



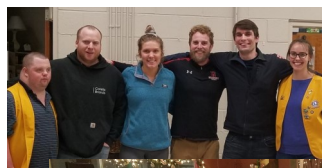
District 14-G

"Lions Tale"



March 2020

District Happenings Racing By . . .



Mansfield Lions Club's New Members



Catawissa Valley Lions Club's New Members

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"Out Like A Lion, In Like A Lamb"

This saying has a common meaning: the month of March usually begins with cold weather, but ends in pleasant weather. And so we will see . . . **Never Give Up!**

So, let's march forward in a positive direction! Memberships are on the rise, district cabinet issues have been addressed successfully, and the Annual District Convention is holding much promise for April 4, 2020!

The generation gap is getting closer than you think! The average age of District 14-G eight months ago was approximately 72. The average age of the 71 newest members is 52.9!!!! That credit is given to our Lions reaching out and getting more creative in recruiting!

Along with recruiting and retaining members comes financial guidance. Our District Cabinet has addressed and condensed our finances on a spreadsheet with the expertise of our District Treasurer Lion Beth Cooley. All the corrections were approved at the 3rd Cabinet Meeting. Working together in Lion-

ism is the key to success for all.

Speaking of success, our Annual District Convention scheduled for April 4th, at the Genetti in Williamsport, is being successfully led by Convention Chair Corinna Anskis. Success depends highly on our financial support in celebrating the District Governors year (our district does not look at it as just voting for a District Governor). There are Delegate Fees needed from the clubs to support this annual event. The amount accessed for each club depends on the number of members - for example, 1 delegate vote for every 10 members at the cost of only \$7.00; plus \$7.00 for each Past District Governor in the club.

We have personally sent out invitations to ALL NEW Lions to attend our District Convention. All Lions attending for the First-Time are given a special cost of only \$10.00 for the entire day, which includes the snacks in the morning, Luncheon Banquet at noon, hors'douvres and entertainment (Strolling Strings from Williamsport High School) at 5:30!! And you can be out the door and on the road at 6:30 p.m.!!

Looking forward to continuing visiting my clubs and seeing more new faces at the races!

James R. Wilbur
District Governor



Dues Increase: IP Dr. Yung-Yul Choi

The international dues adjustment resolution passed by the International Lions board of directors will be voted on at our international convention in Singapore. We need your help to ensure that all members understand why the dues adjustment is needed.

As we prepare for upcoming district and multiple district conventions around the world, I encourage you to download the international dues adjustment Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and PowerPoint presentation (PPT) so

you are prepared to answer questions about this important resolution.

A dues adjustment will help us provide the level of support needed to sustain and grow the incredible work of our more than 1.4 million members in 48,000 clubs around the world. If you have any questions about the dues adjustment resolution, contact Lions International Executive Administrator PIP Frank Moore. And please share feedback from your members so we can share it with the board of directors in April.

I want to personally thank you for the support you have shown for the international dues adjustment resolution. Together, we can ensure that Lions and Lions Clubs International are positioned for ongoing success in the future.

Regards,
Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
International President



DUES ADJUSTMENT OVER TIME

Dues	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30
Projected Amount (1.93% adjustment)	\$46	\$46.89	\$47.79	\$48.72	\$49.66	\$50.61	\$51.59	\$52.59	\$53.60

The model above shows a projected scenario of a 1.93% annual adjustment, which is based on the three-year average rate of U.S. inflation during 2016-2018. Please note this is only a projection. The actual rate of inflation will determine the annual adjustment beginning in July 2022, with a maximum adjustment of 3% and a minimum of 1.5%.

Why Dues Adjustment?

In recent years, it has become increasingly clear that the services LCI has been able to provide to members with the available budget is no longer in line with what Lions need and expect.

The BOD undertook an extensive review of LCI's financials, including the implementation of substantial budget reductions. After much consideration, the board proposed to adjust international dues.

What Are Dues Used For?

LCI is a global organization that supports more than 1.4 million members in 48,000 clubs around the world. Through the support of LC staff and programs, we are able to serve globally on the level that we do, keeping members and clubs fully supported with service resources and programs, training events and software, club operational support, international convention and meetings, language services in 13 languages, technology and digital products, global marketing, PR and advertising, leadership support, and legal support and liability insurance.

Other organizations

International dues have not been adjusted since 2011 even *though annual inflation has ben increasing the cost of operations required to do business around the world.*

What is the proposal?

The proposed dues adjustment includes a \$3 increase effective July 2021, raising dues to \$46, then beginning in July 2022 dues would be adjusted for US inflation. The annual dues adjustment will be calculated using a three-year inflation average that will not exceed 3.0 or be lower than 1.5% each year. The International Board of Directors built this into the model as a buffer against extreme economic conditions and the resulting inflations variations

Who decides? IBOD approved resolution to adjust dues and will be voted on at the 20202 International Convention in Singapore by official convention delegates.

Steps Taken Reducing Expenses

LCI completed a rigorous financial review and took the following steps to reduce expenses:

- Operating budgets were reduced
- Vendor contracts were renegotiated to yield savings
- Programs were cut after thorough review and consideration of value to members and return on investment

Dues Last Adjusted . . .

International dues have not been adjusted since 2011 even though annual inflation has ben increasing the cost of operations required to do business around the world.



International Vice Presidents

The North America Membership Initiative (NAMI) brings fresh thinking and bold action to maximize our membership, so we can maximize our service to the world. This year, we have nine NAMI pilot districts working hard to improve their membership numbers and we've begun to see some success. For 2020-21, we will open participation to all districts and multiple districts in North America that are ready to join us.

One of the many learnings from the pilot is the need to start early. We are beginning to form NAMI teams, set goals and make plans now, so districts can hit the ground running in July. Those teams would benefit from your support. Your Lion knowledge and the respect you have earned could help



your district turn the tide. We ask that you reach out to your first vice district governor and offer your assistance. Districts will need NAMI champions, meeting facilitators, event speakers, extension experts, club problem solvers and every leader we can recruit.

Those teams would benefit your support. Another lesson we learned from the pilot is leadership focus and communication about membership is valuable in itself. We saw progress in the pilot districts prior to any plan execution. Therefore, we ask you to share the value of increasing membership and ensuring member satisfaction at all of your speaking engagements. Together, we can impact this

year's membership numbers through the excitement and engagement that NAMI brings.

For more information, download the [NAMI Overview presentation](#) and [NAMI FAQ](#). Also, feel free to reach out to any of us to discuss how you can become more deeply involved.

Thank you for your support of this vital, multi-year initiative. With the commitment of Lion leaders like you, we are confident North America will regain its position as a growth center of Lions Clubs International for years to come.

Sincerely,

2nd Vice President Brian Sheehan
3rd Vice President Patti Hill

International Director Larry Edwards



As I am writing this article, Spring is 33 days away. I was outside today, and the temperature was 51 degrees. Not bad for February.

I attended DG Jim's February Cabinet meeting and remarked on how well it was organized and the business that was accomplished. Club Officer Lions, if you are new to the club leadership role, you should be attending the Cabinet meetings. You will learn much about the next level of Lions Leadership and hopefully that will lead on to a decision to serve on the Cabinet, perhaps as a Zone Chairperson or committee chair/member. It's a great way to grow in Lions.

Our 3rd Council meeting was hosted in State College by District 14-G and I have to say they did a stellar job. It

was a good weekend with committee meetings, a seminar about diabetes awareness and how our clubs and districts can get more involved in sharing the information. The Council of Governors accomplished crossing off many of the items on the agenda with good discussions and solid decisions. The Saturday evening dinner and program was well attended, and ID Gary Brown's presentation hit the mark. If you were not there, you missed a good Lions weekend.

Membership still seems to be a challenge. How can each Lion help? Start off by asking someone to give us a try. Is your club hosting a service project soon? Invite several prospects to the project and show them what we do as Lions. That is a better way to have a new member consider joining. Has your club

hosted a membership night? (or day) Now is the time to do it. Get those leads and put a program together that will show the prospective members what your club does. Ask them to join before they go home. Follow up after.

The MD-14 (PA) State Convention is coming up quick. Never been to one? This is the time. Talk with someone in your club or district that will be attending. Partner up with them to help you get the most out of the event. You will learn so much and go home re-energized for Lions.

We have so much to do and at times so little time to do it. Make the most of what we have and remember to help someone, "**Kindness Matters.**"



Lions Clubs International Foundation



Mobile Vision Screening Van

Gabriele's parents did not know their two-year-old had amblyopia, a condition that can lead to permanent vision loss, until Lions offered a vision screening. *Taken from an article from LCIF*



Growing Food and Skills at Anna's House



service projects in their communities.

District and Club Community Impact grants provide the opportunity for qualifying districts and clubs to secure LCIF grants to complete



Lions volunteers discovered an issue in seven-year-old Vivian's vision that was previously undetected. Vivian had never complained of poor eyesight, and it hadn't affected her schoolwork or playtime.

Upon receiving the Lions' findings, Vivian's mother, Sarah, took her daughter for a professional eye exam. Her daughter was diagnosed with refractive amblyopia, sometimes known as "lazy eye."

Refractive amblyopia is caused by one eye having significant uncorrected near-or-farsightedness, or a substantial astigmatism. Because the other eye relies solely on the "good" eye and filters out the afflicted eye's unclear vision. As a result, the afflicted eye becomes "lazy" from disuse. If left uncorrected, amblyopia can lead to permanently reduced vision.

"I'm writing as a tremendously grateful parent! Without your foundation and the Connecticut Eye Research Foundation, my daughter's diagnosis would not have been determined. She has since seen an eye doctor and will get the necessary treatment to improve her impaired vision. THANK YOU for giving my daughter a better quality of life because of your foundation's kindness and concern for the wellbeing of our children!"

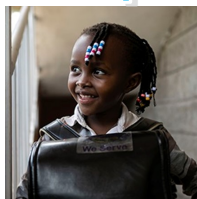
Great-fully and Respectfully,

Sarah Cyr

Taken from LCIF, article by Jamie Konigsfeld—October 07, 2019

How Will You Help?

Children in Africa and around the world with cancer are benefitting from LCIF's support of Lions globally. Please make more uplifting outcomes like this possible.





First Vice District Governor James Douty

As we charge ahead in our district, planning for 20-21 is quickly approaching required deadlines to international. Goals for the district, selecting a cabinet, searching for zone positions and possibly re-districting due to loss of clubs, setting dates for district convention 2021, and completing the district directory.

Reflecting on the direction of district 14-G, goals are guidelines to move forward in a positive path towards success. Goals that are within reach and attainable.

I will be searching for potential Lions who have served as club president for the several zone chair positions that need to be filled. Encouraging past district governors to assist in the possibility of re-districting due to one zone having only one club within it—Region 5, Zone C. Training will be done prior to my governing year to gather your ideas of devising ways to encourage Lions to have enjoyment in their visions of support

within their own zones and furthering those ideas for the district.

It is that time of Lions year to select a nominating committee from the members in the club and voting on the required officers: presidents, first and second vice presidents, secretary, treasurer, membership chairperson, and marketing chairperson. A marketing chairperson has been added, usually who does your advertising or contacting of newspapers—the secretary.

Marketing was added to increase awareness of what your club is doing. As they say, "Lions are the best kept secret in the world!" I believe we have sparked that marketing with our billboards being posted in the Williamsport area. That advertising is complete on March 8th, but we have the option of bringing it back at a low cost while Lamar Advertising stores the vinyl's until needed.

I will be working on setting the date for the 2021 District Conven-

tion, as we will be voting on April 4, 2020 for a convention secretary. The district convention committee consists of the secretary, banquet chairperson, and convention chairperson. Planning begins in October and all Lions in the district are encouraged to get involved in making the conventions fun for gathering and sharing ideas for clubs.

With that being planned, there are other aspects to forming a district cabinet. I will be sending emails and making phone calls in May to gather names for zone chairs, global membership chairperson, global service chairperson, and a tail twister. Any Lion interested in serving in any of these capacities, please contact me at home 570.398.2248 or my cell 570.220.8718. In addition, my email is jdouty007@yahoo.com.

In addition, if there are any errors that need to be corrected in the district directory, please let me know. "Keep Charging Ahead in 20-21!"

First Vice District Governor,
James Douty

"I liked his relaxed style; easily approachable," Lion Mary Kay Gamble, Williamsport Lions Club, after DG visiting the club.

From
District Governor
"Jim" Wilbur

"This has been enjoyable making so many new friends and sharing ideas," DG James Wilbur.

Why a Lion Should Consider Being a District Governor

- ◆ Meeting Lions in the District, State, and beyond
- ◆ Thinking beyond the club level for the betterment of the state, country, and world
- ◆ Leadership training and opportunities
- ◆ Developing friendships
- ◆ Better understanding of our state involvement



State Council Meeting #3 February 2020

District 14-G did it again from February 7-9, 2020!! A memorable weekend organized by PDG James Crawley; Rose Crawley; PDG Charles Poust; and Lion Nancy Poust. From beginning to end, those in attendance offered numerous comments of how well-organized the State Council Meeting was conducted.

Basket Raffles; PA Counsellors Service Project; Preliminary Meeting; Global Action Team Presentation and Hospitality Night were enjoyed by all! Our basket raffles seem to be the best of the best with

many thanks for those who donate to help funding of the required State Council Meetings annually. The PA State Counsellors project has become one truly enjoyed by the PDG's spending quality time together while servicing others. The Global Action Team staged a counseling session led by GLT PDG Deb Burkholder listening to PDG Grapevine; PDG Mentor; PDG When I Was DG; PDG Nit Picker; PDG Same Old Stuff; PDG Mentor; and PDG Puppeteer. Each of the presenters dressed in appropriate attire and listened now and then to "I Heard It Through

the Grapevine" song!!! Focusing on the future of PDG's making a positive impact with leadership for the District Governors after them. Their guidance and expertise is definitely needed while working as a team and trying it their own way. Support means to 'bear all or part of the weight of; hold up; give assistance to.' There were many laughs and sharing following the skit.

Hospitality Night was celebrated with making ice cream sundaes with all the toppings! Enjoyment of the entertainment with

State Council Meetings... Having Fun!

Action Items Approved:

- Endorsement of 1st International Vice President Douglas Alexander for IP - due to death of 1IVP Townsend
- Approved submission of hosting 2024 USA/Canada Forum
- Adoption of Childhood Cancer Coordinator as PDG Keldeen Stambaugh
- Revisions of Policies 100; 204D; 313; 314; 406; 407; 206
- Preliminary approval of 2020-2021 budget
- Letter of Agreement with Martin M. Sacks & Associates
- Increase of \$5000 in GLT budget for remainder of 2019-2020 Lions year
- MD will NOT host a Hospitality Reception at the 2020 International Convention
- Vendors and Exhibitors list with Judges of Election: PDG Kathy Fouse and PDG Stephen Wagner
- Reappointments of Global Action Team:
PDG Deb Burkholder: MD GLT P
DG Cheryl Wilbur: MD GMT
PDG Tom Gregg: MD GST
- State Pin design for 2020-2021



Guest Speaker PID Gary Brown surrounded by ID Larry Edwards and PID Bob Miller. PID Gary Brown led a seminar on Diabetes.

Not so fun getting there when Route 15 in Tioga County was shut down by the State Police!



PDG's conducting their Service Project for State Council Meeting #3 in State College.



District Governor 14-D Bill Grager

Districts were given a challenge to have a competition of reaching one of their stated goals with adding one new club to their district. DG Bill Grager from 14-D took this challenge seriously and was the recipient of a gavel or mallet at the 2nd State Council Meeting and came prepared to



resent it to the next district; however, no other districts could reach that goal. PDG Bill had to take it back home again with hopes of another district meeting that challenge.



The smaller mallet on the right does not meet the requirements of State Disaster Chairperson Lion Jim Groff! He discovered a large enough piece of oak wood from a tree in Lancaster County to make the large gavel in 2014! MD GMT will be asking Lion Jim Groff to make one for the state and have the District Governors name and year of the district adding the most number of clubs! Let the games begin!!!!



District Cabinet Meeting #3



Northern Tioga Takes the Bell

At the District Cabinet Meetings attendance is taken with the total number of members present representing each club in the district. The club with the highest percentage of members in attendance per club is totaled and a set of Lions Bell and Gavel is presented to the winning club to bring back to the next cabinet meeting

Attendance: (Northern Tioga County Centennial Lions 8) DG Jim Wilbur, PDG Cheryl Wilbur, Roger Reiss, Rodney Fountain, William Kriner, Colleen Kriner, Michelle Bousquet, Joanne Rockwell; (Jersey Shore Lions 1) - 1st VDG Jim Douthy; (Jersey Shore Lioness 1) Kathy Douthy; (Milesburg Lions 2), PDG Howard "Butch" Haus, Joan Haus, (Berwick Lion 1s) Tim Wallis; (Warrensville Area Lions 4) - PDG Kerry Drake, Joanne Drake, PDG Paul Schriener, Shirley Schriener; (Wells-Jackson Lions 4) - Barbara Butcher, Timothy Bell, Leona Bell, Barbara Szczech; (South Williamsport Lions 2) PDG Connie McMichael, PDG James Crawley; (Ferguson Township Lions 2) - PDG Charles Poust, Nancy Poust; (Wellsboro Lions 2) - Terry Bryant, Sheila Bryant; (Harris Township Lions 3) ID Larry Edwards, Susan Edwards, PCC Charles "James" Keener; (Montoursville Lions 1) PDG Robert Dunne; (Milton 1) James Bolich; (Towanda Lions 1) Barbara Wyworski-Yanik; (Picture Rocks Lions 1) Beth Cooley.

The District bell and gavel will appear again at the first District Cabinet meeting in August 2020 under the leadership of First Vice District Governor James Douthy Jersey Shore Lions Club. Watch for the dates and schedule for the 20-21 Lions year!

District Administrator Report

MYLCI has been updated for service reporting

State Band will be contacting more schools

Specialty Clubs can form with 25 members

Zone Chair positions need to be filled

District positions of President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chairs must be filled for LCI; District 14-G is one of the few districts in the world with all positions filled required by International - president, secretary, treasure, membership chair



Art Girio Scholarship: Accepting applications until March 15, 2020

Beacon Lodge: Please support "Beacon Lodge 500 Club"

Constitution & By Laws: See report from State Council Meeting

Diabetes Awareness: There will be "Strides Walk" at the District Convention; see the form on page ____

District 14-G Hosting State Council Meeting: : **Motion to reimburse the District Administrative Fund for State Council Meeting #3 for reimbursements by IPDG Butch Haus, seconded by Zone Chair Tim Wallis. All approved. Motion carried. Motion made to approve the annual donation of \$100 to PA Counsellors for their February Counsel Meeting Service Project by First Vice President James Douthy, Seconded by District Governor James Wilbur. All approved. Motion carried.**

Global Membership Team: membership at 1617, dropped 109 members, adding 69 for the Lions year 2019-2020

Global Leadership Team: Spring Symposium in Harrisburg with one Lion from our district attending; Regional Lions Leadership Institute will be March 13-15 in Harrisburg—there are three Lions attending from our district; Billboards will continue to be displayed until March 18, 2020

District Convention: **Motion made to approve the Proclamation for Esther Ancira by Immediate Past District Governor Howard Haus, seconded by District Treasurer Beth Cooley. All approved, motion carried.** Seminars: Back Pack Program "Traveling Bus;" and Mission Trips for Vision and Eyeglass Recycling. **Motion to appoint PDG Cheryl Wilbur as District Convention Secretary 2019-2020 by District Treasurer Beth Cooley, seconded by IPDG Howard Haus. All approved, motion carried.**

District Disaster: May need to consider re-districting the regions and zones

District Finance: LCIF Campaign pledges with only 18 clubs participating with a total of \$13,084

District Honorary Committee: **Motion made to authorize District Treasurer Beth Cooley to be an authorized signer to District Advisory and District Disaster accounts by IPDG Howard Haus, seconded by Zone Chair Timothy Wallis. All approved, motion carried. Motion made to authorize District Treasurer Beth Cooley to close previous two accounts, once checks have been cleared, with monies transferred into District Administrative Funds under sub accounts by District Governor James Wilbur, seconded by IPDG Howard Haus, All approved, motion carried. Motion made to reimburse PDG Kerry Drake for supplies for the hand-made clocks presented to District Governors year, by PDG Hoawrd Haus, seconded by First Vice District Governor James Douthy. All approved, motion carried.**

Journey for Sight: Chairperson Lion Nancy Poust resigned, Lion Corrina Anskis is interested in this position

Lions of Pa Foundation: Investment Counsellor Shows: Merrill Lynch Account, \$1,496,596; Morgan Stanley Account, \$43,398; American Funds, \$221,949; Increase of 2.32% or \$40, 213' Disaster Committee is set up to accept any checks that are specifically designated for a disaster in any part of the world. We will deposit those checks and reissue one to be sent to the Lions District Governor in that part of the state, nation, or world.

Northeast PA Lions Foundation: Awarded \$70,000 in grants this Lions year

Peace Poster: Winner from the state was from District L; Peace Posters will be ordered and ready for pick-up at the District Convention on April 4, 2020





14-G's 38th Annual District Convention

Saturday, April 4,
2020

Dear 14-G Lions, Leo's and Lioness:

As your district governor, I am requesting your presence at our 38th Annual District Convention on Saturday, April 4, 2020, at the Genetti Hotel, Williamsport, PA. To accommodate our members, we will be celebrating our Lion's accomplishments during my governing year 2019-2020, with the following accommodations and opportunities:

Registration/Certification (left-hand side of lobby facing Genetti Front Desk)

7:30 am to 3:00 pm - **FREE** Coffee and Donuts (right-hand side of Genetti Front Desk)

Basket Raffle & Displays & 50/50 (Garden Room)

Clubs in District 14-G donate Raffle Basket(s) - Chairperson Lioness Kathy Douty & Jersey Shore Lioness Club Hosting (contact Chairperson Lioness Kathy Douty for number of baskets your club will be donating - 570-398-2248)

Lions Club "Brag Boards" (Grand Ball Room)

Clubs displaying boards with pictures of their activities

Service Project

9:00 am to 10:00 am - **Diabetes Walk** (Lycoming Room) Strides Forms, Bracelets, Balloons provided

PDG Jim Crawley will be pointing out historical attractions during the 8 to 10 city blocks

2:30 pm to 2:50 pm - **Centerpiece Auction** - After luncheon donated proceeds to **Four Diamonds** (Auctioneer VDG Jim Douty)

Seminars

10:00 am to 10:50 am - **Back Pack Program** (Washington Room) Presenter Mel Curtis, Moshannon Valley YMCA Director
The Travelling Table Bus will be on display in the Genetti Parking Lot

11:00 am to 11:50 am - **Alternative to Donating Eyeglasses** (Washington Room) Presenter PID Dr. Edward Cordes
New concepts of collecting and discarding used eyeglasses

Honors Luncheon Banquet

12:30 pm to 2:30 pm - **Guest Speaker** (Grand Ballroom) Lion Esther Ancira, LCI, Oakbrook, IL

Presentation of Awards/Recognitions/Peace Poster

Meal Choices:

Baked Haddock with Orange Shallot Sauce

Char-Crusted Pork Tenderloin with Sweet & Sour Teriyaki

Cheese Tortellini with Pesto Cream Sauce

Necrology

3:00 pm to 3:30 pm - **Hosted** (Terrace Room) by PDG Bud Harris and Lion JoAnn Harris

Business Session

3:45 pm to 4:30 pm - **Business Meeting** (Terrace Room) with Opening Nominations led by District Governor James Wilbur

4:30 pm to 4:45 pm - **Voting** (Garden Room) for District Governor, Vice District Governors, Convention Secretary

4:45 pm to 5:15 pm - **Business Meeting** (Terrace Room) reconvenes and "Good for the Order" of the organization

Entertainment, Reception & Celebration

5:30 pm to 6:30 pm - **Entertainment** (Grand Ballroom) by "Strolling Strings" students from Williamsport High School, Williamsport

Social Hour with FREE Butlered Hors d'oeuvres (cheese display; fresh fruit display; veggie display; mini bruschetta; strawberry & goat cheese bruschetta with balsamic glaze; chicken cordon bleu bites; shrimp cocktail; bacon-wrapped scallops; Iced Tea; Fruit Infused Water; & Open Cash Bar





14-G's 38th Annual District Convention



Registration:

Club Name _____ Lion _____ Leo _____ Lioness _____ First Time Attending _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Phone _____

Club Name _____ Lion _____ Leo _____ Lioness _____ First Time Attending _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Phone _____

Honors Luncheon Banquet: (12:30 pm Grand Ballroom - Tickets are in Registration Envelope) Cost \$20.00; First Time Attendee \$10.00

# _____ Baked Haddock with Orange Shallot Sauce	Name _____
	Name _____
# _____ Char-Crusted Pork Tenderloin with Sweet & Sour Teriyaki	Name _____
	Name _____
# _____ Cheese Tortellini with Pesto Cream Sauce	Name _____
	Name _____

*Includes potato, vegetable, tossed salad, carrot cake

Total Number of Lunches _____ X _____ \$20.00 _____ Total Cost/Enclosed _____ \$ _____

Total Number of Lunches _____ X _____ \$10.00 _____ First Time Attendees _____ \$ _____

Dietary Needs

Contact Convention Chairperson
Lion Corinna Anskis
H: 814-353-8706 C: 814-404-7422
Email: canskis69@gmail.com

2020 District Convention Pin # _____ X \$4.00 _____ \$ _____



Grand Total \$ _____

Registration DEADLINE
March 9, 2020

Saturday, April 4, 2020

7:30 am - 6:30 pm



Make Checks Payable to:

"District 14-G Convention"

For Honors Luncheon Banquet

2020 Convention Pin

Complete Form & Mail Check to:

Corinna Anskis
1811 Little Marsh Creek Road
Howard, PA 16841

Please place a check mark and number of persons if you will be participating in any of these activities to assist with easy planning

Participating in Diabetes Awareness Walk _____

Walk-thru in "Travelling Table Bus" _____

Attending Necrology _____

Business Session Meeting _____

Voting Member _____

Reception Celebration _____

Set-up Club Brag Board _____

Club's Raffle Basket _____

Strides Walk for Diabetes _____



District Convention

MD 14-G
April 4, 2020

Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness



Special points of interest:

- ⇒ Promotes healthy exercise
- ⇒ Brings community together
- ⇒ Strides event can include: running, walking, bicycling, dancing, dog walking, hula-hooping or any other activity that gets people moving

What is Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness? Strides is a friendly, positive and active community event that enables Lions Clubs or districts to take action and raise awareness about diabetes prevention and control. The Strides program incorporates enjoyable physical activity through a community walk, run, bicycle ride, dance or other healthy exercise.

Strides Mission The mission of **Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness** is to empower Lions to join the fight against diabetes and implement Strides community events.

The Need Diabetes is increasing worldwide. Over 300 million people have diabetes. By 2035, the International Diabetes Federation (IDF) estimates that over 592 million worldwide will have the disease. It is deadly and debilitating; every 8 seconds, someone in world dies from the complications of diabetes. Diabetic retinopathy is a leading cause of blindness.

Sponsor Name	Contact Information	Amount Donated

Name _____

Lions Club Name _____

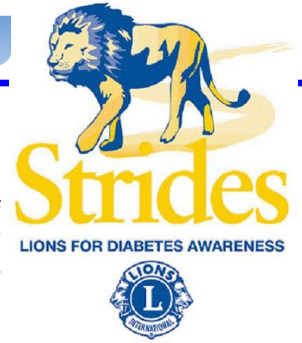
Total Amount Collected _____

Bring this form with you at the District Convention with monies collected. Walking from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. around one block to Center City. PDG James Crawley will be our guide.

See PAGE 11 for the "Waiver to Walk" form to sign and bring with you.



Waiver for Walking



Waiver and Release of Liability for Strides:

District 14-G Convention Lions for Diabetes Awareness

1. I wish to participate in the *District 14-G Convention Strides...Lions for Diabetes Awareness* event ("Event"). I understand that my execution of this Waiver and Release is a prerequisite for participation in the Event. I further understand that there are risks and dangers inherent in participating in the Event.
2. I understand that in order to be allowed to participate in the Event, I agree to assume all risks and to release and hold harmless *District 14-G Convention* Lions Clubs International Inc., Lions Clubs International Foundation, Inc., and their officers, agents, employees, assigns, successors in interest, contractors, vendors (and their agents), agencies, sponsors, officials and volunteers, including walk leaders, participating communities and clubs and all governmental and public entities including, but not limited to, the State, County and local municipalities where the events take place (collectively the "Released Parties").
3. I intend by this Waiver and Release to release, in advance, and to waive my rights and discharge all of the persons and entities mentioned above, from any and all claims for damages for death, personal injury or property damage which I may have, or which may hereafter accrue to me as a result of my participation in the Event, even though this liability may arise from negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities being released, from dangerous or defective property or equipment owned, maintained or controlled by them or because of their possible liability without fault. I understand and agree that this Waiver and Release is binding on my heirs, assigns, and legal representatives.
4. I understand that I am solely responsible for my health and safety, and I acknowledge that I am physically capable of participating in and completing this Event.
5. I agree to allow *District 14-G Convention* Lions Clubs International, Lions Clubs International Foundation, and their contractors, agencies and sponsors, the use of my name and likeness in connection with *Strides...Lions for Diabetes Awareness*, for any purpose related to advertising or promotion of the event worldwide in perpetuity in all forms of media now and forever known.
6. Should any portion of this Waiver and Release be judicially determined invalid, voidable or unenforceable, for any reason, such portion of this Waiver and Release shall be severable from the remaining portions herein and the invalidity, voidability, or unenforceability thereof shall not affect the validity, effect, enforceability, or interpretation of the remaining provisions of this Waiver and Release.
7. I have carefully read this Waiver and Release and fully understand its contents. If I am under 18 years of age at the time of registration, my parent or legal guardian has completely reviewed this Waiver and Release, understands and consents to its terms, and authorizes my participation by his/her signature below. I am aware that this is a RELEASE OF LIABILITY and a contract between me and the persons and entities mentioned above and I sign of my own free will.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature of parent or guardian if participant is under 18 years of age (Anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by their parent or guardian).

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS Form and Bring to District Convention on April 4, 2020



Leadership



District Global Leadership Chair Cheryl Wilbur

"You are not here merely to make a living. You are here in order to enable the world to live more amply, with greater vision, with a finer spirit of hope and achievement. You are here to enrich the world, and you impoverish yourself if you forget the errand."
Woodrow Wilson



In looking to the future of our organization, you can count on being led to a brighter future with the next three International Presidents. With the recent loss of our International First Vice President Haynes Townsend, we are proud to introduce **Douglas X. Alexander** from Brooklyn, New York. A retired vice president for J. P. Morgan Chase Bank, Alexander has been a Lion member since 1984 with the Brooklyn Bedford Stuyvesant Lions Club. Receiving many numerous recognitions, including the highest honor of our association the Ambassador of Good Will Award, has two daughters and his partner in service, Shabiki Cazabon, is a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Our International Second Vice President **Brian E. Sheehan**, hails from Bird Island, Minnesota, being a member of the Bird Island Lions Club since 1991. A founder and CEO of Rural Computer Consultants, a software development company. Within the association, Sheehan has served as council chairperson; women's initiative chairperson; chairperson of the Headquarters Operation & Finance Committee; USA Lions Leadership Forum Seminars chairperson; and USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, including the Centennial Action committee. In addition to numerous awards, including the Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow and recognition for his dedicated services, Sheehan also received the Ambassador of Good Will Award. His wife, Lori, is also a Lion and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons and two daughters.



Dr. Patti Hill from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, is president of a consulting firm with 30 years of experience as a psychologist while supporting the rights of children and youth who are deaf and/or blind. Dr. Hill has been a Lion of the Edmonton Lions Club since 1990, serving in various capacities: a multinational coordinator for Campaign SightFirst II, Vice President of the Lions Eye Research Institute of Northern Alberta, district chairperson for Membership, Environment, Convention and International Cooperation and Understanding. She served as International Director and served on the Leadership Committee of International Board with deceased PID Harold Ott from our district. Dr. Hill also attended a 14-G convention and PID Ott's memorial in 2012. Also, a recipient of the Ambassador of Good Will Award. In addition to Lion activities, Dr. Hill is active in numerous professional and community organizations, such as Psychologists Association of Alberta, the Association of Canadian Educators of the Hearing Impaired. She and her husband, also a Lion, have two children.

"As Lions, our actions and service inspires others. We provide courage and a unique sense of empowerment to our communities and to the world. To do this, we depend on great leadership. And that takes great leadership development for our members." taken from lionsclubs.org.

REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (RLLI)

March 13-15, 2020

Harrisburg, PA

Cost \$175.00 per Candidate

(includes institute, lodging, and meals)
Check should accompany the application

Questions to PDG Deb Burkholder at kburkholder@dejazzed.com
or 717-484-4892

District Letter 14- Member Number _____

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Current Lions Title _____

Highest Lions Office Held _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Address _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Lions Club Name _____

Month and Year Joined _____

Offices Held Within _____

Committee Positions Held Within _____

Why is this Institute of interest to you? _____

Candidates Signature _____ Date _____

Preparing for Lions Year 2020-2021

Zone Chairs: April 18, 2020 10 am-1 pm
STEP Building, South Williamsport

Presidents/Secretaries:

Membership Chairpersons:





Membership

Chairperson 1st VDG James Douty

**46% Clubs
Added**

NEW Members

Bald Eagle Valley - 17 Members
Bellefonte -39 Members, Added 2
Benton - 41 Members
Berwick -22 Members
Big Pond - 11 Members
Canton - 29 Members, Added 1, Dropped 1
Catawissa Valley - 33 Members, Added 1
Centre Hall - 34 Members, Dropped 2
Coudersport & Area - 27 Members
Danville Centennial - 14 Members
Dushore - 34 Members
Eagles Mere LaPorte - 53 Members
Ferguson Township - 36 Members
Harris Township - 44 Members, Dropped 1
Howard Area - 106 Members; Dropped 1
Jersey Shore - 44 Members; Dropped 1
Kulpmont Centennial - 11 Members
Lewisburg - 10 Members
Lock Haven - 20 Members
Loyalsock Township - 13 Members
Lycoming Creek - 20 Members, Dropped 2
Mansfield - 46 Members; Added 2
Milesburg - 46 Members, Dropped 1
Mill Hall Area - 12 Members
Millheim - 45 Members
Millmont West Union - 10 Members
Millville - 17 Members
Milton - 30 Members

Montgomery - 27 Members
Montoursville - 11 Members
Mt. Carmel - 31 Members
Muncy Area - 19 Members
Northern Tioga County Centennial - 21 Members, Added 1
Patton Township - 19 Members
Picture Rocks - 19 Members
Pleasant Gap & Area - 30 Members
Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley - 21 Members
Sayre Athens - 11 Members
Shamokin Area - 14 Members
Snow Shoe - 27 Members
South Creek - 28 Members
South Williamsport - 51 Members
Sugar Valley - 34 Members
Sunbury - 10 Members
Sylvania - 31 Members
Towanda - 20 Members
Troy - 70 Members, Added 6
Turbotville & Area - 61 Members
Warrensville Area - 21 Members
Watson town - 18 Members
Watson town Centennial Lions -25 Members, Dropped 2
Wellsboro - 14 Members, Dropped 1
Wells-Jackson - 30 Members
Williamsport - 13 Members
Williamsport Newberry - 20 Members
Wyalusing - 39 Members

Bald Eagle Valley LC - 1
Bellefonte - 2
Benton LC - 1
Berwick LC - 1
Big Pond LC - 2
Canton LC - 1
Catawissa Valley LC - 16
Coudersport & Area LC - 3
Danville Centennial LC - 1
Eagles Mere Laporte LC - 4
Harris Township LC - 1
Howard LC - 1
Jersey Shore LC - 1
Loyalsock Township LC - 1
Lycoming Creek LC - 2
Mansfield Lions Cub - 6
Milesburg LC - 5
Mill Hall LC - 1
Millheim LC - 1
Montgomery LC - 3
N. Tioga County Centennial LC - 2
Sugar Valley LC - 2
Sunbury LC - 1
Towanda LC - 1
Troy LC - 6
Warrensville Area LC - 1
Watson town Centennial Lioness LC - 4

Welcome 14 New Lions in February

Bellefonte Lions Club

Lion Stan Herrold, Sponsor Lin R Douglas Hazel; Lion Anthony Nastase, Sponsor Lion R Douglas Hazel

Canton Lions Club

Lion Michael Hood, Sponsor Lion Greg Belawske

Catawissa Valley Lions Club

Lion Doug W Krum, Sponsor Lion Connie Cole

Lycoming Creek Lions Club

Lion James D Grassmyer III, Sponsor Lion Nancy Stine

Mansfield Lions Club

Lion Lauren Briggs, Sponsor Lion Michael Morgan; Lion Jesse Monks, Sponsor Lion Michael Morgan

Northern Tioga County Centennial Lions Club

Lion Roger Reiss, Sponsor Lion James Wilbur

Troy Lions Club

Lion Jamie Berry, Sponsor Lion Loni Stroup; Lion Daniel Brenner, Sponsor Lion Douglas Ulkins; Lion Diane Brenner, Sponsor Douglas Ulkins; Lion Amber King, Sponsor Lion Tracy Birmingham; Lion Jennifer Pepper, Sponsor Lion Jessica Sentyz; Lion Kris Theodorankos, Sponsor Lion Cheryl Page



New Members Are Joining



SERVICE



DIABETES



ENVIRONMENT



HUNGER



VISION



CHILDHOOD CANCER



Presidents, Secretaries, and Lions: We encourage you to post your activities into MYLion. The system has been updates as we received the note below from Jacqui, LCI. If you are having difficulty, please contact me and I will walk you through it, or DG Jim and I will come to your home to accommodate this very important aspect of letting the world know what you are doing for your community.

Prior to the MYLion, our district was the only district reporting their volunteer hours consistently. We can not do this alone and want to assist with what is needed to get us back on the records. As District Administrator and Membership Chair for the state this is vital and I need your help to set an example for others in our state. Many thanks to those clubs reporting, and we will guide those in need of assistance. Best, PDG Cheryl Wilbur (570.537.2643 or 607.738.6909)

January 2020 - MyLion Release Notes

[Jacqui D MacKenzie-Monday, January 27, 2020](#)

MyLion updates as of 1/27/2020.

- New Report Form (This new form is not for creating a new activity only for reporting) Newly designed report form to streamline and speed up the entry to report an activity
 - Updated reporting flows so user consistently lands in the Report Past Activity page when reporting activities
 - Configured the new form to hide/show fields to minimize what the user sees and limit to only necessary fields
 - Added the ability to upload multiple photos for an activity
 - Created new preview page for the new form
 - Streamlined metrics to clearly depict required vs optional fields based on activity type selected
 - Added Organization field to capture the organization that received donated funds of an activity
 - Removed the need to enter time and locations to an activity being reported via the new form
 - Updated Signature Activity to a checkbox on the new form
 - Display the name of the person who created the activity
 - Add Funds Donated metric to the Home page and remove People Served per Member metrics from the Home and Metrics pages
 - Updated the 'Who can see this?' field to Everyone, Club, District and Multiple District as options
 - Allow user to move between the old and new forms
 - Multiple District Administrators can now report District level activities
 - Deletion Rules Applied rules for deletion of reported activities.
 - Activity must have an end date within the current fiscal year
 - Activity that ended in the immediate prior fiscal year only if deletion occurs within the 1st 15 days of the current fiscal year
 - Reporting officers can delete an activity that anyone created
 - Creators & Co-organizers can delete an activity to which they are assigned
 - Editing Rules Applied rules for editing of reported activities
 - Activity must have an end within the current fiscal year
 - Activity that ended in the immediate prior fiscal year only if editing occurs within the 1st 15 days of the current fiscal year
 - Reporting officers can edit an activity that anyone created
 - Creators & Co-organizers can edit an activity to which they are assigned
 - Bug Fixes / Other Features
 - Resolved issue with the invite emails not being received by the invitees
 - Corrected the metric Trees Planted / Cared for to show on the Celebrate and Share page
- Fixed a problem where users were not able to get to the Metrics page by clicking on the metrics section on the Home page





Beacon Lodge Wish List



"Please continue to support our great "Special Needs Camp" along with your usual budget to Beacon Lodge,"
Board Member PDG James Crawley

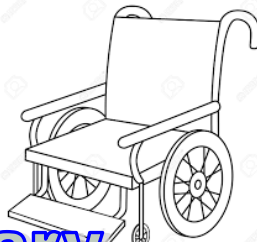
Activity Needs



Balloons
Beads
Poster Board—all sizes
Flat Thumb Tacks
Bingo Prizes
Children Board Games
Coloring Books (large print)
Face Paint
Tie Dye
White T-Shirts: Med., Lg., XL, 2XL
Socks: All Sizes
Dress-Up Costumes
Christmas Decorations
Easter Decorations
Adult Sleeping Bags

SUPPORT

OUR
OWN
Pennsylvania Lions
Camp
For
Special
Needs!!



Plastic Cold Cups (5 oz. & 9 oz.)
Hot Wax Cups 9 oz & 10 oz
Chinet Paper Plates 9" or larger
Napkins: Dinner & Picnic
Original Dawn Dish Liquid
Foil Wrap: 18"x 500 ft.
Plastic Food Wrap: 18" x 2000 ft.
Parchment Paper: Rolls or Sheets
Dish Cloths

Kitchen Needs

Infirmmary



Gift Cards

LOWE'S
Ace Hardware
Harbor Freight
Walmart

Baby Wipes
Sunscreen
Bug Spray
Bactine Spray
Lanacane Spray
Benadryl Spray
Liquid Benadryl for Children
Calamine Lotion
Hydrocortisone Cream
Tylenol: Adult & Children

Ibuprofen: Adult & Children
Imodium
Pepto-Bismol
Saline Eye Drops
Cold Relief Medication
Cough Drops
Sanitary Napkins (No Depends)
Blood Pressure Cuff
Exam Gloves: All Sizes
First Aid Kits
Large Disposable Bed Pads
Single Use Lancets

Office Supplies



Color Copier Paper
White Copier Paper
White Paper 8 x 14
Envelopes #10 6 x 9 & 9 x 12
Bubbled Envelopes 6 x 9, 8 x 11
3 Prong Pocket Folders
Sharpies: All Sizes
Jumbo Paper Clips
Banker Boxes
View Binders: 1" & 1.5"

Beacon Lodge 500 Club

Support our own

"PA LIONS BEACON LODGE!"

We encourage all clubs to consider 100% participation at \$5.00 per Lion in a club. Better yet, also make a personal donation!

Your cooperation with this PA Lions endeavor is making the camp one of the best special needs camps in America! THANK YOU!!

Board Members: PDG Jim Crawley 570-916-2956 jimecrawley@gmail.com

Lion Luther Musser 814-404-0769 luthermusser@yahoo.com

Need Help to Maintain

Duracell/Energizer Batteries: AA, D, 9V
Bee/Wasp Killer
Long Neck Lighters
Paint Brushes: 2", 3", 4"
Nitrile Gloves: Medium, XL
Safety Glasses
Lever Style Garden Hose Nozzles
Micro Fiber Cloths



Guidelines for PDG Arthur Girio Scholarship Fund

- Scholarship applicant inclusions criteria:
 - *A member of a participating Lions or Lioness Club, in good "standing"
 - *The child/grandchild (natural or adopted) of a Lions or Lioness members in good standing (living or deceased)
 - *A student, who for 2 years, was a member of a Leo Club, in good standing
- Scholarship applicant exclusion criteria:
 - *A student who previously received this award is not eligible to reapply
 - *A student who has been arrested for a drug or alcohol offense, or felony, is not eligible to apply
- The applicant must submit written proof that he/she has enrolled for their 2nd year onward in a full-time undergraduate or graduate degree program at an accredited, recognized facility for post-secondary or graduate education of the student's choice.
- The applicant must submit written proof that he/she has maintained a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 in the immediate prior full year of full-time attendance at their place of post-secondary or graduate education.
- Application submission:
 - *Applications must be submitted by a participating Lion or Lioness Club in good standing
 - OR
 - *Applications from past Leo members in good standing (member for a minimum of 2 years) can be without sponsorship from a Lion/Lioness, but must be accomplished by a recommendation from the student's former Leo Club Advisor
 - *Applications are accepted annually between February 1st and March 31st
- Upon approval of the scholarship, the successful applicant must submit a copy of a paid tuition receipt for the upcoming Fall semester.

Scholarship Committee Members

Lion Beth Cooley	bacooley@windstream.net
PDG James Crawley	jimecrawley@gmail.com
Lion Erin Miller	millere13@epix.net
Lion George Girio	georgegirio@girioagency.com

APPLY TODAY!!!

Revised 1/2-019

Warrensville Area Lions Club



District Governor James Wilbur presented PDG Kerry Drake with a 50-Year Monarch!



"Student of the Month," Angelo is a student well-deserving of several

awards for his numerous accomplishments: soccer, swimming, and volunteering at St. Joseph's Parish for Food Bank. Angelo's goal is get into cyber-security while joining in Air Force or Navy.

Monarch Chevrons Awarded

Lion Deborah A Horn: 10-Year
Lion Freeman H Horn: 10-Year
Lion James M Pagana: 10-Year
Lion Joanne C Drake: 15-Year
PDG Kerry Drake: 50-Year
Lion Stephen C Carl: 15-Year
Lion Steve E Smith: 10-Year



Treasurer Steve Smith

Towanda Lions



It was safe travels to the Towanda Lions Club to see so many happy faces in the room! District Governor James Wilbur presented the Monarch Chevrons to ; Lion Edward Branish for 50 years of service; and Lion Robert Hugo for 40 years of service; and Lion Dr. Barbara Wywiorski/Yanak for 20 years of service! Joining in the photo Christopher "CB" Miller and PDG Cheryl Wilbur.





PDG Arthur Girio Scholarship Application

Lions District 14 G



Application must be submitted between February 1 and March 30 for the full school term.

Student Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

College _____ Year in College _____ GPA _____

Have you ever been arrested for a felony, or a drug or alcoholic related crime? Yes _____ No _____

Have you received this scholarship previously? _____ If yes, not eligible.

Students parents or grandparents name who is a member of Lions or Lioness Club:

Name _____ Relationship to Student _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Club _____

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Lion/Lioness Member - Signature _____

Date _____

Club President or Leo Advisor Signature _____

Date _____

PLEASE DO NOT SIGN APPLICATION UNTIL YOU HAVE READ GUIDELINES!

NOTE: The most recent photocopy of the college transcript or grades must accompany this application. The Application should be sent to PDG Arthur Girio Scholarship Chairman, 521 East Market Street, Williamsport, PA 17701. This form may be reproduced. Revised 1/2019

NOTE CLUB PRESIDENTS: Your signature on this application signifies that your club is a contributor to the District 14 G Arthur Girio Scholarship Fund, and the applicant qualifies for a scholarship (see guidelines).



Lioness Initiative Under the "Join Together Program"



The Lioness Initiative under the Join Together Program makes it possible for Lionesses to honor and acknowledge their proud past while enjoying all the benefits, rights, and privileges associated with Lions club membership.

At the April 2019 LCI International Board of Directors meeting in Miami, the decision was made to encourage all current Lioness clubs to join the Lions family by extending the Join Together program effective until June 2021. In addition, at the June 2018 LCI International Board of Directors meeting in Las Vegas, additional concessions were made to encourage individual Lioness to formally join the Lions family. Those concessions included:

- ◆ No minimum number of members required
- ◆ Charter fee for existing clubs will be waived
- ◆ The years as a Lioness carry over to Lions membership

As a Lioness Lions Club You Can:

- Continue to make a real impact in your community
- Vote at the International Convention
- Receive administrative support from Lions Clubs International
- Enjoy new leadership opportunities

Who is Considered Part of a Lioness Club?

Per LCI policy, a Lioness Club is a sponsored activity of an active Lions Club. Sponsorships of Lioness Clubs are covered in the Board Policy Manual, Chapter V, Section I and states: The purpose of Lioness clubs shall be:

- To provide community service opportunities for individuals under the jurisdiction of the sponsoring Lions Club
- To cooperate with the club in carrying out its service programs and activities
- To unite its members in friendship, fellowship and mutual understanding
- Sponsorship: No group or organization shall be recognized as a Lioness Club unless sponsored by a Lions Club. The sponsoring Lions Club is responsible for organization, supervision and guidance of its affiliate Lioness Club.
- The Board of Directors shall and hereby does withhold official recognition of any proposed Lioness Club entity other than local affiliate clubs.
- Lioness Clubs, as Lions Club affiliate activities, will have the same program of comprehensive general liability insurance available at no cost as is provided to Lions clubs.

How Can a Lioness Club Become a Lions Club?

Lioness Clubs that want to join our global force would need to provide the following information:

- *Letter from a sponsoring club verifying the club's years of service
- *Use the Join Together Charter Application Worksheet to collect club information that will be submitted online via MyLCI
- *Use the Report of Charter Membership Worksheet to collect all member information to be submitted online via MyLCI
- *The Membership Worksheet does not need to be submitted to MyLCI, it is just gathering the information
- *Lioness Conversion Form for each Lioness to ensure recognition of past service

Contact newclubs@lionsclubs.org for further information

What are the Advantages of being Lion?

There are many great benefits of being a member of Lions International. Members get to vote, attend convention and hold leadership positions that give them a greater voice in Lions. Members receive the support of Lions International, which provides service planning resources, professional development opportunities, and other critical benefits like insurance, legal counsel and advocacy. Plus, they received the LION Magazine and access to great technology like the MyLion mobile app and the lionsclubs.org website and its resource center. And they get the pride of being an official member of the largest service organization in the world.

Can a Lioness Club Keep their Identity as Lioness in their Lions Club naming convention?

Yes. When you are chartering your club as part of the Join Together Program, we request that you use the naming convention of Municipality (city, town, village, prefecture, county, etc.) and then a "distinguishing designation if desired, which could include the word Lioness. Additional club names can be found in Chapter X of Board Policy. Clubs that do not utilize this naming convention will require special approval from the Membership Development Committee.

For questions other than chartering a Lioness Club into a Lions Club, please email any questions that were not answered above to membership@lionsclubs.org



PROUD of Our District

Ferguson Township Celebrating 70 Years



The seed was planted in the fall of 1949 when a small group of civically minded residents saw a need with reaching out to help others. Nearly two years later, the Ferguson Township Lions Club was chartered on January 6, 1950 with 47 members.



Meetings were held in various places within the community, but mainly at the local elementary school. Thoughts of sponsoring a Minstrel Show became the major fundraiser. It did not take long for the Ferguson Township Lions to acquire a loan to construct a building (current site), which was donated to the Ferguson Township Recreation Authority by Lloyd Ripka.

Many man hours went into maintaining the building to provide a place for community members to come together in support of each other. From the 1960' into the 1990's, a **"Sand for Sight"** program included constructing sand boxes, delivering to the buyer plus a bags of sand for the next 30 years!!

In the Ferguson Township Lions Club a decision was made to sell food during the Ag Progress Days, which continues to be a

major fundraiser. With all their efforts to continue serving, the paid-off mortgage was burned to celebrate their accomplishments and voted to add an addition to the building. Later two restrooms and a fire-place was added for the betterment of increasing others to rent the building while assisting in paying off yet another loan.

The 70's brought even more changes in International guidelines: the all-men's clubs could add a project that would include the women to assist them in their journeys of giving back. The year, 1979, added 31 local ladies to form a Ferguson Township Lioness Club! It wasn't until 1986 that Lions Clubs International could include women in their clubs. After witnessing the impact the Lioness could make for the club, it was 11 years later, they were asked to join the Ferguson Township Lions Club in 1997.

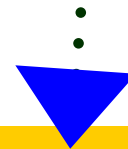
It was also this same year, the Ferguson Township Lions Club formed with other clubs in Region 4 as the Centre Lions Foresight Committee and began transporting donor eyes in canisters provided by the "Minute

Men", delivered to the State Police to then transport to local hospitals. Zone Chair Bruce Berkey and Past District Governor Joe Allison started the Annual Region Rally.

The following year, Zone Chair Bruce Berkey continued his mission in helping Lions Clubs in Pennsylvania, raising several million dollars for the Wills Eye Hospital. Now called the Wills Eye Hospital and Institute is one of the most advanced eye centers in the world!*

**documented history from the Ferguson Township Lions Club*

Services Provided by Ferguson Township Lions



- Sponsoring Little League Team
- Chartered Boy Scout Troop 44
- Eye Glass and Hearing Aid Recycling
- Blood Drives
- Homemade Apple Butter
- Chicken Barbeques
- Turkey Shoots
- Election Day Soups & Pies

Current Members

John Arrington; Joni Arrington, Bruce Berkey, Shirley Berkey, Susan Campbell, Karen Connelly, Bev Corl, Nevin Corl, Tom Drake, Gayle Engle, Paul Engle, Todd Farrell, Tricia Ferrell, Fred Ferguson, Jeff Fetterman, Sue Fetterman, Mike Fitzgerald, Helen Grissinger, Mark Johnson, Karen Metzger, Charlie Poust, Nancy Poust, Ann Reede, Arthur Reede, Bari Reese, Danielle Roan, Jason Roan, Tom Stephens, Connie Stover, Steer Stover, Nelson Wheeler, Dave Wisniewski, Diane Wisniewski, Dave Zarling, Jim Zuck, Ed Zuech

Building Timeline



1954	Modest Building Constructed
1974	Constructed Additions to Building
1977	Created a Ballfield
1999	New roof and New siding
2019	Interior renovation by Boy Scouts

President Lion Gayle Engle
2nd Vice President Joni Arrington
Secretary Lion Nevin Corl
Immediate Past President Lion Ann Reede

1st Vice President PDG Charlie Poust
Treasurer Lion Art Reede
Membership Chair Lion Nancy Poust
Tail Twister Lion Karen Metzger
Lion Tamer Lion Steve Stover

2019-2020 Club Officers



Younger Generation Brings Average Age Down!



Co-president Lion Michael Morgan added 4 new members: Lion Levi Weiskopf; Lion Lauren Briggs; Eli Morgan; Jesse Monks (absent); and Lion Nathan Bair, sponsored by Lion First Vice President Sarah Colegrove.

What an eye-opening night on February 10, 2020, at the Mansfield Lions Club! From honoring a 50-year member, monarch chevrons to others, presenting a baseball pin to the assistant president, and inducting 4 in the age bracket of 25, made a night of excitement!

As the District Governor Jim Wilbur stated, "Do you know the new members just brought down the average age of this club from 61 to 31!!!!!!!"



Immediate Past District Governor Howard "Butch" Haus was asked by Lion John Kearns to pin on his 50-year pin! In addition, IPDG "Butch" had a surprise for co-president Lion Michael Morgan with a baseball pin -

Monarch Chevron pins went to: Lion Richard Colegrove—40 years; Lion Dr. Robert Maris, 30 years; Lion Richard McGee, 20 years; Lion Donald Hall, 10 years; and Lion JoAnn Wemesfelder, 10 years. Congratulations, Lions!

District Governor James Wilbur presents Monarch Chevrons to Lion Sylvia Crossen, 20 years; and Lion Dr. David Steinbeck, 5 years.



Catawissa Valley Lions Club



It only took a minute to stop and read an invitation to a young group of concerned citizens interested in helping to bring their community back and the results will inspire you!

Being a Lion since September 1, 1990, Secretary Lion Craig Long asked his brother-in-law President Lion Alan Lonoconus to join him in attending this meeting. Sitting in the back and listening to what was being discussed, they were soon asked what brought them to their meeting. Putting it simply, "Lions do just what you all want to do for your community." Once Lion Alan and Lion Craig began to explain what all the Lions have been doing, they were amazed to say the least. The two Lions Club officers invited them to attend their next meeting.

Guess what?? Most of them attended and joined that night—nearly doubling the number of Lions in the Catawissa Valley Lions Club!

International Director Larry Edwards Inducts New Members



Harris Township Lions Club inducts new member Lion Frank G. Scheirer, sponsored by Lion President Peter Schempf. International Director Larry Edwards did the honors

of induction on January 13, 2020! Welcome to the world of Lionism!





Without community service, we would not have a strong quality of life. It's important to the person who serves as well as the recipient. It's the way in which we ourselves grow and develop.

Loyalsock Township Lions Club



Focusing on growing in membership, small potted flowers were set at each table setting. Our plant is starting to sprout! Every time I look at it, I think of the Loyalsock Lions and how much they interested in growing their club.

District Governor James Wilbur presented Monarch Chevrons to Lion Connie Rae Myers (absent) 30 years; Lion Peter Wallace 25 years; and Lion Marvin Fishel 25 years. Lion Robert Johnson is the only Charter Member in the Loyalsock Township Lions Club. Thanks for All you do in your community!

Williamsport Lions Club

Monarch Chevron Award presented to Richard John Girio by District Governor James Wilbur on February 18, 2020. No photos submitted.

"Small, BUT MIGHTY!"



Mill Hall Area Lions Club, led by club president Roxanne Embick is slowly growing in membership,

BUT the work this group does is amazing! Receiving a grant from Northeast PA Lions Service Foundation to purchase vision equipment, the Lions have screened 4,075 students in the fall. Scheduling and testing the students in their entire school district and a private school. The Mill Hall Area Lions also prepares and serves needed nutrition for students in need on the weekends.



Lion Tracy Smith shared her story of noticing a small child on the sidewalk looking through their "Blessings in a Backpack" before they even got home, bringing tears to her eyes as she related the story.

Keep blessing these students, you are desperately needed!



Receiving Charter Chevrons

Lion Roxanne Embick - 10 Years
Lion Peg Johnson - 10 Years
Lion Monica Long - 10 Years
Lion Tracy Smith - 10 Years

Montgomery Lions Club

Our clubs are on overdrive! The clubs are having fun with their activities, ask friends for assistance, and BAM! New members are soon added! It's happening with this club! As busy as they are with sauerkraut, they are needing some hands! Picture above: Front: Lion George Nash; Lion Ruby Sanguedolche; Lion President Clay Steward; DG Jim Wilbur Back: Lion Bill Schneck; Lion Elaine Clark.



Milton Lions Club



A great night of sharing with the Milton Lions Club at the Watson Inn in Watertown! Three members received the Monarch Chevrons: Lion David Fetterman, 30 Years; Lion Steven Overdorf, 10 Years; and Lion Thomas Shaw, 20 Years.

Spring Symposium



The Winter's End Symposium was conducted in Harrisburg on February 22, and in Johnstown on February 23. With a grand total of 50 Lions attending, the following districts were represented: A, B, C, D, E, G, J, M, and N. The following topics were presented: Community Needs Assessment (clubs should be doing this to find out the needs of the community); the difference between service and fundraising when reporting; demonstration of creative club meetings; and introducing the North American Membership Initiative led by PID Cindy Gregg.





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First Vice District Governor: James Douty 570. 220.8718 (Jersey Shore Lions Club)

Second Vice District Governor: **Vacant**

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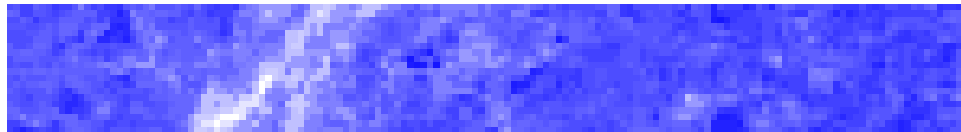
Global Action Team

PID Jerome Thompson (United States)

PID Cynthia Gregg (Constitutional Area -1)

District Governor James R. Wilbur (District 14-G)

Leadership Team PDG Cheryl Wilbur Membership Team 1st Vice District Governor James Douty Service Team **Vacant**



Regions: Zone Chairpersons and Clubs in their Respective Zones

- Region I:**
- Zone A: Debra Colegrove 570.662.2266**
(Coudersport & Area; Mansfield; Northern Tioga County Centennial; Wellsboro; Wells-Jackson)
 - Zone B: Veronica Seymour 570.419.4678**
(Big Pond; South Creek, Sylvania, Troy)
 - Zone C: Ray Tenasco 570.746.3375**
(Canton, Sayre Athens, Towanda, Wyalusing)
- Region II:**
- Zone A: Cathy Coniff 570.525.3749**
(Dushore, Muncy Area, Eagles Mere Laporte, Picture Rocks)
 - Zone B: John Clabaugh 570.772.2499**
(Lycoming Creek; Montgomery; South Williamsport; Williamsport Newberry)
 - Zone C: Vacant**
(Loyalsock Township; Montoursville; Warrensville; Williamsport)
- Region III:**
- Zone A: Vacant**
(Herndon; Kulpmont Centennial; Mount Carmel; Northumberland; Shamokin Area; Sunbury)
 - Zone B: Timothy Wallis 570.394.3978**
(Benton; Berwick; Bloomsburg Area; Catawissa Valley; Danville Centennial; Millville)
- Region IV:**
- Zone A: Linda Poorman 814.364.9387**
(Centre Hall; Ferguson Township; Harris Township; Millheim; Patton Township)
 - Zone B: Vacant**
(Bald Eagle Valley; Bellefonte; Howard Area; Milesburg; Pleasant Gap & Area; Snow Shoe)
- Region V:**
- Zone A: Tammy Wolfe 570.649.5826**
(Lewisburg; Milton; Turbotville & Area; Watsontown; Watsontown Centennial Lioness Lions)
 - Zone B: Vacant**
(Jersey Shore; Lock Haven; Mill Hall Area; Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley; Sugar Valley)
 - Zone C: Leonard Lawrence 570.490.3286**
(Millmont West Union Area)



March 2020

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"Butch" Haus**

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Feb.2020 Deceased Members

Canton Lions Club:

Lion Larry Thoren

35 year member, September 1, 1985

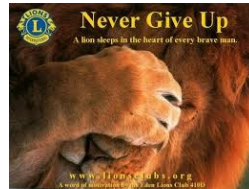
Howard Area Lions Club:

Lion Carl V. Rauch

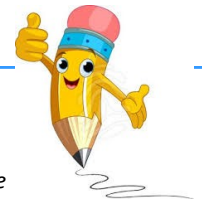
18 year member, September 1, 2002



Campaign "Place 20 in 20" is to find meaningful employment for 20 blind or visually impaired people during this calendar year, states Amy Alexander, Development Director for North Central Sight Services. The former 'Dinner in the Dark' has changed to "Feast for the Eyes" and the first of these is being held on March 21, at the Williamsport Country Club. There are sponsorship opportunities and various venues to conduct a "Feast for the Eyes" in your club area. Please get in touch with Amy at 570.323.9401, ext. 140 or amya@ncsight.org. The Annual Golf Tournament will be in the April Lions Tale Newsletter.



From the Editor



Dear Lions, Leos, and Lioness Ladies:

As I look up to absorb the quote "Never Give Up," I reflect back on my life's journey. I think of all of the obstacles I have endured, just like every one of us in the world. Those obstacles develop our personalities and behaviors of who we become.

Never Give Up "means believing in yourself, willingness to accept failure so you can learn the critical skill of adaption. It means not compromising on your most important values, and walking the walk, rather than just talking the talk, learn to adapt," google post.

I want to encourage our Lions' hearts to continue helping those in need, no matter the circumstances. Alter your behavior, speak positively about your club allowing others to consider joining a club that has fun while doing a project, fundraising, and donating.

As I look back on the beginning of this Lions year, our clubs were struggling with membership drops, and yet, never giving up to continue their efforts in meeting needs of the community. And let's look to see what has happened . . . Our membership is growing with individuals of all ages. Not sure what is making this change recently except we are trying other avenues of recruiting, being more attentive to what others are doing within the community.

Can we get back to the 1,700's again? YEP! NEVER GIVE UP! Find more creative ways to make your projects fun, allow the newest members put a twist on something you have done before, but thought it wouldn't work. NEVER GIVE UP! Put your heart into trying another alternative, I know you have hearts of a LION.

Keep RACING AND ROARING!



Your Editor, Lion Cheryl Wilbur

