION SEMINAR - Thursday, June 6, 2024 7:00 p.m.

This seminar provides information about the Lions organization beyond the club level. First year members and their sponsors as well as all Lions Club members are welcome to participate and will gain a better understanding of the organization and what it means to be a Lion. The presenters for this seminar are GMA/GET 2ndVDG Doug Nace and IPDG Keith Shoff. Click below to register.

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GUIDING LIONS Certification Program - Saturday, June 8, 2024 9 a.m. to Noon in person. The Guiding Lion Program is designed to assist clubs that are newly chartered, established or are rebuilding. Guiding Lions are assigned for a two-year term by the district governor in consultation with the sponsoring or established club president. Certification is valid for three years. PDG Kerry McNight will lead this seminar. This is an in-person seminar.

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Mechanicsburg Participates in Community Day



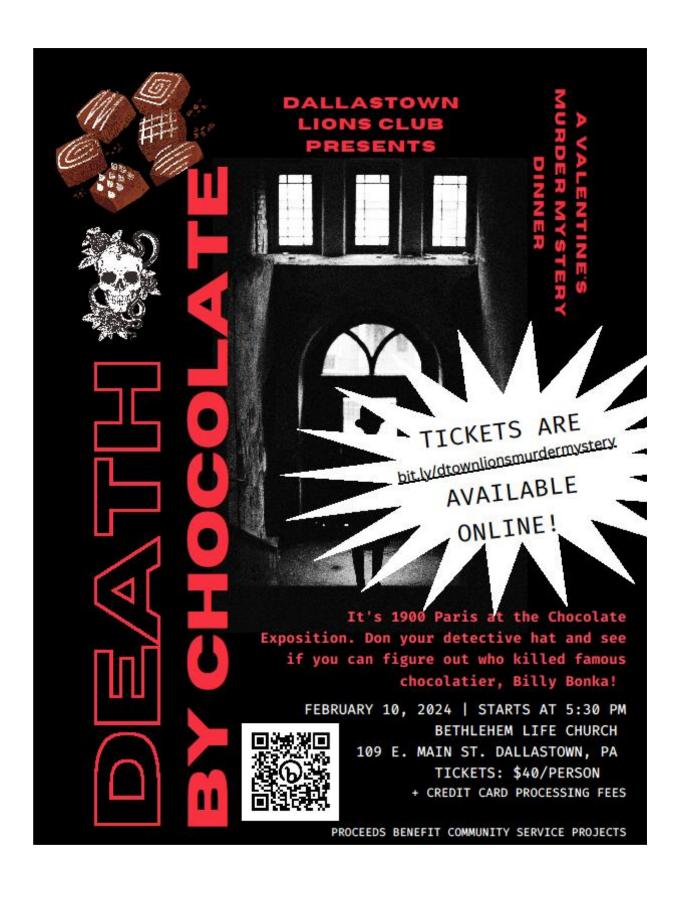


17 members of the Mechanicsburg Lions club volunteered service at the annual "Community Day at the Park" in Mechanicsburg. Lions assisted at several stations including helping kids to safely enjoy the day.

Carlisle Holds Steak Night

Carlisle Lions Club held their annual steak night. DG Marty awards Carlisle Lions Club President Greg McVey his 2022-2023 Service Excellence award. Multiple Lions received awards during the evening of food and fun. The club was honored by visits from DG Marty, IPDG Keith, 1VDG Galen, and 2VDG Doug for honoring the club with their unofficial visit to the Carlisle Lions Club.





The A B C's of LCIF

By IPDG Keith Shoff, LCIF District 14-C Coordinator

This is the second edition of "The A B C's of LCIF. So what did we learn so far?

LCIF is the charitable arm of LCI, designed to assist Lions with humanitarian projects. Our global causes include vision, youth, disaster relief, humanitarian efforts, diabetes, childhood cancer, hunger, and the environment. LCIF grants are funded by donations from Lions clubs and individual members worldwide. LCIF does not receive any portion of Lions membership dues. 100% of your financial gift goes to grants and program expenses. Administrative costs are handled through the returns on investment income.

Donors can invest with confidence - LCIF consistently receives a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator and was also named the #1 NGO to partner with for these reasons by Financial Times.

Since the Wild Fires in Hawaii are on everyone's mind, we'll discuss Disaster Relief. When natural disasters strike, Lions are among the first to offer help. With a disaster grant, they can do even more for communities devastated by hurricanes, floods, fires and other major events. As a foundation, we are proud to offer a variety of grant options to support various stages of disaster relief operations. There are actually 4 different and specific grants under the Disaster Relief umbrella. Each having their own criteria for application.

Disaster Preparedness Grants

Disaster Preparedness Grants support districts interested in partnering with local authorities and other community organizations to plan and prepare for future relief efforts. (IE: stockpiling of key materials and supplies for future response; advance support for first responders, food banks, medical facilities and shelters; outreach activities to community preparedness, education and awareness) Lions' District Governors may submit proposals for Disaster Preparedness Grants. Grants are awarded for up to US\$10,000.

Emergency Grants

Emergency Grants aid districts with "immediate" needs in providing immediate relief aid to disaster victims (IE: purchase and distribution of basic necessities, such as food, water, clothing, blankets, first-aid items, and cleaning supplies). Grants available in amounts of US\$5,000 – US\$10,000 and District Governors must apply within 30 days of the disaster's occurrence (clubs may not apply). At least 100 people need to be impacted and/or displaced by the disaster and the Funds must be spent within 30 days of receipt.

Community Recovery Grant

Community Recovery Grants aid districts interested in supporting short-term cleanup and repair efforts in situations where other organizations have already addressed immediate needs (IE: purchase of equipment and supplies for debris removal or for minor repair and refurbishment of groups of homes, medical facilities, schools, and other public institutions; coordination of blood drives; and temporary/mobile eye care clinics for disaster victims to replace lost glasses). Lions' District Governors may submit proposals for Community Recovery Grants. Grants awarded provide up to US\$20,000.

Major Catastrophe Grants

Major Catastrophe Grants are awarded for long-term reconstruction projects due to disasters that occur on a much larger scale. Major Catastrophe Grants are awarded at the discretion of the International President and the LCIF Chairperson and cannot be applied for by a district. These grants provide significant funds for catastrophes with major international impact such as Hurricanes, Earthquakes and the like.

Back to the situation in Hawaii ...

To date, LCIF has sent over \$100,000 to Hawaii with more yet to come. Various Club members (and Clubs) of 14-C have asked, how can I participate? It's actually quite simple!! Checks should be made out to "LCIF" in whatever amount you wish to donate. In the memo line write only "Disaster Relief." DO NOT write Hawaii as this will actually complicate things and could easily delay your donation.

PARTING THOUGHT

Each Club should have an appointed LCIF Coordinator, currently only 20 Clubs in 14-C have a Coordinator listed. For those that do not, the protocol is that the Immediate Past President of the Club automatically becomes the LCIF Coordinator. I am assembling a contact list to be able to communicate more effectively with the Clubs, so please notify me of any and all changes / additions relating to this important position

Stay tuned next month for more about the A B C's of LCIF

New Freedom Holds Movie Night

The New Freedom Lions co-sponsored movie night along with the New Freedom Heritage Kay Hughes Memorial Fund. Lions provided free popcorn for those who attended. Super Mario Bros was the movie and Mario & Luigi were a big hit with the kids!



Front Row (L to R) Lions Ken & Denise Varteresian, Patti Wurzbacher, Deb McKnight, and
Mario
Back Row (L to R) Lion Wayne Wurzbacher and Luigi

What are Leos and why should your Lions Club consider sponsoring a Leo Club?

Leos were first created by baseball coach Jim Graver at Abington High School in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. Graver was an active member of the Glenside Lions Club. With the help of fellow member, William Ernst, the first Leo Club was chartered on December 5th, 1957. With the motto - Leadership, Experience and Opportunity - the board of directors of Lions Clubs International adopted the Leo Club program as an official program of the association in October, 1967. The Leo Club Program has continued to grow. Leos now constitute an international network of 7100 clubs in 147 countries, with 177,000 Leos (through 2019). The objective of the Lions Club program is to provide youth with an opportunity for development and contribution, individually and collectively, as responsible members of the local, national and international community. You might ask why it is important for Lions to support the Leo Club program. In a supplemental guide to the Continuing the Leo to Lion Service Journey PowerPoint, LCI says that supporting Leos and Young Lions strengthens the entire Lions International organization the same way supporting every member of your family, especially the youngest, strengthens the bond and potential for each member. A Leo's journey to becoming a Lion begins the day a young person becomes a Leo.

While there are 45 Lions Clubs in District 14C, there are currently only four Leo Clubs. The Apple City Leo Club was sponsored by and continues to be supported by the Arendtsville Lions Club. The Dallastown Leo Club was sponsored by and continues to be supported by the Dallastown Lions Club. The Susquehannock Leo Club was sponsored by and continues to be supported by the New Freedom Lions Club. And finally, the TEMPUS Leo Club was sponsored by and continues to be supported by the Jacksonville, Newville and Plainfield Lions Clubs. The ratio of Leo to Lions Clubs in District 14C provides a great opportunity and potential for the growth of Leo Clubs in this District. If your Lions Club has an active relationship with a local school district, you have a prime setting for the creation of a Leo Club to mentor and work within your service area. Probably the two most important steps you will have to take initially, is **first** to have your Lions Club understand the value of sponsoring a Leo Club and identifying Lions Club members who wish to be engaged in an active and ongoing relationship with the Leo Club and the school district, and **secondly** to approach the school district leadership about the value of creating a Leo Club and identifying a school advisor who will work with you in creating and supporting the Leo Club.

If you want to get started and want some assistance, or if you just want to know more about Leo Clubs, you can contact me by phone, text or email as shown below, **or** you can move forward on your own using the resources of LCI at lionsclubs.org, **or** you can contact one of the Lions Clubs who sponsored and are currently working successfully with their Leo Club, **or** you can reach out to your Zone Chair.

Sincerely wishing you and your club will look at the opportunity to sponsor a Leo Club, PDG Dan Brant at (717) 254-3360 or danbrant44@gmail.com.

Dallastown Awards Scholarship



Lion Amber Wnek, Lion President Stacie Grim, Lion Nancy Taylor, and winner Jade Selby

Jade Selby received Dallastown Lions Club's \$1,000.00 2023 Scholarship. She is a member of the Dallastown Area High School MCJROTC and has worked hard helping at the Lions Park. Jade Selby is attending Mansfield University and had over 160 community service hours in her high school career. She has worked extensively with the Foston Animal Rescue Movement (F.A.R.M.) by volunteering her time with fostered dogs and cats. Her family had worked with this rescue for over 12 years.

All students of Dallastown Area Senior High School that are seniors are welcome to apply. This scholarship is based on many factors but emphasizes community involvement and volunteerism. It is awarded to an exemplary student that embodies the ideals of Lionsism, strives to give back to the community, and pursues excellence.

Fairfield Holds Banquet for Scholars



Bottom row I-r: Victoria Sutherland, Cheyenne Griffin, Sydney Miller Middle: Mea Mohr Back Row: Noah Cordell, Noah Wylie, Nic Norberg

The Fairfield Lions Club recently held their annual Fairfield High School student of the month banquet at the school cafeteria. Certificates and a monetary award were presented to the above seniors. Unable to attend was Ava Deming, student of the month for February.

The Brogue Inducts New Member

The Brogue Community Lions Club was visited by Lions District 14-C's District Governor Marty Zimmerman at a recent meeting. The District Governor highlighted the importance of Lionism and how we supply service to our local communities as well as the world. The highlight of the evening was when the District Governor inducted Colby Geesey as our newest member. Lion Colby was sponsored by the President of the Brogue Community Lions Club, Bruce Miller.



Right to left: District Governor Marty Zimmerman, Lion Colby Geesey, Bruce Miller, President

Meetings and Events – September and October



September 5	DG Visitation - Mechanicsburg Lions Club
September 7	Zone 4A Advisory Meeting
September 10	GAT Zoom Meeting
September 14	DG Visitation - East Pennsboro Lions Club
September 27	DG Visitation - New Cumberland Area Lions Club
October 3	DG Visitation - Fairfield Lions Club
October 4	DG Visitation - Kreutz Creek Valley Lions Club
October 5	DG Visitation - Littlestown Lions Club
October 7	MD-14 GAT Summit
October 8	GAT Zoom Meeting
October 10	DG Visitation - Red Lion Lions Club
October 11	DG Visitation - New Oxford Lions Club
October 12	DG Visitation - Dover Lions Club
October 17	DG Visitation - Shrewsbury Area Centennial Lions Club
October 18	DG Visitation - Plainfield Lions Club
October 19	DG Visitation - Shippensburg Lions Club
October 23	Zone 3A Advisory Meeting
October 24	DG Visitation - Dallastown Lions Club and Dallastown Leo Club
October 25	DG Visitation - Jacobus Area Lioness Lions Club
October 26	DG Visitation - Jacobus Lions Club

Stewartstown Celebrates a Successful Golf Tournament



The Stewartstown Club held its annual Swing for Sight on August 11. The golf tournament sold out for the 17th consecutive year and raised over \$5,000 to be given to the community.

Place Your Club's Activities in this Newsletter!

Submit your items to Editor Carl Birkmeyer: stewartstownlions@protonmail.com



Limit your items to no more than one page.

Submit articles in PDF or Word format. Please don't just write your article in the body of an email.

Name your pictures!

Please do NOT crop or shrink or otherwise adjust your picture

Tell me the names of the of people in the picture

Include your name and club's name in your email.

Submit it by the 25th of the month preceding publication.

District Disaster Relief Program

Disasters can happen anyplace at any time. Lions Disaster Relief Program provides grants to local lions clubs to help them help their communities recover. Learn more about this program and the types of grants provided by Lions International at https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-our-focus-areas/disaster-relief. Since 1972 Lions International has provided grants to assist after disasters, and from July 2023 to August 2023, Lions Club International Foundation awarded 34 disaster relief-related grants totaling \$386,151. PA Lions have been making a difference after disasters for years. Watch this video to see what PA Lions do and how it affects Lions who have truly learned what "We Serve" really means when they are the ones being served.

LCIF: Providing Relief After Tornado Disaster in Kentucky - YouTube

September's Readiness Focus

National Preparedness Month

National Preparedness Month is an observance each September to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies that could happen at any time. In 2021, FEMA's Ready Campaign and the Ad Council broke ground by producing the first-ever national preparedness campaign specifically targeting a specific topic. This year's national public service announcements are being developed toward preparing for older adults. Learn more at https://www.readv.gov/older-adults.

Disaster Preparedness for Older Adults

The Ready Campaign's 2023 National Preparedness Month theme is "Take Control in 1, 2,

from communities that are disproportionally impacted by the allhazard events, which continue to threaten the nation.

We know older adults can face greater risks when it comes to the multitude of extreme weather events and emergencies we now face, especially if they are living alone, are low-income, have a disability, or live in rural areas.



Readiness focuses make a great club program or discussion for a meeting.

If you have questions or want to learn more; please reach out to the DRP Chairperson, Ray Highlands at carlislelionray@comcast.net.

Carlisle Requests Lions Help for Disaster Relief



Lions Clubs are working in coordination and cooperation with the <u>Carlisle Events</u> to raise money for Lions Disaster Relief. So far in 2023, we have raised over \$5,000 for <u>LCIF</u> <u>Disaster Relief</u>. The Carlisle Lions Club is coordinating Lions to staff and accept donations at the <u>Carlisle Events</u> shows to be donated to <u>LCIF Disaster Relief</u>. The money is divided between the clubs, so those clubs get credit for the donations to LCIF. One more show to go, and participating Lions get one free pass to enter the show after working only 4 hours. If you would like to volunteer to help at the Fall Carlisle Collector Car Flea Market; Contact Lion Ray, <u>carlislelionray@comcast.net</u>.

Jacksonville Awards Melvin Jones Fellowship

The Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) honored former Jacksonville Lion Albert Grove with the Melvin Jones Fellowship award. Lion George Hilsinger, also a Melvin Jones Fellow, made the presentation at the club's annual picnic.

Al Grove joined the Jacksonville Lions club in 2001. He was already a well-established volunteer in the South Newton Township VFC and TUMC, and he continued that community service as a very active Lion, serving as president in 2005 and 2015. He was crucial to the success of the club's medical equipment loaner program, where convalescence equipment is made available to community members free of charge. During retrieval of equipment from one grateful recipient, another club member noted how Lion Al maneuvered a heavy electrical bed "like Superman!" Grove resigned in good standing in 2017.



Lions Celebrate National Night Out

National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.



The Mechanicsburg Lions provided free vision screenings and a free raffle for children while sharing information on the Lions.



The Susquehanna Lions Club participated in National Night Out at Clarence R. Orendorf Elementary School.

Left to Right-Bob Crump, Tim Zortman, Bob Heilman, Ken Heindel, John Gladfelter, Todd Sweitzer, Rich Heilman and Bob Bowman.

Fairfield Celebrates 78th Charter Year



The Fairfield Lions Club recently celebrated their 78th anniversary at their July meeting at St. John Lutheran Church in Fairfield. On June 25, 1945 Lion E. G Moyer of the Upper Adams Lions Club chaired the first organized meeting. The Fairfield Lions Club charter night was held on October 2, 1945 with 25 charter members. New officers were later inducted to lead the club into greater heights.



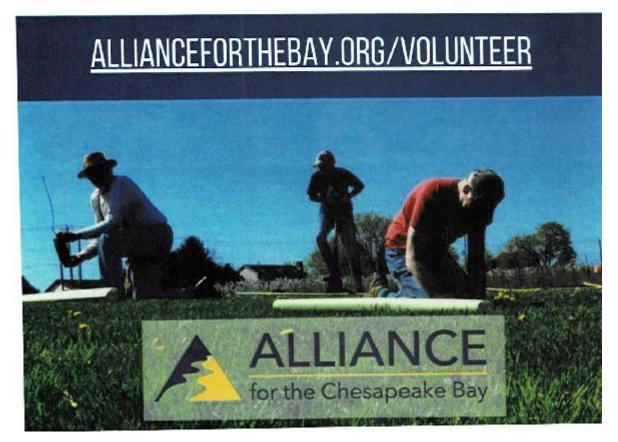
<u>Seated I-r</u> are Joe Painter: Vice President, Doug Kump: President, John Strahler: Secretary. <u>Back row I-r</u> Roy Gamer: Chaplain, Zone 1B Chairman: Jay Stroup, Larry Hull: Tail Twister, Bob Smith: Lion Tamer, Bob Remaley: Treasurer

HELP US PLANT TREES!

With over 5,000 trees to plant this fall, we need your help! Register to join a planting event today.



SCAN ME





Held at: Karns

413 Forge Road, Boiling Springs 17007 In the Bloodmobile

Everyone will receive:

- •2 FREE admission vouchers to a Harrisburg Comedy Zone Show
- Certificate for a FREE Pint of Bruster's Ice Cream
- *\$5 Karns gift card
- Blood Donor T-Shirt

The Lions Club will give a Hot Dog or Hamburger to all donors!





A form of ID is REQUIRED to donate

- 3 ways to schedule your donation appointment:
- · go to 717GiveBlood.org & click on
- · call 1-800-771-0059
- · scan the QR Code







Central Pennsylvania

- · We strongly suggest you schedule an appointment to donate blood. Appointments help us improve your donation experience.
- · Walk-Ins are welcome; however, donors with appointments will be taken first and this may result in a significant wait time.
- Current CDC recommendations make masking for our donors & staff optional. CPBB will provide masks to anyone who wishes to wear one.



14-C Guiding Lion Certification Course

WE NEED YOU to succeed in reaching the goal of 1.5 million Lions! New clubs and club rebuilding are a key component in reaching our 1.5 million Lion goal by June 30, 2027. And Certified Guiding Lions are key in supporting new clubs during the first two years of their existence.

14-C wants you to be part of this exciting growth period for our Association, join us for a special 3 hour Guiding Lion Certification Course where you will learn about the resources & processes that are key to new clubs achieving their goals.
This classroom course offers 1 on 1 feedback from a Certified Guiding Lion Instructor.

Guiding Lions assist a club to:

- · Be successful in its first two years of operation
- · Orient and train club officers and members
- Motivate and support club growth and development
- · Locate resources available to assist the club

Club Rebuilding:

- Support to help strengthen clubs and reactivate those that are experiencing difficulties. The Club Rebuilding Program allows more flexibility for District Governors to focus efforts to support weak clubs by eliminating the limitations of visits.
- Club Rebuilding focuses on the areas of rebuilding, recruiting new members, training officers and providing meaningful community service.

DATE- October 14, 2023, 9:00 AM-Noon LOCATION-To be announced based on registrations TO REGISTER or QUESTIONS CONTACT-PDG Kerry McKnight at MD14GLT-Learn@Yahoo.com



Lions Awarded Guiding Lions Certification

Five Lions recently received certificates for completing Guiding Lion Certification Training. Lions Tom Jones, Keith Schoff, Marty Zimmerman, Debbie McKnight, and Patti Wurzbacher all completed their training. Lion Patti also received the honor of having her certificate in German.



L to R: PDG Tom Jones, IPDG Keith Shoff, DG Marty Zimmerman, Lion Debbie McKnight, Lion Patti Wurzbacher, and Zone Chair Mike Fenicle.





September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. During September, Four Diamonds Cancer Treatment Center families and our community supporters to come together to celebrate the childhood every kid deserves. Think back to your own childhood. What activity reminds you of a simpler time? How did it make you feel? Happy? Carefree?

Every adult deserves that memory – instead of a memory of years of cancer treatment, hospitals and needles, and a lifetime of side effects. During Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, we can replicate those moments of joy and put impact behind them. In honor of all of the children and families fighting cancer, Four Diamonds created something special that would bring awareness to our PA Lions Cares-For the Kids™ fundraising efforts that are quick, easy to implement, and effective!

Clubs can utilize the Conquering Cancer Fundraising Board shown below for members to complete as individuals or complete together as a club. Simply sell each square on the board ranging from \$1- \$25 dollars as a donation to the PA Lions Cares-For the Kids[™] initiative.

Once you complete the board, you will have raised \$325.

Other fundraising ideas to implement during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month can include:

- Game nights: bring your favorite board game to your next club meeting
- Hold an ice cream social
- Mini-golf tournament
- Movie nights
- Group bike ride





Conquering Cancer Fundraising Board

- Sell one or more squares on the board ranging from \$1 to \$25.
- · Cross off a square once it has been purchased.
- When each square on the board is sold you will have raised \$325!







Yes, I know it is a long way from Pennsylvania to Australia. And I know the bridge isn't finished yet. But our Lions International Convention in Melbourne next year is for most of us a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to visit the land Down Under. You might even come home a bit younger, as you will cross the International Date Line twice. Lion Linda and I are registered, and I am working with PCC Dan Swincinski to arrange post-convention travel. Dan will also help with airline reservations and anything else we need. Registration through January 12 is \$190 (US dollars) per person. Hotel rates are not yet posted on the website.

Visit the basic website.

Valid US passport and visa are required. Visa will normally cost \$20 in Australian dollars on their app. More information is on links from the above website or I can help you. (As of my writing, a US dollar is worth \$1.56 Australian dollars, but of course that changes). And note — If you have ever been convicted of a crime, including a DUI, you will probably not be granted a visa. You will also be required to maintain health insurance. If you are not covered, Dan or another travel agent can help.

Dates: June 21-25, 2024 (This is the dead of winter for them, so temperatures will likely be in the 40's and 50's)

While I have been holding off on everything except our convention registration (got a really good deal at Boston), my plan would be to leave Harrisburg so that I can arrive a day early (I have had too many travel glitches). I also strongly recommend that you secure Global Entry to make your travel easier. See https://www.cbp.gov/travel/trusted-traveler-programs/global-entry. It will nearly always get you TSA Pre-Check on domestic flights and also serves as a RealID.

Please contact me if you are going, whether or not you will be traveling with us or joining us for a tour. I hope we can connect via an email group and also while we are there. Maybe we can even meet up in the spring and have lunch or dinner together before we go.

Please think about doing this. I know that my greatest regrets in life are the things I was too afraid (or too cheap) to do. I will work with you on anything you need, and if you decide to book through PCC Dan, I know he provides 24/7 support while you travel.

PDG Steve Shipman 570-916-7780, prsteveshipman@gmail.com

Editor's Note: I have visited Melbourne five times and highly recommend it. It is consistently voted one of the most livable cities in the world and has a lively entertainment and restaurant scene. Make sure to visit the Twelve Apostles!

New Freedom Conducts Eye Screenings

The New Freedom club attended two Back to School events in their community and held eye screenings at each one. At the Walmart event on August 5th five children were screened. At the W. Dale Brougher YMCA Shrewsbury event on August 6th 27 children were screened.



At the Walmart screening are: Lion Wayne Wurzbacher, Lion Pat LaFleur (Shrewsbury Area Centennial Lions), and Secretary Patti Wurzbacher.



At the YMCA screening are: Lion Wayne Wurzbacher, PDG Kerry McKnight, Secretary Patti Wurzbacher, Lion Deb McKnight. Not pictured: IPDG Keith Shoff

New Lions Portal Information

What is the "Lion Portal?" To put it simply, LCI is taking the tools you use today (MyLion, MyLCI, Insights, etc.) and combining them into one cohesive and consistent experience - the Lion Portal. This portal is expected to be released in September.



Why is LCI making this change? The tools we currently use have multiple formats and draw from several different databases. The Lion Portal will allow us to work from a single format that pulls all of LCI's databases. There will be a learning curve, for sure, to become accustomed to the new format, but there are many features that are similar to the current format, which should make the transition easier.

If you would like to get a preview of what to expect, click on the links below to see demonstrations of the new Lion Portal.

For All Lions: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EY4BYToys1c
For Club Officers: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QPomkdgzPUc
For District Leaders: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LiWPXmKlh81

Caption Contest Winner

In August's newsletter we asked you to provide a humorous caption for the following picture from the Arendtsville Club.



The winning entry is:

"Now can you read the customer's order?"

Carl Winfield Camp Hill Lions Club

BINGO!

20 GAMES FEATURING:

LONGABERGER BASKETS

DESIGNER BAGS

TOOLS

CONCESSIONS FROM GOODWILL FIRE CO. #1

SPECIAL GAMES *RAFFLES*

DOOR PRIZES

SMALL GAMES OF CHANCE

LIMITED SEATING

Proceeds benefit Community Service Projects

HOSTED BY
DALLASTOWN LIONS
CLUB

MARCH 9 | 7 PM GOODWILL FIRE COMPANY 1 S MAIN ST. JACOBUS, PA

DOORS OPEN AT 5 PM | BINGO STARTS AT 7PM

TICKET INFO:

\$25 IN ADVANCE | \$30 AT DOOR (IF NOT SOLD OUT IN ADVANCE)

ALL TICKET SALES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

TICKETS AVAILABLE: ANY DALLASTOWN LIONS MEMBER OR CONTACT

THERESA CRALEY @ DARTHA430@COMCAST.NET

Arendtsville Holds Family Picnic and Presents Awards

The August meeting of the Arendtsville Lions Club was a family picnic, which included lots of great food, fun and games. Past International Director Larry Edwards and his partner-inservice, Lion Susan, were special guests of the club. PID Larry presented International President's Certificates of Appreciation to two of the club's members for their consistent service and dedication to the club, Lions Deb Gibbons and Lion Dave Eisenhart. Melvin Jones plaques were also presented to three members of the club to honor their service and dedication, Lions Jay Stroup, Kim Presser and Clif Presser.



PID Larry Edwards hands out Melvin Jones Awards to Zone Chair Jay Stroup, Lion Kim Presser and Lion Clif Presser.



PID Larry Edwards, Lion Deb Gibbons and Lion Dave Eisenhart

We Serve!

From the desk of PDG Dennis Cope, Global Service Team (GST) Coordinator

I'm pleased to report that the Lions clubs of District 14-C are off to a great start serving their communities this Lion year. As of the writing of this message, 21 Lions clubs and 1 Leo club have reported a total of 150 service activities in just under 2 months. As a result, over 45,000 people have benefited from the volunteer work of Lions in District 14-C!

By the end of September, I hope to see that every club has reported at least 1 service activity in MyLion. By doing so, we will not only help District Governor Marty exceed the reporting goal he set for the district, we will show the world the wonderful work Lions are doing throughout Adams, Cumberland and York Counties.



If you were not able to attend the District Cabinet meeting on August 19th, you missed a presentation by the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay. District Governor Marty has initiated discussions with this organization on ways Lions might help them in their efforts to maintain the health of the Chesapeake Bay watershed. In the coming months, District leadership will be meeting with Alliance representatives with the goal of a district-wide service project sometime in the Spring of 2024.

Partnering with the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay is a perfect way to engage our clubs in projects that positively impact the environment, which is one of Lions International's five global causes. We look forward to our work with the Alliance and hope Lions across the district will embrace the opportunities that arise from this partnership.

Ideally, each of our clubs can establish at least one "signature service project" related to each of Lions International's global causes. In addition to environment, those causes are vision, hunger, diabetes, and childhood cancer. Clubs are also strongly encouraged to support Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). LCIF provides funding for projects related the five cause that were just mentioned as well as for disaster relief, youth and humanitarian service.

If your club needs a new "signature service project," consider one of these 5 project ideas or look at past issues of the District 14-C Newsletter for additional ideas.

Service Project Suggestions Related to Lions Clubs International's GLOBAL SERVICE CAUSES



Here are five new suggestions for service projects. Each project relates to one of Lions Global Causes: Vision, Hunger, Environment, Diabetes, and Childhood Cancer. Perhaps these ideas will pique your interest and look like something your club could do later this Lion year. I am ready and willing to help in any way I can. Feel free to contact me by phone or email to start the conversation. Five new suggestions will appear in next month's newsletter.

Ŕ	Volunteer at established support housing facilities or develop a new one.
PEDIATRIC CANCER	Source: LCI Publications - GST 1D EN
(Deliver nutritious, prepared meals to elderly, disabled or ill community members.
HUNGER RELIEF	Source: LCI Publications - GST 1B EN
•	Support a guide dog training program through fundraising or voluntary labor.
VISION	Source: GST 1C EN
(9)	Establish a fitness room or ongoing fitness classes at a community center or school.
DIABETES	Source: LCI Publications - GST 1A EN
•	Host a public debate on controversial environmental issues in your community. Share the results with government officials.
ENVIRONMENT	Source: LCI Publications - GST 1E EN

2023 - 2024 Directory

Printed copies of the 2023-2024 District 14-C Directory were distributed at the August Cabinet meeting. Each club is provided with two copies of the directory - one for the Club President and one for the Club Secretary. If your club was not represented at the Cabinet Meeting, see your Zone Chair for your club's copies of the directory. A limited number of additional copies are available upon request from the District Governor. You may also request an electronic version of the directory by sending an email to PDG Dennis Cope at dennis.cope@icloud.com.

2023-2024 District Directory Changes

Page 48 - Dallastown Lions Club - change street number for Community Park to 500; change Secretary's last name to Dorgan.

Page 86 - Change phone number for PCC Terry Hartzell to c: 607-765-4676 and h: 717-766-4686.

Distinguished Service Award Nominations Due

The Past District Governors from Multiple District 14 are also known as the PA Counsellors. Each year the PA Counsellors recognize deserving Lions in each district with the Distinguished Service Award. Each Lions club in District 14-C is encouraged to nominate one of their members to receive this award. The Lion nominated for this award must be a member in good standing. He or she must also have been a Lion for at least one (1) year and a day to be eligible.

Two Lions from District 14-C will be recommended for this award. Those two Lions will be selected by The Past District Governors Honorary Committee in November. Presentation of the awards will be made by the District Governor at the District 14-C Convention in April.

To nominate one deserving member or your club, please complete an application form and return it to PDG Steve Shipman by Friday, November 10, 2023.

Pennsylvania Counsellors Distinguished Service Award

Name of Proposed Lion Recipient:				
Address of Proposed Lion Rec	sipient:			
Club Name:		District:	14-C	
Date Proposed Lion Recipient	Joined Lions:			
Award. Include information su	leserves the Pennsylvania Counselors Disti ch as the member's service contributions to ses the member has held and/or committee	the club an	d	
standing of the above named of Multiple District 14, and LCI. Name (printed):	club, and that this club is in good standing w	vitn district i		
Signature:	Date:			
436 East Ridge Roa	tion to PDG Steve Shipman on or before No ad, Dilllsburg, PA 17019 or <u>prsteveshipman</u>	ovember 10, @gmail.com	2023	
This application has been reviee PDGHC.	ewed and its approval is recommended by t	he District 1	4-C	
PDG Steve Shipman				
14-C PDGHC Chairperson	Chairperson Signature		Date	
I have reviewed this application	n and find no objections.			
DG Marty Zimmerman				
District Governor	District Governor Signature		Date	
PDG Gary Shetter				
PA Counsellors Pres	PA Counsellors Pres. Signature		Date	

New Freedom Holds Successful Carnival



Pictured left to right: community volunteer, Lion Glenn Roenigk, PDG Dennis Cope, & Michael Werdin

New Freedom Lions held a successful carnival from July 3rd to July 8th; the largest fundraiser for the club! This would not be possible without the endless hours of commitment from the members, the support of the community, and the assistance of Lions from our District who volunteered during the week. The New Freedom club would like to send a huge thank you to all!



New Freedom Sponsors Blood Drive



Pictured from left to right: Lion Neil Taylor, a blood bank employee, Lion Cathy Taylor

New Freedom Lions sponsored a blood drive for the Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank on August 1, 2023. 41 units of blood were donated, and each unit saves 3 lives! Lions Neil and Cathy Taylor are the blood drive coordinators for the club.



Shrewsbury Centennial and New Freedom Clean Up the Town



Front Row (L to R) Lion Dan Sipe, Lion Phil Olphin, Lion/Rotarian Ken Varteresian, Lion Ginger Sloan, Lion/Rotarian Lindy Sweeney, Lion Patti Wurzbacher, Lion Pat LaFleur, Rotarian Judy Werner, Rotarian Stephen Onifer.

Back Row (L to R) Lion Mike Marsicano, Lion Fredy Zuluaga, Lion Wayne Wurzbacher, PDG Kerry McKnight, Lion Dan & Melita Fiedler

Not Pictured: Lion Brian Sweitzer & Rotarian Robin Ferguson

The New Freedom Lions, Shrewsbury Area Centennial Lions, & Rotary Club of Southern York County picked up litter on August 12th along the Exit 4 I-83 Diverging Diamond. They collected 15 bags of trash, cable and siding. Southern York County is fortunate to have clubs partnering to serve the community!