

District 14C Newsletter August 2022

A Message From the District Governor



District Governor Keith Shoff

I wish I could say that I'm recovering from jet lag after attending the International Convention in Montreal, but unfortunately due to some family health problems I had to cancel out at the last minute. That doesn't mean I missed out on the Convention though since I attended everything I could virtually .. just missed out on the "social" aspect of it.

Last year, District 14-C had a net membership growth of 35 members - what a GREAT year. Hopefully we can continue that momentum this year by having every club seriously think about the "how to" go about growing. We need to talk to as many people as possible about what we do as Lions:

- Invite them to a service project
- Focus on what your club does for the community and how much more you could do with more members.

• Talk about how much fun you have as a group while performing your service projects, fundraising events, and meetings.

We must constantly be on the lookout for new opportunities to engage with our communities, which in turn, will renew our enthusiasm and attract new members (and help retain our current members). The key to attracting both new members and new ideas is a willingness to embrace change, engage in new projects, and adapt to the ever-changing needs of both our communities and our members. Finally in the words of Lion Roger Sowers of York Springs, "Just Ask," sometimes it's just that easy. Needless to say, that a lot as changed since our Grandfather's Lions Club. We must be sure our meetings are purposeful, but also they need to be fun! This is what will make our clubs attractive to potential new members. The District GMT (Lisa Griffie) and GMA Support Lead (Doug Nace) are here to help and guide you with needs that may arise - use them! Remember, more members = more service; more service is contagious to potential members and as Lions, what do we do?

"WE SERVE!"

I believe that PDG Lisa Griffe's theme during her DG year was "Chart Your Course." Which is not so different from my theme this year which is, "Spring Into ______." I'd like each of you in this great District to fill in that blank .. how you will personally contribute to getting new members / keeping the members we have / participating in efforts to support the Lions 5 global causes / assisting with the needs in your Community and, how you will serve in your clubs, the District or even at the Multiple District level. Remember:

Together we can - Together we will!!

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I ask that you please consider coming out to support me at my first cabinet meeting which will be held on Saturday August 20th at the Union Fire and Hose Co., 30 East Canal Road., Dover, PA. Registration will begin at 8:45 and the meeting will start at 9:30. Although it will be a busy meeting since we will be inducting the new Cabinet and offering a few surprises, we'll try our hardest to be finished up by 11:00. I hope to see many new faces at this meeting! Come on out and get involved. Your kindness can make the difference that this world needs!

Kindness is a choice. Kindness is what fuels Service. "When you're faced with a choice, choose to inspire, choose to empower, choose to stand for those who have lost the will or ability to stand for themselves."

Choose Kindness

THANK YOU for your SERVICE and for all you do in your Communities, the Commonwealth of PA and around the world. **THANK YOU** for allowing me to be a part of your Lions journey. In closing:

Serving others with Dignity and Respect, to promote Harmony and Care for Humanity. This is not our duty, it is our responsibility.

If nothing else ... Remember these 3 words SERVICE / SERVICE / SERVICE

Yours in SERVICE and Friendship. LETS ROAR!

DG Lion Keith Shoff kkshoff@comcast.net Cell # 717-309-9684



District Governor Keith's Pin Design

A Message From the 1st Vice District Governor



1st Vice District Governor Marty Zimmerman

Fellow Lions, Lioness/Lions and Leos:

The week of July 18-23 saw Stewartstown Lions, their families and friends and a few Lions that wandered over from New Freedom, all serve at the two Lion's carnival stands. Yes, Crab Cakes, Walking Tacos, Corn on the Cob, Ice Cream and Root Beer Floats were successfully delivered to carnival attendees. I realize this service was not in one of the five areas of Diabetes, Vision, Environment, Childhood Cancer, and would be a bit of a stretch to say Hunger, but the teamwork and social interaction in a friendly atmosphere is something I feel is desperately needed in the world today. We often focus on membership growth but looking at the data for our District, we tend to gain new members but often see a yearly net loss due to Lions leaving. My thought is that if Lions are

involved in service / activities making a difference and having fun, they are less likely to walk away. Again, I would encourage each club to take a look at their club's activity level in an effort to retain members. Yes, carnivals count!

Somewhat related to membership, recently our District participated in a membership recruitment activity through the use of Billboards. One of the Billboards was located on I-83 near Glen Rock, I found it a bit ironic, that the replacement ad was a membership recruitment by the Rotary Club; looks like they liked our idea.

I am looking forward to working with all of you this Lions year, thanks for the opportunity to serve.



We Serve.....Ice Cream!

Lion Marty Zimmerman,1st VDG

A Message From the 2nd Vice District Governor



2nd Vice District Governor Galen Burkholder

I have been 50 years in preparation for where I now stand. Guess you can say I am a professional student.

It began in 1971 just after I graduated from Shippensburg State College (now Shippensburg University). The first family reunion I went to (I was the first one in my generation from my or my wife's relatives to graduate from college) opened my eyes. Someone asked a question that no one could answer. So, they said, "Let's ask Galen, he knows everything." Wrong. It was then I realized learning would be a life-long exercise.

To start, those four years took me outside the comfort areas of public schools. There were professors and deans. There was a structure of responsibilities

and leadership. Course deans only knew you if you caused trouble or were Summa Cum Laude. I was neither.

For decades I was comfortable in the Shippensburg Lions Club. I thought being president was "top dog." Then I remember District Governors made visits. Many years ago, they would campaign for the office; they would bring notepads, pencils, and button. But I was comfortable and thought "That could never be me." "Why should it be?"

For six or seven years I have been active with Western Cumberland County Lions Projects comprised of the seven Lions Clubs in Zone 2-A. I learned we could do some things outstanding as a bigger unit. In 7 years WCCLP has paid out almost \$70,000 for family needs in Cumberland County. I had escaped the comfort zone.

Then I got outside the comfort zone again and became Zone Chair. I thought the college scene was structured. Wow, do I enjoy Lionism. There is the Learning Center, Lions University, the Zone Chair Manual that IPDG Dan Brant put together, and the PDGs waiting to help. You will never walk through an open door and feel all alone. Guidance is everywhere. What a team. It's not competition; it's come alongside me on this walk.

Having said that, 2nd Vice District Governor training starts in August. The professional student continues to open his mind to new learning.

Thank you for the opportunity.

We too, as Lions, need to have that same determination to contribute to the success of Lions Clubs International. "We serve." With your help, I will strive "to go to a new level where we have not been before and to encourage others to come on the journey with us."

Galen Burkholder 2nd Vice District Governor

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
- <u>Emergency Assistance</u> immediate assistance after a disaster
- <u>Community Recovery</u> 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 <u>carlislelionray@comcast.net</u>.

August's Readiness Focus

Welcome to Ready Kids!

Disasters Happen Everywhere, and every member of the family can prepare. Preparedness for the future starts today.

Whether you are a kid teen yourself, a parent or loved one, or work with youth, Ready

<u>Kids</u> has tools and information to help before, during and after disasters. Young children, kids, and teens all face disasters differently, and their knowledge of what is happening helps them face these unexpected changes and stressful situations. <u>Ready Kids</u> has lots of different programs and educational information for kids, teens, families, and others. These programs are good for Leo clubs, cub clubs, in schools, or setup at an event to provide education and understanding to assist all in coping with disasters.

Summer Heat

There is hot, and then there is hot! Extreme heat is a period of high heat and humidity with temperatures above 90 degrees for at least two to three days. In extreme heat your body works extra hard to maintain a normal temperature, which can lead to death. Extreme heat is responsible for the highest number of annual deaths among all weather-related hazards. Learn more at <u>www.ready.gov/heat</u>.

Heat-Related Illnesses

August is one of the hottest months in Central Pennsylvania. Know the signs of heat-related illnesses and ways to respond. If you are experiencing a medical emergency call 9-1-1. Get more detailed information about heat-related illnesses from the <u>CDC</u> and <u>National Weather Service</u>.

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





Submitting an Article for This Newsletter?



Please help your newsletter editor by doing the following:

- Limit your items to no more than one page.
- Submit articles in PDF or Word format.
- Send full-size, original pictures.
- Give the first and last name of everyone in all photos
- Rename your pictures to describe what they are. If you can't name them, please use their existing name in your article to describe each photo. For example: "PIC0000007 is of the Stewartstown Club and members Carl Birkmeyer and Marty Zimmerman."
- Include your name and your club's name in your email submitting the article.
- Submit it by the 25th of the month preceding publication.

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

Please do not:

- Just write your article in the body of an email.
- Submit photos without identifying the people in them. First and last names are required.
- Shrink or edit photos
- Send an unsigned email

Caption This Photo!!



Here is the August entry in our Caption This Photo Contest. We're asking for the funniest caption that describes this picture from the Dallastown Lions Club. Send your entries to: <u>stewartstownlions@protonmail.com</u>. Entries must be received by August 24, 2022 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. July's Caption Contest winner is further down in the newsletter.



Leader Dog Puppy Raiser Robbie Teal

The email every Puppy Raiser dredges from Leader Dog has arrived. The "Return Puppy" email, which is sent about 2 months before your puppy needs to be returned to Leader Dog. It makes your heart sink when you realize this wonderful puppy that you have raised for the past 10 months must now be returned to Leader Dogs, so he may continue on his journey to fulfil his destiny. FLD Killian will be returning on Sept. 21st at 1:00. He will continue his training routine with me until about 2 two weeks before he is returned, when he must be quarantined from other dogs, except his house mates. He can still go to Dr. Appointments or Grocery Stores, etc, since you don't run into many dogs in those places. However, any place where there may be a chance meeting with a strange dog is discouraged due to possibility of transmitting diseases. Until his return, we will keep looking for new experiences.

One such experience was going to a new doctor's office for an issue with my back. FLD Killian went with me for what I thought was a normal appointment with the Doctor. Unbeknownst to me, the Doctor wanted back x-rays and had the equipment to do them. The technician took Killian with her and put him in a sit/stay behind the partition wall while the other technician positioned me for the x-ray. I couldn't help smiling when I looked at the partition wall and saw Killian still sitting, but stretching his neck as far as he could to be able to see me. He had a concern look on his face and was very happy when I finished and walked back to him. The technicians praised how good he was with handling me

being away from him, and of course they told Killian that he is a handsome boy. When I went to leave the appointment, the nurse that was working with the Doctor said to me "Thank you for raising these puppies. I have an Aunt who is blind and I know these dogs mean the world to those who are visually impaired." Some days there are no words for how this makes you feel. Giving up these puppies is hard to do when the time comes, but its days like this that make it worth it.

Another new experience for Killian was when I played Mrs. Claus for the Campground's Christmas in July. It was such a fun time. I told stories, sang Christmas Carols, had hot chocolate and cookies, and went on a hay ride. It was a very enjoyable afternoon with Killian being exposed to 25-30 children plus several adults (whom I'm sure are children at heart). I can tell you that Killian was tuckered out by the end of the afternoon and took much deserved nap when he got home.

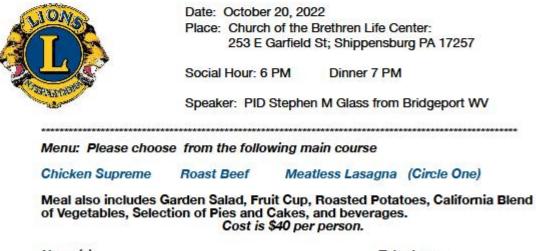


Shippensburg Lions Club



90th Anniversary Celebration

We invite Lions/Lionesses of District 14-C, Community Members and Special Guests to come celebrate with us as we mark this milestone of serving the Community of Shippensburg PA.



Name(s)____

Telephone

Number Attending

Make checks payable to the Shippensburg Lions Club and mail to: Lisa Kemp, 1375 Baltimore Rd; Shippensburg PA 17257. Please call Lisa at 717-860-7650 if you have questions.

New Freedom Inducts New Officers

PDG Kerry McKnight inducted new Officers in on June 21, 2022. The ceremony took place after an informal dinner held at the Scout House in New Freedom.



PDG Kerry inducts 1st VP Lion Don Weaver, 2nd VP Lion Steve Grothey, and 3rd VP Lion Robert Werner.



President Robert Werner passing the gavel to the new President Patti Wurzbacher.

Lions International Peace Poster and Essay Contest

Lions Clubs of District 14-C: The theme for the 2022/2023 International Peace Poster and Essay Contest is "Leading with Compassion," as so well depicted in this illustration. Sometimes, the simplest acts of kindness can make a huge impact in lifting the spirits of others as we lead with compassion!

Now is the time of the year for your club to begin to make their plan to extend the opportunity to the youth in your area to participate in the Peace Poster and/or Essay Contest. Your club can sponsor an organized group of students from a school classroom, a Scouting group, a homeschool group, a church youth group, a teen volunteer group, etc. Students must be 11, 12, or 13 on November 15 to be eligible to participate.



Your club can purchase the Peace Poster Kit online at the LCI website for only \$11.95. 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! Students who are visually impaired and who are of the ages 11-13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate. Information about the Essay Contest rules and the application form are available on the LCI website. The Lions International Peace Poster Contest along with the Essay Contest is a staple of Lions Clubs around the world.

When your club sponsors youth in the Peace or Essay Contest, you are encouraging students to:

- Use their artistic/writing skills and acquired knowledge to express their personal ideas and create an individual and original artwork or essay.
- Gain increased confidence, motivation, self-esteem and encouragement to undertake other challenges in their lives.
- Increase their awareness and understanding about the importance of world peace and international understanding and to build respect and tolerance towards other people and their cultures.

Doesn't your club want to make an amazing difference in the lives of our youth by sponsoring them in the Lions International Peace Poster/Essay Contest?

For more information, please email me at <u>hullmannt@aol.com</u> or call (717) 428-3659 or (717) 600-7642.

Lion Patti Hullmann

York Springs Lions Club presents...



Peach Festival

Fri., August 26, 2022 (noon-5 PM)

Sat./Sun., Aug 27-28 (10 AM-5 PM)

Peters Fruit Stand

Route 94 between York Springs & Mt. Holly Springs

GPS: 10540 Carlisle Pike, Gardners, PA 17324

- Ice Cream & Sundaes
- Pies
- French Fries



- Hot Sausages, Hot Dogs, & Hamburg BBQ
- Drinks



Support the local community projects of the York Springs Lions

York Springs Installs Officers

PDG Steve Shipman presided at the installation of officers & presentation of awards at the recent York Springs Lions meeting. York Springs Lions President Stew Herron (right) gives the New President pin to incoming President Ed Prosser (left). Margaret Spertzel received the Lion of the Year Award and Bob McGinnis was awarded the Melvin Jones Award.



Hanover Installs Officers

PDG Dennis Cope installed the new officers of the Hanover Club on June 14th.



From left to right - PDG Cope, Bob Gotwalt (Treasurer), President Matt Wootton, seated-Jack Shultz (Board Director), Past President and new Board President Bob Jordan, Steve Rutters (Board Director), Ann Brumback (Membership Chairperson & Chaplain), Gerry DeGroft (Board Director & Lion Tamer), and Secretary Todd Boller. Missing officers from this photo were Don Dorr (Lion Tail Twister), Mary Perkins (Board Director), Brandon Zinn (1st Vice President), and John Zinn (Board Director).

Carlisle Lions Club

Cravons wanted

Each year the Carlisle YMCA collects boxes of 24 count crayons for back to school. Kids are required to have a list of items for the new school year and this year more than ever that list is taking a serious bit out of a families budget. The Carlisle Family YMCA made their goal with the help of the Carlisle

Lions Club. For this effort the Carlisle Family YMCA placed a thank you and a link to the Lions Club webpage on their Facebook for the 200 plus boxes of crayons donated by the Carlisle club for this annual cause.



Beacon Lodge and Project New Hope



Carlisle Lions Club Beacon Lodge Chairperson along with other volunteers helped for the June Beacon Lodge Project New Hope camp week. The volunteers worked greeting and orienting campers, along with helping around the camp. Project New Hope provides support for disable veterans and their families while attending a camp session at Beacon Lodge. The

week in June was the first of two scheduled camp weeks for Project New Hope campers to visit Beacon Lodge with their families.

Ukraine Relief Effort

Lions Clubs are working in coordination and cooperation with the Salavation Army and Carlisle Events to raise money for Ukrainian relief. So far, we have raised approximately

\$6,000. Carlisle Lions Club is coordinating Lions to staff and collect money at the car events being held at the Carlisle Events facility. If you would like to volunteer your time contact Lion Ray, carlislelionray@comcast.net.

Only two more shows:

- Corvettes at Carlisle Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Aug 25, 26, and 27
- Fall Carlisle Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Sep . 29 and 30, and Oct 1



New Freedom Awards Melvin Jones Fellowships



PDG Kerry McKnight presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Dennis McAvoy



PDG Kerry McKnight presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Steve Grothey

Pinchot Park Dedicates Bench



On July 19th. 2022, DG Keith Shoff, while at his club visitation with Pinchot Park Lions, conducted a bench dedication for PDG AI Hayes. Present for the dedication was left to right. DG Keith Shoff, PDG AI's son Gary and wife Paula (seated). Also seated Gerry Holly club secretary. Back row Lion President Paula Pyper, PDG Gordon Sinclair and wife Rossie, PDG Dan Brandt and Zone Chair Duane Hull.



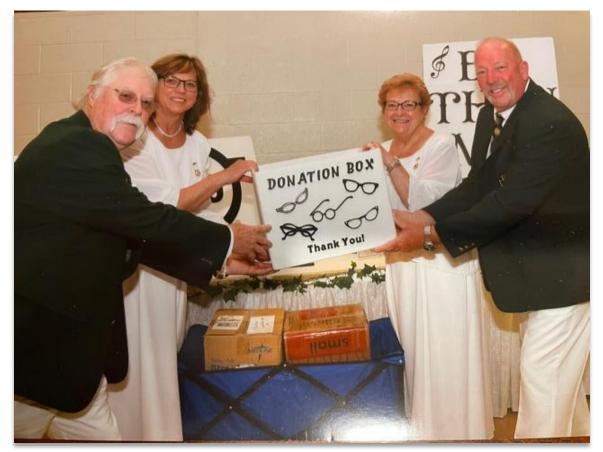
Arendtsville Welcomes New Members

The Arendtsville Lions Club welcomed two graduating Leo Club members as regular members of their Lions Club at their July meeting.



Pictured from L to R are PDG Dennis Cope, Leo Club advisor and sponsor of the new members, and new Lions Gabriella Corson and Konnor Trimmer.

One Service Organization Assisting Another Service Organization

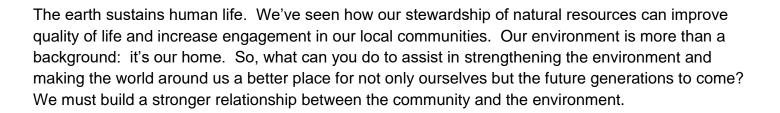


Pictured: L-R: 14-C District Governor Keith Shoff, Eastern Star Members Diane Hicks and Andrea McCabe and 14-C Eye Glass Chairman Duane Hull

For the last five years the Order of the Eastern Star under the direction of the 2021- 2022 Worthy Grand Matron Linda E. Watson has been collecting eye glasses to be donated to the Pennsylvania Lions Clubs. In those five years the Eastern Star members across the state of PA have donated over 49,000 pairs of used eye glasses, lens and prescription sun glasses. District 14-C received the first donations and in June 2022 received the last donations at the conclusion of WGM Linda's State Sessions in York. District 14-T received the donations the remaining years as that is the home area of the WGM Linda Watson. District 14-C appreciates the glasses, the support, and assistance in helping others in third world nations and impoverished areas in the US to have access to glasses that they would not be able to afford. It shows what we can do together as two organizations who are anxious and willing to serve not only their community but others.



Environmental Focus: The Green Team



"We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children."

This Photo by Unknown Author is licensed under CC BY-SA Native American Proverb

Special Days this Month

August 10, 2022 – World Lion Day

 You read that correctly, the mascot for lions is celebrated on this day! All around the world, lion lovers gather to celebrate the king of the jungle. Sadly, these majestic creatures are slowly disappearing. Although they are not marked as an endangered species, they are considered a vulnerable species according to the International Union for Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) red list of threatened species. Follow the link below to learn more about Lions in nature and see what you can do to help: <u>https://www.wwf.org.uk/learn/fascinatingfacts/lions</u>





August 20, 2022 - World Honeybee Day

• In May we celebrate World Bee Day; however, on this day we celebrate honeybees. Why celebrate this one particular bee? Well, besides supplying humans with wonderful golden



honey, the honeybee is a super-pollinator and assists in the creation of and survival of all sorts of plants within our ecosystem. Without the Honeybee, we would be without many necessities within our lives. Sadly, there are regions that no longer have honeybees due to what is known as colony collapse disorder. Learn more about this and wonderful honeybees at these links: https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/animals/insects/honey-bees/ and https://www.fao.org/world-bee-day/en/

Laura Highlands District 14-C Environmental Chairperson Want to learn more or have questions, contact me here: <u>carlislelionlaura@gmail.com</u>

Apply for the 2021-2022 Club Excellence Award

Did your club have a net increase in membership, serve the community and promote your events and activities? If you answered "yes" to all of these questions, you might be eligible to apply for the Club Excellence Award. <u>Click here for details</u> and a link to the application form. See if your club meets the criteria. Applications are due August 31.

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. <u>Register now</u>.

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.

Save the Date

The 2023 District 14-C Convention will be held on Saturday, April 15, 2023. Clubs in District 14-C are respectfully requested to avoid scheduling club events that day so that members are available to attend the District Convention.

2022-2023 District Directory

The 2022-2023 District 14-C Directory has been sent to the printer and will be available later this month. If you see any mistakes in the directory, please contact PDG Dennis Cope to assure that a correction is printed in the District Newsletter and the same mistake is not printed in next year's directory. Directories will be available at the first cabinet meeting, which will be held on August 20, 2022.

We Serve!!

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

Last month, I encouraged you to take inventory of your club's service projects. Did you do it? Are you ready to take on a new project? If so, I came across a great tool on the LCI website that helps guide you to ideas for service activities. The tool is called the "Service Launchpad." This tool asks you to answer a few questions to help you narrow the focus of the type of project your club would like to do:

- What cause are you interested in serving?
- How long would you like your project to last?
- What age group are you interested in serving?

After answering these questions, you will be provided with several ideas for service projects, each with a "service planner" that will help guide your club to completing a successful project. Here is the link to the Service Launchpad: <u>https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/service-launchpad</u>.

Looking ahead, September offers an opportunity to support one of Lions global causes - Childhood Cancer. September is *Childhood Cancer Awareness Month*. Many of you are aware of the Four-Diamonds Fund, which supports children being treated for cancer at Hershey Medical Center. To highlight *Childhood Cancer Awareness Month*, Four Diamonds has a program called, *Play for the Kids*, which runs through the end of September. There are a variety of ways adults and children can "play" while raising money to support Four Diamonds. Check out the website for some ideas on how your club can raise funds: <u>https://playforthekids.donordrive.com</u>.



Speaking of Four Diamonds, the Pennsylvania Lions support Four Diamonds through our *Care for the Kids*

program. Clubs and individuals can donate on behalf of Lions by using this website: <u>https://fourdiamonds.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donate.event&eventID=3289</u>. Last year, Lions from across Pennsylvania donated \$32,110.85! If your club participates in *Play for the Kids*, be sure to enter your donation through the PA Lions *Care for the Kids* portal.

Need some more ideas for a Childhood Cancer service project? Take a look at the flyer included in this newsletter, or visit the Childhood Cancer page on the LCI Website: <u>https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/childhood-cancer</u>.

If your club is looking for more ways to up their service game (and I encourage you to do so), I am ready and willing to help in any way I can. Feel free to contact me by phone or email to start the conversation.



LEARN

- Raise club awareness about childhood cancer by holding an educational talk with a healthcare professional or public health official at your club or district meeting or related events.
- Collaborate with a local childhood cancer hospital or support home staff to learn about the needs of their patients and families. Brainstorm ways your club can address key challenges and gaps.
- Research and develop a list of local childhood cancer organizations in your community to support future projects.
- · Identify local advocacy events related to childhood cancer and explore ways to get involved.

ACT // BEGINNER

- Identify nearby childhood cancer centers and support homes to request a wish or needs list. Conduct a drive to donate the requested items.
- Prepare healthy meals for families with children undergoing treatment. This can be done in collaboration with other community members to ensure the family receives food on a regular basis.
- Collect recyclable materials and donate the profits to a childhood cancer organization.
- Write cards full of well-wishes and share them with a local cancer center.
- Donate financial support or gift cards to identified families in need or a nearby childhood cancer center. This could cover expenses like gasoline, parking, food, medical expenses, etc.
- Make or buy new hats, caps, head scarves or blankets to donate to childhood cancer centers.
- Volunteer at a local childhood cancer organization fundraising event.
- Organize a community drive to assemble a toy library for the enjoyment of patients.
- Participate in a blood donation or bone marrow registry event to benefit cancer treatment.

ACT // INTERMEDIATE

- Collaborate with an organization that makes wigs for children with cancer to collect and donate hair.
- Provide tutoring services to children with cancer, their siblings, or adult learning opportunities for parents.
- Organize an event with a cancer support center to have family photographs taken.
- Raise awareness of childhood cancer through informational pamphlet distribution, radio public service announcements, or social media campaigns.
- Provide children's entertainment at a local hospital or treatment center for children with cancer. Entertainment can include social visits to read books and play games, hosting a seasonal party, or spending time with siblings of patients.
- Provide funding support for essential medicines and supportive services. Crucial medical needs could include chemotherapy supplies, nutritional supplements, medical equipment, essential staff, etc.
- Participate in a one-time volunteer activity at a childhood cancer camp.
- Organize a community childhood cancer awareness event such as a walk/run event or pamphlet distribution.

ACT // ADVANCED

- Familiarize yourself with the bone marrow transplant registry. If one is not established in your country, determine what would be needed to create one.
- Organize an advocacy event to impact government policy around childhood cancer.
- Acquire and equip vehicles for the transportation of patients and family members for commuting to and from the hospital.
- Volunteer at established support housing facilities or develop a new one.
- Make yarn character wigs (ex. Superhero, princess) for children with cancer.
- Organize a workshop with medical specialists in child oncology for pediatric physicians, nurses, related medical personnel, or parents to train on early diagnosis of childhood cancer.
- Organize a fun half-day retreat for families of children in remission or the siblings of children with cancer.
- Furnish waiting rooms for the families and guests of children with cancer.
- Organize and facilitate an activity at a childhood cancer camp.
- Create mini-kitchens at hospitals or support homes for food preparation and supply with food.
- Organize a fundraiser for a childhood cancer organization, or for a local family who has been impacted by childhood cancer.

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Lices Claim International

New Freedom Holds Carnival



The carnival opened on Monday, July 4th and closed on Saturday, July 9, 2022. We had a great turnout, endured some rain showers, had a few Lions from Stewartstown Lions volunteer, even had a visit from DG Keith Shoff, PDG Steve Shipman and his partner in service, Lion Linda. You never know who you may see at the carnival! The Carnival was successful and will enable the club to make donations to many local organizations who serve the community at their Distribution of Donations night held in October!





Working The Bonkey's Ice Cream Truck

Brogue Shows Appreciation



The Brogue Community Lions Club gave an Appreciation Award to the Brogue Store in recognition of its exceptional service to the community at their July 21, 2022 meeting. Manager Dillon Geesey from the Brogue Store accepted the award and gave a presentation on the history of the store to the Lions Club. The original store began operating in the 1840's located in the Brogue Hotel and was later moved to the present location in 1902. The Brogue Store used to be home to the Brogue Post Office and the Telephone Exchange in earlier years. The store is the only General Store left in the area. Over the years there were general stores in local communities but have all gone out of business. The store is presently owned by Mr. and Mrs. Todd Dettinger. The store offers a variety of products from Perrydell Dairy Milk, Carmens Ice Cream, Hardware, Hunting & Fishing License, Bait, Hunting Supplies, Household Supplies, their tasty Sandwiches, plus much more.

District Governor Visitation Dates

DAY	DATE	MONTH	CLUB NAME	
Tuesday	9	August	Hanover Lions Club (Picnic)	
Thursday	18	August	Brogue Community	
Tuesday	23	August	Carlisle (Charter/Steak Night)	
Thursday	25	August (6:15)	Jefferson Community	
Thursday	1	September	East Prospect*	
Tuesday	6	September	Mechanicsburg	
Thursday	8	September	East Pennsboro*	
Tuesday	13	September (6:00)	East Berlin	
Monday	19	September	Camp Hill	
Tuesday	20	September	Stewartstown	

DG Shoff Kicks Off His Visits at Pinchot Park



President Paula Pyper of the Pinchot Park Lions presents DG Keith Shoff with the first check of his Club visitations.

Newville Installs Officers and Welcomes a New Member



The Passing of the Gavel from President Josh Anderson to President Elect Kathy Biscuit.



A new member, Richard Schroll was also inducted by ZC Galen Burkholder at our June 14 Business Meeting. Pictured L-R is Lion Richard Schroll and his sponsor, Lion Jay Dyarman.

Stewartstown Holds Community Shred Day



On June 18th the Stewartstown Club held its first Community Shred Day. Led by Lion Irv Betch, the club offered free shredding of paper and free recycling of electronic devices. The event was enormously popular with the community and over 100 residents stopped by to have their documents shredded. The electronic device recycling was so popular that a bigger truck will be used when this event is repeated next year.

District Cabinet Meeting

District Governor Keith Shoff has issued a call for the first District 14-C Cabinet Meeting for Lion year 2022-2023. The meeting will be held at Dover Fire Hall, 30 Canal St., Dover PA, on Saturday, August 20, 2022, starting at 9:30 a.m. Refreshments will be available prior to the meeting. This meeting is open to all interested Lions. It is strongly recommended that Club Presidents and Club Secretaries attend this meeting. The dates for the remaining three Cabinet Meetings are as follows:

- Saturday, November 19, 2022
- Saturday, February 18, 2023
- Saturday, April 15, 2023

July Caption This Photo Contest Winner



In July's newsletter we challenged Lions to come up with a funny caption for this photo. The winner is:

May the force lead you in the right direction!

Submitted by: Lion Lisa Highlands Carlisle Lion's Club

Karena Strain Receives Melvin Jones Fellowship



During DG Keith's visit to the combined Weigelstown Lions &Yorktowne Branch Lions meeting on July 26th, President Karena Strain was presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship for her humanitarian service by PDG Shirley Starner.



New Freedom Awards Ingenuity

Lion Dennis McAvoy, the club's go to when anything needs to be repaired/built was presented with the MacGyver Award.

Newville Receives Accolades



Representative Barb Gleim presented a Citation from the House of Representative to Lion Josh Anderson, President of Newville Club.



Newville Mayor Michael Croutch presented a Proclamation to Newville Club

STEWARTSTOWN LIONS



REVOUTION BASEBALL GAME

The Stewartstown Lions invites you to join us for a night at the ballpark. We have 100 seats right behind the third base dugout, in the shade, in section 19. Great seats to enjoy the game.

Please join us for a fun night with fellow LIONS. Our President will be throwing out the First Pitch at approximately 6:15 so come early, the game starts at 6:35. The Date is August 30th, the 5th Tuesday in August.

Tickets are available by calling (717-891-6689), or e-mail (<u>Lshpins@comcast.net</u>). We will mail them to you. Tickets are \$15.00 each, make checks payable to the Stewartstown Lions Club.

Name				
Number of tickets	@ \$15.00	Total \$		
Mail tickets to				

Newville Distributes Awards



Newville Lion Frank Egger, was recognized for 50 years of Service to the Club and presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. He was unable to attend so his children received the award. Pictured are (L - R): District Governor Dan Brant; PDG Kerry McKnight; Jennifer Jarusewski, daughter; Chuck Egger, son; and Lion Pete Shultzabarger.



District Governor Dan Brant of Newville passed the Banner to District Governor Elect Keith Shoff. The President of Newville passed the responsibility of maintaining the banner to the President of Brogue Club. Picture (L - R): DG Dan Brant, Newville; Lion Eric Nace, President-Brogue Club; DG Elect Keith Shoff, Brogue Club; and Lion Josh Anderson, President-Newville.

Dan Brant's DG Year Ends with The International Convention in Montreal

Part 1

Having had a great District Governor year that started with a broken hip and included a broken collarbone, I ended the year walking fairly confidently and comfortably, and decided to attend the International Convention in Montreal. Now having that experience in my rear-view mirror, I must tell you it was absolutely the right decision. Riding in a bus with 21 Lions and family from western and southcentral Pennsylvania, and having the itinerary planned by Swinston Travel from Somerset, assured that informative conversation, educational opportunities and plenty of fun and enjoyable camaraderie filled the time from the beginning of the trip to the end.

Let's start with the bus ride to and from Montreal that included two days of travel each way, with overnite stays at very nice motels/hotels. On the way up, we stopped at Saratoga Springs and visited the National Museum of (Horse) Racing and Hall of Fame for horses, jockeys, and trainers. We spent about an hour and a half in the museum, and I could have easily stayed another hour. It was interesting to see pictures of, stories about and honors for horses and jockeys, whom I had watched (on TV) over a period of 50+ years. From the museum, we ventured a short distance to Lake George where we boarded a ship for a Luncheon Cruise. It was great fun and we hadn't even gotten to Montreal yet. On the way home we stopped at Cooperstown, think National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, which was just a short distance from Saratoga Springs. Although I am a long-time baseball fan, and particularly a Philadelphia Phillies fan, I had never been to the Baseball Hall of Fame. I started by looking for displays honoring the all-time greats of baseball including Hank Aaron, Willie Mays, Mickey Mantle, Ted Williams, Stan Musial and Roberto Clemente. I ended by searching for recognition given to Phillies greats such as Mike Schmidt, Robin Roberts, Richie Ashburn and Steve Carlton. Wow!

To get into Canada, we all needed to show our vaccine cards demonstrating that we had been vaccinated for the coronavirus, and that we had recent test results showing that we didn't currently have the coronavirus. Facilitated by Swinston Travel, this was all handed very efficiently at the Canadian border. From there, it was a short ride to Montreal. Before going any further, I must tell you that I was travelling with and roomed with Bob Dickson, a Lion from the New Freedom Lions Club. Bob and I had never formally met before, but we quickly learned that we had a lot of life experiences to share with each other, and that we both wanted to fill our days in Montreal with as many opportunities as we could. In Montreal, Bob and I stayed at the Delta Hotel which was the hotel where most of the Pennsylvania delegation was staying; we had a very nice room with two queen-size beds. We had enough closet space to hang up most of our nicer clothes, and simply got everything else out of our suitcases as we needed it. That evening we ate at a small restaurant in the hotel, as we did several more times during the six days we spent in Montreal.

Having arrived in Montreal late on Thursday afternoon, June 23rd, Bob and I went to the Convention Center on Friday morning to complete our registration process for the convention. While we were there, we visited the Exhibit Hall where Lion exhibitors from around the world had information to share, and where most of the conference sessions other than the daily plenary sessions were to be held. Bob and I also found LCI's Tour Desk and arranged to take a bus tour of the city that afternoon.

PDG Dan's Report From Montreal con't

Montreal's metro population is about 1.7 million. The city is on an island in the St. Lawrence River with boroughs that were once independent cities. It has the Gothic Revival Notre Dame Basilica at its center. One of the highlights of the tour was a ten-minute walk to a location where we could look out over the city. Bob and I tried to visit the Basilica, but there were some kind of "technical problems" at the time we tried to get in. Bob and I also took a boat ride in the harbor area of Montreal. We had to go to the harbor on two separate occasions because we just "missed the boat" the first time we tried. I can assure you that there was a lot of walking. My fitbit told me that I took over ten thousand steps on two separate days and over 14,000 steps on a third day.

I guess it is about time that I get to the reason we were in Montreal - the Convention. The first day of the convention was Saturday, June 26th, and the first item on the agenda was the Parade of Nations. It was one of the highlights of the trip for me. There were over 8000 Lions at the convention from around the world, and many of us marched in the Parade of Nations on Rue Ste Catherine Street. I think the parade route was a little more than a mile long. Everyone was dressed in their local attire, so it was all very colorful. The Pennsylvania delegation marched together and were dressed in our summer green and white casual attire. We were not too far from the front of the parade. I don't believe 25% of the parade groups were in front of us. LCI had apparently established the order for participating groups. I think there were over 190 nations represented. Bob and I had eaten the night before at a restaurant on Ste Catherine Street, so when we finished the parade, we looked for a restaurant to have breakfast. We soon found a restaurant serving crepes along the street. While we ate, we watched the parade for more than an hour before heading back to the hotel. Saturday was far from over though. Bob and I soon went back down to the Convention Center using the very efficient bus system that had been put in place to get Lions from the hotels to the two primary locations where conference events were being held. I attended the Business Session at 3:00 pm where the candidates for International Director, whom we would later be voting on, were being introduced. In addition, the proposed dues increase to be initiated next July, was to be explained. After that session was over, Bob and I got a bus to the Bell Centre where the International Show with Smokey Robinson was to occur at 6:00 pm.

The Bell Centre is an entertainment venue where the plenary sessions were to be held for the next three mornings. We sat on the second level with the Pennsylvania delegation, and I found Smokey Robinson's show to be very enjoyable. When it was over, Bob and I got a bus back to the hotel where I had to change into our more formal summer attire (green jacket, tie, white shirt. white pants) for the PA Lions Hospitality Reception that featured a complimentary dessert buffet and a cash bar. The District Governors and District Governors-elect were to form a receiving line for individuals/dignitaries from all over the world who were coming to the reception. We were assigned different shifts to work. By 10:00 pm, the large receiving room was getting pretty full. We found ourselves greeting the International President, Douglas Alexander and his entourage, several past International Presidents including Al Brandel from New York, Gudrun Yngvadottir from Iceland and Dr. Jung-Yul Choi from the Republic of Korea, plus many of the candidates for International Director. Luckily for us, PID Cindy Gregg and her husband Lion Tom stood nearby and drew many of the dignitaries in their direction. All of the dignitaries were given a chance to address those in attendance. Before I left, I managed to inconspicuously (I hope) get a few things to eat off of the buffet.

Part 2 of PDG Dan's article will appear in the September newsletter

Windsor Awards Melvin Jones Fellowship



2nd Vice president Penny Dzubinski received the Melvin Jones scholarship award on Tuesday, June 21st from Lion Doug Nace.