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Lions Tale Newsletter

Fast Track Is Back!

and It's Alright. .

Let's hope this year is not a repeat of my previous governorship and I get to meet with all of the clubs in District 14-G! According to LCI, there will be NO MORE PDG's repeating to be a DG. Having had training in two separate governing years, I am sure there are topics I will still learn from all of you! As the FVDG in 20-21, Governor Douty and PDG Crawley, (they call us the "Three Jim's") were able to successfully purchase a Disaster Response Trailer for our

District and an Traveling Assis-

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14-G LION LEADERS 2021-2022

**District Governor James Wilbur** 570-537-2643 (H) 607-738-6969 (C)

First Vice District Governor Clayton Steward 570-244-1870 (C)

District Secretary Elaine Clarke 570-916-1891 (C)

**District Treasurer Beth Cooley** 570-546-0759 (H) 570-494-7131 (C)

Immediate Past District Governor James Douty 570-398-2248 (H) 570-220-8718 (C)

**District Administrator PDG Cheryl Wilbur** 570-537-2643 (H) 607-738-6909 (C)



tive Technology Lab for the blind and visually impaired. Both are ready for the road. Many thanks to DG

Douty for leading District 14-G through the end of the pandemic, and still being able to serve others.

I look forward to serving in comfort and friendship.

"Fast Track to Service!"

DG "Jím" Wilbur

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#### Coudersport & Area Lions Club:

Lion Kim G Ingram, Sponsor Lion Linda Karija; Lion Sharon Kottwitz, Sponsor Lion Steven Erway Jersey Shore Lions Club: Lion Stephen Kanski, Sponsor Lion Kenneth Dougherty; Lion Derrick M Palski, Sponsor Lion Thomas Maines; Lion Daniel W Zell, Sponsor Lion Thomas Maines Mansfield Lions Club: Lion Kevin Thomas, Sponsor Lion Michael Morgan Muncy Area Lions Club: Lion Anthony V Johnson, Sponsor Lion Thomas Smith Troy Lions Club: Lion Maria Haven, Sponsor Lion Nicholas Bruce



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#### **Turbotville & Area Lions Club:**

Lion Carole Frank, Sponsor Lion Richard Frank Watsontown Centennial Lioness Lions Club: Lion Melonie Bushaw, Sponsor Lion Leona Houseknecht Lion Melinda Kline, Sponsor Lion Molly Kline Lion Sally Mazol, Sponsor Lion Leona Houseknecht



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United in Kindness and Diversity with International President, **Dr. Jung-Yul Choi** 2021



Serving 2 Consecutive Years 2019-2021 **Concluding Dr. Jung-Yul Choi's** Service in Kindness and Diversity

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💢 Dear Lions: The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic continues to impact the work of Lions and communities around the word, creating financial hardships for Lions and the people we care for. To support a the incredible men and women serving us, the international Board of Directors passed another resolution to help our clubs in the new Lion year.

### **Overview of New Resolution Approved by Board of Directors**

- Charter and Entrance Fees waiver
- We have waived all charter and entrance fees from July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

These additional measures will help Lions facing financial hardships and give our clubs the support and encouragement they need during these challenging times.

For more than a century, Lions have taken on the greatest challenges facing humanity, and together, we will overcome this. The world needs Lions now more than ever, so thank you for your outstanding service and commitment to our communities and the world.

. . . . . . . . . . Dear PDG Cheryl Wilbur:

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It is my honor, as your President, to present to you my International President's Award for your outstanding service to Lions Clubs International. This International President's Award is an expression of our appreciation for your dedicated service to those in need. Your hard work and compassion serve as an example to the Lions, your community and the world around you. Together we can serve United in Kindness and Diversity. Along with this award, I would like to ex-

- press my personal gratitude
- for your efforts and accom-
- plishments. I know you will
- continue to enrich the lives
- of your fellow club members
- and others and to provide
- even greater humanitarian
- service, as we begin our next
- century of service. •
- Regards, Jung-Yul Choi

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Presidential Award 2020-2021 From ID's & DG Douty



## LCICon is over, but you can relive it here.

Recordings for all LCICon 2021 sessions are available through July 31, 2021. Have any questions or need help? Head to the Member Service Center to get the support you need.

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## 2021 July

# Larry Edwards

International Director

Greetings Lions of 14-G,



Lions, are you getting ready for Fireworks? The 4<sup>th</sup> of July is just around the corner and every Lion should be thinking of ways to set off the Fire-

works. It could be new members, back to meeting again, stepping up service and developing Leadership. All the above can create fireworks for you and your club when set off safely. Let's see how many fireworks will be displayed this month.

Lion Susan and I are just back from the in-person - the 1<sup>st</sup> in-person Board meeting in some time. About one-half of the Board was present and the remainder joined virtually since many are still having COVID issues in their country. Our meeting was beneficial agreeing to extend the waiver of membership fees through 12/30/2021. *More incentive to bring in those new members*. We voted to move the 2022 International Convention to Montreal Canada from New Delhi India. We also endorsed a candidate for 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President in 2022, PID A. P. Singh. A strong leader from India. Vice President Alexander is ready to take office and ramp up Lions for the next year. Are you ready?

I am sure the summer will be full of many projects and fund-raising activities for our Clubs. Please do not forget to report all of these. Let us get out of the gate with a 100% month for reporting.

I hope all Lions and families have a fun, happy and safe summer. Make sure your plans include Lions. There is always something good that will come from it.

Remember, "WE SERVE"

Larry

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<u>Celebration With Governor's Cabinet 20</u> Saturday, June 5, 2021 at The Moose, Jersey Shore the CEO and President of NCSS.

What a wonderful day to cele-

brate the Governor's successes

with the assistance of the District

Cabinet! A warm welcome was

provided by the Partner-in-Service,

loaf was followed by a short busi-

ness meeting. Approval of extra

expenses for both trailers at the

cost of less than \$30 per trailer (2).

A carport was discussed to house

both trailers at North Central Sight

Services, Inc. and will be pursued

by DGE James Wilbur to apply for a

grant. DG Jim Douty and DGE

James Wilbur will be meeting with

A delicious meal of meat-

Lion Kathy Douty!

In place of Raffle Baskets at the District Convention. which was cancelled due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, raffle tickets were sent to all the clubs in the district for purchasing. The following winners were drawn under the guidance of Raffle Chairperson Lion Kathy Douty.

An International President's Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to Chervl Wilbur for the Lions Year 2020-2021. Other awards will be presented at a later date.

DG Jim has a hobby of making wooden pens and as a "Thank You" to many in his cabinet, he made each a pen showing their individuality. They are AWESOME!

#### **Raffle Winners**

8th: Watsontown Lions Club-\$50 7th: Snow Shoe Lions Club-\$50 6th: Lion Terry Bryant (Wellsboro)-\$50 5th: Watsontown Lions Club-\$50 4th: Lion Sandy Mincemoyer (Watsontown Centennial)-\$50 3rd: Lion Doug Hazel (Bellefonte)-\$50 2nd: Jersey Shore Lioness Lions Club-\$200

**1st:** Lion Don Johnson (Sayre-Athens) \$500



District Cabinet voted to add a few dollars to round the

amount of remaining funds to \$500 with the donation going to Four

Diamonds on behalf of the district.





ends our meetings with laughter! Thanks, PDG Gary!



newsletters? Well, Lion Dan Simmons, Jersey Shore Lions, won the Trivia Contest with answering every question in 12 Lions Tale Newsletters! The pen stated "Trivia Contest Winner" with the Lions symbol and the Pittsburgh Steelers symbol! Dan

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stated, "I love my pen!"

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According to www.nps.gov, "the planting of cherry trees originated in 1912 as a gift of friendship to the People of the United States from the People of Japan. In Japan, the flowering cherry tree, or "Sakura," is an exalted flowering plant.

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Throughout Japan, the Cherry, or 'Sakura' tree is representative of good fortune, new beginnings and trivia . . . It's because of this that the Cherry not only represent beauty and innocent pleasure, it also teaches us to appreciate the brief time we share together with our loved ones.

myth is the most wellknown and longest enduring legend about George Washington. In the original story, when Washington was six years old he received a hatchet as a gift and damaged his father's cherry tree. When his father discovered what he had done, he became angry and confronted him."

The cherry tree

Cherry Trees are SPECIAL

District Governor Jim and Lion Kathy Douty had a cherry tree growing in their backyard; the cherry tree had to be taken down and the wood was saved to make items.

DG Jim has a hobby of making wooden

pens. When he presented his gift to the Cabinet, DG Jim explained about the tree having to be cut down and he used the wood from the cherry tree to make the pens.

"Each branch is different, as each pen is unlike the other. As a tree all the branches must work together. Comparing the uniqueness of each pen so are our Lions. There are no two Lions alike, but we must work together. Hence, we are each unique and not perfect, which represents the distinction of each pen and each Lion."





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☆ ☆ LCI Insights Lion Cherry

1.41 M Total MembershipWhere We Are<br/>In The World of<br/>Lionism . . .49,507 Total Clubs49,659,905 FY Totl Donations934,973 FY Total Activities934,973 FY Total Activities276.94M Total People Served LCI69.69M Total People Served LCIF94,477 FY Total Participation

Taken from LCI 6.15.21

## Incoming

## 21-22 Club Officers

We recommend that you provide your new officers with the helpful information below as they prepare for their upcoming term in office:

Club President/Vice President e-Book

- Club Secretary e-Book
- Club Treasurer e-Book

Club Membership Chairperson e-Book

Club Service Chairperson e-Book

Improving Club Quality Webpage

Facebook Group - Improving Lions Club

**Quality** 

Looking forward to supporting you and your club; please contact LCI if you have any questions by phone (630) 468-7084 or email at clubofficers@lionsclubs.org. Líon Cheryl Wilbur H: 570-537-2643 C: 607-738-6090

cawilbur65@gmail.com

## Constitutional Area I:

## USA, Bermuda, Bahamas

We are included in CA I. There are 7 Constitutional Areas in Lionism. In 2019, at the Lions International Convention in Milan, Italy, Lions from around the world voted to amend the C&BL to include Africa as our newest CA. Africa first chartered a club in Algeria in 1953, almost 70 years later, more than 30,000 Lions are engaged in service activities.

The chart below shows the membership totals during this past Lions year 2020-2021. According to this chart, internationally we dropped 8,231 members.

	Yr./	Total	Total
	Month	Membership	Membership
			1 Year Ago
	2020-06	290,232	302,613
	2020-07	289,318	301,845
	2020-08	288,910	301,822
	2020-09	288,348	301,959
	2020-10	288,166	302,066
	2020-11	287,486	301,815
	2020-12	285,016	298,098
	2021-01	283,958	298,150
.21	2021-02	281,884	298,491
CI 6.15.	2021-03	282,105	298,604
Taken from LCI 6.15.21	2021-04	282,180	298,016
Taken	2021-05	282,001	296,621

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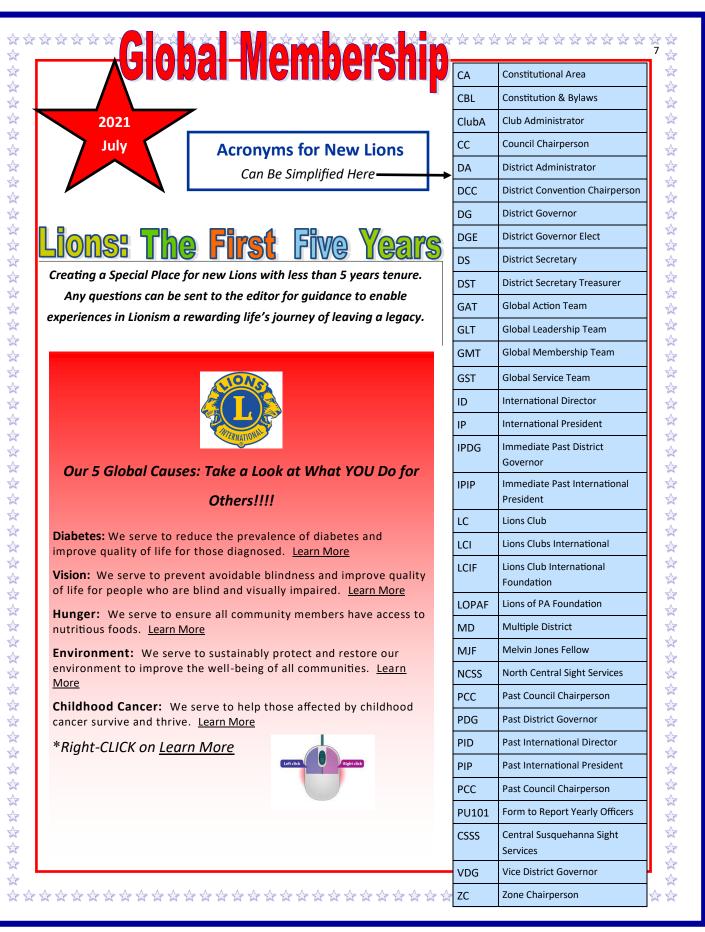




District 14-G Lions Tale Newsletter

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2021 July Thank you, Leading Lions	hat is th *Administrative O *Comm *Member o *Visit clubs	e Purpo <sub>Role:</sub>	se of a	<b>EXAMPLE 1</b>	nair? <sup>7</sup> ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆
for serving as         Jone Chairs!         Here's the         clubs to be         visited:    Region I Zone A: Coudersport & Area; Cowanesque Valley; Mansfield; Northern Tioga County Centennial; Wellsboro; Wells-Jackson Zone B: Big Pond; South Creek; Sylvania; Troy	REGION 1 ZONE A: Chair Lion Tom Walrath Wellsboro Lions Club ZONE B: Chair Lion Michael Bridgham Troy Lions Club ZONE C: Chair Lion	REGION 2 ZONE A: Chair Lion Chris Cellini Montoursville Lions Club ZONE B: Chair Lion David Stahl Montgomery Lions Club ZONE C: Chair Lion Rita Marzzacco Loyalsock Township Lions Club	ZONE A: Chair Lion Kevin Jones Mt. Carmel Lions Club ZONE B: Chair Lion Craig Long Catawissa Valley Lions Club	ZONE A: Chair Lion Gayle Engle Ferguson Township Lions Club ZONE B: Chair Lion Sally Tressler Milesburg Lions Club	ZONE A: Chair Lion Leona Houseknecht Watsontown Centennial Lioness Lions Club ZONE B: Chair Lion Kathy Douty Jersey Shore Area Lioness Lions Club
Zone C: Canton; Sayre Athens; Sayre Athens Lioness; Towanda; Wyalusing Region II Zone A: Dushore; Muncy A Mere/Laporte; Picture Roc Zone B: Lycoming Creek; M South Williamsport; Willia Services; Williamsport New Zone C: Loyalsock Townsh Montoursville; Warrensvil Williamsport	Mary Sarisky Sayre-Athens Lioness Lions Club Area; Eagles ks Montgomery; msport Sight vberry	Region III Zone A: Kulpn Centennial; M Carmel; Sham Area Zone B: Bento Berwick; Catar Valley; Danvil Centennial; M	ount Towns okin <mark>Zone E</mark> Bellefo n; Howar wissa Milesb e Pleasa illville Area; I Gap A	hip; hip; im; Milt hip Milt Area Wat 2: Lion onte; Wes d Area; urg; nt Gap & Pleasant Fea Valle	ion V a A: Lewisburg; on; Turbotville & a; Watsontown; sontown Centennial ess Lions; Millmont t Union a B: Jersey Shore; ey Shore Area ess Lions; chtown/Nippenose ey; Sugar Valley



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# **Monthly Membership Report (MMR)**

CLUB	MEMBERS	+	-	D.
Bald Eagle Valley: Disbanded			18	
Bellefonte	41	2		
Benton	33		1	1
Berwick	23	1		
Big Pond	9	1	1	1
Canton	31	3	1	
Catawissa Valley	26		4	
Centre Hall	32	3	1	3
Coudersport & Area	23	2	1	
Cowanesque Valley	21	21	_	
Danville Centennial	13			
Dushore	33			
	53	6	6	2
Eagles Mere Laporte Ferguson Township	32	0	6 2	2
	45	4	2	2
Harris Township	-	-		
Howard Area	94	1	8	2
Jersey Shore Jersey Shore Area Lioness	48 36	5 36	1	1
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Kulpmont Centennial Lewisburg	9 10			1
	10			
Lock Haven	_		- 2	1
Loyalsock Township	11		2	
Lycoming Creek: Club Rejuvenation	0		18	2
Mansfield	43	3	3	
Milesburg	41		5	2
Mill Hall Area	12		1	
Millheim Millmont West Union	<b>37</b> 7	1	4	2
Millville	-		5	-
	17		1	1
Milton	29 <b>31</b>	4	1	1
Montgomery	31	4	1	2
Montoursville	17	6		
Mt. Carmel	31			
Muncy Area	18	2	1	1
Northern Tioga County Centennial	26	10	5	
Patton Township	18	1	2	
Picture Rocks	19	1	1	
Pleasant Gap & Area	28		1	1
Pleasant Gap Area Lioness	22	23		1
Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley	20		1	1
Sayre Athens	10			1
Sayre Athens Lioness	14	14		
	15			

## Top Clubs Reading Newsletter

<b>T</b> roy: 26
Harris Township: 16
Jersey Shore: 14
Eagles Mere Laporte: 13
South Williamsport: 12
Benton: 11
Mansfield: 11
Ferguson Township: 9
Howard Area: 9
Milesburg: 7
Sylvania: 7

#### **District Governors**

DG Christopher Raynak-B
DG Art Pecht-P
CC Marilyn Wagner-P
VCC Cathy Baker-T
DG Herman Rush-J
DG Tom Vasek-A
DG Thomas Jones-C
DG Lorraine Brown-D
DG Jim Douty-G
DG Chip Campbell-N
DG Dave Barrett-H
DG Gary Bender-U

International Family Reading Newsletter: ID Larry Edwards; PID Cindy Gregg; PID James Cavallaro; PID Bob Miller; PID Carl Battistone; PID Eugene Polgar: Barbara Ott

Secretaries: *PLEASE* remember to record your club's MMR as soon as possible. As the State Membership Coordinator and editor, I should not have to send out emails nor call you at home. Club Presidents and Club Administrators can also access MyLCI to do MMR's. Your kindness in reporting would be greatly appreciated. *Note: Added Deceased to the chart (D.)* 

CLUB	MEMBERS	+	-	D.
Snow Shoe	29	3		
South Creek	24		1	2
South Williamsport	47	1	4	1
Sugar Valley	27		6	
Sunbury - Disbanded			10	
Sylvania	37	3		2
Towanda	18	1	1	2
Тгоу	75	6	3	1
Turbotville & Area	63	6	1	3
Warrensville Area	20			
Watsontown	17		1	
Watsontown Centennial Lioness	21	6	8	
Wellsboro	31	2	5	
Wells-Jackson	26	1	4	
Williamsport	12			
Williamsport Newberry	21	1		1
Williamsport Sight Services	15	2	4	
Wyalusing	39	2	1	
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	1635	+184	-141	-40



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# NORTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA Lions Service Foundation

Submitted by Secretary Lion Vicky Dougherty

Projects NEPALSF Supported:

- PA Lions State Office: Automatic Doors installed
- McConnellsburg Lions (14L): Handicapped playground equipment
  - Little Valley Park (14T): ADA accessibility will be achieved through a community project grant to the Penbrook Lions.
  - Paxtang Lions (14T): Secured new office furniture and equipment for the Vision Resources of Central PA production department
  - Stone Creek Lions (14L): Will assist Beacon Lodge Camp with video equipment and software needed to produce camp videos.

The NEPALSF awarded several grants during the months of April and May, bringing our year to date total to \$192,271.95. Through the challenges of this past Lions year, clubs continued to serve their communities and the NEPALSF is proud to be able to assist their efforts.

The guidelines and applications are available at www.nepalsf.org.



At the June Board meeting, four new board members joined our mission of preserving sight and expanding service; DG Jim Douty and Lion Diane Dunne (14G),

DG Daniel Lombardo (14K) and Lion Marty Zimmerman (14C). We welcome their new perspectives and talents.

Next Board Meeting/Election of Officers will be September 15 at the state office, Harrisburg

# August 7

Presentation at State Council Meeting

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The South Williamsport Lions Club has been serving chicken dinners since 1956!! The fund-raiser has had numerous changes, but for now-it is quite a production and is down like a science! The organization of the Chicken Barbecue Committee has had many great leaders taking charge of what was a dream of their club 61 years ago. Cur-





rently, the committee is chaired by Lion Treasurer Stephanie Ardell with the guidance of Lion Mike McLaughlin.

The meal preparation of 1/2 chicken, baked potato, roll, butter, and applesauce begins two days prior along with the kitchen set-up. This year, 900 bags were prefilled with a roll, napkins, and flatware. The special sauce is created by

Delicious baked potatoes!

Lion Max O'Dell. About 20 years ago, Lion Max would cook breakfast for all the workers, but his time is now filled with making the sauce!!

With a nearly steady stream of cars rolling in, there were 2-3 times when the cars had to sit and wait 10-15 minutes for the chickens to be ready!!! 900 chicken din-



ners were cooked for the pre-sale of the number of tickets sold.

With over 40-45 participants helping with this fundraiser, approximately 20 tickets were given away for helping to set-up, which is a huge chore with par-boiling the chickens, the set-up for cooking the

South Lions also collect coins from the viewing cameras on Rt. 15.

chickens over charcoal, and the baked potatoes. Cooking begins around 7 a.m. and concludes approximately 5 p.m. In previous years, there was also a Bake Sale; however, since the pandemic, this has been on hold. BUT it may return in September, especially when the club profited \$4,000 from this barbecue!!!!

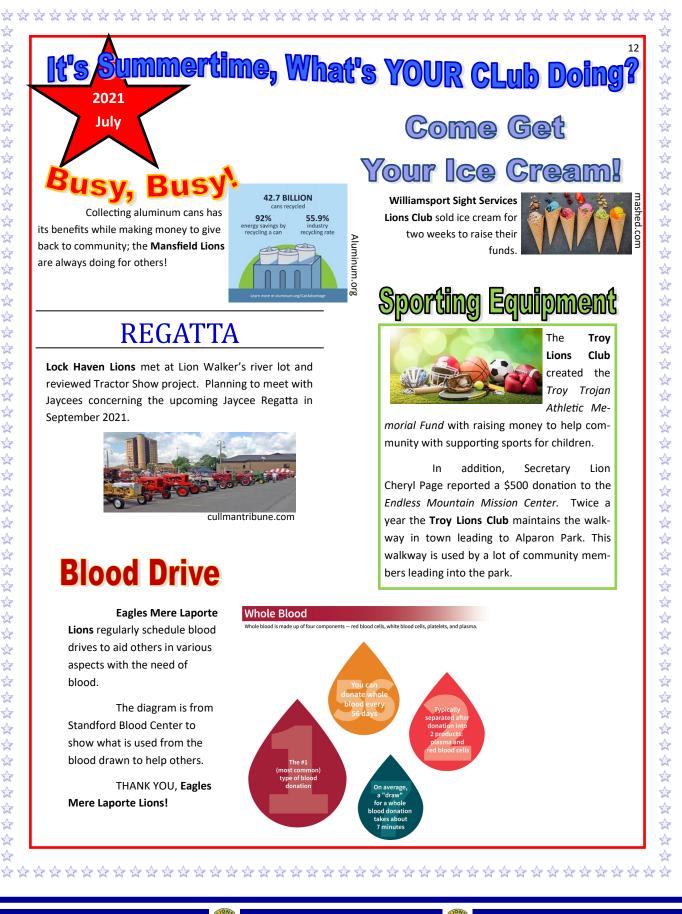
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South Lions collect aluminum cans with updated trailers netting money month-

A special thanks to two Grandsons of Lion Bob Coolidge; a grandson of Lion Mike McLaughlin's and a friend of John Eastlake's that helps every year. As Secretary Lion Bob Morehart stated, "This is GREAT Fellowship; working but having a good time! It was a wonderful day for making over \$4,000 to give back to the community and those in need." That's right-WE SERVE!

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# **Partnerships**

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# **Hundreds of Glasses**

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A former Milton Lions Club member bought an old building in Mifflinburg and in a shed behind the building were hundreds and hundreds of collected used eyeglasses. He brought them up to the Milton Lions Club and we sorted the glasses and discarded damaged glasses, sunglasses and cases.

We boxed them up in 13 cartons and will be taking them to BBF in Pittsburgh for their distribution. Reported by Lion Secretary Jim Bolich

The Elkland Swimming Pool bath house was painted with the donation of monies from the Elkland Fire Department to assist the Cowanesque Valley Lions Club with helping the club begin working and assisting organizations or others within the community. Many

thanks to the Elkland Fire Department

for helping this club to begin



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Tioga Old Home Days Committee will be planning the annual celebration in August. The Northern Tioga County Centennial Lions Club discovered many enjoy the refreshing smoothies! So now that has become our signature of the club.

The club sponsors the newly formed Cow-

anesque Valley Lions Club and plans to partner with

them in selling barbecue chicken in the fall.



Bousquet of the Northern Tioga Leo Club. Leo Jennifer also presented a case of Hand Sanitizer to the Tioga County Bass Anglers President Jack Ken-

yon.



The 21st Annual Kid's Fishing Derby,

in attendance providing conservation education and water safety

education. Many sponsors provided door prizes for every child and prizes for winners in each age category. The newly formed Leo Club is sponsored by the Northern Tioga County Centennial Lions Club. The NTCC Lions Club plans on sponsoring this event next year. Information provided by Lion President Michelle Bousquet.



	Howard Area Lions Club			
Z	July 5, 19	Food Bank		
	July 9 & 10	Orviston Days		
<u>ve</u>	Aug. 2,16	Food Bank		
	Aug. 11	Blood Drive		
	Aug. 20-28	Grange Fair		
8	Sept. 7	<b>Business Meeting</b>		
~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	Sept. 9, 23	BINGO		
Ž	Sept. 13, 20	Food Bank		
	Sept. 21	Governor's Night		
	Oct. 16	Pumpkin Chunkin'		

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# <sup>135</sup> Application Fee WAIVED

International Board voted to WAIVE \$35 application fee through December 31, 2021! NOW is the time to RECRUIT new members. If every club in our district would add JUST ONE member that would be a GOAL that is attainable. Want to have some fun recruiting, call 607-738-6909 for planning, scheduling, and inviting others to a "Meet and Greet Night" instead of a club meeting.

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Attendance: It is the responsibility of the club officers to monitor attendance of members, establish make-up rules and verify that members have

fulfilled attendance requirements. Through the Club Supplies Catalogue, perfect attendance awards are available for members who have attended every regularly scheduled meeting for twelve months or more, making up missed meetings in accordance with the club's policies. On-line store address: www2.lionsclubs.org

FREQUENTLY

QUESTIONS

ASKED

Financial Responsibilities: The club treasurer is responsible for making payments for items purchased by the club, as well as district, multiple district and international dues. Each month, the club treasurer will receive an itemized statement of charges and credits from International Headquarters, if transactions occurred, or if the club maintains a blalance on its account. These charges and credits may include per capita dues, entrance fees, charter fees, and prorated dues for new members, fees for reinstated members, dues for transfer and life members, and club supplies. It is the responsibility of the club treasurer to review the statement for accuracy and submit the statement to the club's board of directors for approval. The treasurer should also monitor the billing statements for credit of payments received by LCI.

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# 2021 July

Lion Amy is a member of the Williamsport Sight

North Central Pennsylvania.

State-of-the-Art Assistive Technology Lab at its Reach Road facility

Provides hands-on opportunities for clients and community members to work with the latest tools and devices designed to help people who are blind or visually impaired gain independence and access to information

 Services Lions Club "The Three Lion Jim's-Jim Wilbur/14-G Past District Governor, Jim Douty/14-G District Governor, Jim Crawley/14-G Past District Governor," saw this need and immediately stepped in to help. "The

Three Jim's" applied for funding, purchased the trailer, and customized it to fit the agency's needs. Workstations and

DGE Jim Wilbur; PDG Jim Crawley; DG Jim Douty; CEO and President Lion Brian Patchett; and AT Specialist Lion Brandon DeArment.

cabinets that include specially engineered locking mechanisms to keep them secure while in motion were custom built and installed. The lab also has a generator that provides electricity to make it a standalone facility to demonstrate the technology. The mobile lab is also outfitted with all of the necessities including a spare tire, locking mechanism on the hitch, painted floor, accessibility step so people may enter and exit safely, and even a broom and dustpan to keep it tidy.

**PR Released by Lion Amy Alexander** 

International Foundation (LCIF), recently donated a Mobile Assistive Technology Lab to North

Lycoming, Sullivan, and Tioga counties. However, since transportation is the most significant

the road to clients. As a result, clients will now be served in even the most far-flung areas of

barrier for individuals with visual impairments, NCSS felt very critical to take the technology on

June 16, 2021, Williamsport, PA - The Lions Clubs of District 14-G, along with Lions Clubs

Central Sight Services (NCSS) in Williamsport. The customized trailer will bring Assistive

Technology to individuals who are blind or visually impaired in Bradford, Centre, Clinton,

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Lion Brian Patchett, NCSS President & CEO adds, *"I deeply appreciate the Lions enthusiasm in stepping up and donating this mobile facility that will help community members have access to information and technology in all aspects of their lives. Having been an Assistive Technology professional and user, I know the priceless value that Assistive Technology brings to the life of an individual with a visual disability. Thank you so much to the Three Jim's and the Lions Club International Foundation for making our dream of a Mobile AT Lab a reality.* 

> "I am thrilled to take our Mobile AT Lab on the road and get technology to people who need it the most," says Lion Brandon DeArment, NCSS AT and IT Specialist.

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To learn more about NCSS, or if you know anyone who has a visual impairment and needs assistance, visit us at 2121 Reach Road, Williamsport, PA, check out our

website at <u>www.ncsight.org</u>, or call (570) 323-9401 to schedule a visit with a

member of the services team, take a tour, or visit the Assistive Technology Lab.

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# The Tail End

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Dear Lions, Leos, and Friends:

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It was a matter of time for us to 'get back to living,' and we don't have to hide behind the masks which seemed for some of us to have lost our identity. Many times we would pass others we knew, and yet we did not know, but it's okay. We all feel a little lost at times and finding our way back is a bit tricky. And "It's All Right!"

I wonder how many individuals kept a diary or notebook to log what was happening in the world. Or even worse, the loss of a loved one and not being able to say goodbye as they were kept behind closed doors. Now that the doors have opened, we must move forward. Forward with helping others when the need arises. Hugs and shaking hands are a warm welcome and a feeling of comfort. Ahh, the human touch!

And then there's the response of hearing new songs and lyrics and knowing it's okay. Watching "America's Got Talent" and listening to the story of a young lady, age 30, having lung, spine, and liver cancer at that moment was told she only has 2 months to live. She reminds me of my daughter and her strength to make each day as if it was the last day. As Nighbirde stated, "I'm okay. It's important that I am so much more than the bad things that happen (to



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us). You can't wait until life isn't hard anymore before you to decide to be happy. I have a 2% chance of survival, but 2% is not 0% and 2% is something, and I wished people knew how amazing that is!"

Ciara, battling breast, lung, liver, bone, and brain cancer wanted to be something more than cancer. She, too, decided to do more - took Emergency Medical Technician courses to help others by participating with local ambulance crews. Then became a phlebotomist to help draw blood from cancer patients because she could relate to their living. Ciara found her happiness in reaching out to others.

Let's live each day with finding happiness in our hearts and sharing a smile with those around us, it may be the only good that is seen by someone on that day. Be thankful we can share a smile again and hold our heads high in hopes of bringing sunshine to another.

As my dear beautiful daughter, Ciara, said repeatedly – Live!

Lion Cheryl, Editor

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