



District 14C Newsletter January 2025



A Message From the District Governor



District Governor
Galen
Burkholder

We SERVE!

Mission 1.5:
We Be That:
Mission Possible

Can You Believe it?

As you read this edition of the Newsletter, the Club year is ½ over. As we reflect over the last 6 months, I trust that many clubs have already made reports of its service, fundraising, meetings and hours. If not, I challenge you to enter all entries made during January. **DO NOT** leave the whole year's reporting go to June. If every club does that, they will clog LCIs portal arteries. Please do your part. This is important.

January Newsletter

January will be the Lion head looking to the right. It will be about looking forward to Visions and Goals for the next 6 months.

Lions logo is a two-headed Lion

December, we looked at the Lion looking to the left
—Reflection on the first half of the Club Year

January, we will look at the Lion looking to the right
—Discovering the vision for the second half of
the Club Year



During the month of January

- **The GAT team** will be considering whether to rename District Cabinet Meeting to District Meetings.
- New **Childhood Cancer Committee** will be organizing and considering Zone-wide fundraising events during the month of March.
- **Long Range Planning Committee** PDGs and DG will be finalizing details for District Convention.
- **3rd State Council** meeting will be held January 30 and February 2.

Upcoming Events

- **February 15—Cabinet Meeting #3** — 9:30 am, Dover Fire Hall.
- **February 22—Spring Fling Symposium** — all day — PA Lions State Office.
- **March 7-9—Regional Lions Leadership Institute.**
- **April 5—District 14-C Convention and Cabinet Meeting #4** — Wyndham Garden Hotel, York.
- **April 30–May 5—PA Lions State Convention** — Hilton Scranton & Conference Center, Scranton.

Get ready to **roar!!!**

Lions SERVE.

Let's let the world know.

Lifting People Up
"Make Your Mark."

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A Message From the 1st Vice District Governor



**1st Vice
District Governor
Doug Nace**

Greetings Lions and Leos of District 14-C!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The calendar shows we have begun a new year! Many have New Years Resolutions.

Do you?

Does your Club?

This may be a good time to look for new opportunities, maybe a change of direction for a new project or just a positive direction, personally or your club. The prospect of a new beginning may help us as Lions take stock of what we are doing. This is a perfect time to do what the Lions emblem represents, facing the past with pride and reflection, facing forward to the future with confidence and looking in all directions to render service. So we need to reflect on past activities that may have worked before but may need a little tweaking to keep them viable. Keeping up with the needs of our communities and providing service to more individuals should be a top priority. Every Lion has a passion of what they would like to do for Lions and for their community. This is a perfect time to let your passions known, because this may inspire your club's next project or fundraising activity. With the New Year upon us, let the creative juices flow and let's see what we can accomplish as an individual Lion, Club, Zone, District, and as an international organization. As a reminder, we should always be on the lookout for other individuals in our communities that would make good Lions. With additional hands helping to complete projects makes them go smoother and the larger benefit is the possibility of servicing more individuals. This is the time to reflect, renew and rebuild for a better future.

I am deeply honored to be in the presence of such committed individuals that are Lions and Leos of District 14-C, that identify and address the needs of our communities and the world. Each and every one of you make a difference though donations and volunteering. I ask that you make a New Year's Resolution to create a positive atmosphere in your club so we can work together to serve. Thank you so much for everything you do!

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Doug Nace

A Message From the 2nd Vice District Governor



**2nd Vice
District Governor
Patti Wurzbacher**

Greetings Lions and Leos of District 14-C!

As I sit at my keyboard, preparing to write this month's newsletter article, a recognizable song replays in my mind: *"Another year over. And a new one just begun!"* It's a line from John Lennon's *So This is Christmas*, a song I've heard countless times growing up.

"What have you done? Another year over. And a new one just begun..."

For Lions, our calendar year starts on July 1st and ends on June 30th, but as the world counts down to midnight on New Year's Eve, we, too, reflect on traditions and new beginnings. It's a season filled with family, parties, watching the ball drop in Times Square, enjoying the Rose Parade (with a Lions float for all to see!), preparing special meals, making resolutions, and imagining the possibilities of a fresh start.

As Lions, you might pause to ask, *"What have we done?"* The answer is inspiring! You've conducted vision screenings, donated food to local pantries and Hurricane Helene victims, hosted blood drives, cleaned roads, collected used eyeglasses, provided pajamas for foster children, lit Christmas trees, welcomed Santa for the kids, sold brooms, supported your neighbors, delivered meals, honored veterans with Wreaths Across America, celebrated White Cane Day, adopted families for Thanksgiving and Christmas—the list goes on and on! And believe it or not, that's only half the year!

When asked, *"What have you done?"* you can proudly say you've transformed lives through countless acts of service. You've given your time, energy, and your hearts to your communities. District 14C is truly blessed with Lions who serve faithfully and passionately, year after year. As we approach the new year, let's renew our commitment to serving our communities. Thank you for all you do—for your clubs, communities, and the district. As we step into this new year together, let us carry Helen Keller's words in our hearts:

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

Here's to another wonderful year of service!

Patti Wurzbacher

2nd Vice District Governor

Did you Ever Wonder Why?

Has this ever happened to you? You write a check payable to someone, say it's your Electric Company and then *intentionally* mail it to someone else, say to your Gas Company, and expect your Electric Company to credit your account? No, I didn't think so. How about this? Did you ever write a check to something or someone who obviously could not cash the check because it wasn't a legal entity or it wasn't the correct legal entity? For example, write the check to "Haircut" instead of "George's Barber Shop?" No, of course you wouldn't do that, that's ridiculous.

Yet, guess what? Every few months, the District receives checks that are made payable to other organizations or causes/projects that cannot be deposited into the District's bank accounts. The District has two bank accounts: one for Administrative purposes and one for Charitable Activities. Both accounts are in the name of "**Lions International District 14-C**," which is how the bank would most like to receive checks made payable to us. They will also accept "**LCI District 14-C**" (as indicated on page 12 in the District Directory) and "**Lions District 14-C**" without too much of an issue.



So, perhaps this doesn't affect you, but if you mail or hand-deliver checks to the District Governor or Treasurer that are not payable to the District, as indicated in the preceding paragraph, please stop. Checks made payable directly to other organizations, for example "LCIF" or "Beacon Lodge" should be mailed directly to those organization and NOT to the District. Likewise, checks made payable to causes or projects should be corrected to one of the acceptable payees cited in the above paragraph, with a notation on the check's "memo" line (or an attached document) specifying the nature of the receipt. Do not write District checks payable to the "District Governor's Project Fund," or even to his personal name. Yes, that really happens all the time!

So, beginning in 2025, any checks presented to the District Governor or Treasurer that are not made payable to "**Lions International District 14-C,**" "**LCI District 14-C,**" or "**Lions District 14-C**" will be returned to the sender. Just a further note, if you are mailing checks to other organizations, i.e., LCIF, Beacon Lodge, PA State Council of Lions Clubs, etc., please be sure to use the proper submittal documents found on their websites.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact District Treasurer Phil Olphin.

Thanks for your cooperation, it is much appreciated! And have a great New Year!

District 14-C Cabinet Meeting

District Governor Galen Burkholder has issued a call for the Third District 14-C Cabinet Meeting for Lion year 2024-2025 to be held on Saturday, February 15, 2024, at the Dover 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.

District Disaster Relief Program

Drive Safely in the Snow

Driving in the winter means changes in the way you drive. Snow, sleet and ice can lead to hazardous road conditions. Prepare your vehicle for the upcoming winter season with [these helpful tips](#).



Avoid Shoveling, Snow blowing Injuries

[Shoveling snow](#) or using a snowblower are among winter's most grueling activities. High levels of activity in cold temperatures put many people at risk of heart attack, especially those that have inactive lifestyles.

Treat Frostbite Immediately

Use first aid to help someone who may have [hypothermia or frostbite](#). Online and classroom courses are available at workplaces and other organizations through NSC. [Download the NSC first aid app](#) and you will be ready to give first aid for frostbite, hypothermia and many other emergencies.

Prevent Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

Carbon monoxide detectors save lives. Every year, hundreds of people die and tens of thousands are treated for [carbon monoxide poisoning](#).

The most common symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning are often described as “flu-like” – headache, dizziness, weakness, upset stomach, vomiting, chest pain and confusion. [Check out our carbon monoxide fact page](#).

Avoid Injuries While Enjoying Winter

Whether you are [skiing and snowboarding](#), [sledding](#) or skating, take safety precautions like learning basic skills and using the appropriate gear for the sport.



[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.

Paws for Thought

By LD Puppy Raiser Robbie Teal

This is a reprint of an article “**LEADING THE WAY**” from the Leader Dogs for the Blind—Lions Newsletter. I thought this article was astonishing and I wanted to share it with all of you.

Navigating Life After A Hurricane GUIDE DOG CLIENT STORY - LION WALKER J. AND LEADER DOG LOKI

“Going to get vulnerable here for a moment. This morning, I had the most TERRIFYING experience of my life! My son, Riley, had to return to school after two weeks of no school courtesy of the hurricane. Because of that, I was notified yesterday that his bus can only pick him up at the end of our street because of all the debris and power lines down. Which means he has to walk there. However, it’s a very long road and I’m not going to let my son walk that far in the dark by himself at 6:00 a.m. So, I decided that I would go with him with Leader Dog Loki guiding me.



Loki and I have been practicing night walks for a while now, so I figured we could do this despite all the debris. As we began our walk to Riley's bus stop, things were fine at first—felt like any other night walk. But as we got further down the road, that's when things got scary. The amount of debris began to become worse and worse, and it got so bad that I could feel Loki pulling me to the middle of the road for long periods of time. This could only mean that there was a lot of stuff he was having to take me around. At this exact time, there were no more streetlights to give me any indication of where we were because they had fallen. So, while Loki could see, it was completely black for me. I was completely and totally blind. Finally, we reached the end of the street. I could hear Riley's bus and then I heard Riley yell "Bye, Dad. Love you!" So, I knew he got on the bus. Now it was time to walk back, but this time on the other side of the road. This is when I lost it.

We're walking and Loki is pulling me around even more stuff and I have no clue what it is. All I could think about is what if we get hurt? What if he makes a mistake and I get stabbed by a sharp branch or worse? I started hyperventilating and I couldn't stop. Loki's a fast walker, which didn't help my nerves either. As we continued forward, my heart was pounding out of my chest. All of a sudden, I yelled out "Loki stop!" and I completely froze for about a minute. There we were, standing in the dark right there in the middle of the road, and I couldn't move. I had never been so scared in my entire life.

Eventually I decided we couldn't stay there forever, so I knelt down and told Loki "I'm going to give you everything I have right now. We can do this. Take us home." So, we marched on. He's pulling me left and right. It felt like we were walking through an obstacle course. Not a single clue as what any of these obstacles were, but I trusted him with my whole heart and kept reminding myself that he can see things that I can't. After what felt like an eternity, we finally arrived at my doorstep. I broke down in tears. I fell down to the ground and held him and thanked him over and over again. I have never been so scared and so amazed in my life. I've seen Loki do the most amazing things, and I still couldn't believe he got me home.

It's moments like this where I really see just how smart and well trained he is. It's moments like this where I really see his loyalty to me. It blows my mind. This dog doesn't owe me a damn thing. He didn't ask to be a guide dog. He didn't ask to be given to me. But this is what he is meant to do and he's damn good at it, despite some of our hiccups along the way. After seven months working alongside him, this is the most trust I've ever had to put into him and it paid off.

York Springs Community Breakfasts - 2025

(All You Can Eat)

Pancakes, Sausage, Ham, Scrambled Eggs, Potatoes,
Juice, Coffee, Hot Tea, & Hot Chocolate

York Springs Fire Hall

312 Main ST
York Springs, PA

Time: 7:00 – 10:30 AM



Sat., January 18, 2025

Sat., February 15, 2025

Sat., March 15, 2025

Price: \$12 - Adults over 12

\$5 - Ages 5-12

Free - Ages 4 & under

(Bring a canned good for our local food
bank to receive \$1.00 off one admission)



**Sponsored by York Springs Lions Club to benefit York Springs Fire Company,
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp, & Hope Walks (Int'l Headquarters in York Springs)**

Questions: Contact Ed @ 717-475-4866 or email pchefprosser@gmail.com



Annual Pennsylvania Lions Spring Fling Leadership Symposium



2 LOCATIONS

Saturday, February 22, 2025 9 AM-3 PM

PA Lions State Office

949 East Park Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17111

Lunch available for a \$8.00 donation (Pay at the Door)

OR

Sunday, February 23, 2025 Noon-5 PM

Butler County Association for the Blind

322 N. Cedar Street, Butler, PA 16001

Snacks will be available

“The Lion Portal - Where do I find that?”

Presenters-PDG Lisa & PCC Dave Leon, 14-U

Are you having a hard time finding information or reporting service in the Lion Portal?

Bring your devices & learn how to swiftly navigate your membership, club, district, & multiple district data.

“Artificial Intelligence Tools Lions can use TODAY!”

Presenter-PCC Dave Leon, 14-U

In this session we will cover two groundbreaking AI-powered apps, designed specifically to help Lions grow, rebuild, and promote our service worldwide.

“Empowering Growth”

Presenter-PDG Mike Schaeffer, 14-D

Join us for an engaging workshop on innovative strategies to recruit new members, retain existing ones, & grow Lions Clubs through actionable plans & community-focused approaches.

“Communicate with impact”

Presenter-DG Mike Crossey, 14-B

In this session, learn to connect, not just connect.

FREE & OPEN to all Pennsylvania Lions

Register to attend contact PDG Kerry McKnight

MD14GLT-LEARN@yahoo.com or call (717)759-0711

Space is Limited!

Arendtsville Celebrates the Holidays

The Arendtsville Lions Club celebrated the holidays with three activities during the month of December. On Tuesday, December 10, the club held their annual Volunteer Appreciation/Holiday Dinner at *The Farm House Restaurant* buffet outside of Gettysburg. Several loyal non-member volunteers joined the club members to enjoy a wide array of tasty treats, special music and a gift raffle. A 50/50 raffle generated \$180 for St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Also, Membership Chairperson Dennis Cronin had a special gift for each of the five new members who have been joined the club so far this year.

On Wednesday, December 18, six members distributed 28 fruit baskets to widows and widowers in Arendtsville. This is a long-time signature project of the club. The baskets include an assortment of fresh fruit and are prepared for the club by Sandoe's Fruit Market in Biglerville.



The club also took on a new project this year. The club prepared breakfast twelve times for guests of a shelter for individuals and families experiencing homelessness. The project starts on December 17 and ended December 30. 11 members contributed time to this project, which required 150 volunteer hours and benefitted approximately 30 individuals. Details can be found in PDG Dennis Cope's column in this newsletter.

Zone 2a Holiday Social Enjoyed by All

On December 19, 2024 Lions, family, and friends gathered together from multiple clubs to enjoy the 2024 Zone 2a Holiday Social at the Bongiorno's Conference Center. Presents were given to all and Lions raised money with a silent auction for Beacon Lodge.



Michael played little elf and helped distribute presents to all in attendance.



Silent Auction raised over \$400 dollars for Beacon Lodge.



IPDG Marty along with other lions show off their gifts.



ZC Ray MC and 2VDG Patti enjoyed food and fun.



Lion Dean looks over dinner and goodies.

Upper Adams Provides Pajamas

Upper Adams Lions Club supported the MD-14 "Pajama Drive" project for Children & Youth/Foster Care Agencies across PA by collecting pajamas for ages 12 - 21 which were delivered to our club's local Adams County Children and Youth Services Agency. The club collected and delivered 50 pairs of pajamas. Club members donated new pajamas in lieu of a gift exchange at our annual Holiday gathering.



President Kathy Culp delivering the pajamas to Jessica Coy, Administrator at the Youth Service Agency.

New Freedom and Stewartstown Sponsor Tree Lightings

A crowd of over 300 people saw the Stewartstown Christmas Tree be lit up, thanks to the efforts of the Stewartstown club. The club purchased the lights for the tree, which is located on the front lawn of the Mason Dixon Library. Dorn Electric graciously donated their time and truck to hang the lights. For the third straight year, the club provided hot chocolate and cookies to all attendees and Mayor Brittany Barnette threw the switch to activate the lights. Both Leo the Lion and Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer made an appearance at the event, to the delight of the children present.



Stewartstown Christmas Tree



The local high school jazz band played festive tunes on November 30th as the New Freedom club held their annual tree lighting and Santa's grand arrival on a Rose Fire Company ladder truck.



Santa arrives in New Freedom

Dover Celebrates the Holidays

The Dover Lions Club celebrated Christmas recently with entertainment provided by the SUNNY SIDE GANG .



L to R: Gary Chmiel, Debra Chmiel, Connie Zeplen, and Frank Zeplen.

Detecting Eye Issues Early

Lions KidSight USA screenings are totally free to the schools, parents and organizations at which the screenings are performed. Simple “pass” or “refer” results are instantly available and shared with the parents and agency at which the screenings are performed. Since screening is just a tool with which children are identified as needing to have a professional eye exam, follow up with the family to see if any assistance in obtaining an appointment with an eye care professional is needed.



The Importance of Children’s Vision

According to educational experts, 80% of learning is visual. If children can’t see well, they will have more difficulty learning. One of the primary threats to young children’s vision has always been ‘lazy eye’ - a layperson’s term for Amblyopia.

Amblyopia and its related issues need to be detected by age 6 to have the best chance of being corrected through proven therapeutic approaches, such as short-term patching, prescription eyeglasses, or, possibly surgery. To put the size of the challenge in some context, up to 5% of all children will have some degree of amblyopia, and up to 30% of all young people will eventually develop poor vision that will require prescription eyewear.

The Challenge is Increasing

With the transition to more and more ‘remote’ learning on tiny screens - and a decrease in outdoor playtime - there is mounting evidence that children at younger and younger ages are developing myopia and other vision challenges.

Unfortunately, our nation’s correctional facilities and places for those having trouble with learning and social behavior are over-populated with people who have fairly significant vision or hearing impairment.

We can’t draw precise correlations of course, but it’s clear that healthy vision can at least give a person a head-start and future resilience.

Fact is, 1-in-3 young children naturally have poor but correctable vision - often just needing eyeglasses. Seems to be happening at younger ages in recent years. Increased screen time and decreasing outdoor playtime is partially to blame.

Bottom-line, children can — and should --- receive a basic, touchless, digital vision screening as young as 6 months. It’s now super easy, proven, and very effective at detecting early vision challenges that need professional care.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE AND TIPS



Articles for the February issue must be submitted by January 23, 2024.

The past two months have seen a LOT of articles coming in after the listed deadline. For the next issue, I will be holding firm to the deadline of January 23rd. If it comes in after that, it goes in the March issue.

Submit articles to the following email:

district14newsletter@gmail.com

Submission Guidelines:

- Articles should be in PDF or Word format.
- Pictures should be JPG or PNG.
- Submit all pictures separately from the article.
- DO NOT crop, resize, or otherwise adjust photos before sending.
- List everyone in the photos.
- Late articles will be placed in the next issue.
- Not everything that is submitted will be printed.

Tips

- Put your name and club in the email submitting the article.
- If your article discusses a group, event, or cause, tell us about the group, event or cause! What do they do? How many people were there? The more information I get, the better the article. A one sentence description means a very small article.
- Trifold brochures, like the kind many clubs use for golf tournaments, do not fit the newsletter's aspect ratio, and have to be heavily edited to fit. If you have a one-page flyer, that would be a better submission.

The A B C's of LCIF

PDG Keith Shoff, LCIF District 14-C Coordinator

I hope you all had a relaxing Christmas and New Year's Holiday. Lion Jeanne and I got to spend some time with her family at her mother's in Selbyville Delaware. Always a happy time when I get to visit with my new family.

I'm sure you are all aware that so many around us are suffering in one way or another. We don't have to look very far to find someone in need. If you compound that globally, there are literally millions of desperate hurting people. The disasters and needs never stop. That's where LCIF comes into action, with help not only here locally but anywhere there is a need. Although the media has moved on from areas of need Lions and LCIF has not. In places like North Carolina, and Tennessee, LCIF is still there assisting and will be for the foreseeable future. Since the needs never stop, the only way we as Lions can keep up with those needs is to donate our time, energy and our monies in an effort to build upon our success'.

This month I'd like to encourage you at your Clubs to start a simple fundraiser which is easy to run but can yield big results. It goes like this:

At each meeting, each member gives \$1.00 and then have your Treasurer, put it into a designated fund. When you collect around \$300, send it off to LCIF.

It's simple, takes very little time and keeps LCIF in front of your club. And don't forget, it accumulates funds and points toward Melvin Jones Fellowships.

Why **\$1.00**, you might ask? LCIF's power is measured by the number **1**, **One** life forever changed by our donations:

- a girl that gets to attend a Diabetes camp
- a community that gets to enjoy cleaner water
- a family that finds safety and security in an area of conflict
- a doctor that gets access to additional education
- and yes, help for a community to recover and rebuild from a disaster.

That **\$1.00** becomes critical funding to allow Lions to expand our service and strengthen our humanitarian mission. But the true impact is understood on a far more personal level. The true impact behind every donation is the stories of **1**. Everyday, somewhere on this Earth, some**ONE** is hungry, cold, suffering, and LCIF is there to provide the much-needed support ... Support that nourishes, warms, comforts. When we donate to LCIF, 100% of every **\$1.00** goes to work to expand our compassionate programs and empower our humanitarian service here at home and around the world.

Lions change lives **One person at a time**

Remember, when making a donation to your Foundation, checks should be made out to "**LCIF**" in whatever amount you wish to donate. 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. Thank You for donating to YOUR Foundation !!!

District Governor Visitation Schedule – January - March

Date	Club
Thursday, Jan. 9	Spring Grove Lions Club - 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 14	Hanover Lions Club - 6:15 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 20	Camp Hill Lions Club - 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 21	Upper Adams Lions Club - 5:30 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 27	Mason + Dixon Lions Club - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 28	Mt Holly Springs Lions Club - 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 29	Shiloh Lions Club - 6:30 p.m.
Monday, Feb. 10	Dillsburg Lions Club - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 11	Cashtown Community Lions Club - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday Feb. 25	Newville Lions Club - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Mar. 11	Jacksonville Lions Club - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Mar. 18	Windsor Lions Club - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Mar. 25	Boiling Springs Lions Club - 6:00 p.m.

DG Galen Speaks to Carlisle Club



The Carlisle Club welcomed District Governor Galen Burkholder on December 10, 2024. DG Galen talked about his and International President Fabricio Oliveira mottos.

Upper Adams Club Celebrates With DG Galen

The Upper Adams club held their annual holiday party at The Lodges in Gettysburg. DG Galen was an honored guest for the event. After the dinner, the members participated in a holiday trivia contest.



L to R: Chris Stoken, Kay Walters, Debbie DeRosa, Eric & Brenda Stoermer, and DG Galen.

New Freedom Assists With Wishes

New Freedom Lions Club members participated in the Southern Community Services Project E.L.V.E.S. (Everyone Loves Volunteering Especially Santa). The program provides gifts for families in need during the holiday season. Seven members each adopted a child to make their season brighter by purchasing gifts from their "wish lists".



Pictured L-R are Maria Moye, SCS Dir., Lions Cathy Taylor, Neil Taylor, Tina Miller, Mitzi Perry, Denise Varteresian, and Debbie McKnight.



New Freedom Lions Club
“SOUP”ER BOWL SALE

Pickup February 8, 2025

11 AM to 1 PM

Trinity United Methodist Church
101 N. 2nd Street, New Freedom, PA



Vegetable Beef Soup
Chicken Corn Soup
\$9.00 PER QUART



PRE-ORDER FOR YOURSELF OR TO BE DONATED TO
THE WELL, FOOD PANTRY IN GLEN ROCK, PA

To Order Contact Lion Tina
CALL/TEXT 717-891-3991

**ALL SOUPS ARE PRE-ORDERS ONLY AND
ORDERS ARE DUE BY FEBRUARY 1, 2025**

CASH OR CHECK DUE AT SOUP PICKUP.
(PAYABLE TO LIONS CLUB FOUNDATION OF NEW FREEDOM)
If donating soup, mail payment to PO BOX 235, New
Freedom, PA 17349

www.newfreedomlionsclub.org

Sign Up Today - Space Is Limited!



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REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE



March 7-9, 2025

Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg/Hershey



Contact Your District
Governor
Or
PDG Kerry McKnight
md14glt-learn@yahoo.com

Space Is Limited!
\$175 Per Lion
Meals & Rooms Included

SUBJECTS

- Lions Fundamentals
- Team Work
- Diversity
- Public Speaking
- Time Management
- Personal Mission Statement
- Member Motivation
- Goal Setting

INSTRUCTORS

- PID Cindy Gregg
- PDG Tom Gregg
- PDG Jason Long
- PDG John Mallonee
- PDG Dick Sware
- PID James Cavallaro
- PDG Kerry McKnight



MD-14 REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

MARCH 7-9, 2025-Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg, PA

CANDIDATE'S REGISTRATION FORM

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

Checks should accompany this form and be made out to "PA State Council of Lions Clubs"

Mail to: PDG Kerry McKnight, 6 Mulberry Lane, New Freedom, PA 17349

All 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, 2025 (No refunds after deadline) Maximum 40 attendees

Please type or print CLEARLY!

First Name _____ Last Name _____

District Number _____ Member Number _____

Highest Lions Office Held _____ Current Lion's Title _____

Email** _____ Preferred Telephone # _____

****Please Type or Print CLEARLY! Email is used for ALL Communication regarding the institute**

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Club Name/Number _____ Month/Year Joined _____

Offices Held Within Lions Club _____

Committee Positions Held Within Club _____

Why is this institute of interest to you?

Susquehanna Holds Successful Bingo



Gift Card Bingo on December 1st

Upper Adams C.A.R.E.S.

A community service project that the Upper Adams Lions Club has begun to support is Gettysburg C.A.R.E.S. Mission - a collaboration of local churches who provide overnight cold-weather shelter for up to 30 people from October thru April when no other shelter can be found. Donations were collected at the club's annual Holiday party.



L to R: President Kathy Culp and Kay Walters, C.A.R.E.S. project coordinator.

Mechanicsburg Club Supports One80 Ministries

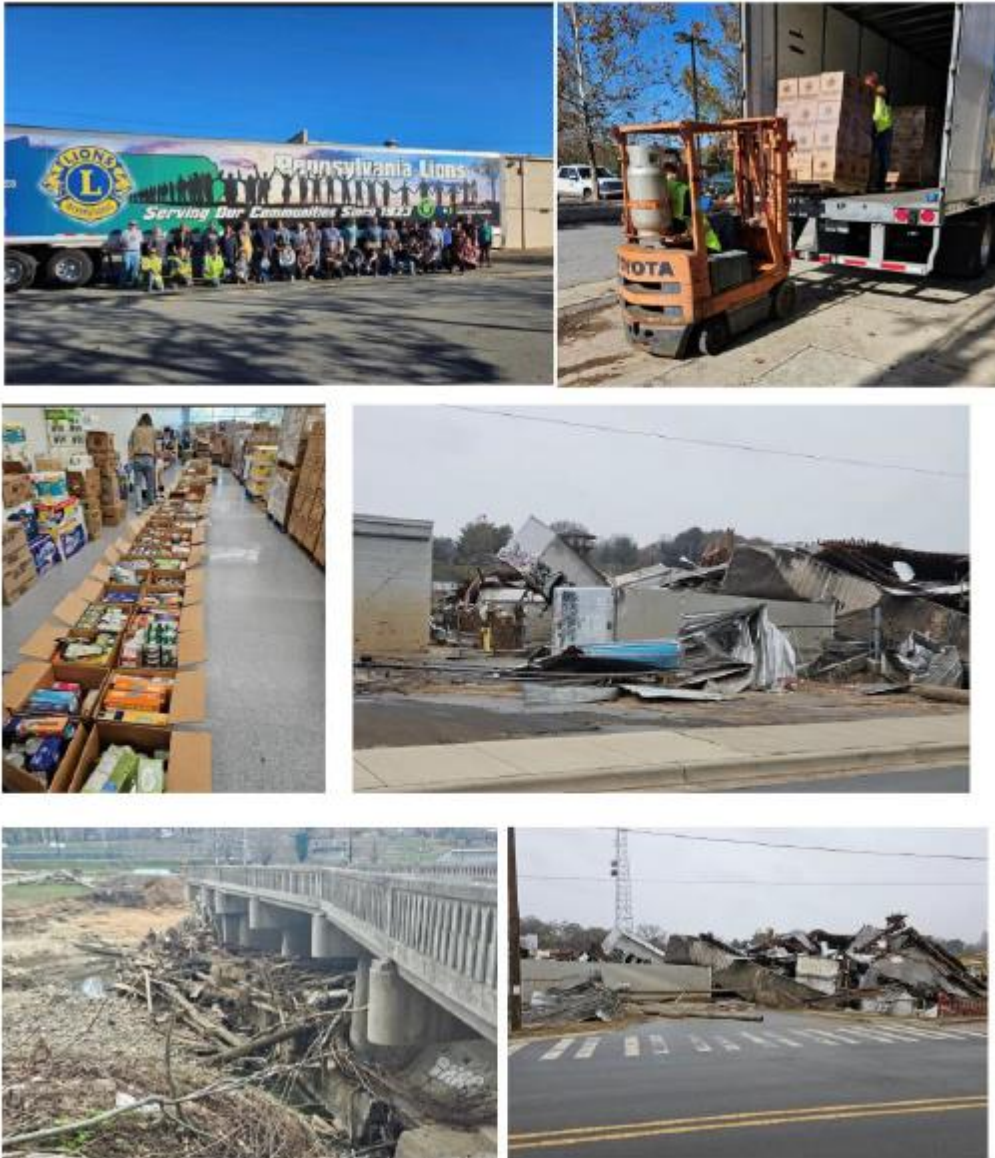
On Friday, December 6, 2024, 14 members of the Mechanicsburg Lions Club lent a helping hand at One80 Ministries' Giveaway Night, providing a warm meal to individuals in need. One80 Ministries hosts this event twice a month, offering a Food Bank and a hot meal to the community.



For the event, the Lions Club members prepared and served a delicious lasagna meal for both lunch and dinner. Five of the 14 Lions, also helped serve the evening meal, taking the time to mingle with community members and offer support to those attending. Approximately 75 individuals were served during the event, making it a successful evening of giving back to the community.

Pennsylvania Disaster Relief to North Carolina

Lion Jim Groff, the PA State Disaster Relief Coordinator, traveled to North Carolina with supplies that were donated and collected by Pennsylvania Lions. Every contribution from Lions across the state added up to a very large load of food and supplies that were a great help to the impacted communities.



Yorktowne Distributes Holiday Gifts

The Yorktowne Lions Club routinely distributes holiday gifts to residents of SpiriTrust Lutheran Sprenkle Village's Assisted Care, Memory Care, and Skilled Care facilities. This year's Christmas gifts included poinsettias and wish-list items. The Club includes other holidays in its gift program distributing small remembrances or greeting cards for Valentine's Day, Easter, July Fourth, Halloween, and Thanksgiving. The program is intended to let patients in these units know that they are remembered on these important holidays, not only by family and friends, but also by the community at large.



Yorktowne members prepare gifts for distribution

Susquehanna Holds Annual Help Your Neighbor Project

The Susquehanna Lions held their Annual **HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR PROJECT**, on December 19th at the Union Firehall in Manchester, PA. Each family received a bag of gifts in addition to a fruit box, a snack box, a bag of fruit and an apple pie.



Club members carrying items to the recipient's cars

Mechanicsburg Lions Assist with “Project Thanksgiving “

On November 25th, seven members of the Mechanicsburg Club joined forces with other volunteers to assist with Project Thanksgiving in partnership with Operation Wildcat. This annual initiative provides essential food and clothing to families in need, ensuring they can enjoy a warm and festive Thanksgiving meal.



York White Rose Collects Toys

The York White Rose club contributed for the second year to the Toys for Tots. The Marines at the local recruiting center were grateful to receive the toys that overflowed their contribution drop box. Lion Dwight volunteered to deliver the toys and with the help of the Marines, unloaded a car full of toys for children.



L to R: SSgt Davis, Lion Dwight Hollenbach, Sgt Mathena, GySgt Machahia and SSgt Thomas was taking the picture.

Mechanicsburg Celebrate the Holidays

The Mechanicsburg club took a break from service and held their annual holiday party, complete with games, songs, and gifts exchanged.



Red Lion and Upper Adams Clubs Celebrate Scholarship

The Red Lion Lions Club was thrilled to honor Kayla Gorman as its Student of the Month for November 2024. Kayla is a senior at Red Lion High School (Class of 2025) and has demonstrated outstanding leadership, academic excellence, and dedication to her community. Kayla has big plans for her future, aiming to earn a Doctorate in Pharmacy from an accredited university. She is shown here receiving her award from Club President Matthew Doll.



The Upper Adams club celebrated its first group of Students of the Quarter for the 2024-25 school year from the Upper Adams High School. The recipients were: Tyler Wolf for Academic Award (nephew of club member Jane Little); Austin Woltz for Music; Caden Kessel for Vo-Ag/Tech, and Bearsun Zullinger for the Athletics award.



L to R: Tyler Wolf, Austin Woltz, Caden Kessel, Bearsun Zullinger



PDG Tom Jones

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Dear Lion Secretary or President,

As in the past, the Beacon Lodge Golf Outing is coming up in August. Again, we are asking your Lions Club to sponsor a hole. The cost is only \$100.00. Our District has a great reputation for their support of Beacon Lodge. DG Galen Burkholder and PDG Tom Jones want our district to be the first 100% contributor to this great project. That means that each club in the district will be the sponsor of a hole and the district also contributes. We unfortunately did not reach 100% last year. This year let's make it 100%

If your club sponsors a hole, there will be a placard on display at the hole and recognition at the banquet that evening. Let us show the rest of Pennsylvania how our District comes through when needed. I will also be calling in May to remind you of this much needed support. As you can see below, there are other sponsorship levels as well.

Your checks can be sent directly to me at the above address. Do not send them directly to Beacon Lodge. Make your checks out to: PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp and please consider adding this to your club's yearly budget.

Sincerely,

PDG Tom Jones
Beacon Lodge Board Member

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

Sponsor Levels

- **Diamond** - \$10,000 Includes Naming Rights for the outing, Logo Branding on event website, Score Cards, and all pin flags; a 3' x 2' Diamond-shape Pavilion Sign, 4 paid Foursomes and 18"x12" Hole Sponsor Sign (At a tee or green).
- **Ruby** - \$5000 Includes 3'x2' Ruby sign, 2 paid foursomes and an 18"x12" Hole Sponsor Sign (At a tee or green).
- **Platinum** - \$2500 Includes 3'x2' Platinum sign, 2 paid foursomes and an 18"x12" Hole Sponsor Sign
- **Gold** - \$1,500 Includes a 3'x2' Gold Sign, 1 paid Foursome and 18"x12" Hole Sponsor Sign.
- **Silver**- \$1,000 Includes a 3'x2' Silver Sign, 1 paid Foursome and 18"x12" Hole Sponsor Sign.
- **Bronze** - \$500 Includes a Bronze Sign and 18"x12" Hole Sponsor Sign.
- **Hole** - \$100 includes an 18"x12" Hole Sponsor Sign.
- **Cart** - \$50 Includes an 8.5"x11" sign on cart.



PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp 2025 CAMP CALENDAR



PA LIONS

PA State Convention – April 30 – May 4, 2025, Scranton
 VDG/New Board Member Seminar – July 19, 2025, 1 PM
 International Convention – July 13 – 17 2025, Orlando, FL
 PLAD – July 20, 2025
 USA/Canada Forum – September 18 – 20, 2025 Atlantic City, NJ

BEACON LODGE CAMP

Program Pre-Camp Training – May 27, 2025
 Campers' 1st Day – June 7, 2025
 Campers' Last Day – August 20, 2025
 Employee Appreciation Day – August 22, 2025
 Popeye Fleck Fishing Derby – **TBD**
 9th Annual Golf Outing – Saturday, August 23, 2025
 14-C Work Weekend – April 4 – 6, 2025
 2025 BLC Fall Work Weekend – September 12-14, 2025
 14-N Work Weekend – April 24 – 27, 2025

PA LIONS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board Meeting – December 8, 2024, 1 PM
 Board Meeting – March 16, 2025, 1 PM
 Board Meeting – July 20, 2025, 9 AM
 Board Meeting – September 14, 2025, 1 PM

- Bold and underlined are subject to change.

	#	Session Name	Session Dates	Session Application Close Date
ADULT CAMP	1	Camp Empower	June 14 - 19	June 2
	2	Camp Felicity	June 21 - 26	June 9
	3	Camp Perception	June 28 – July 8	June 16
	4	Camp Perception 2	July 12 - 22	June 30
	5	Camp Empower 2	July 26 - 31	July 14
	6	Camp Felicity 2	August 2 - 7	July 21
	7	Camp Liberty	August 9 - 20	July 28
CHILDRENS VILLAGE	1	PNH Retreat	June 7 - 11	May 26
	2	Camp Sensational	June 14 - 18	June 2
	3	Camp LEAP	June 21 - 25	June 9
	4	Camp AD(H)venture	June 28 – July 2	June 16
	5	ConnXions	July 12 - 19	June 30
	6	PNH	July 26 - 30	July 14
	7	Sibling Camp(Name to be Determined)	August 2 - 7	July 21

- Applications are online.
 - Emails will be sent once registration is open.
- Specific check-in times will be provided.
 - In order to streamline the check-in process, you will be assigned a specific time to check-in.
 - You can request a specific time slot, but it cannot be guaranteed.
 - If you don't make your check-in time, you will be placed in the next available time slot.

PLEASE REMEMBER:

- Sessions can fill up quickly.
- Confirmation is only provided upon fully completed application and payment of the application fee.
 - An application is only considered complete after we have received **and verified all** forms.
- Check-ins are from 12 noon to 3:30 PM.
- Check-outs are from 9:00 am to 12 noon.

District Meetings and Events

Date	Event
Thursday, Jan. 30	Global Action Team Meeting - Zoom - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 15	District 14-C Cabinet Meeting - Dover Fire Hall - 9:30 a.m.
Monday, Feb. 24	Zone 1A Advisory Meeting - Perkins Restaurant - 6:30 p.m. Zone 3B Advisory Meeting - Pinchot Park Lions Bldg. - 6:30 p.m. Zone 4B Advisory Meeting - New Freedom Comm. Bldg. - 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 26	Zone 2A Advisory Meeting - VFW Post 477 - 6:30 p.m. Zone 4A Advisory Meeting - Windsor Lions Bldg. 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, Feb 27	Zone 1B Advisory Meeting - Hunterstown Diner - 6:30 p.m.
Mar. 7-9	Regional Lions Leadership Institute - Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg/Hershey
Monday, Mar 31	Global Action Team Meeting - Zoom - 7:00 p.m.

2024-2025 District Directory Updates

New changes:

No new changes

Previously reported changes:

Page 14 - Change Meeting time for Upper Adams on January 21 to 5:30 p.m.

Page 14 - Change Dillsburg visitation date from January 13 to February 10

Page 30, 32, 33, 35 and 85 - Change email address for PDG Daniel Brant to:
danbrant44@gmail.com

Page 36 – PDG Hugh Gallagher is a member of the Plainfield Club and his email is
hgallagher99@comcast.net

Page 49 - Hanover Lions Club - Monthly meeting - 2nd Tuesday 6:00 PM

Page 51 - Change email address for Kreutz Creek Valley Secretary to
wjinnemans@yahoo.com

Page 54 - Under Pinchot Park Lions Club ... Jennifer Hunt is the President, not the Secretary; the Secretary is Beth Dahlhammer, 18 Hull Drive, East Berlin PA 17316, bethdahlhammer@gmail.com, 717-802-5329

Page 55 - Under Red Lion Lions Club, change the phone number for Secretary Don Dippner to 717-342-6378

Page 86 - Change address for PDG Hugh Gallagher to 5703 Cricket Lane, Harrisburg PA 17112

We Serve!

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

We SERVE! It's an elegantly simple way to summarize what Lions do and what is at the heart of Lionism. Service, however, requires *time, effort, sacrifice and leadership*, whether through hands-on projects to assist individuals in one's community or through fundraising to provide financial resources needed to carry on a club's service. The "payoff" of that service is the self-satisfaction and pride one feels knowing that people in need have benefitted from one's work.

I was reminded of that satisfaction and pride during this holiday season as I participated in a new service project with my Lions club. In September, we had a guest speaker talk to our club about a program that provides overnight housing and breakfast for up to 30 people experiencing homelessness from November through March. The program is heavily dependent on volunteers to either spend the night at the shelter to provide assistance, if needed, or prepare breakfast for the guests in the morning.



A few weeks after the presentation, our club was contacted by the presenter and asked if we would consider providing breakfast during the last two weeks of December. She said groups had volunteered to provide breakfast for all of the other two-week periods from November through March except that one, which is understandable since it included Christmas.

Should we or shouldn't we accept this responsibility? That's the question our Club President asked of our members. To make a decision, we needed to know just how much *time, effort, sacrifice and leadership* would be needed. This is a must for clubs to consider before they take on a new service project or fundraiser.

For this project, the *time* commitment was 12 mornings, approximately 2.5-3 hours each morning, 3-4 volunteers each morning, and additional time by one or more members for planning and shopping. The *effort* included developing menus and shopping lists, estimating the cost of the project, preparing food, setting up the room and clean-up after each meal. As far as sacrifice, the meals had to be ready by 7:00 each morning, which meant volunteers needed to arrive by 6:00, including Christmas Day.

No project will succeed without an individual or small group of members who are excited and enthusiastic enough about the project to take on the *leadership* responsibilities. In this case, the leaders were the members who came up with menu ideas, did the cost analysis, recruited volunteers to work each morning and/or prepare food at home, made up shopping lists, purchased food and supplies, delivered those items to the site and provided direction each morning to volunteers.

Ultimately, our club agreed to accept the challenge that was offered to us, and the project proved to be very rewarding and humbling for those who participated. We served 20-25 guests each day. The guests included adults, teens, and younger children. It was gratifying to know they walked away well fed and heart-breaking to learn the struggles these folks were going through in regard to housing, finances, work and family relationships. For those two weeks, however, we knew we made a difference in the lives of these people, who were quick to express their appreciation and gratitude for a hot meal to start their day.

Despite the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, the *time, effort, sacrifice and leadership* that went into this project was extremely gratifying and satisfying. It made this holiday season extra special for each of the members who participated, and I have a feeling it's a project we will continue in the years ahead.

I challenge every member reading this article to find a service opportunity that excites you to the point that you would take on a leadership role, and then challenge your club to support you and join you in pursuing the project. The rewards will be well worth the *time, effort, sacrifice and leadership* you and your fellow club members put into it.

Hanover Supports Library

Since 1935, the Hanover Club has been conducting an annual fundraiser known as TAG DAYS to support organizations within the Hanover community. For the past several years, the club has focused its support toward the Children's Library Program at the Guthrie Memorial Library in Hanover. This year, the club in a collaborative partnership with three local high school student service organizations, were able to collect donations from fans at high school football games as well as from patrons at the Hanover Market House. All told, the club members collected over \$3,100 to benefit the program.



Pictured with members of the Hanover Lions Club are Tara Kauffman and Kelly Horner from the Children's Library Program.

Apple City Leos Wind Up the Year With Service

The Apple City Leo Club had a busy six weeks of service projects to end this calendar year. The first project was on Friday, November 22, at the Upper Adams Intermediate School. Nine members assisted at the school's annual Paint Night. During this event, which is also an opportunity to visit the school's book fair, parents and their children come to the school and make holiday ornaments. The Leo Club members assisted for approximately 3 hours with set-up, distributing materials and clean-up

Three days later club members were back at the school to "deck the halls" with Christmas lights while the teachers help parent conferences. 10 members participated in this project, which brightened the school and got students in the holiday spirit when they returned from their Thanksgiving break.

The club held its monthly meeting on Monday, December 9 and finalized plans for the club's third project of the season, which was to help prepare and serve a dinner for Special Olympics athletes and their families sponsored by the Zone 1A and Zone 1B Lions clubs. 5 Leo Club members and two club member parents participated in this project. They served approximately 110 athletes and family members.



From forefront to the left: Apple City Leo, Upper Adams Lions Members Kim Livelsberger, Durand Little, Carol Rex, Jane Little (behind Carol), Debbie DeRosa, 3 more Apple City Leo's, and far left, Upper Adams Lion Debbie Jones!

The club's final project involved creating holiday greeting cards, which were delivered to area nursing homes to distribute to residents.

In total 18 of the club's 23 members participated in one or more of these projects, which involved 82 volunteer hours and 735 people served.



PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

"500 Club"



Dear Lions and Leos of District 14-C,

This is the time of year that we ask for your support of the "Beacon Lodge 500 Club". This is an opportunity for each Lion and Leo to make a personal contribution to help with maintenance and repairs of Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp.

The "500 Club" is based on a \$5.00 donation per member per year.

The Lions and Leo Clubs in the state of Pennsylvania continue to embrace the Lions motto "We Serve". We encourage all clubs to consider 100% participation in this important fundraiser.

We ask that you: 1. Make checks payable to: Beacon Lodge 500 Club

DO NOT MAIL CHECKS TO BEACON LODGE

2. Mail checks by January 31st to: PDG Tom Jones
19755 Five Forks Road
New Freedom, PA 17349

*UPON REQUEST, WE WILL BE PLEASED TO PRESENT A BEACON LODGE PROGRAM AT YOUR CLUB. *(Most of you are familiar with the camp, but new members need to be informed of the importance of this camp.)*

Enclosed you will also find a copy of the 2025 Beacon Lodge Wish List. After you collect your donations, contact your Zone Chair or PDG Tom Jones

Once again, we thank the Lions and Leo Clubs of District 14-C for your continued support of PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp; helping make it one of the best special needs camps in America.

Yours in Lionism,

PDG Tom Jones- Board member tjonesm2@gmail.com Phone – 717-870-1529

"We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give."
Sir Winston Churchill

Beacon Lodge 2025 Wish List

Name:
Address:

District:

Club Name:
Email:

Office Supplies

Color Copier Paper
White Copier paper
8 x 14 white paper
Bright White Printer Paper
Envelopes: #10
Bubbled Envelopes:
6x9, 8x 11
3-prong Pocket Folders
Banker Boxes
Dry Erase Markers

Kitchen

Plastic Cold Cups:
5 oz & 9 oz
Hot Wax Coffee Cups:
9 & 10 oz
Paper Plates:
9" or larger
Napkins: dinner, picnic
Original Dawn Dish Liquid
White Bar/Dish Cloths
Vinyl Kitchen Gloves
(ALL sizes)

Housekeeping

Thick Paper Towels
Clorox
Disinfecting Spray Cleaner
Disinfecting Floor Cleaners
Disinfecting Wipes
Magic Erasers
White Vinegar
55-56 Gallon Trash Bags
Toilet Plungers-heavy duty
Toilet Brushes
Zipper Vinyl Pillow Covers
(standard)
Zipper Vinyl Mattress Covers
(twin)
Long Twin Size Blankets
No Wool
Industrial Wet Mop Heads
Vinyl Disposable Gloves: M
Extended Window Squeegee
Floor Squeegee

Infirmary

Baby Wipes
Sunscreen - Spray
Bug Spray (OFF, etc.)
Bactine Spray
Lanacane Spray
Benadryl Spray
Liquid Benadryl for children
Calamine Lotion
Hydrocortisone Cream
Saline Eye Drops
Exam Gloves: all sizes, latex-
free
Single Use Lancets
Graduated Liquid Medicine
Imodium
Dispenser Cups
First Aid Kits
Tylenol: Adult and Children
Ibuprofen: Adult and Children

Activities

Craft Jewelry
Craft Beads, String
Colored Paper
Elmer's Glue Sticks
Bingo Prizes
Stress Balls
Weighted Stuffed Animals
Twine
Tie Dye
White T-Shirts:
Med, Lg, XL, 2XL
White Socks:
All Sizes Kids & Adult
Smart Scissors & Skills
Workbook
Craft Kits for Children and
Adults
Crayons/Markers/Pencils
Suncatchers
Small Paint Kits and Brushes
Play Doh
Small Totes with lid

Maintenance

Packs of Roller Covers: LG &
SM
Foaming Bee/Wasp Killer
Ant Spray
Garden Hose Nozzles
Microfiber Cloths
Long Neck Lighters
Paint Brushes: 2", 3", 4"
Knee Pads
LED Light Bulbs
LED Flood Light Bulbs
Duracell/Energizer/Rayovac
Batteries, AA, AAA, C, D, 9V
Black Nitrile powder free gloves
M, L, XL, XXL

Visit BeaconLodge.org/WishList for an updated list and its Amazon Wish List

Shrewsbury Holds Food Drive

Shrewsbury Lions Club held a food drive on November 23, 2024 at Saubel's to benefit the Southern York County Food Panty. In addition, gently used coats, hats, and scarves were collected for Coats of Friendship. In addition to the 1, 545 lbs. of food collected for the Southern York County Food Pantry, the club presented a check of \$600 for future needs.



Food collected for SYCFP

Where There is a Need, There is a Lion

The New Freedom Lions and the Shrewsbury Area Centennial Lions shopped to support a local family for Christmas. The family has faced multiple life-changing events this past year and the Lions stepped in to bring Christmas joy to the family and two young boys



WELCOME

New Members

New Member	Club	Sponsor
Joseph Fazekas	Arendtsville	James Bittle
Lloyd Deaven	Boiling Springs	Larry Morrison
Patricia Deaven	Boiling Springs	Larry Morrison
Keith Palmer	Boiling Springs	James McNatt
Lonnie Shultz	Boiling Springs	Larry Morrison
John Winegardner	Boiling Springs	Larry Morrison
Tracy Baldwin	Shrewsbury Area	Patricia LaFleur



L to R: PDG Kerry McKnight swears in new Shrewsbury Centennial Club member Tracey Baldwin, while sponsor Pat Lafleur watches



DG Galen inducts Brianna Mincer (center) as sponsor Lion Cindy Landis looks on.



Chris Hull (center) was recently inducted as a member of the Hanover Club. He was sponsored by his friend and fellow Lion Tom Krout (left), and inducted by PDG Lisa Griffie.



Rick Fraumeni (left) was inducted into the Hanover Lions Club by PDG John Griffie. Rick is pictured with his sponsor, Janine Mundorff, and Club President, John Zinn