



DISTRICT 14C NEWSLETTER

August 2020



A Message From the District Governor

Lions, Lioness, and Leos All

My first month as your District Governor has gone by quickly. I was disappointed that the COVID-19 pandemic has caused more restrictions on Lions activities just when things seem to be getting better. The Banner Exchange Night was canceled at the Hickory Bridge Farm. I was looking forward to an in person event there having a great meal and celebration experience. I am sure this is a very small price to pay for the health of our members. I do have the 2020-2021 Directories and I will be distributing them as I am able. I plan to meet with clubs in person following the guide lines for social distancing, face mask, hand washing and any other requirements.

August will bring many meetings such as the PA lions State Council meeting on 08-01-20, GAT meeting on 08-05-20, the District Cabinet meeting on 08-15-20 and many District Governor visits to clubs. I am looking forward to these meeting, some by Zoom and others that will be in person meetings. I feel good about the new Lions Year and I know that we will find a way to serve the needs of our communities and the world in spite of the pandemic.



District Governor Tom Jones

Stay Safe and Healthy

Work to make it great to be a Lion

Remember that Kindness Matters

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A Message From 1st VDG Elect/D-GLT Dan Brant

Dear Fellow District 14C Lions,

I suggested last month that service was the work area that stands at the “top of the heap” for the District's Global Action Team (GAT). This is particularly true in the midst of a pandemic. Does that mean that we can easily deliver needed services at this time? Certainly, many of our Lions are faced with serious health risks themselves because of this nasty virus. So that means we will have to be very creative in addressing local needs that exist. I am pretty certain that many of our clubs have already figured out ways to do this. Recently four clubs in western and southern Cumberland County participated in a Blood Drive organized by the American Red Cross and sponsored by the District 14C Lions. (See the enclosed flyer for a second Blood Drive to be held in Newville on August 13th.) The onsite work is not hard, but very important. I bet there are many more service examples in Clubs throughout the District. I will talk with our GAT Team on August 15th about ways in which we could capture these services.

Leadership and membership are the other two work areas for the GAT. I want to focus on leadership in my remaining comments. Through leadership we seek to assure that Lions in the District have the training and tools needed to carry out the work efficiently and effectively in whatever position you are in at the Club, Zone or District level. Please note elsewhere in this Newsletter that three virtual seminars will be provided in August by three of our great District 14C leaders. The first seminar will be delivered by P'DG Kerry McKnight for Club Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries and Club Administrators on August 13th. The second will be delivered by PDG Lisa Griffie for any Lion to provide a better understanding of the organization and what it means to be a Lion. The third one will be delivered by PDG Dennis Cope for Presidents and 1st Vice Presidents. Each seminar will begin at 7:00 pm. You will have to pre-register to participate in any of the seminars. Attendees will be able to actively participate using the Zoom platform. If you don't have the phone or computer capability to participate online, you will be able to call into the session. Watch for more virtual training opportunities in the future. If you have recommendations regarding training needs, feel free to contact me.

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Now how do you decide if you want to be a lion leader at the Club, Zone or District level? In the following link, Past International Director Steve Glass says that "it is 90% wanting to do it" " [Lions Leadership Philosophy's by The Roaring Lion • A podcast on Anchor](#). He says that "if you are steering the ship, it will be easier to get things done". Lions International President Dr. Jung-Yoi Choi says that "in times of great need, the world will be shaped by great leaders. What you accomplish will last a lifetime."

A Message From 2nd VDG Ortrun Gates



Fellow Lions,

Once again, a note from quarantine. I am feeling helpless and all I can do is hope that keeping a mask on my face, interacting with folks as little as possible, and trusting that we'll have a vaccine before too long will help us all through this.

On the bright side, 1st VDG Dan and I will attend the VDG Seminar at Beacon Lodge on August 22nd. I hope to glean lots of information from that as I feel a little wobbly at the moment. Being out of touch with my club and other Lions hasn't helped.

For now, all I can say is: Stay Safe! Stay Healthy!

District Website

Our District Web Site, <http://www.e-district.org/sites/14c/>, is being updated and webmaster Lion Al Diehl wishes to update our District's Medical Equipment Resource webpage, <http://www.e-district.org/sites/14c/page-10.php>. If your club is known for supplying medical supplies and/or equipment, please send me an email message [aedelectric@comcast.net], send me a text message at (717) 659-3865, and/or call me on my mobile phone, 717 659-3865, with what your club is currently offering, who to contact, how they wish to be contacted, and when is the best time to contact them. Our goal is to have a comprehensive and accurate listing so visitors who come across our website knows who to contact to meet their needs. Thanks, Lion Al

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LIONS DISTRICT 14-C

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

SUMMER SEMINAR SERIES

District 14-C is proud to present three interactive on-line seminars for Lions club members and club leaders during the month of August. The seminars will be conducted through Zoom video conferencing. Preregistration is required in order to participate in the 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.



CLUB SECRETARY / CLUB ADMINISTRATOR SEMINAR

This is an orientation and update training for Club Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries, and Club Administrators. PDG Kerry McKnight 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 Here to Register](#)



MEMBER ORIENTATION SEMINAR

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 presenter for this seminar is PDG Lisa Griffie.

[Click Here to Register](#)



CLUB PRESIDENTS SEMINAR

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 1st Vice Presidents are encouraged to participate. PDG Dennis Cope will lead this seminar.

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I was very anxious about how the COVID-19 pandemic would affect Lions Clubs International Foundation contributions. Here was something that was changing the world, and there never was any doubt LCIF would be doing what they do best, helping Lions serve their communities.

Worldwide LCIF has awarded 340 grants worth over \$5 million for our clubs to supply masks, face shields, gloves, even beds for hospitals during the pandemic. Many First Responders in the United States were supplied PPE items from local Lions Clubs to protect their crews and patients. In Pennsylvania alone, LCIF has awarded \$60,000 to 6 of our Districts to serve their communities during the pandemic.

In the spring I contacted many of our 14-C clubs to ask for their support, if possible, to LCIF for Disaster Relief. I was aware fundraisers were cancelled, but we needed to act quickly to help slow down the spread of the Coronavirus. We raised nearly \$5,000 earmarked for COVID-19 grants from that request.

District Governor Steve Shipman asked me at the beginning of his term to set a goal for LCIF donations for the year and I recommended \$42,000. We ended the year with **\$47,300** in 14-C contributions which surpassed our goal. This amount led all 17 Districts in Pennsylvania for the second year in a row.

I thank all our 14-C clubs and members for your thoughtfulness and caring in the support of Lions Clubs throughout the world by contributing to Lions Clubs International Foundation.

PDG Kerry McKnight

14-C LCIF Coordinator

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COVID-19 FRONTLINE RELIEF GRANT BY CONSTITUTIONAL AREA



Place Your Club's Activities in this Newsletter!

Submit your items to Newsletter Editor Carl Birkmeyer:
carl@cbhypnosis.com

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2019-2020 END-OF-YEAR VISION SCREENING PROJECT REPORT

Thanks to the outstanding efforts of our clubs and members, and despite the cancellation of many screenings this Spring, District 14-C once again increased the number of individuals receiving vision screenings by Lions. The total number of vision screenings reported to the committee for this year was 2,468 with 1,540 of those individuals being age 6 months to 6 years old. That's an increase of over 841 individuals from last year!

Of those screened, approximately 13.5% were referred to an eye-care professional for a complete examination. That means Lions identified 331 individuals who should see an eye-care provider and who potentially needed treatment. Of those 331, 207 were 6 years old or younger. What a gift!

24 clubs participated in (or were scheduled to participate in) vision screenings this year., which is 4 more than last year! Those clubs, by zone, are as follows:

Zone 1A: East Berlin, Hanover, Littlestown, New Oxford, West Manheim Township

Zone 1B: Apple City Leo, Arendtsville, Gettysburg, York Springs

Zone 2A: Mt. Holly Springs, Newville, Painfield

Zone 2B: Dillsburg, Mechanicsburg

Zone 3A: Spring Grove

Zone 3B: Shiloh, Weiglestown

Zone 4A: Kreutz Creek Valley, Windsor

Zone 4B: Dallastown, Jacobus, New Freedom, Shrewsbury Area Centennial, Stewartstown,

Setting goals for the 2020-2021 Lions year is a little tricky given the uncertainty of the on-going pandemic. The Vision Screening Committee hopes to see at least 2,000 individuals screened between now and June 30, 2021. The committee hopes all of the clubs that participated last year will work to conduct screenings at the same locations as last year.

The vision screening process is easy, and the equipment is not difficult to use. It only takes a handful of members and a little bit of effort. If your club is interested in learning more, please contact the Vision Screening Chairperson, PDG Dennis Cope (dennis.cope@icloud.com, 717-677-6283).

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FREE VISION EXAMS AND GLASSES THROUGH VSP

A good supply of VSP certificates remains available for use this Summer and Fall. These certificates were made available to us from our Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) in cooperation with Vision Services Providers (VSP). The certificates can be used for either a child or an adult to cover the cost of a basic vision exam and glasses through a participating provider.

Each Zone Chair has a supply of certificates to distribute to the clubs in his or her zone as needed. *We are hoping to use all available certificates before they expire in November.* An application for more certificates will be submitted when the current supply is used or expires, but there is no guarantee we will get them.

If your club receives a request for assistance, please contact your zone chair or PDG Dennis Cope, Vision Screening Committee Chair, to secure a VSP Gift Certificate. You will receive the certificate along with instructions and locations of participating providers.

FRESH FRUIT FOR THOSE IN NEED

Apple City Leo Club President Abby, Member Kaedyn, Kaedyn's mother and sisters, and Advisor PDG Dennis Cope recently joined other volunteers to pick cherries for the *Gleaning Project*, a service of the South Central Community Action Program (SCCAP). Together, the group picked 280 quarts of cherries. These cherries were made available to low-income families in Adams County through SCCAP's food pantry.



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Stewartstown Lions Club 21st Annual

Swing For Sight

August 14, 2020
Pleasant Valley Golf Club



Four Player Scramble Format

This year we will play a staggered start, crossover tournament to minimize large gatherings near the clubhouse. Register early, as we can only accommodate the first 88 golfers. The fee is \$80 per golfer.

Register by calling Lion Randy Babcock at 717-309-3319

Tournament Prizes

Awards for the top teams in each flight.

Longest drive.

Straightest drive

Closest to the pin

Putting Contest

Hole in One – Big \$\$

Tournament Schedule

8:00 AM – 9:30 AM Staggered Start

Noon – 2:00 PM Lunch

Prizes awarded after the last group finishes.

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Lions International Peace Poster and Essay Contest

Sometimes, the simplest of acts of kindness can make the biggest difference in lifting the spirits of others! Please consider lifting the spirits of our youth by sponsoring an organized group of students to participate in the Lions International Peace Poster Contest.

The organized group of students could be from a school, Scouting group, homeschool group, church youth group, teen volunteer group, etc. Students must be 11, 12, or 13 on November 15 to be eligible to participate. Eligible birth dates are November 16, 2006 through November 15, 2009.



The theme for the 2020/2021 Lions International Peace Poster Contest is "Peace Through Service." Please let me know if your club needs a Peace Poster Kit. I have a supply of them and will make sure your club gets one. The kit includes the contest rules and guide for the club, the contest rules and guide for the participating students, a participation flyer (this flyer shares the information about the contest with the parent/s), a winner sticker to be placed on the back of the winning poster, an achievement award certificate, and a certificate of appreciation for the participants.

Your club can, also, sponsor visually-impaired students in the Lions International Essay Contest! The theme for the 2020/2021 Lions International Peace Essay Contest is "Peace Through Service." Students who are visually impaired and who are of the ages 11-13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate. For the essay contest rules and application form, please contact me.

If you would like to discuss how to sponsor a Peace Poster Contest for your club, contact Lion Patti Hullmann, Jacobus Lions Club District 14-C Peace Poster Chairperson. For more information, email me at hullmann@aol.com or call 717-428-3659 or 717-600-7642.
Lion Patti Hullmann

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PA LIONS BEACON LODGE CAMP

4TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

SATURDAY AUGUST 29, 2020

AMERICAN LEGION COUNTRY CLUB

MOUNT UNION PA. 17066

COST \$70.00 PER GOLFER

INCLUDES: GREEN FEES, CART, PRIZES, SNACKS, AWARDS DINNER, and PRACTICE ROUND ON AUGUST 28TH FOR \$28.00, FREE LODGING AT BEACON LODGE CAMP FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY EVENINGS.

OVERNIGHT RESERVATIONS CALL 814-542-2511

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Dover Announces Scholarship Winners

As seen in the Community Courier, the Dover Lions Club presented three \$1,000 scholarships to members of the class of 2020.



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WE'RE ALL IN THIS *Together*



Lions Clubs
International



American
Red Cross

Newville Community **Blood Drive**

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Ingram Fellowship Hall
51 West Main Street, Newville PA 17241

Thursday, August 13
12:30 - 6 PM

Sponsored by District 14-C Lions Clubs
Where there is a need, there is a Lion

Please call Lydia at 814-248-0484 for appointments & transportation requests

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Sponsor Code: **zionnewville** to schedule an appointment

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