

District 14C Newsletter October 2023



A Message From the District Governor



District Governor Marty Zimmerman

Once again, thank you for reading this message and all you do as a Leo or a Lion or a friend or family member.

Looking at the calendar, it is hard to believe is October. Thinking back to my childhood growing up across from the Pimlico Race Track (Baltimore, Maryland), I guess the announcer would call out that I have reached the quarter mile pole {thankfully, no need to call out my position in relationship to the rest of the field). Thinking of the word field, there are many meanings, as Lions our field begins in our local community. Looking out into the *field* we may see a variety of situations and conditions. As Lions "WE SERVE" providing compassionate caring service to those in need. To circle back to

another meaning of field, I recall my years as a social worker, where "field work" was a large part of the job. Again, the *field* was the community with visits to homes, schools, hospitals, and other locations to serve those in need. Every day was different and schedules were subject to change due to emergencies, often resulting in long hours and extended days. Periodically, I would attend a conference to take a break, enjoy a predictable schedule and to be recharged. In my role as a District Governor or maybe more correctly, a Distracted Governor, I was fortunate enough to attend the USA /Canada Leadership Forum in Reno, Nevada. This large gathering brings together Lions and Leos from North America and beyond for days of workshops, exhibits, key note speakers, fun, service and some limited opportunities to sleep. It is a great time to share and interact with Lions /Leos and in my opinion to be recharged and gain information about successful approaches to serve and support your community and beyond -To Make a Difference and Change the World.

Again, as Lions "We Serve," but beyond the workshops and speakers, meeting other Lions is a key component to the forum. I was humbled to have the honor to share a meal with fellow Lions who found their own communities in need of assistance. To hear the stories of a Lion from Paradise, California and another Lion from Hawaii, there was a human connection illustrating the impact of LIONS INTERNATIONAL and how the world is changed. A line from Alfred Lord Tennyson's poem Ulysses "I am a part of all that I have met" captures the concept that we are changed by our interactions with others . Thank you for your service interactions that help to change those we serve, as well as ourselves.

District Governor Marty Zimmerman

A Message From the 1st Vice District Governor



1st Vice District Governor Galen Burkholder

We Serve!

We Are Changing the World!

The 2023 Canada/USA Forum held in Reno, Navada, is history. As a first-time attender, I say, "WOW." It was **BIG**. It was **Impressive**. It was **Life-changing**.

It was also:

- Overwhelming:
 - *Facility

The ROW comprised three Hotels, each a block in size. I spent much of my first day getting acclimated. I finally understood there was a Mezzanine Level that connected all three hotels with meeting rooms and restaurants without going outside (the buildings were connected on this level above the street).

- Excitement:
 - *People

Imagine 1,700+ Lions *invading* about 6 blocks of a city!! Try to picture the off-the-chart excitement led by PIP Brian Sheehan and IP Dr. Patti Hill.

Learning:

*80 Seminars offered Every attendee picked 10 that they want to attend. The facilitators were **outstanding**.

*LCI new portal

This has been pushed out to at least January because of Global Compliance issues (Continues to be tested).

- Recognitions:
 - *Evening Programs

All three evening dinners and programs included motivating, challenging speakers. Recognitions were given each night. Fun was built-in too—WHAT— you didn't know Lions were supposed to have fun?

*Lions University Degrees

It took an hour to hand these out. Each recipient got their picture taken with Dr. Patti Hill [I got my Bachelor's (they will give me my Master's at next year's Forum)].

• Friendships:

*New Friends:

I met and greeted people from 3 Providences of Canada and from Nevada, Florida, Washington, Oklahoma, West Virgina, Minnesota, Nebraska, Texas and more. On my first morning, as a "greenie" first-timer, I met another firsttimer. His name was Martin Landin from Tucson, Arizona. We were in touch with each other throughout the day and had breakfast together all three days. We are in each other's contacts. We will be friends forever.

*Evening Dinner Friends:

Each evening meal, we were to sit at tables with people we didn't know. Imagine how I felt when PID Robert Littlefield saw I was from Pennsylvania, stopped me, and personally invited me to sit beside them for the evening. Some of you will say, I remember him. They are currently living in Florida (I have his name card or you can find him in LCI).

Well...by now...I hope you are saying, "Sorry I missed it."

Let me encourage you. **There is HOPE.** You can attend 2024 Forum in Louisville, Kentucky. Or you can attend 2025 in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Or plan on going to both (I am).

I close with IP Dr. Patti Hill's theme: *"Changing the World."* Lions All Thank you for your service.

Galen Burkholder 1st Vice District Governor



A Message From the 2nd Vice District Governor



2nd Vice District Governor Doug Nace

Greetings Lions and Leos of District 14-C!

It is great to be a Lion! It is great to know that you are a part of an organization which rendered unselfish service to more than 2 million people last year. Treasure your membership in your Lions Club and in Lions International. Be proud that you belong to the largest service club organization in the world, and that it, in turn, belongs to you. It is good to reflect back to see where we came from, like our Lions Emblem represents, a Lion facing the past with pride. Lions were always know for our relationship with vision. But as we all know the world has changed, or has it?

We now list our Global Causes as Vision, Diabetes, Hunger,

Childhood Cancer and Environment. As Lions we have always addressed these issues in our communities, but now we have highlighted them as causes we need to address as an organization. To address these causes takes a grassroots effort from every Lion, but we need help addressing these issues better by adding new members so we can serve more people.

The growth of our respective Lions Clubs, and consequently of our Association depends on each of us. Optimum success in our membership drives is the responsibility of every Lion, for it rests upon current members to seek out and invite other service mined individuals to become Lions.

A Membership Drive is an excellent occasion for Lions to provide this opportunity for others to "ANSWER THE CALL TO SERVICE". By bringing in individuals who demonstrate the qualities of leadership, concern for the need of their community and their fellow man and humanitarian ideals, you will be strengthening your own Club's capacity for service and reinforcing the foundation of our International Association.

Lions Clubs International has achieved its status as the world's largest and most prominent service club organization because our individual members have enthusiastically assumed the responsibility for making it so. I ask you to re-commit yourself once again to the family of Lionism by inviting other individuals of quality in your community to join your Lions Club. Do this, and your Club will be even better able to "ANSWER THE CALL TO SERVICE" today and in years to come.

I want to Thank You for everything you do for your Club, your Community, your District, your Multiple Districts and Lions Clubs International.

Yours in Lionism, Doug Nace

Why report service



By sharing our impact, Lions and Leos inform, inspire and grow our global legacy of service.

Strengthen storytelling

Details give stories power. Saying you fed 87 families is more powerful than saying you organized a food drive. Saying your club contributed 1,265 volunteer hours last year is more powerful than saying your club serves the community. When your club reports service, you collect the details needed to share powerful stories of your club's impact.





Photo by: Lion Othmar Fetz, The LEO Book

Inform decisions

Documented club achievements reveal what's working and what's not. For example, what if your diabetes education program is growing in attendance, but your annual club fundraiser is shrinking? Reviewing past service reports helps your club make better decisions, including choosing service activities and setting realistic goals.

Inspire service

Your reported service projects can be viewed within your district and around the world. That means your club's creativity and impact can inspire Lions and Leos to embrace new causes and serve in new ways. Reports also help Lions International staff identify best practices to share globally.



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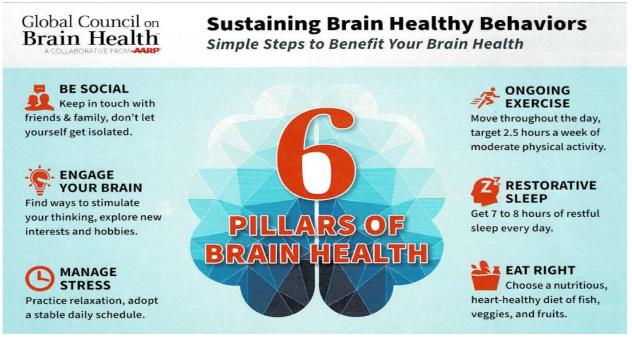
USA/CANADA Forum Reflections- Marty Zimmerman

I thought it might be helpful to share some of the information I gained at the forum .

NEW LION PORTAL: Yes, target date is now January 2024 for a roll out. A number of Lions are involved in ongoing testing of the new system. Here is a link for more information https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/digital-products/portal-updates

Many factors impact a release of a new information system. With Lions, we must remember we are an international organization with many languages, which requires translation which takes time. A larger issue is security, in some ways the United States lags behind other parts of the world in security protocols. The new system which will be more secure, changes will help us (older Lions) who grew up in a paper /print based environment to be nudged toward embracing the digital/electronic arena. A case in point, reports/information that we printed out in the past, will be available online to view but may not all be available to print out. Change is difficult at times, but much of the information about Lions is fluid in nature and not static. Changes that are inputted in the new portal will replace the old information resulting in current useable information. (So remember that address list you printed out three months ago, does not reflect the changes that occurred since that point and as time goes on becomes less useful) Again, it is a cultural shift to digital/electronic format but there are benefits .I am looking forward to the new portal ,as it will also be a much easier system to navigate and use.

DEMENTIA : Lions has partnered with AARP to improve Brain Health





Tips to Adopt the 6 Pillars

Set a goal,

identify a specific action you want to take.



Find something fun,

choose what you enjoy.



Re-purpose some of your free time to make room for new healthy habits.



Involve friends or family with common goals.



Visit GlobalCouncilOnBrainHealth.org or scan the QR code to learn more about the 6 Pillars of Brain Health.

How to Sustain Brain Healthy Behaviors: Applying Lessons of Public Health and Science to Drive Change Contact: GCBH@aarp.org DOI: doi.org/10.26419/pia.00106.002 For more brain health info see StayingSharp.aarp.org

District 14-C Lions at the 2023 USA/Canada Forum in Reno, Nevada



L to R: PDG John Griffie, PDG Lisa Griffie, Zone 1B Chairperson Jay Stroup, PDG Dennis Cope, Lion Jamie Cope, District Governor Marty Zimmerman, First Vice District Governor Galen Burkholder

Paws for Thought

By LD Puppy Raiser Robbie Teal



Visit the new Canine T

Tour the Campus

See the Dogs

Meet Team Members

Bus Tour to Leader Dogs

Where: Leader Dogs for the Blind, Rochester Hills, Michigan

Dates: Nov. 10th-12th, 2023

Cost: \$154.00 per person

Cost does not include Meals or Hotel. I have arranged special pricing at the Days Inn in Rochester Hills for \$75.00 a night plus tax. Phone number is 1-248-270-5438, and ask for Giovani. Confirmation number is 85146EE005887 for the block of rooms for this trip.

The bus will be making several stops along the turnpike for rest breaks and food. Friday and Saturday nights we will be going to a restaurant to eat. Lunch on Saturday will be at Leader Dogs at your cost. The hotel has a continental breakfast.

Elite Coach will pick up and drop off at two different places, to be determined.

Contact: Robbie Teal at <u>beerbaroness.rt@gmail.com</u>. Reservations must be in by Oct 7th, 2023.



"The world gets better and problems get smaller when people unite to serve their local and global community. Lions serve neighbors who live next door and people on the other side of the world we may never meet."

Hanover Holds Successful Golf Tournament



L to R: Sue Smith(wife of Lion Dwain), Erica O'Brien(standing-daughter of Lion John Zinn), Lion Janine Mundorff, Peg Staub (wife of Lion Tom), Susan Wootton (wife of President Lion Matt), and Lion Dan Lawrence (Project Chair)

The Hanover Lions raised around \$10,000 at its July 27 Golf Benefit. 76 Golfers, 16 major sponsors, 23 hole sponsors, and 53 local business contributors all played an important part in the overall success of this fundraiser.



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 <u>klm52@aol.com</u>

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION SEMINAR - New Date Thursday, October 26, 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. **To preregister** email <u>galen.burkholder@gmail.com</u>. To join the meeting click link below.

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81536518654?pwd=MnKnFO6K6xXFakFAg8RiZkGEEOzgta.1

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

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.

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZArf-2rrDojHtHXty3W9yFHIJ5Kv46EiYky

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.

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwode6srzIuH9GbRoeYrcHwKanPmWQOS8rh

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.

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZctcuysrTgvGtGh-aEnanF1SEo2n3T6EHGC

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION SEMINAR - TBD

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.

<u>GUIDING LIONS Certification Program - Saturday, June 8, 2024 9 a.m. to Noon in person.</u> 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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The A B C's of LCIF

By IPDG Keith Shoff, LCIF District 14-C Coordinator

This is the third 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, not Administration.
- Administrative costs are handled through the returns on investment income.
- Donors can invest with confidence .. LCIF consistently receives a 4-star rating from <u>Charity Navigator</u> and was also <u>named the #1 NGO</u> to partner with for these reasons by Financial Times.
- Grants ... check out the LCIF Grant Toolbox @ <u>https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lcif-grants-toolkit</u>

Since several more disasters have occurred since the September newsletter, we'll talk a little more about disaster relief efforts. It is important to note that when major disasters occur, the local Lions on the ground are the ones who help implement projects, with LCIF funding support. In some cases, with major disasters, there is no immediate update – as search and recovery efforts are taking place, debris is removed, and Lions are making plans for long-term reconstruction. Lions are most often not first responders or experts in disaster relief. Therefore, long-term efforts sometimes take years for Lions to implement.

Please see updates below.

Morocco Earthquake

 On the morning of September 9, LCIF awarded an Emergency Grant for \$10,000 to help fund immediate basic needs. Later that same day on September 9th, LCIF awarded an additional Major Catastrophe grant for \$100,000. Lions of Morocco are still working to finalize plans for how to use the Major Catastrophe funding, but they are looking at supporting infrastructure related to schools and education. Additional grant funding may be available in the future, depending on donations and Lions plans for additional efforts.

Libya Flooding

 There are no Lions active in Libya. LCIF has not awarded any grants to Libya thus far, as there are no local Lions to manage a project. There are some preliminary discussions about how LCIF can support efforts, but it may be difficult with no Lions presence in the country.

US/Canada Hurricane Lee

• LCIF has not yet received any applications from the impacted districts. However, disaster grants are available if the impacted districts and Lions wish to apply. This is early days after the hurricane, so it is possible that local Lions are working on a plan.

Other Disasters

• LCIF continues funding disasters around the world that do not make international news headlines. Since July 1, 2023, \$610,000 has been awarded across 21 different countries for a variety of different disasters. In areas where more long-term reconstruction LCIF will work with local Lions on relief efforts for years to come.

Just as a reminder - you can 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" .. You can personally send the check to LCIF, but better yet, let me send it in and I will see to it that you get any and all recognition for your donation.

PARTING THOUGHT

Integrity is one of our core values. That's why fiscal responsibility drives every decision we make. Every donation made to LCIF is applied toward the global programs and initiatives—all aimed at increasing the ability of Lions to serve the world. LCIF works very hard to ensure 100% of its donations are utilized to benefit the public. The operational costs are supported through investment income to protect donated funds. Because LCIF utilizes donations in accordance with its obligations as a charitable organization, either Club administrative or activity funds may be used when donating to LCIF, there are no restrictions on this. The only prohibition is that activity funds cannot be used for administrative purposes, as they are required to be used to benefit the public.

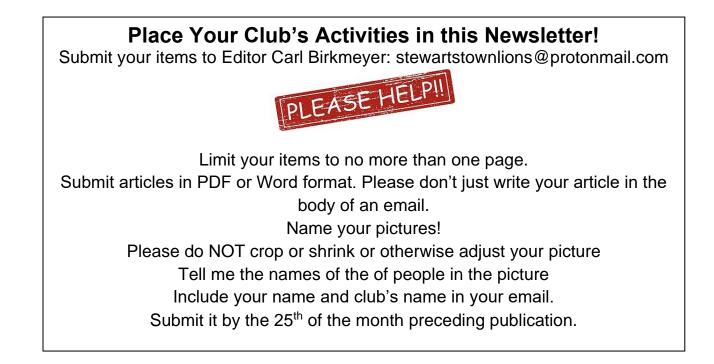
Stay tuned next month for more about the A B C's of LCIF

Boiling Springs Assists Senior Fair



Upper Left - Lion Larry Morrison stands ready to assist when BINGO is shouted!

The Boiling Springs Lions Club assisted again this year, on September 13, at the South Middleton Township Senior Fair. The club had an information table showing the attendees some of the things that they do for the community. It also gave them an opportunity to look for new members. The Lions assisted in running BINGO, which is the favorite event! It was very well attended this year and a big success!



Clubs Conduct Vision Screenings



Hanover President Matt Wootton (L), Zone 1a Chair Todd Boller

Four members of the Hanover Lions Club were stationed at Hanover's Guthrie Memorial Library on June 10 to conduct 18 vision screenings to youngsters visiting the Children's Section of the library.



PDG Kerry McKnight, Lion Deb McKnight & IPDG Keith Shoff

The New Freedom Club screened kids at the New Freedom Fall Fest and at the Paul Smith Library Truck Zoo. They screened a total of 45 kids with 5 referrals.

Hanover and Aredntsville Add New Members



PDG Lion Lisa Griffie served as induction officer for Hanover's newest member, Lion Tom Krout. In back is Tom's sponsor, Lion John Zinn, and Club President Lion Matt Wootton.



The Aredntsville Lions Club was proud to induct its newest member, Collin Presser, at the club's September 12 meeting. Pictured, I to r, are Lion Clif Presser, father, Lion Kim Presser, mother and sponsor, and newly inducted Lion Collin Presser.

Meetings and Events – September and October

District 14-C Cabinet Meeting

District Governor Marty Zimmerman has issued a call for the Second District 14-C Cabinet Meeting for Lion year 2023-2024 to be held on Saturday, November 18, 2023, at the York Springs Fire Hall starting at 9:30 a.m. Registration begins and refreshments will be available starting at 8:45 a.m. All Lions are welcome, and Club Presidents and Club Secretaries are encouraged to attend.

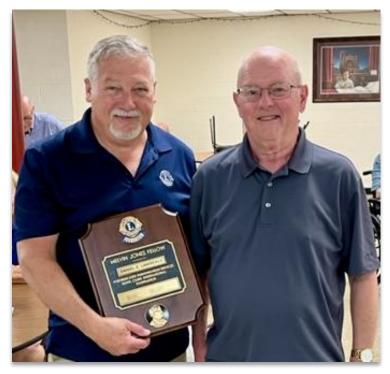
October 3 DG Visitation - Fairfield Lions Club October 4 DG Visitation - Kreutz Creek Valley Lions Club October 5 DG Visitation - Littlestown Lions Club October 7 MD-14 GAT Summit October 8 GAT Zoom Meeting October 10 DG Visitation - Red Lion Lions Club DG Visitation - New Oxford Lions Club October 11 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 DG Visitation - Dallastown Lions Club and Dallastown Leo Club October 24 DG Visitation - Jacobus Area Lioness Lions Club October 25 DG Visitation - Jacobus Lions Club October 26 November 1 DG Visitation - Hanover West Manheim Lions Club November 7 DG Visitations - New Freedom Lions Club November 9 DG Visitations - Susquehanna Lions Club November 12 Global Action Teem Meeting DG Visitations - Arendtsville Llons Club and Apple City Leo Club November 14 November 15 DG Visitations - York White Rose Lions Club (1:00 pm) November 18 District 14-C Cabinet Meeting #2 - York Springs Fire Hall November 21 DG Visitations - Stewartstown Lions Club DG Visitations - York New Salem Lions Club November 22 November 27 Zone Advisory Meetings - Zone 1A, Zone 3B and Zone 4B November 29 Zone Advisory Meetings - Zone 1B and Zone 2A November 30 Zone Advisory Meeting - Zone 2B December 7 Zone Advisory Meeting - Zone 2B December 10 GAT Zoom Meeting DG Visitations - Yorktown Branch (11:00 am) and Carlisle Lions Club December 12 (7:00 pm)

District Meetings and Events

Hanover Recognizes Members for Service

On June 13, 2023, Lion Dan Lawrence was the recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellow Award for his dedication and passion for being in service to others as a member of the Hanover Lions Club. Dan joined the Hanover Lions Club in October 2016 to be part of a group providing service to his home community of Hanover, PA.

Lion Don Dorr, who has 46 years of service, stepped aside as club Tail Twister after 16 years in that role. He has also served in the past as board officer (numerous years) and club president ('95-'96). He is a MJF recipient ('93). He initiated and chaired the club's golf vision benefit starting in 1991 through 2017. Best of all, Don remains active and a solid resource with the club for all things Lions.



Presenting Dan (right) with his award was fellow MJF recipient, Lion Gerry DeGroft.



With some expressed sadness, Don puts away his Twisting resources for the final time on June 13.

District Disaster Relief Program

Disasters can happen anyplace at any time. Lions <u>Disaster Relief Program</u> 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 <u>https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-our-focus-areas/disaster-relief</u>.

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.

October's Readiness Focus Cyber Awareness Month

2023 marks the 20th annual Cybersecurity Awareness Month and this year CISA is launching a new awareness program that will <u>encourage 4 simple steps every American can take to</u> <u>stay safe online</u>. Simple actions we should all take not only during Cybersecurity Awareness Month, but every day throughout the year.



National Fire Prevention Week

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 <u>carlislelionray@comcast.net</u>.

BOILING SPRINGS LIONS CLUB PLANNING FOR A BIG MEMBERSHIP DRIVE!

The Boiling Springs Lions Club is preparing for what will hopefully be one of the largest Membership Drive events in our club's history.

On Tuesday, October 24, our event will be in full swing at Cassell's Grill in Mount Holly Springs. Flyers have been created, and our Lions are inviting potential members to attend the event.

Our Guest Speaker for the evening will be:

JACKSON CHASTAIN

From ABC WHTM Channel 27 in Harrisburg.



Jackson Chastain Meteorologist

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE WEATHER!

There have been many severe weather events and in a lot of places, devastating damage. Often times, Lions are involved to help victims. So what's going on? Jackson will share his thoughts on issues such as Climate Change and Global Warming. Looking forward to an awesome night and growth for our club!

Carlisle Lions Club 90th Charter Anniversary

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 At Veterans Of Foreign Wars 2104 W. Trindle Rd. Carlisle, PA. 17013 Social at 6.00 p.m., Dinner at 6:30 p.m.





Dinner Buffet \$35 per person; Send Reservations to Jay McBride at 45 Summerfield Dr., Carlisle, PA.17015 Menu—Buffet Dinner Salad Sliced Roast Beef Oven Roasted Potatoes Vegetable Apple or Cherry Cobbler Coffee and Ice Tea

5	or November 14th 2023	
Carlisle Lio	ns Club 90th Charter Anniversary	
Return Reservations and Ch	eck (Payable to Carlisle Lions Club) by Oct 24, 2023	
to Jay McBride a	t 45 Summerfield Dr., Carlisle PA. 17015	
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Carlisle Lions Club 90th Charter Anniversary

Mechanicsburg Supports Pink Hands of Hope

The Mechanicsburg Club provided a day of service and 2 "Hope Blankets" to the "Pink Hands of Hope" organization. Club members refreshed various areas inside and outside the building, providing much needed service to this important community organization.







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 Post-LCICON Group Tour of Australia



PCC Dan Swincinski of Swinston Travel is offering a post-convention trip after our Melbourne International Convention. The group will head to Cairns (air and hotel transfer included) and stay there three nights for a cruise at the Great Barrier Reef, and a tour around the Kuranda village in the rainforest including the Kuranda Markets and amazing "street art." Among other things, we will travel on 100-year old wooden rail carriages through the rainforest. In the area we can view koala and other native Australian wildlife, and then we will be flying to Sydney for three nights (air fare and hotel transfer included). Various activities are planned including a full day in Sydney for independent activities.

Depending on the number of people who sign up, the cost will range between \$2864 and \$3199 per person (double occupancy). Single occupancy is \$895 additional. These prices do NOT include travel to and from Australia, although Swinston Travel can work with you to arrange airline and transfer between the United States and Australia. Some meals are included.

Australia requires an electronic visa to enter the country, which in most cases can be gotten online in a few minutes. If you have ever been convicted of a crime, you will probably not be granted a visa (interesting for a country settled largely by British prisoners). And of course a valid U.S. passport is required. Travel insurance is recommended, which is not included in the above figures. Swinston Travel will be able to secure this for you. Dan also has options for stopover packages in New Zealand, Fiji, Hawaii, etc.

PDG Steve Shipman (14-C International Convention Chair) will be more than happy to work with you, as he and Lion Linda plan enjoy this once-in-a-lifetime travel opportunity. For a full itinerary, please email him at <u>prsteveshipman@gmail.com</u>. You are also welcome to call Swinston Travel at 814-443-2691 with questions. Email is <u>swinstontravel@gmail.com</u> or <u>dan@swinstontravel.net</u>. If you are thinking of joining us, please let PCC Dan or PDG Steve know as soon as possible as there is a minimum number of people needed for the trip to happen.

New Freedom Holds Successful Broom Sale



Lions Phil Olphin & Denise Varteres

Lions Phil Olphin & Denise Varteresian and Broom Master Lion Wayne Wurzbacher manned the membership table and sold brooms at the New Freedom Fall Fest. They sold 38 brooms for a total of \$734! Way to go TEAM!

2023-2024 District Directory Changes

New Changes

Pages 39 and 90 - Change email address for Mark Tomco to <u>marktomco@sels.com</u> Page 51 - Change area code for Hanover West Manheim Lions Club President Adam Selfridge to 717

Previously Reported 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.

PL4DG – What's That?

Most Lions are familiar with Leader Dogs in Rochester, Michigan, and the great work they do by pairing individuals who have vision impairments with guide dogs. Most Lions, however, are not familiar with a Lions organization that provides assistance to Pennsylvania residents who have or need a guide dog. That organization is *Pennsylvania Lions for Dog Guides, Inc.,* or PL4DG.

PL4DG is a non-profit organization whose mission is to render financial assistance only in Pennsylvania to the visually impaired for emergency veterinary care to any active, working canine trained by a recognized and approved dog guide school. Financial assistance up to \$1,000 is awarded at the discretion of the board of directors and paid directly to the veterinary facility for working canines with a career-threatening illness or accident.



PL4DG has given financial aid to many visually impaired people and their dog guides throughout the state of Pennsylvania as a result of canine career-threatening illness or accident. In addition, they have played a role in abuse and misuse of a dog guide court case, and they have been leaders in getting legislation for the rights of visually impaired people and their dog guides.

Financial support from contributors like you and your club are the organization's only source of funds. PL4DG has no paid personnel. The Lions board members are volunteers. Individual Lions, Leos and other interested parties can also support the organization by becoming members. Membership dues are \$5.00 annually or \$100 for a life membership. Members receive a membership card lapel pin and will also receive periodic news and updates.

For additional information, contact PDG Donald Gibala via email at dgibala@zoominternetnet or by phone at 724-287-8037.

New Lions Portal Coming Soon (but not as soon as expected)



The new Lion Portal was supposed to be released late last month, but that release has now been delayed until January. Will that actually happen? Only time will tell. Many of the Lion leaders in Pennsylvania have their doubts as to whether or not the release will occur this Lion year. Regardless, the change is coming, and we will try to keep you up-to-date on the latest.

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.

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: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EY4BYToys1c</u> For Club Officers: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QPomkdgzPUc</u> For District Leaders: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LiWPXmKIh8I</u>

Learning to Listen as Lions

By District Governor Marty Zimmerman

"We have two ears and one mouth so that we can listen twice as much as we speak."

Epictetus



Recently, I experienced a few interactions in my community, which I had to share. During checkout at a local store, as I always try to do, I asked the cashier "how are you doing?" (Job as a cashier can be difficult, I try to lighten the mood). Their response was that they were doing well, and kindly they asked how I was. Oh well, I forgot Caleb Stine 's (Baltimore Folk Singer) advice to just say "fine" and said I had a bit of a cold. Their response was that they like the cold weather and was thankful for the change.

Onto my next encounters, surrounding my morning walk around the block, where I saw a few school children waiting for the school bus, I said to them "have a great day in school", their response "You as Well". I guess, I should go back to school.

During my club visits, I hope I am listening to all of you. Sometimes, I share the statement that the only dumb question is the one you don't ask. Of course, a key factor here is that someone needs to be listening to your question. As Lions are we listening to each other and our community?

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We Serve!

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

As Club Secretaries and Club Administrators can confirm, I frequently send emails asking them to be sure to report their club's service activities. Why does Lions International make such a big deal about reporting service and require the District Governors to set a reporting goal? It's really pretty simple.

Service reporting helps Lions International accurately measure our organization's global impact; identify the best ways to work together; bring attention to the great work of Lions; and ensure clubs' service is supported in the best ways possible. Reporting service is the final step in your club's service journey. It can be a point of pride that can be celebrated, and it creates a database of the great projects done in a given community. Plus, clubs that report service becomes eligible for service awards and other forms of recognition.



I had the good fortune to attend the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Reno, NV, last month. It is amazing to hear all of the ways Lions are serving their communities. The possibilities seem limitless, and every community has unique needs that Lions can help meet. That's one of the reasons every community needs at least one Lions club.

I encourage you to be on constant lookout for service opportunities in your community. Your club's willingness to engage in a new service project will also bring you in contact with new, potential members. Initiating a new service project is also a great way to help increase your club's "People Served" and "Service Activities Completed" numbers. Here are 5 more service project ideas for your club to consider.

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.

8	Donate financial support or gift cards to identified families in need or a nearby childhood cancer center. This could cover expenses like gasoline, parking, food, medical expenses, etc.	
PEDIATRIC	Source: LCI Publications - GST 1D EN	
9	Work with your local school to provide weekend take-home bags of nutritious snacks for children in need.	
HUNGER RELIEF	Source: LCI Publications - GST 1B EN	
۲	Collaborate with an eye bank to promote the importance of corneal donations.	
VISION	Source: GST 1C EN	
CIARETES	Write about healthy lifestyle choices in your community or school newspaper.	
	Source: LCI Publications - GST 1A EN	
	Develop a Green Living Tip Sheet and share it electronically with members of your community or network.	
ENVIRONMENT	Source: LCI Publications - GST 1E EN	

East Prospect Lions Pit Beef Sale

A Pit Beef sale to support procuring transportation for the Canadochly Joy El Bible Adventure program will be held on Saturday October 21 at the Craley Fire Hall, 73 New Bridgeville Rd., Wrightsville, PA 17368. The proceeds from this fundraiser supports students who attend the released time program at Canadochly Elementary School in East Prospect. There are between 40 and 60 students who take advantage of this hour of biblical lessons and scripture memorization.

You don't have to pick up your tickets ahead of time. When you call, text, or email your requests for tickets they will be held for you at the fire hall, and you can pay for them at the time you pick up your sandwiches.

You can contact Lion President Bruce (Skip) Silar at 717-817-7874 for tickets and more information.

Pit Beef Sandwich Sale

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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
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