

## District 14C Newsletter December 2021

## **A Message From the District Governor**



Well Lions, I think it is beginning to look and feel a lot like Christmas. My wife has me getting Christmas lights and ornaments out of our large walk-in closet under the stairs going to the second floor of the house. I already have two small artificial Christmas Trees in place and lighted on either side of the front door and a wooden Santa Claus lit at the front patio doors. On Lions' time, by December the 14<sup>th</sup>, I will have visited 33 of the 44 Lions Clubs in the District since July, as your Governor. It has been interesting and invigorating and yes, sometimes a little challenging for my "77 years-old body". My wife has frequently been my driver and companion on these trips, making it all very doable. When the visits are done, is the work done you ask? No, not by a long shot. We have to continue to add new members to our clubs so that there are more hands to do the work that is needed. We have a state Council meeting to

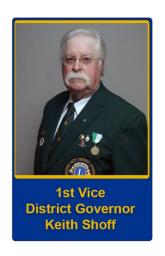
host in February, and a District Convention to organize and conduct in April, and so it goes. It is all good for the Lions in the District and important for those "we serve".

I want to spend a little time here focusing on the seventh of our eight District goals for 2021-2022. For those of you who have been in one of the clubs I have visited, you have heard me mention my desire to have organized and coordinated district-wide diabetes awareness events in the spring of 2022. I trust that you are not saying "that sounds boring". I think diabetes is important because it is one of LCI's five Global Causes and because diabetes affects one in five adults over 65 years of age and 469 million adults worldwide. It could be considered a global epidemic. I think the events to be held in the spring should be interesting, possibly invigorating, and even fun. You should be able to find information about diabetes, ways to check for the disease, dietary options, etc. I think you may also be able to find a "strides walk", diabetic screening and even Zumba workouts in one or more locations within the District. If you want to be involved in the planning and development of these events, let your Zone Chair know or contact 1st VDG Keith Shoff (<a href="kkshoff@comcast.net">kkshoff@comcast.net</a>) who will be coordinating these events. Watch for information about these events in upcoming District Newsletters.

Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas to all Lions and LEOs in District 14C.

Sincerely and in Service from the Heart, DG Dan

## A Message From the 1st Vice District Governor



Welcome. Well, Santa is making his list and checking it twice ... have you all been good little Lions? I personally think you have. Take a look around the District and especially your Club and I'd be surprised if you realize how many lives you've touched in this Lions year, and how many more you'll touch in the months ahead. As I travel to more Multiple District 14 events it has become obvious that District 14-C has a reputation for getting things done. District 14-C is YOU!

We are nearing the half waypoint of our 2021 / 2022 Lions year. I can't believe how this year has flown by and I contemplate how much I still need to learn before becoming your Governor. LCI's First International Vice President Brian Sheehan boosts that his First Vice Governors to be the best prepared and educated Lions ever when we travel to the International Convention in June.

I'm not sure that's possible knowing the great District Governors that have gone before me. Thankfully, LCI has training programs which I'm just now starting and with the help of all the talent here in 14-C, I feel better about the road ahead.

Lately, there has been a great deal of discussion about dues ... the amounts, how they get used, etc.

- Our Lions Club International dues are \$ 43.00 and they allocated .. (reduced dues structure is available for different types of Membership levels)
  - o To legally use the name, official logo, and emblems in any capacity
  - o To have Insurance protection at all public events, service projects, etc
  - o To receive various LCIF humanitarian, disaster relief, service, and project grants
  - o To run programs like "Peace Poster", Youth Exchange, Leo's, etc
  - To be able to attend self-improvement courses like Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI), Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI), Faculty Development Institute (FDI), USA/Canada Forum, international conventions, etc
  - To support membership, club, district, and multiple district awards program
  - To administer LCIF and participate in the Melvin Jones fellowship program
  - To belong to the largest service organization in the world!
    - Supports administration costs for all the programs
  - Supports over 300 staff members at International
  - o Supports "top of the line" Training and Resources for all of us to use
    - Lions University, numerous webinars, Lions Learning Center
    - Program Resources
- Our Multiple District 14 Dues are \$16.00 per member and they go to
  - State Convention Administrative Fund \$0.45
  - International Convention Fund \$0.85
  - District Governors International Convention Expense Fund \$0.35
  - State Council Administrative Fund \$9.60
  - Sub-Districts Administrative Fund \$3.00
  - o Communication/Web/PRIDE Fund \$0.25
  - o All State Band \$1.50

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- Our District 14-C Dues are \$2.00 per member and it goes to
  - help defray the expenses incurred by the First and Second Vice District Governors (VDG) during the Lions year served. When all funds are depleted, no further reimbursements shall be made.

Best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy holiday season. May all your days be bright and filled with blessings.

I'll be ending each newsletter article this year with this quote from our International President (Doug Alexander).

"Service to others is the rent we pay for the space we occupy here on Earth."

Let's Roar!

Yours in SERVICE,

1st VDG Lion Keith Shoff kkshoff@comcast.net Cell # 717-309-9684 Home # 717-927-6812



## A Message From the 2nd Vice District Governor



Well, it is hard to believe that another year is nearly finished. Unfortunately, we are still faced with additional challenges in our daily routines, but it is our choice to view the situation as a barrier or an opportunity. I try to see the glass as half full rather than half empty (of course what is in the glass could influence my perspective).

Recently, at a number of Lion events, various speakers have raised the concept of when they became a *LION*. No, it is not a trick question but one that also focuses on your perception. Yes, we all have a record of when we joined and were inducted into a Lions club, but the question here is when was the transition from being a member of a Lions Club to becoming a LION. Is it when you moved to being a **serving** Lion? Or when you volunteered to organize a

service project or to hold an office. Maybe it is when you realize "Kindness Matters?" Or could well be when there is a transformation of your thoughts of service, to action, reflecting "Service from the Heart." When you see the difference that you have made in others and realize your action has also made a difference in you. Is it through that human connection with another with your act of service?

"People will forget what you said. People will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." Mayo Angelou

Thanks to all the LIONS for your service. Happy Holidays

## **Caption This Photo!!**



Here is the December entry in our Caption This Photo Contest. We're looking for the funniest caption of this photo. Send your entries to: <a href="mailto:stewartstownlions@protonmail.com">stewartstownlions@protonmail.com</a>. Entries must be received by December 27, 2021 to be considered.

## We need photos of Lions in order to continue this feature.

If you have a photo that would be fun for the caption contest, send it as well to the above email.

November's Caption Contest winner is further down in the newsletter.



# Susquehanna Lions

## **Annual Christmas Tree Sales**

November 26<sup>th</sup> thru December 17<sup>th</sup>

Monday thru Friday 4PM-8PM

Saturdays 9AM 'til 6PM

Sundays 12PM til 6PM

Beautiful Douglas Fir & Fraser Trees

5' to 10'

WEDRILL, WRAP & LOAD

**Across from Bobcat Creamery** 

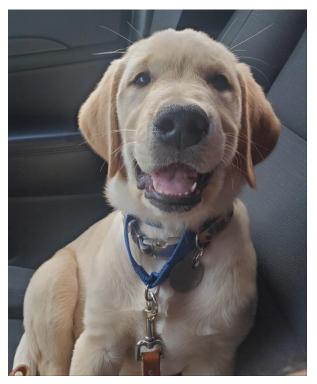
117 South Main Street, Manchester, PA





Leader Dog Puppy Raiser Robbie Teal

Future Leader Dog Killian is now 3 months, plus 3 weeks old, and weighs 39 pounds. Lot of changes is happening. Now that Killian is fully vaccinated, interactions with other dogs are encouraged by walks in the neighborhood, visits to pet stores and enrollment in training/obedience class. A Future Leader Dog should not greet other dogs when on a leash. They should remain calm, and quietly observe their surroundings. This type of behavior is rewarded with the "key" word "yes" and treats. Leader Dogs uses the word "yes" before treating so the dog learns that they had shown the correct behavior. As the puppy matures, the word "yes" is always used and treating is used less. A good example of this is the "One, Two, Three, Treat" exercise used to teach loose leash walking. You start with the puppy on your left side. I like to have the puppy in a sit/stay position. I give the command "Heel" and take step one, step two, step three, then key word "yes" and treat. As the puppy becomes more accustomed to this exercise, you can take more steps between treats. One, Two, Three, now can go to Four, Five, Six. Eventually you will be able to do a nice loose leash walk with only "yes" and treats occasionally. But remember to always be aware of your surroundings and possible problems that may occur.



An example of this happened when I was training my first Leader Dog Molson. It was a summer evening, the sun was going down, and I decided to take Molson for a walk since the heat of the day was not as great. Walking in my neighborhood where we walk numerous times, Molson spied a rabbit. Now Molson at the time was a 9 month old, 80 pound Golden Retriever. Unfortunately, I didn't see the rabbit when Molson took off and I was pulled to the ground. As I fell, I let go of the leash. Molson and the rabbit were off to the races! Of course I started yelling, "Molson come!" several times. After a brief period of time, Molson appeared between two houses and returned to me. I praised and treated him, as I limped back home bruised, I couldn't help think to myself, "I wonder if the next puppy I raise for Leader Dog could be a Chihuahua."

#### **Lions Light Up the Nights for Christmas**



The Dallastown Lions Club installed Christmas decorations throughout the Borough of Dallastown for the Christmas season. The Lions maintain and install the decorations for the Borough and the residents. This is a long-lived tradition, and the Dallastown Lions Club does its part so the residents and those who pass through our town can enjoy a little Christmas spirit.

The Stewartstown Lions Club has been lighting up the streets of Stewartstown for decades and this year's display was installed on November 20<sup>th</sup> and activated on Thanksgiving. This year the club replaced all its old bulbs with energy efficient LED bulbs.

## **Hanover Provides Christmas Presents**



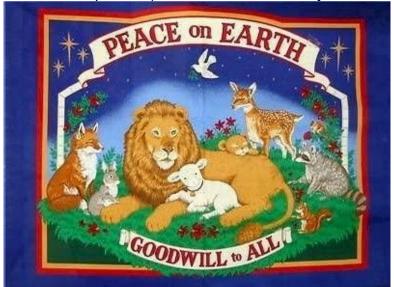
Each year for the past 32 years, the Hanover Lions Club has been supporting the work and efforts of the Hanover Trinity UCC Toy Workshop. The program provides "Christmas Presents" to needy boys and girls in the Hanover area. Members supply an assortment of individual donations of gifts, bicycles, and money. The club then also chips in with financial support. Pictured is BJ Rhoades, Coordinator of the Trinity Toy Workshop, accepting a club donation from President Bob Jordan.

## Lions International Peace Poster Contest Winners Announced

The children of District 14-C demonstrated their talent by creating beautiful posters about peace on our earth for the Lions International Peace Poster Contest for 2021/2022. We had a grand total of 150 children participating and creating posters this year! I want to thank the six clubs that were able to offer this valuable opportunity to children by sponsoring them in the contest. The clubs that participated this year were the **Arendtsville Lions Club**, the **Dallastown Lions Club**, the **Jacksonville Lions Club**, the **Jacobus Lions Club**, **Inc.**, the **Plainfield Lions Club** and the **Upper Adams Lions Club**. The children's posters were judged on originality, artistic merit and demonstration of the theme in their poster. This year's theme was "We Are All Connected." **With a mighty roar of proclamation**, our winners are:

First Place: McKenley Lentz sponsored by the Upper Adams Lions Club (McKenley's poster will now

be entered into the multi-district competition.) Good luck to McKenley!



Second Place: Riley Fletcher sponsored by the Jacobus Lions Club, Inc.
Third Place: Carter Quickel sponsored by the Dallastown Lions Club

Honorable Mention: Lucy Rutkowski sponsored by the Arendtsville Lions Club

District Governor Dan, his wife, Anita, my husband, Lion Terry, and I were extremely impressed with the quality of the posters and how well they demonstrated the theme. Each of the students demonstrated a high level of artistry and uniqueness in their creations.

Please come to the District Cabinet Meeting on February 19, 2022 when the winners along with their families will be recognized and honored for their achievement. It is always so rewarding to meet these incredible students and see the outstanding posters they have created along with listening to them share their ideas of peace demonstrated in their posters. They always seem to reflect wisdom well beyond their years.

For more information about the Lions International Peace Poster Contest, contact me at (717) 428-3659 or (717) 600-7642 or <a href="mailto:hullmannt@aol.com">hullmannt@aol.com</a>.

Wishing you happy holidays! Lion Patti Hullmann (Peace Poster Chair)



## **State Council of Governors Meeting**

District 14-C will host the PA Lions State Council of Governors for their quarterly meeting, February 4-6, 2022. The meeting will take place at the Wyndham Garden, York, where we have held several of our District Conventions.

if you are unfamiliar with State Council meetings, four times a year our District Governor and the 16 other District Governors from Pennsylvania meet to conduct the business of Multiple District 14. The weekend involves a preliminary council meeting Friday afternoon, hospitality and entertainment provided by the Host District Friday evening. Committee meetings, informational sessions and a service project Saturday morning, the official council meeting Saturday afternoon, and a banquet featuring a guest speaker Saturday evening.

District 14-C is the Host District for this council meeting. This is a great time for Lions in our district to observe Lions activities at the Multiple District level. There is no charge to attend. Your only expense would be transportation, meals, and lodging, if you decide to stay overnight.

We need many volunteers to help make the events of this weekend run smoothly. We will need Lions to greet attendees at the Welcome and Information Table Friday afternoon and evening and Saturday morning. We will also need volunteers to help set up the hospitality room and assist with activities Friday evening, which will include a corn hole tournament. On Saturday, we will need volunteers to collect meal tickets at both lunchtime and at the banquet in the evening. There will also be a service project that morning, and we'll need help getting that set up and torn down.

To help offset the district's cost for hosting the council meeting, we will run a basket raffle. The basket raffle will be open Friday afternoon and evening as well as Saturday morning and Saturday afternoon. We need volunteers to sell the raffle tickets and monitor the basket room. We are asking every Lions Club in our district to supply a raffle basket worth approximately \$50 for the basket raffle. Zone Chairs will work with their clubs and help facilitate getting the baskets to the hotel by Noon on Friday, February 4th. Information regarding the raffle baskets will be sent to Club Secretaries in a few weeks.

If anybody is able and willing to volunteer for any of the activities listed above, please contact PDG Dennis Cope (dennis.cope@icloud.com; 717-357-3142)

#### **Plainfield Names Student of the Month**

Kiersten White was introduced as the Plainfield Lions Club's November Student of the Month. Kiersten is a senior at Big Spring High School. She is President of Student Council and of the Dawg Pound. She is a member of the National Honor Society and the Hispanic Honor Society. She will be playing basketball this winter and will be playing softball in the spring for the varsity teams at Big Spring. Outside of school, she plays softball for a traveling program and helps with church-related events. She will be attending Lebanon Valley College to start her path toward a Doctorate in Physical Therapy. She hopes to continue her softball career at Lebanon Valley as well.



#### Vision Exam and Glasses Gift Certificate



VSP Certificates for vision exams and screenings are available for clubs who receive a request for assistance. If your club receives a request for assistance with glasses and/or a vision exam, please contact your Zone Chairperson and ask for a certificate. This will help your club save funds that can then be used for other needs.

## **Directory Changes**

Page 47. Change Lion Ray Highlands' cell phone number to 717-226-1079.

## Leos and Lions Join Forces to Pick up Trash



Five members of the Apple City Leo Club, three members of the Arendtsville Lions Club and 2 volunteers worked to pick up trash along the Conewago Creek at a bridge crossing the creek near Arendtsville. Pictured are some of the Leos and Lions with the six full bags of trash they collected.

## **Dallastown Provides Thanksgiving Pies for the Homeless**

The Dallastown Lions Club delivered their annual Thanksgiving pies to Life Path Ministries for Thanksgiving dinner. Forty pies were delivered so that dessert can be given to the homeless during their holiday meal. he Lions have worked with Life Path for many years and have delivered pies over the Thanksgiving Holiday Season. Life Path can always use help so consider what you can do to brighten the life of someone who is having a rough time of especially over the holidays and volunteer.



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#### **Red Lion Welcomes DG Dan Brant**

The Red Lion Lions Club welcomed District Governor Dan Brant at our October 12, 2021 meeting. DG Dan shared his vision for the Lions Clubs in our District and challenged us to do more for the community and Lions during these challenging times.

Pictured is Red Lion President Lance Grove and District Governor Dan Brant. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Keith Shoff is seated in the background.



### **District Governor Visitation Dates**

DAY	DATE	MONTH	CLUB NAME
Tuesday	7	December (7:00)	Pinchot Park*
Tuesday	14	December	Carlisle
Monday	10	January	Dillsburg
Tuesday	11	January (6:15)	Hanover*
Thursday	13	January (6:00)	Spring Grove
Monday	24	January	Mason-Dixon
Tuesday	25	January	Mt. Holly Springs*
Wednesday	26	January	Shiloh*

<sup>\*</sup> Date was not confirmed as of the publication of the District Directory

## Recycling Eyeglasses / Hearing Aids / Cell Phones

Hello District 14-C Lions.

We'd like to take this opportunity to offer up a **HUGE THANK YOU** to Lions Gene and Doris Kilgore for chairing the District recycling project for over 9 years .. can anyone guess the total number of eyeglass that passed through Gene's hands??

With Lion Gene's retirement from chairing this project, Lion Duane Hull has stepped up to take command. Lion Duane has some recommendations that he wants to put in place to make the process more efficient and everyone's life easier.

#### EYEGLASSES ..

- Please separate the glasses by "Metal frame" / "Plastic frame" / "Sunglasses"
- 2. Put each in a separate box or container and mark accordingly
- 3. Also MARK the box with the "number" of glasses inside
- 4. These can be dropped off at any District event where Lion Duane is present or they can be given to your Zone Chair.



#### **HEARING AIDS**

- Hearing Aids are once again being accepted as part of the recycling program
- 2. Hearing Aids should be separated in their own box and marked accordingly
- 3. These can be dropped off at any District event where Lion Duane is present or they can be given to Lion Debbie McKnight



#### CELL PHONES ..

- 1. Cell Phones are being accepted as part of the recycling program
- 2. Cell Phones should be separated in their own box and marked accordingly
- 3. These can be dropped off at any District event where Lion Duane is present plus are several other possible options.



- a. check with your local Verizon Store to see if they have a recycling program, If they do, please keep a record of how many phones you drop off.
- b. Phones can also be given to VDG Keith Shoff

Thank you all for your continued support and cooperation with this valuable Service Project!!

## **Beacon Lodge Wish List**

Clubs: please collect items and get them to your Zone Chairs.

Wish List 2021 Name:	District: Club Name: _Email:		
Address:			
OFFICE SUPPLIES:	HOUSEKEEPING:	INFIRMARY CONTINUED:	
Color Copier Paper	☐Thick Paper Towels	□Cold Relief Medications	
□White Copier paper	Clorox	□Cough Drops	
□8x14 white paper	□ Furniture Polish	Sanitary Napkins: no Depends	
□Envelopes: #10, 6x9, 9x12	☐Hand Sanitizer	□Blood Pressure Cuff	
□ Bubbled Envelopes 6x9, 8x11	Disinfecting Spray Cleaner	□Pulse Oximeter	
□3 prong Pocket Folders	Disinfecting Floor Cleaners	☐Exam Gloves: all sizes, latex free	
□Sharpies - all sizes	□Disinfecting Wipes	Sharps Containers	
□Jumbo Paper Clips	□Pump Liquid Hand Soap bottles	☐Single Use Lancets	
□ Banker Boxes	□Bar Soap	Graduated Liquid Medicine	
□View Binders - 1", 1½"	□ Laundry Detergents	Dispenser Cups	
MAINTENANCE:	Magic Erasers	☐ First Aid Kits	
☐ Lg,XL Black Nitrile Powder-Free	□White Vinegar	☐ Large Disposable Bed Pads	
Gloves	13-17 gal. Trash Cans	☐ Shower Chairs	
☐LED Light Bulbs	30-33 gal. Square Trash Cans w/lids	ACTIVITIES:	
☐LED Flood Light Bulbs	□13-16 gal Trash Bags	☐Craft Jewelry	
☐Duracell/Energizer/Rayovac	□33 gal Trash Bags	☐Craft Beads, String	
Batteries: (AA, C, D, 9V)	□55-56 gal Trash Bags	☐Colored Paper	
☐Packs of Roller Covers: LG & SM	□Toilet Plungers-heavy duty	☐ Elmer's Glue Sticks	
☐ Foaming Bee/Wasp Killer	Toilet Brushes	☐ Bingo Cards and Blotters	
□Ant Spray	□Zipper Vinyl Pillow Covers	☐Bingo Prizes	
☐Garden Hose Nozzles	(standard)	☐Stress Balls	
☐ Microfiber Cloths	☐Zipper Vinyl Mattress Covers (twin)	☐Weighted Stuffed Animals	
□Long Neck Lighters	☐ Long Twin Size Blankets - No Wool	☐Massage Balls	
□3" 3 Ring Binders	☐Long Extendible Dusters	□Twine	
Paint Brushes: 2", 3", 4"	☐Industrial Wet Mop Heads	☐Tie Dye	
KITCHEN:	□Vinyl Disposable Gloves: Med,Lg, Xl	☐White T-Shirts: Med, Lg, XL, 2XL	
□Plastic Cold Cups: 5 oz & 9 oz	☐ Extendible Car Brush	☐White Socks: All Sizes Kids & Adult	
☐Hot Wax Cups: 9 oz & 10 oz	☐ Large Totes with lids	☐ Baby Dolls	
□Chinet Paper Plates: 9" or larger	INFIRMARY:	☐ Chewable Sensory Necklaces	
□Napkins: dinner, picnic	☐Baby Wipes	☐ Holiday Decorations	
Original Dawn Dish Liquid	☐Sunscreen - Cream and Spray	☐Adult Sleeping Bags	
☐Foil Wrap: 18" x 500 ft	☐ Bug Spray	☐Smart Scissors & Skills Workbook	
□Plastic Food Wrap: 18" x 2000 ft	☐ Bactine Spray	☐Craft Kits for Children and Adults	
☐ Parchment Paper: rolls or sheets	□Lanacane Spray	□Crayons/Markers/Pencils	
☐White Bar/Dish Cloths	☐ Benadryl Spray	☐ Sensory Color Illusions	
Gift Cards:	Liquid Benadryl for children	□Slinkies	
□Lowes	☐Calamine Lotion	☐ Suncatchers	
☐ Ace hardware	☐ Hydrocortisone Cream	☐Small Paint Kits and Brushes	
☐True Value	☐Tylenol: adult & children	☐ Play Doh	
☐ Harbor Freight	□Ibuprofen: adult & children		
□Walmart	□Imodium		
□McDonald	□Pepto-Bismol		
☐ Hoss's			

## **Brogue Donates to Hearing Research**



Brogue Community Lions Club made a generous donation to the PA Lions Hearing Research Foundation at a recent meeting. Foundation board member Lion <u>Deb McKnight</u> gave an overview of the foundation and accepted the contribution on behalf of PALHRF. Club President Eric Nace (L) and Treasurer <u>Doug Nace(R)</u> made the presentation.

## Do you have a Lion Account?

A Lion Account is essential for conducting your Lions-related business. While access to some Lions digital product features is restricted to specific Lion titles, all Lions can benefit from having a Lion Account. From reporting your service in MyLion to updating your member roster in MyLCI to setting up a virtual meeting through *Connect* and more, your Lion Account provides the access you need to helpful digital tools. Register now.

## **District 14-C Supports LCIF**



DG Dan Brant (L) presented IPDG Tom Jones and PDG Kerry McKnight (R) Certificates of Appreciation from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) for District 14-C's success in supporting Campaign 100 during the 2020-2021 Lions year.

### Place Your Club's Activities in this Newsletter!

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



Limit your items to no more than one page.

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

Name your pictures!

Include your name and club's name in your email. Submit it by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding publication.

## **Red Lion Awards Scholarships**

The Red Lion Lions Club is proud to recognize the following Students of the Month:

Christopher Danner, who was selected as the Red Lion Area Senior High School Student of the Month for September 2021.

Bryn Hughes, who was selected as the Red Lion Area Senior High School Student of the Month for October 2021.

Duncan McQueen, who was selected as the Red Lion Area Senior High School Student of the Month for November 2021.



Christopher Danner and Susan Meisenhelter, Education Committee Member



Bryn Hughes and John H. Fishel, Co-Chairperson of the Education Committee



Duncan McQueen

## **District Disaster Relief Program**

The <u>Disaster Relief Program</u> (DRP) is a focus program of the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). The DRP can be used by Lions Clubs to reach out and touch their communities and to get the Lion's name and logo out in front of the public. Lions International DRP focus on four areas.

- <u>Disaster Preparedness</u> plan and prepare for future disaster
- Emergency Assistance immediate assistance after a disaster
- Community Recovery support for short-term cleanup and repair efforts
- Major Catastrophe larger scale assistance for long-term projects

The DRP affords clubs the opportunity to work with community leadership, private businesses, and others to prepare for and respond to the unforeseen disasters and events. So why not use the DRP by getting involved with an already established local program or coordinate and begin a new program based on one of the monthly focuses. If you have questions or want to learn more; please reach out to the DRP Chairperson, Ray Highlands at <a href="mailto:carlislelionray@comcast.net">carlislelionray@comcast.net</a>.

#### **December's Readiness Focus**

**Holiday Fire Safety** – Fire prevention and public education assistance through.

- Increasing community awareness about preventing home fires
- Working with media to get fire prevention messages into news stories.
- Learn about the latest research on fire detection, suppression, and notification systems.

Learn more at <a href="http://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/">http://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/</a>.

**Winter Weather Safety –** Learn how to protect yourself from Winter Weather and what the winter weather terms mean. Learn more about winter safety at <a href="https://www.ready.gov/winter-weather">https://www.ready.gov/winter-weather</a>.

Holiday Online Shopping Safety – Holiday online shopping makes Americans vulnerable to hackers, scammers, and online thieves. Learn more about

online safety and security at <a href="https://www.cisa.gov/shop-safely">https://www.cisa.gov/shop-safely</a>.



Monthly Readiness focuses make a great club program or discussion for a meeting. For more information, contact the District Disaster Relief Coordinator.

## **Hanover Creates Successful Partnerships**

As part of the Hanover Lions Club's annual Tag Day Program, arrangements were made with the three local high schools to have student volunteers assist Lions Club members collect donations at a football game at each high school as well as the Hanover Market House. Fans and citizens were very generous as the club was able to donate \$2500 to the Children's Library Program at the Guthrie Memorial Library. Pictured (left to right) are: Kelly Horner, Program Director of the Children's Library, Estrella Gomez, Dulce Ildefonso, Citlaly Ildefonso, Johnette Espinoza, Emily McCann, Lizette



Torrez, and Maggies Hughes, Club President Bob Jordan, and Tag Day Coordinator Matt Wootton.



The Hanover Lions Club has partnered with the Hanover Little Theatre organization to provide assistance in guiding theatre visitors arriving to the show presentations in securing a suitable parking space in a small parking lot that surrounds the theatre. The production of "Savannah Sipping Society" occurred through two weekends in November. Three additional productions are planned for February, April, and June. Pictured at the theatre entrance are Jan and Lion Ken Zinn. Doing some night-time parking are Lions Janine and Joe Mundoff. Showing a readiness for oncoming traffic are Lions Dave Zinn and Tom Staub.

The Hanover Lions began their annual Diners Club Book Fundraiser on Saturday, November 20 at the Hanover Market House on Chestnut Street. This fundraiser occurs each Saturday morning Market House through December 18. This fundraiser raises funds to support a variety of child-related programs to include: vision care, educational scholarships, diabetes support, Feed-A-Friend, Hoffman Homes For Youth, and the Trinity Toy Workshop. Each book contains over 110 coupons to local eating establishments in the Hanover area. If interested in obtaining one of these booklets for a \$10 donation, please contact Bob Gotwalt, coordinator, at 717-451-0468.

## **November Caption This Photo Contest Winner**



In November's newsletter we challenged Lions to come up with a funny caption for this photo taken of the Great Duck Race. The winner is:

## And I thought herding cats was tough!

Submitted by: East Berlin Lions Secretary Greg Green

## **Dallastown Celebrates Halloween**



Dallastown Lions Club was joined by the Dallastown Leo Club for the Dallastown Borough's Annual Halloween Parade. Candy was given out and the MC for the evening announced the Lions and Leos and explained what all they do. Thousands of residents attended this year's event and a good time was had by all.

Dallastown Lions Club held their first every Trunk or Treat event at their park. They had many goblins in attendance and were interviewed by Fox 43 on all that Lions do. There was a DJ in attendance, prizes for all of the entrants, cookies prepared by Sugar Rose Bakery in Red Lion for all of the kids in attendance, and lots and lots of fun had by all.

#### "ALL HANDS ON DECK" FOR LCICon in MONTREAL

The 2022 Lions Clubs International Convention will be held in Montreal, Canada, from June 24 through June 28, 2022. District 14-C is hoping to fill a bus with interested Lions from District 14-C to attend this year's convention. PDG John Griffie is leading the project. While the final details and prices are be being worked out, here is what we know about the trip ...

- Itinerary
- Depart Wednesday, June 22nd multiple pick-up locations
- Drive to Alexandria Bay, NY with several stops along the way for breaks and lunch.
- Dinner together at our hotel in Alexandria Bay
- Shuttle Boat to visit Bolt Castle (probably Thursday morning)
- Drive from Alexandria Bay to Montreal Thursday afternoon
- Check into our hotel (Hotel Delta by Marriot) and pick up convention materials Thursday afternoon/evening
- Enjoy the LCI Convention activities Friday through Tuesday.
- Return Home Wednesday, June 29th
- Montreal Hotel Room Cost Base rate is \$167 per night plus about \$32 per night for tax so right around \$200 total per night
- A valid passport is needed to get into Canada. Passport must expire sometime after September 29th, 2022.
- We need 40 people signed up by mid-January to commit to the trip. Maximum will be 54
- The sooner we get to 40, the better! If we can fill the bus by the end of the year, we can save each person some money
- Trip Insurance will be available for you to purchase
- A deposit will be required when you sign up for the trip

#### Still to be determined ...

- Whether or not the group wants to have a guided city tour in our bus upon arrival in Montreal (or if this is even an option)
- Which day we will take the shuttle boat to Bolt Castle
- Whether we will register as a group or if each person will need to complete their own registration form - Don't register on your own just yet.
- Cost for bus parking
- The amount of the deposit required when you sign up for the trip

Right now, the cost per person, which includes lodging on June 22nd, a \$200 deposit on your hotel room in Montreal (which will be credited to your account at checkout), convention registration, transportation, shuttle boat and admission to Bolt Castle, dinner and breakfast in Alexandria Bay, and driver gratuity, should be no more than \$1,000 per person if you are sharing a hotel room with another person. If you are staying by yourself, the price will be more; if you share your room with more than one person, the price will be less.

While this may sound like a lot, start looking at driving costs and airline flight costs, and you will soon find that the cost of this bus trip is not out of line; plus you won't have to deal with the hassles of airports, city driving, or parking.

Finalized information regarding this bus trip, including prices, sign-up instructions, and down payment, will be sent soon through the district's email list. We hope you will take this opportunity to join fellow Lions from District 14-C as we travel to Montreal!



# Save the Date

Newville Lions Club will be hosting:
75th Anniversary Celebration and
District Governor's Banner Exchange
June 18, 2022 Social 11:00 a.m. Lunch 11:30 a.m.
Program to follow
Newville Fairground
433 Shippensburg Road Newville, PA 17241

More details to follow.

### **Decennial Report Q and A**

## **ACTION REQUESTED BY: December 31, 2021**

The records of the Department of State's Bureau of Corporations and Charitable Organizations (Bureau) indicate that your association has not made or amended any filing with the Bureau from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2020. Pursuant to 54 Pa.C.S. §503, the association is required to file a Decennial Report of Continued Existence between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021. If the association fails to file a Decennial Report on or before December 31, 2021, it will no longer have exclusive use of its name. This means that, while the non-filing association continues to exist, its name becomes available for use by any other business registering in Pennsylvania.

More information about Decennial Reports, including forms, fees and contact information for the Bureau, is at <a href="https://www.dos.pa.gov/decennialreport">https://www.dos.pa.gov/decennialreport</a>.



January 15, 2021

Earlier this year, many Lions clubs received a post card from the Department of State reminding them to submit the Decennial Report by January 1, 2022. Several clubs have asked for clarification regarding the purpose of this report and whether or not they need to complete it. Here, to the best of our knowledge, is a brief Q&A to explain what we think we know about the Decennial Report.

Q: Why did my club receive this notice?

A: More than likely, at one time your club filed paperwork with the Bureau of Corporations and Charitable Organizations (the Bureau), which formally registered your club's name with the Bureau and put you in their database. That paperwork gave your club exclusive rights to the name you listed on the filing so no other group could use if for fundraising purposes in Pennsylvania.

Q: What is the purpose of Decennial Report?

A: From what we can gather, the report is used to update the Bureau's database. They want to make sure the organizations in the database are still in existence and purge those that are not.

Q: What happens if our club doesn't file the Decennial Report?

A: If a report isn't filed, then there is the potential that another group could use your club's name for fundraising purposes.

Q: Is our Lions club required to be registered with the Bureau of Corporations and Charitable Organizations?

A: We can't give a definitive answer to that questions. Depending on your club's circumstances and fundraising efforts, the answer could range from "yes" to "probably" to "maybe" to "no." We advise that you check with your club's bank and tax preparer to get an answer to that questions.

Q: Wouldn't our club be covered as part of Lions Clubs International (LCI)?

A: LCI is not registered in Pennsylvania, and as such, they do not need to file a Decennial Report. However, LCI is the umbrella organization for all the multiple districts, sub-districts and clubs underneath them for IRS tax-exempt purposes.

PA Lions, however, are registered in Pennsylvania as an entity of Purely Public Charity and that registration covers most, if not all, activities of all the sub-districts and clubs under its umbrella. The PA Lions are registered in Pennsylvania as "Pennsylvania Lions Multiple District No. 14," and this dates back to its date of Incorporation of May 1, 1989.

This registration probably negates the need for some clubs to register independently with the state. Each club should, however, share this information with their bank and/or tax preparer and make an appropriate decision regarding either renewing their club's status with the Bureau through a Decennial Report or filing a new application with the Bureau.