

Lions Tale Newsletter

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2022-2023

District Governor Clayton Steward
(Montgomery Lions Club)



DG Visits

- December 6 - Warrensville Area
- December 12 - Watsonstown
- December 13 - Millheim
- January 3 - Jersey Shore Area Lioness Lions
- January 11 - Patton Township
- January 12 - Jersey Shore
- January 19 - Loyalsock
- January 24 - Milton
- January 26 - Picture Rocks
- February 3-5 - State Council Meeting #3 (MD-14)
- February 13 - Mansfield
- February 15 - Canton
- February 16 - South Williamsport
- February 21 - Pleasant Gap Lioness
- February 25 - Montgomery Charter Night
- February 28 - Williamsport Newberry

Season for Service

'Tis the Season for Service! While we are all busy with Christmas preparations don't forget why you are a Lion! Remember Matthew 25:40 - where Jesus states "Whatever you do for the least of these you also do for me!"

I believe this is why we are Lions - we serve the least of these! Look for new opportunities for service for those in need and show them the blessings of the Christmas season.

In addition, as you see others making efforts to help people why not ask them if they would like to be part of the world's largest service organization? We cannot increase our numbers if we don't ask!!

May you all have a blessed and Merry Christmas!

DG Clayton Steward



If you see BLUE in an article, click on it to get additional information.

District Governor's Recognition

Who doesn't want to receive a monetary donation in their club's name? District Governor Clay will be recognizing district clubs for having the highest percentage of members reading the **Lions Tale Newsletter!!!**

At the last District Cabinet Meeting, Harris Township Lions Club received a **\$50 donation to Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF)** for 68% of members reading the **Lions Tale Newsletter!!** Reading the newsletter keeps members informed and guided in knowledge of what is happening internationally, in the state, and in the district.

District Governor Clay will be announcing the highest readership at the February District Cabinet Meeting to be held at the Milesburg Community Social Hall, Milesburg. It could be YOU!!!

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Welcome November New Members



Benton Lions Club

Lewis L Christein, Sponsor PDG Gary Strauch
Star A. Christein, Sponsor Lion Alice Strauch

Eagles Mere Laporte

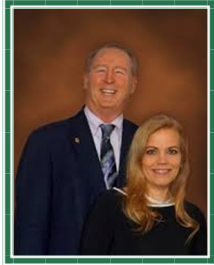
Lion Sean P Caviston, Sponsor Lion Dennis Craig
Lion Robert G Gerber, Sponsor Lion David Carson
Lion Dorothy L Skibitsky, Sponsor Lion Thomas Shoemaker
Lion Joseph Skibitsky, Sponsor Lion Thomas Shoemaker

Millheim Lions Club

Lion Richard Musser, Sponsor Lion Michelle Johnson

Troy Lions Club

Lion Lindsay Bickley, Sponsor Lion Cheryl Page



Message from IP Brian

Taken from email 10/31/22



Together We Are More

One of the best parts of being a Lion is knowing that you've always got a great team on your side. Watch a [special video message](#) from President Sheehan about how our clubs, foundation and association are all working together to help every Lion serve at their very best.

And if you're looking to grow your team by inviting friends and family to join your club, all you need to do is [Just Ask!](#) Every new member brings new skills and new ideas that help us better serve our communities. So grow your club and find out how much farther your team can go.

Great Teamwork Starts with Healthy Clubs

Sharing a clear vision for the future is the first step to better teamwork. Here are three resources to help make sure your club is moving forward in the same direction.

[Club Quality initiative](#)

Maximize your member experience and keep everyone happy by working together to identify areas where your club can improve.

[Community Needs Assessment](#)

Identify the needs of your community and work together to deliver great service where it's needed most.

[Developing Local Partnerships](#)

Build local partnerships to give your club even more help to take on the biggest challenges facing your community.

When we work together to improve our clubs, we're taking our teamwork and service to the next level.

Dear Lions,

It takes a great team to bring big ideas to life. That's what makes your club so special. Because the greatest team you could ever ask for is always right by your side. And by working together, you bring out the very best in every Lion and make even greater things possible in your community.

Teamwork will always be one of our greatest strengths. It helps us take on bigger challenges and achieve bigger goals like expanding our service and growing our clubs. So, let's embrace what makes our team so special and be open to new ideas, new members and new ways of doing things. Because none of us can do more than all of us. And together we can do so much more.

Make a great day,
Brian E. Sheehan
International President



United in Kindness

Our service goes beyond borders, and so does our teamwork. So when the war started in Ukraine, local Lions there knew exactly who they could depend on for help. Watch [United in Kindness](#) to see how the Lions of Europe, empowered by grant funds from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), teamed up to offer hope, help and homes to thousands of families that were forced to flee.

Visit our [Humanitarian Crisis in Ukraine](#) page for more information about how LCIF is supporting local Lion who are working to make a difference. And if you're able, please consider making a donation to our [Refugees and Displaced Persons fund](#) today.



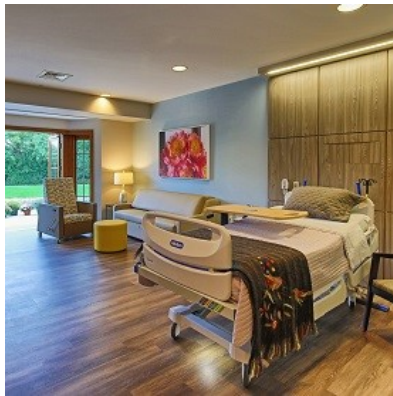
Celebrate Melvin Jones' Legacy

► [ENTER CONTEST](#)

In honor of Melvin Jones' 144th birthday, be a part of LCIF's Melvin Jones Photo Contest and show us your pride! Snap a picture of what it means to be a Lion or Leo.



Pinterest



Providing Comfort Through LCIF Grant

Recognizing the importance of compassion and comfort for both a patient at the end of life and the family members by their side, Lions in Illinois, USA, turned to LCIF for a grant to renovate a hospice care facility in their community.

► [READ MORE](#)

Your continued support of LCIF inspires others to give and enables our global foundation to award life-changing grants. With 100% of donations benefiting grants and programs, every donation to LCIF brings hope to a world in need.



"Borb, you said carrots were supposed to be good for my eyes. I can't see a darn thing!"

LCIF continues to celebrate the many Lions, Leos and others around the world who helped make Campaign 100 a huge success. View a special video message from Past International President and Campaign 100 Chairperson Dr. Jilsuhiro Yamada and past International President and Campaign 100 Vice Chairperson Frank J. Moore III.

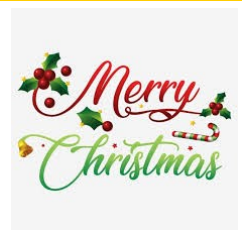
► [WATCH VIDEO](#)

Taken from 10/31/22



Greetings Lions and Leos,

The last several weeks, I have had the opportunity to visit with many of you around the world, and enjoy hearing your stories of service made possible by LCIF grants. Our foundation truly empowers us to make a difference in the world, thanks to the continued support of Lions and Leos - like you - and many others who generously give to LCIF. In this month's newsletter, we reflect on the successes of Campaign 100 through a special video message, share a story of LCIF's impact, and offer resources for you to explore the grants LCIF offers. I also hope you will learn more about ways to support LCIF and opportunities to share what it means to you to be a Lion or a Leo. Thank you for continuing to be an ambassador for our global foundation."



District 14-G's Vice District Governors 2022-2023



First Vice District Governor Kathy Douty

It is that time of the year when people are feeling more generous than the rest of the year. People are donating food, adopting a family or child so that they have food on the table and presents under the tree. Collecting coats, hats, and gloves to keep everyone warm who otherwise might go without. These are all fantastic deeds but they seem to be seasonal.

I am proud to be a Lion because, we as Lions are not "Seasonal." No matter where in the world Lions live, they are always there to help those less fortunate no matter what time of the year. I feel blessed and fortunate to be a member of an International organization that "cares" enough to go out and help.

I wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas. Stay safe, healthy, and count your blessings.

1VDG Kathy



Second Vice District Governor Steve Myers

Dear Lions and LEOs:

As you know, our Lions motto is "We Serve," whether in our local community, or throughout the world via LCIF. Sometimes, we face the question: whom shall we serve? I know some of our clubs struggle with this; there are several good "idea sheets" for service projects available. However, I would suggest to all of us, myself included, that we sometimes overthink the problem. Often the need is right in front of us, in plain sight. In these cases, we simply need to see, and act. Read on to learn the true story of one such instance.

In 1948, Watsontown's Police Chief, Carl Reed, watched a little girl walk without a coat to school through the cold and snow of winter. Later, after Christmas had come and gone, he watched as some children chatted happily about their Christmas presents, while the less fortunate ones had nothing but sadness and resignation in their eyes. He knew these families; many had suffered losses during the recent war, and were simply struggling just to survive. This bothered him; he simply couldn't stand to see the children hurting.

In 1949, the Chief decided to hold a used toy drive. Working with the local fire police, the Lions Club, and other organizations, the word went out. As the toys rolled in, local factories, merchants, and citizens donated time and material to ensure that each and every toy was refurbished and repaired. By Christmas, enough toys were ready for Santa to deliver.

In December, 1949, he wrote a letter to the Sunbury Daily Item, saying: "...November 15 to December 15, over 500 toys were collected, repaired, and painted. These toys ran from miniature trains to large sleds and bicycles...56 families were able to enjoy a real Christmas. This meant that 185 children shared the 500 or more toys that were delivered the night before Christmas. It is my hope that one of the service clubs or organizations in Watsontown will take the program from here, and make each year a better and larger, happy Christmas for the children of Watsontown and vicinity. Sincerely, Carl L. Reed"

Today, 73 years later, the Chief Reed Christmas Fund is still going strong, administered by the Watsontown Police Department, and supported by many community organizations including the Watsontown Lions.

By now, I'm sure some of you are wondering why I've devoted an entire column to the actions of a small-town police chief. Well, you see, *Lion* Carl L. Reed went on to serve as District Governor of 14-G in the 1960s. PDG Reed retired on April 17, 1972 after 27 years, and passed away on October 9, 1972. He saw a need, and acted without hesitation. What an endearing legacy; may we all have the compassion to serve as well as him.

(The information about Chief Reed, and the Christmas Fund, was condensed from information posted to Facebook by members of the Watsontown Historical Association. You may read more information there about Chief Reed, and his legacy to Watsontown).

2VDG Steve Myers



Alpha or Omega?

“Leo club members must be between the ages of 12 and 30. Within this age range, Alpha Leo clubs are designed for young people between 12 and 18 years of age. This track focuses on the individual and social development of teens and preteens. Omega Leo clubs are tailored for young adults between 18 and 30 years of age.”

Leos are considered Lions, a Leos love is thought to be strong and nurturing. Leos are considered the natural-born leaders of the zodiac and are often the ones to take charge in a group setting.

One objective of the Leo Clubs is *“to provide the youth of the world with an opportunity for development and contribution, individually and collectively, as responsible members of the local, national, and international community.”*



January 13th

Melvin Jones was born on January 13, 1879, at Fort Thomas, Arizona, a remote U.S. Army cavalry post where his father was a scout for the Army. At age 7, Jones’ family moved east and settled in Illinois. Gifted with a fine tenor voice, he considered making his career in music.

Lions International was founded by Melvin Jones in 1917 as a result of his dream to form a local business club for the betterment of the community and the world at large. A favorite saying of his was *“You can’t get very far until you start doing something for someone else.”* That passion was his way of life.”

Planning Calendar

December 5, 2022

International LEO Day

January 13, 2023

Melvin Jones’ Birthday

January 2023

Hunger Awareness Month

February 15, 2023

International Childhood Cancer Day

February 2023

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

March 8, 2023

International Women’s Day

April 22, 2023

Earth Day

April 25, 2023

Lions Worldwide Induction Day

April 2023

Environmental Awareness Month

**Family & Friends Month
LEO Club Awareness Month**

May 2023

Strengthen Membership Month

June 1, 2023

Helen Keller Day

June 7, 2023

Lions Clubs International Day

Plan a new service event to help DG Clay reach a Goal!

All information taken from lionsclubs.org.



Hunger is a problem without borders. We’re offering grants, programs and initiative to help Lions make huge strides in providing meals and nutrition for those in need with hope that one day no child will ever have to live without knowing when their next meal will come.

Global Statistics

- *Food insecurity: 10% higher for women
- *At least 50% of children under age 5 have hidden hunger
- *2 billion people lack access to nutritious and sufficient food
- *25% of children are stunted due to lack of nutritious food

Women's Day

International Women's Day 2023 campaign theme:

#EmbraceEquity. Women’s Day began in NYC, March 8, 1857, when female textile workers marched in protest of unfair working conditions and unequal rights for women. It was one the first organized strikes by working women, during which they called for a shorter work day and decent wages.



February

“More than 300,000 children are diagnosed with cancer each year with the average age of a child who is diagnosed just six years old. What can Lions or Leos do?”

- 1) Hold an educational talk with a healthcare professional at your club meeting
- 2) Prepare healthy meals for families with children undergoing treatment
- 3) Collect recyclable materials and donate the profits to a childhood cancer organization
- 4) Write cards with well-wishes and share them with a local cancer center
- 5) Donate gift cards to families in need
- 6) Make or buy new hats, head scarves or blankets
- 7) Organize a community drive to assemble a toy library

14-G Global Leadership Team Coordinator: PDG Cheryl Wilbur

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Tail Twister Ideas



- "Everyone puts a quarter into the pot to try to answer a trivia question. If Lion answers correctly, the Lion removes a quarter from the pot." From Lion Crystal
- "Come up with trivia questions and place them in an envelope. Each member takes an envelope, opens it to read the questions, and if they can not answer - they pay a quarter." From Lion Sue
- "Each member is asked to remove a coin from their pockets and stand up. Lions are then asked to place one hand on the head or one hand on their backs to guess if the coins will be heads or tails. The members incorrect will have to sit down and place the coin in the Lions Bank. This continues until only one Lion is standing." From Lion Nancy

LEADING TAIL TWISTERS

"The Tail Twister within the Lions Club International Organization is one of the most fun, most rewarding, and most challenging jobs a Lion can have!," states Lion Bruce Beck from Palisade, MN. He has researched, attended Lions meetings consisting of Tail Twisters, and compiled a list of ideas to guide those Lions interested in the position. There are trainings for all types of positions for officers, but none for Tail Twisters on LCI website.

Key your eye on the goal of having fun! More suggestions to follow monthly. If you have some 'Tail Twisters' your club has had fun with, please share with me for the January Lions Tale Newsletter!!!



Back to the Drawing Board

Zooming into the GAT Team! IPID Larry Edwards called for a Zoom Meeting with the current Multiple District (MD) GAT Team. The MD-14 GAT Team includes: Global Leadership Team Coordinator PDG Kerry McKnight; Global Membership Team Coordinator PDG Cheryl Wilbur; and Global Service Team Coordinator Robert Roebuck.

The team discussed foregoing the Fall Symposium in 2023, and creating the "GAT Summit." It will be all day, including lunch, which will take place in the center of Pennsylvania for all districts to send at least one Lion from their district.

The GAT Team has not met since the COVID outbreak. Our MD-14 leaders are required to lead by example for all clubs to operate applying the three areas: leadership, membership, and service. **Stay tuned for the action!**



To Our Past District Governors

To help support the role of past district governor, Lions Clubs International is happy to announce that effective September 14, 2022, access to past district governors in **MyLCI** has been updated to allow for read-only access for the following:

In addition to these views, you will now have access to the "Membership Reports" section. This can be accessed by clicking the "Support" drop-down on the homepage and selecting "Membership Reports." Some reports now available to you are the:

Finally, when you click on "Register Reports," it will take you to an index of reports where you can explore more available to you. We hope by providing this access to you it allows you to continue to support your district.

If you have any questions, please contact us by email at districtofficers@lionsclubs.org.

Sincerely,

Your District & Club Administration Division Support Team



Multiple district officers and chairpersons	District reports
Lions club statements/dues	District regions and zones
Lions club reports	District officers and chairpersons
Lions club officers	District members
Lions club member information	District-level new club applications
Lions club meeting information	District convention
Lions club-level new club applications	District clubs

- Register reports Missing club officers
- Summary of membership
- Cumulative reports
- Membership comparison reports
- Specialty clubs report
- Family & Women Membership Reports

Sign Up Today - Space Is Limited!



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REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE



March 10-12, 2023

Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg/Hershey



SUBJECTS

- **Lions Fundamentals**
- **Team Work**
- **Diversity**
- **Public Speaking**
- **Time Management**
- **Personal Mission Statement**
- **Member Motivation**
- **Goal Setting**

INSTRUCTORS

- **IPID Larry Edwards**
- **PID Jim Cavallaro**
- **PID Cindy Gregg**
- **PDG Tom Gregg**
- **PDG Jason Long**
- **PDG Deb Burkholder**
- **PDG Kerry McKnight**

**Contact Your District Governor
Or**

**PDG Kerry McKnight
(KLM52@AOL.COM)**

Space Is Limited!

**\$175 Per Lion
Meals & Rooms Included**

SPRING Symposium

February 11-12, 2023

Feb. 11: Harrisburg, 949 East Park Drive

February 12, 2023

To Be Announced



Contact: PDG Cheryl Wilbur cawilbur65@gmail.com for further details



Membership

Lions: Challenging you to know more about Lions to increase knowledge of duties and responsibilities of elected positions:

Lions Learning Center:

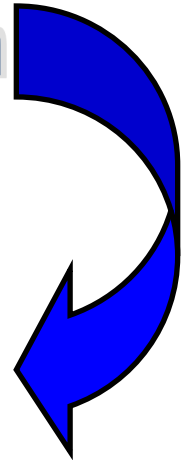
- 1) Log-in Member Portal
- 2) Click on Learn 
- 3) Click on Lions Learning Center 
- 4) Left-hand side: Click on 'Content Library'
- 5) Select any course of interest

District 14-G: Thank you Lion Frank Carbalan



If you would like your club on our District 14-G Facebook, contact Lion Frank at

<https://www.facebook.com/LionsDistrict14G/>



Siestas?

If you're leaving for a small trip to just take a break from routine, why not enjoy a bit of camaraderie! Start a new adventure of locating a Lions Club in the area you will be staying at for a few days.

It's refreshing to observe other Lions Clubs outside your area. For example: how they communicate; how the Tail Twister performs; what is their best fundraiser; and how do they conduct business.

With technology today, use a search engine to locate a nearby Lions Club and call to ask if attending one of their club meetings is an option. Recently, while visiting Massachusetts, there were four clubs within a 10 mile radius. Leaving messages via phone or emails that were available, waiting patiently for a response from any of the clubs. The first one to respond was the Lee Lions Club. The president was more than happy to have us attend at a local restaurant.

After hearing from the first president, a second president from another club invited us to their club for the night, but we had already made plans to attend Lee Lions Club. Guess what? Two of the Lions from that other Massachusetts (MD-33) club wanted to meet Pennsylvania Lions so they showed up at the restaurant also!

Amongst this group were PDG's who were actively involved in organizing the International Convention in Boston!!! Now that was educational and informative! When asked to share our most exciting fundraiser—of course, I had to say the Adult Easter Egg Hunt in the Dark with Flashlights!



100 Years!

Pennsylvania Lions are celebrating the 100th year of joining Lions Clubs International!

More details to follow:

- *2 Field Trips
- *Dueling pianos
- *Birthday Cake
- *Fireworks
- *Sand Sculpture
- *Exercise Class

Kovalchick Convention Complex
711 Pratt Drive Indiana, PA
May 18-21, 2023



Clubs Need to do MMR - NOT the District Administrator

Reporting MMRs is required by
Lions Clubs International

**NO MMR Report

PLUS MEMBERS

*REJUVENATE



Clubs Entered MMR's in October

November 1st: Ferguson Township; Harris Township; Mansfield; Millville; Pleasant Gap and Area; Sugar Valley; Sylvania; Wellsboro

November 2nd: Bellefonte; Jersey Shore Lioness Lions

DISTRICT 14-G CLUBS	LIONS	Add	Loss	D.
Bellefonte	41			
Benton	34	2		
Berwick	19		3	
*Big Pond	9			
Canton	29			
Catawissa Valley	23			
Centre Hall	30	1		
Coudersport & Area	19			
Dushore	41	1		
Eagles Mere Laporte	48	6	3	
Ferguson Township	31			1
Harris Township	45			1
Howard Area	100		1	1
Jersey Shore	49	3	2	1
Jersey Shore Area Lioness	32			
*Kulpmont Centennial	8			
*Lewisburg				
Lock Haven	20			
Loyalsock Township	8		1	2
*Lycoming Creek	7			
Mansfield	39			1
Milesburg	52	1		
Mill Hall Area	12			
Millheim	31	1	1	1
*Millmont West Union-Rejuvenate	1			
Millville	15		2	
Milton	29	3		
Montgomery	30		2	
Montoursville	17			
Mt. Carmel	30	1		1
Muncy Area	18			
Northern Tioga County Centennial	28	3	4	1
Patton Township	16		1	
Picture Rocks	20	3		
Pleasant Gap & Area	26	1		2
Pleasant Gap Area Lioness	20	1	2	
Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley	25			

DISTRICT 14-G CLUBS	LIONS	Add	Loss	D.
Sayre Athens	12			
Sayre Athens Lioness	17			
Shamokin Area	12		1	
Snow Shoe	26			
South Creek	22			
South Williamsport	42	1	3	1
Sugar Valley	26			
Sylvania	35			1
Towanda	16			1
Troy	69	1		
Turbotville & Area	60			1
Warrensville Area	17			
Watsonstown	16			1
Watsonstown Centennial Lioness	26		3	
Wellsboro	24			1
Wells-Jackson	27		2	
Williamsport	11			
Williamsport Newberry	19			
Williamsport Sight Services	13	2	6	
Wyalusing	32		1	
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	1545	31	41	17

Global Service Team Coordinator: Lion Dawn Wright

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Time Matters

To the secretaries and club administrators taking the time to provide club members sheets of paper to record their activities and hours of volunteering; collecting the papers or passing around a clipboard to record hours; and then completing the tallies to put into MyLion, it is greatly appreciated.

The time you volunteer to report and record for your club counts. Presidents, secretaries, treasurers, and membership chairs should be including those hours as well.

Club secretaries have been encouraged to report the MMR at the first of the month. If there are any changes in the membership, the system will automatically update.

December is a VERY IMPORTANT month for Membership!!! If there are members not paying their dues, they need to be dropped for non-payment of dues, or your club will be charged for that member for the next 6 months.

Every member is responsible for paying their own dues. It averages less than \$6 per month. Surely, a cup of coffee or a hamburger from McDonald's can be given up once a month. Our district still has issues with some clubs. This needs to stop. It is an HONOR to be a Lion. Together We Can Make a Difference!

Being a Lion means . . .

Making an Impact Through Service

- ⇒ **Global Causes** - Nearly half a billion people served all
- ⇒ **Hunger** - 71.3+ Million people served
- ⇒ **Diabetes** - 21.9 million people served
- ⇒ **Environment** - 65.8 million people served
- ⇒ **Vision** - 26.2 million people served
- ⇒ **Childhood Cancer** - 10.6 million children with cancer and families



Service Hours: Make a Difference

Searching for answers to the dilemma of the importance of clubs reporting service hours, even if it is just a meeting; however, meetings are not counted as a service to others. With the responsibility falling on the shoulders of club secretaries, LCI realizes there is much to do as a club secretary. The old saying of, 'secretaries are the backbone of any organization,' is only good if the secretaries are performing the roles and responsibilities of the secretaries description. LCI added the position of Club Administrator.

WHAT IS CLUB ADMINISTRATOR? (LCI)

"In order to assist some club officers who may have difficulty operating certain technologies, Lions Clubs International created the role of "club administrator" to support a club president or secretary with administrative tasks that are completed through MyLCI/MyLion. This role has access to the same information in MyLCI/MyLion as the club president and secretary. Together and in consultation, the president and secretary may assign this administrative role if deemed beneficial for effective club operations. The "club administrator" is not a formal position recognized by LCI, but functions to provide administrative assistance only."

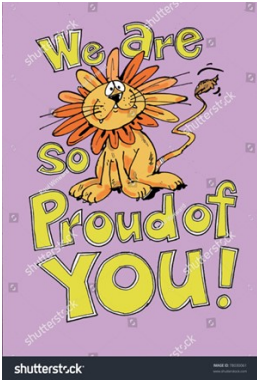
Acknowledgments: A special **THANKS** to the secretaries or club administrators with their consistent reporting of MMR's and service activities. Having numerous responsibilities of being a secretary, some clubs may choose to appoint a Club Administrator (CA) to assist with reporting service activities. The following clubs have elected to add a CA.

Lions Clubs with Club Administrators:

- Canton Lions Club: **Lion Alan "Pete" Shinn (& Marcy)**
- Coudersport Lions Club: **Lion Kaylynn Benson**
- Dushore Lions Club: **Lion A. Kay Homer**
- Harris Township Lion Club: **Lion Doreen Diehl**
- Mansfield Lions Club: **Lion Debra Colegrove**
- Montoursville Lions Club: **Lion Joan Madden**
- Sayre-Athens Lioness Lions Club: **Lion Mary Sarisky**
- Snow Shoe Lions Club: **Lion Lori Hoffman**
- South Williamsport Lions Club: **Lion Michael McLaughlin**
- Sylvania Lions Club: **Lion Nancy Pratt**
- Watson Centennial Lions Club: **Lion Angela Yonkin**
- Williamsport Sight Services Lions Club: **Lion Amy Alexander**

CA's: Thank you for actively supporting your club with reporting service activities.





American Flag Etiquette

'In accordance with the United States Flag Code, Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 8 (k): "The Flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, **should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.**"

"What do you say when you retire a US flag? All briskly salute. After the salute, but while still at attention, the leader should conduct a respectful memorial service as the flag burns. National Flag Foundation recommends singing, "God Bless America" followed by an inspiring message for the flag's meaning followed by the "Pledge of Allegiance" and then silence."

(www.goodwillnva.org)



Kneeling in Front: Casey Cooper (Past LEO Member), Victoria Marszalek (LEO Treasurer), and Colin Hill (Past LEO President)
Second Row (Left to Right) Ken Strish (Berwick Chief of Police), Victor Guevara (Berwick Officer), Cadence Zeigler, Elizabeth Gunther, Brenna Fester, and Patrick Hill (LEO Advisor) Back Row (Left to Right) Jeri Wozniak and Jay Jarrett (Berwick Council Members), Bill Marszalek (LEO Parent), Carly Hill (LEO President), Bryce Johnson, Ben Carro, and Casey Carro



"You led them through the streets of town, right past the traffic cop. Aside from that, what other leadership experience do you have?"



LEO: Life Skills

The Berwick Leadership Experience Opportunity (LEO) Club (community-based) facilitated the **7th Annual Berwick 9/11 Memorial Remembrance**, including a **Flag Retirement Ceremony** on September 11, 2022. The event was held at the Reliance Fire Company, No. 1, Station 120, with dignitaries, such as the Police Department (Chief Ken Strish and Officer Victor Guevara), and volunteer Firefighters (Chief Steve Powers, Dan Crispell, Dave Lovette, Steve Hampton and Brett Bodwalk).

The event was held indoors due to inclement weather, members of the Berwick High School Marching Band performed during the ceremony and simulated the flag retirement. The event was written and orchestrated by LEO President Carly Hill.

2 Types of LEO Clubs

- School-based
- Community-based



flagsUSA

Blood Donations

Quick Look:

- * 40% of our nation's blood come from generous volunteer donors
- * Only 3% of age-eligible people donate yearly
- * Rarest type of blood is **AB negative**



- * Most donated blood was achieved on September 16, 2022 by Brett Cooper of Walker, Michigan with 1,064.568 litres

Traditions

According to the Oxford Dictionary, tradition is defined as "a long-established custom or belief that has been passed on from one generation to another."

Numerous groups participate in traditions; however, why not start a NEW tradition in your Lions Club? Could be the beginning of a new service project.

Let's start planning for a memorable tradition!

Assisting Blood Donors

Recently, five Pleasant Gap Lioness Lions volunteers assisted thirty individuals donating blood. The PGA Lioness Lions helped the blood donors get registered, walk them after the blood donation and help them to the canteen.



donating blood NBC

What's Up with "Old Shoe?"

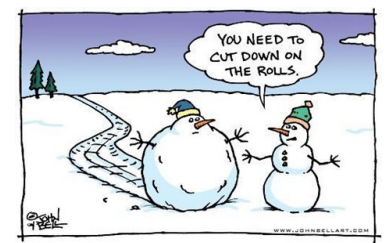
Canton Lions Club scheduled bi-monthly club meetings. Members made preparations for the annual *OLD SHOE* Banquet. Old Shoe refers to an annual rival football game between the two neighboring towns of Canton and Troy.

held regularly



Lions Members and friends prepared a float for the Canton Halloween Parade. Lions rode on the float to promote the **Canton Lions Club** and its service. The float won first place in the adult class. Preparing the float and riding in the parade with 11 volunteers and 20 hours while serving 800 people.

Members collected donations and passed out White Cane stickers as an awareness and fundraiser for low income children's vision needs. Lion Pete Shinn and Marcie Shinn, thank you for reporting your club's activities!



Creeks Cookin'

Each year the **South Creek Lions Club** are asked to prepare and host a Thanksgiving Dinner for a family of 20. They pay for all the food and give a donation to the local food pantry.

The club conducted a Trivia Night which was enjoyed by the community with a focus on hunger. Recycling continues to support monetary donations in the administrative funds. The club's monthly community dinner brought in \$300.

Gift Cards are Always Nice

Coudersport & Area Lions Club members helped a couple needing help paying for their eyeglasses.

Lions members voted to donate money in the form of gift cards that the Food Bank can hand out to larger families needing more assistance with their groceries for Thanksgiving. Instead of donation gifts this year, our club voted to make a monetary donation so that the organization could use the money to help families and children with specific needs. Thank you, Coudersport Lions for reporting your service activities!

Carrying on a Tradition

Mount Carmel Lions Club had a successful Thanksgiving Holiday Meals Program!! On Thanksgiving Day the Lions cooked and delivered 145 meals to local citizens. The Lions Holiday Meals program started in 1979 and has served just under 20,000 meals for yearly major holidays.

The program was created by the late Lion President John "Clem" Kondisko and wife Marie. Later, with assistance by many Lions members - including his late brother, Past Lion President Tom Kondisko. Today the tradition continues with Clem and Marie's daughter Past President and now secretary Lion Kerri Kondisko who is helping to carry on a great Lions program.

Their community must be Thankful, Grateful, and Blessed to have such a caring and loving Lions Club! Thank you, Lion Kevin, for reporting the service to others!



Above: Kathleen Hoffman, Secretary Lion Kerri Kondisko, and President Lion Nevin Balliet

Even When It's Cold!



Mansfield Lions Club takes part in the Mansfield University Homecoming Parade.

Mansfield Lions march to the beat and greet others down the street! What an active club in the northern communities of Pennsylvania! Thank you, **Mansfield Lions**, for all you do! Thanks, Lion Deb, for sending photos nearly every month with your club activities!



Catawissa Caring

The **Catawissa Valley Lions Club** held two club meetings in November. Club members assisted an elderly gentleman with cleaning his house and removing old furniture and debris. Club members donated to "Lura's Walk for Hunger."

So who is Lura? Read the sidebar and your club just may want to donate to a new way of helping the hungry in our district. Lura is a local radio personality walking 32 miles in 3 days to raise money for the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank! Thanks, Lion Craig for your service reporting!



Hunger Walk



Lura Good, a cross-country coach, is pushing an empty shopping cart to symbolize that there are people who are hungry this holiday season. She witnessed a large number of school children going home with backpacks of food for the weekends and holidays last year. This will be the second annual walk of with hoping to reach the total of \$10,000 for Central Pennsylvania by supporting the Central PA Food Bank.

Read more below by right clicking, open hy-



<https://fox56.com/news/local/radio-host-pushes-cart-32-miles-to-raise-money-for-central-pa-foodbank?vid=00c8161e6ba04509bca379b36f7fea17&jwsourc=em>

If you would like to donate to Lura's Walk for Hunger [click here.](#)

Toy Give-Away In the Holiday Spirit!

Rauchtown Nippenose Valley Lions Club donated funds to the Oval United Methodist Church's annual toy giveaway for the holiday.

Thank you for keeping us informed of your club service activities and donations. Lion Joanne Knepp!



Benton Lions Club members decorated and sponsored a Christmas tree for the local Tree Fest. The trees are given to needy families after the Tree Fest. Ornaments were donated and crafted by Lion members.

Five members gathered and took newspapers, glass, and plastic items to the recycling center. The collection for November was 144 lbs. **Benton Lions Club** continues to sell Gertrude Hawk candy bars, which brings in funds to help others in the community. Thanks, Lion Fran, for reporting!



Left to Right: Lion Frances Smith, Maryann Scaffidi and Charity Puterbaugh decorated the tree.



Lion Frances Smith decorated the foyer of the Caldwell Consistory for the Bloomsburg Tree Fest



Missed Reports

- Bellefonte Lions Club
- Harris Township Lions Club
- Loyalsock Lions Club
- Lycoming Creek Lions Club
- Millville Lions Club
- Milton Lions Club
- Sylvania Lions Club
- Turbotville Lions Club
- Warrensville Area Lions Club



"I told you if you kept making faces it would freeze that way."



Benton Lions sponsored the Halloween Parade and included the North Central Sight Technology Trailer (PDG Gary Strauch and Lion Alice Strauch)



Radio Controlled Races

- Clocking a hobby-grade RC vehicle at top speed using a police radar gun will likely produce a speed range of **10 to 70 mph**.
- A qualifying round can last 5-7 minutes or more depending on the class of racing. Some tracks have monitors and speaker systems, which let drivers know their positions during qualifying. Then the finals these are split into qualifying results and can range from **15 minutes up to 45 minutes per final**.



"No Shave November is a campaign created to grow awareness by letting your hair grow for 30 days. Men are challenged to grow out their facial hair, beard, mustache, whatever they can stand! This movement was created to raise awareness of **Men's Health issues**, including a number of diseases and illnesses;

- Prostate Cancer
- Testicular Cancer
- Poor Mental Health
- Depression"

Above taken from <https://www.westland-clinic.com/>

Berwick Racing



Berwick Lions Club continues to provide foods and beverages to those in attendance of the Radio Controlled Car Races. Club met twice in November. Thanks, Lion Tim for reporting!

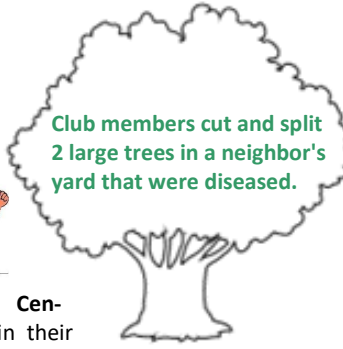
B-I-N-G-O



Weekly fundraiser doesn't skip a beat or a week! **Centre Hall Lions Club** holds a weekly BINGO in their beautiful facility. The club will be gathering to socialize with dinner, music, and festive cheer; many Lions are working together to decorating the clubhouse for the upcoming holidays.

We are collecting non-perishable food items at the clubhouse for the Centre Hall Food Bank through December 14. The following items have been requested or recommended: -- Paper products (e.g., toilet paper, paper towels, tissues) -- Toothbrushes; Toothpaste; Bath soap; Laundry detergent; Canned milk; Cake mixes; Ketchup and Mustard. Shelf-stable boxed or canned pantry items such as fruit, veggies, soup, beans, pasta, tomato sauce, peanut butter, rice, canned fish, etc. You can drop off donations at the clubhouse through Wednesday, December 14. Please pack donations in boxes or bags if possible.

Centre Hall Lions continue to provide flowers to a nearby Nursing Home to cheer up the residents. Thanks, Lion Val Veta, for recording activities!



Club members cut and split 2 large trees in a neighbor's yard that were diseased.



The **Ferguson Township Lions Club** made a generous donation to the Meals on Wheels to help feed the hungry in the local area. And they also donated monies towards a Sight Loss Support Group.

Tree Cutting

The **Big Pond Lions Club** meets one of the goals for the District Governor: a new service project. Two trees needed to be cut down in a Lions yard. With eight volunteers and twenty-four hours later, the wood was cut and donated to those needing wood for heat this winter!

There was a family in need of a handicap ramp for wheelchair access into the house, and the Lions went to work for 3 days to complete the task.

THANK YOU, **Big Pond Lions** for ALL you do for others, and for reporting your volunteer service hours. Thanks, Lion Bob, for reporting service activities!

What's Movember?

Members of the **Eagles Mere Laporte Lions Club** will be putting down their razors for the month of November raising money for families in Sullivan County dealing with cancer.



'Movember' started in 2003 as an experiment in Melbourne, Australia, when two friends decided to stop shaving for the month of November to raise awareness for various men's health initiatives, including prostate cancer, testicular cancer, and colon cancer. Movember has since become a full-fledged charitable organization, with millions of participants each year. They've raised \$994 million in the 17 years since the idea first came about. It's name comes from combining the words "Moustache" and "November". Movember also now supports mental health, suicide prevention, and parenting awareness.'

Sam Wylie Hunters Raffle drawing will be held at the Barn Tavern in Eagles Mere, PA. The club made a generous donation to a cancer patient to help with expenses. State Representative Joe Hamm will be speaking at our dinner meeting Thanks, Lion Anastasia, for reporting services for your club!



Open Hearts

Coudersport Lions Club donated funds to assist a family of two with purchasing eyeglasses. Lions members also voted to donate money in the form of gift cards for the Food Bank. This will help larger families needing more financial support with purchasing groceries while children are off from school and for the Thanksgiving dinner.

The club paid for a pair of eyeglasses for a person in need.



Patriotic Jersey Shore

Members of the **Jersey Shore Lioness Lions** marched in the Veterans Day Parade with student athlete volunteers carrying the large district flag.

The JS Lioness Club provides to the monthly food distribution that uses several sites within the community to donate nutritious food for the underserved community. There is also a cafe where daily hot meals are available to all.

South Meets Hunger

The **South Williamsport Lions** club made a donation to the Meals on Wheels; and provided food for the Back Pack Program for 127 students. A member volunteers hours at the River Walk Senior Center serving coffee, tea, lunch, and desserts to seniors in the South Williamsport area for 25 people.

The Lions Club continues to collect aluminum cans from the community making much needed funds to help those in need.

\$1,000 Raised

The **Lock Haven Lions Club** held a Spaghetti Dinner in Lock Haven to benefit the Ross Library. Also served 125 Thanksgiving dinners!!

People LOVE Hoagies

Patton Township Lions are filling the stomachs of many with their famous hoagie sale! After 15 volunteers and 70 hours later, 276 individuals purchased orders for the GREAT HOAGIE SALE! This is a great money-maker for the club.



zazzle

Keeping Milesburg Beautiful

Litter pick-up at **Milesburg** interchange. Centre Care (google it) needs some financial help to provide gifts for residents to purchase for a small token for their families and themselves at Christmas time. Bald Eagle Wrestling Association sent a request for help funding their 2022-2023 season. Four Lion members attended the 2nd District Cabinet meeting.



Northern Tier Lions Support Tioga Lights Parade

The BIG event for November was working with the Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce (Event Coordinator Lion Tammy Frank) for the Annual Lights Parade in Tioga. "Santa Stop Signs" were constructed and placed in two areas along the Parade Route to prevent overcrowding at the Intersection of Route 287; cookies were made; gifts were donated; wrapped and marked for Santa and Mrs. Claus (Lions Bill and Colleen Kriner) to readily grab a gift for each child. Steam locomotive display by Doug Heck of Tioga in honor of his father, Don Heck. Photo booth pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus by Adventure and Design Photo Booths. Fireworks to begin around 8pm, sponsored by Tyoga Container.

Three members of the NTCLC are also members of the Tioga American Legion Post 235; two are officers; one cleans the inside of the building; and all three purchase, prepare, and sell food during the winter Pool League every week beginning in November.

Northern Tioga County Centennial Lions club held two meetings; called a special meeting for selling live evergreens from Sherwood Forest (orders in after Thanksgiving).

Dushore's Buckets

When the most traffic is in town—the need to approach with buckets to collect money for the community. That's what Dushore Lions do every year. This year the **Dushore Lions Club** collected \$2,200!



Pick Up PA

"Everyone wants to live, work, and play in a clean and green community . . . And it's up to everyone to make it possible and improve the overall quality of life for us all."

ENVIRONMENT
is one of 5 Global Causes

March 1st-May 31st: The Great America Cleanup is eligible for FREE work gloves, safety vests, and trash bags as supplies last. Donated landfill space for trash collected during the cleanup is also available for free or reduced cost between April 1st-April 30th.



Program participants have done amazing work in 2021! Here are the 2021 Pick Up Pennsylvania stats:

- 4,390 Events
- 76,399 Volunteers
- 3,124,648 lbs. of material recycled
- 3,818,760 lbs. of trash disposed
- 5,455 mi. of roads, shorelines, trails cleaned
- 106,322 trees, shrubs, and flowers planted
- 41,917 tires properly disposed

[Ready to get started?](#)

(click on blue)

Ending Hunger

According to the Department of Human Services in PA, "nearly 1.7 million Pennsylvanians, food insecurity is a daily part of life. Hunger is a symptom of the greater issue of poverty, a far to prevalent condition that touches both urban and rural area of the commonwealth affecting families, children, older adults, and people with disabilities." (dhs.pa.gov)

We have one goal: A hunger-free Pennsylvania

To truly end hunger in PA, it will take a commitment from the private, public, and non-profit sectors to ensure the availability of a holistic array of interventions and supports to life low-income families out of poverty.

Useful Links to Learn More:

[Hunger-Free Pennsylvania Opens In A New Window](#)
[Feeding Pennsylvania](#)



W-J Happy December

The following upcoming events was sent by President Lion Carol Harris, **Wells-Jackson Township Lions Club**:

- Dec. 3 Recycling at Wells Township 8-11
- Cookies with Santa at Garrett Miller Center 2-4
- Dec. 13 Christmas Fun Meeting - a gift to exchange and snack
- Dec. 17 Invited to South Creek Christmas Party - Gift Exchange
- Jan .7 Recycling at Wells Township 8-11
- Jan. 10 Regular Meeting 6 pm and dish-to-pass

Service Projects: Scholarship Awards; Eyeglass Collection; Highway Clean-Up; Repairs at Municipal Parks; Financial Support to Local Food Pantry; Christmas Presents to Local Children in Need; Benefit Dinners

Current Fund Raising

RADA Knives Year Round
<https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=6240322.fefed8>
Questions: Call 570-537-6947

Picture Kraut



EatingWell

Sauerkraut is in the air! **Picture Rocks Lions Club** has made the kraut, packaged the kraut, and are now selling it to the public. The club held their monthly meetings in November.

Troy Lions Club

Donation to Endless Mountains Mission Center focusing on providing food and shelter to homeless in our area. Donation to Leo Club for Growvember fundraiser to fight men's cancers. The **Troy Lions Club** held monthly meetings and donated to the Bradford County Manor. Thank you, **Troy Lions** for reporting!

Helping Families



The **Wellsboro Lions Club** donated \$1,000 to the "Angel Tree Project" to help needy families in the county while providing a meaningful Christmas for their children.

Supporting our youth, Wellsboro Lions donated to the Little League Team as a sponsorship to help fund projects and field improvements. Thanks, Lion Tom, for reporting your services!

Pantry Support

Jersey Shore

Lions worked at the food pantry serving families that are food insecure. It rained the entire time but it was still rewarding knowing that we help families in our community with serving 560 individuals. Lion Dan, thanks for reporting!



Hearts of Love



Such **BIG Hearts** for this small club covering the Sayre Athens area by providing six \$50 gift cards and gift bags to two families in the three school districts in their coverage area.. Thank you Mary Cerutti from **Sayre Athens Lioness Lions** for reporting!

Pleasant Gap and Area Lions Club

One Lion of the **Pleasant Gap and Area Lions Club** is a handyman by helping people, community and the church when something needs done. Thanks for reporting!



Busy, Busy, Busy!

Several members worked the food kitchen during an auction and made over \$1,500 with over 96 hours of volunteering. Two Lions from the **Watson town Lions Club**, PDG Bill Bryan and Lion Charlotte Bryan, volunteered in the food kitchen.



Carolina auction house

The recent Basket Bingo netted over \$3,800 and \$800 on the yard sale. Donations were made to Beacon Lodge; Camp Victory, and the Kentucky Disaster at \$1,000 each. \$500 went to the Carol Reed Christmas Fund and to those affected in Ft. Myers, Florida from the flooding.

The **Watson town Centennial Lioness Lions** have also been volunteering to babysit for family members and they are also helping neighbors by getting groceries for the shut-ins.

Busy may be an understatement!

Many Thanks, Wyalusing!

Club members make monthly donations to "Helping Hands Food Pantry" while serving 1253 individuals in November! **Wyalusing Lions Club** held their bi-monthly Lions Club meetings in November.



Sight Services

The employees at the North Central Sight Services decorate their office doors for the Merriest of Holidays! The **William sport Sight Services Lions Club** benefits from a donation of \$5.00 to participate! Past District Governors, Jim and Cheryl Wilbur, were invited to judge each door and later in December awards will be presented for each winner!

AA	Acting Administrator
CA	Constitutional Area
CBL	Constitution & Bylaws
ClubA	Club Administrator
CC	Council Chairperson
DA	District Administrator
DCC	District Convention Chairperson
DG	District Governor
DGE	District Governor Elect
DS	District Secretary
DST	District Secretary Treasurer
GAT	Global Action Team
GLT	Global Leadership Team
GMA	Global Membership Approach
GMT	Global Membership Team
GST	Global Service Team
ID	International Director
IP	International President
IPDG	Immediate Past District Governor
IPIP	Immediate Past International President
LC	Lions Club
LCI	Lions Clubs International
LCIF	Lions Club International Foundation
LOPAF	Lions of PA Foundation
MD	Multiple District
MJF	Melvin Jones Fellow
NCSS	North Central Sight Services
PCC	Past Council Chairperson
PDG	Past District Governor
PID	Past International Director
PIP	Past International President
PCC	Past Council Chairperson
PU 101	Form to Report Yearly Officers
CSSS	Central Susquehanna Sight Services
VDG	Vice District Governor
ZC	Zone Chairperson



SPARKLE

At times the holiday season can be very stressful, especially if your batteries are running low!

Adding "Sparkle" meant adding humor to the December Lions Tale Newsletter!

Hope you enjoyed reading the funnies!

Wanted to end the calendar year with a smile



Proud to Know Lions are Being Informed

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DG Clay is Rewarding Clubs for Highest %

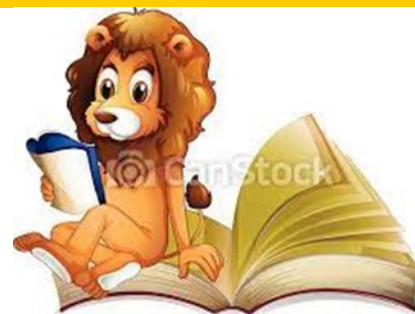
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Bellefonte	41	14	29%
Benton	34	9	37%
Berwick	22	11	50%
Big Pond	9	2	22%
Canton	29	9	31%
Catawissa Valley	23	8	35%
Centre Hall	28	9	32%
Coudersport & Area	19	5	26%
Dushore	40	11	28%
Eagles Mere Laporte	49	22	47%
Ferguson Township	32	15	47%
Harris Township	46	20	43%
Howard Area	101	20	20%
Jersey Shore	48	21	44%
Jersey Shore Lioness	32	19	59%
Kulpmont	8	2	25%
Lewisburg	9	1	9%
Lock Haven	20	7	35%
Loyalsock Township	11	4	36%
Lycoming Creek	7	1	14%
Mansfield	40	17	43%
Milesburg	51	13	25%
Mill Hall	12	5	50%
Millheim	32	5	19%
Millville	15	7	47%
Milton	27	10	30%
Millmont West Union	1	1	100%
Montgomery	30	13	53%
Montoursville	17	6	18%
Mt. Carmel	29	11	42%
Muncy	18	8	44%
Northern Tioga County	29	15	55%
Patton Township	17	5	29%
Picture Rocks	17	7	41%
Pleasant Gap & Area	27	7	26%
Pleasant Gap Lioness	21	6	29%
Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley	25	1	4%
Sayre Athens	12	2	17%
Sayre Athens Lioness	17	8	47%
Shamokin Area	13	4	31%
Snow Shoe	26	2	4%
South Creek	22	2	8%
South Williamsport	44	18	41%
Sugar Valley	26	5	19%
Sylvania	36	11	31%

A club officer MUST be in Attendance at the next District Cabinet Meeting in February 2023!

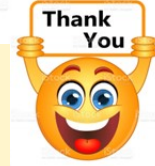
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Towanda	17	9	53%
Troy	69	29	42%
Turbotville & Area	61	22	36%
Warrensville Area	17	3	18%
Watsontown	17	7	41%
Watsontown Centennial Lioness	29	11	38%
Wells-Jackson	25	12	48%
Wellsboro	29	6	21%
Williamsport	11	4	36%
Williamsport Newberry	19	4	21%
Williamsport Sight Services	17	4	24%
Wyalusing	33	10	30%

State Leaders Reading Lions Tale

PDG Andy Piskel; PDG Art Pecht; Ashley Grimm; Betty Ivell; DG Carl Spellman; PCC Cathy Baker; PDG Cathy Metschulat; PDG Chip Campbell; DG Chrissy Smaltz; PDG Chris Raynak; PDG Dave Brandt; CC Dave Leon; AA PDG Deb Burkholder; Deb Craft; PDG Deb Lillegard; Denise Shaffer; DG Dennis Alleman; PDG Dick Sware; PDG Fran Stepkovich; DG Galen George; PDG Gary Bender; PDG Gary Hilbert; PDG Gary Shetter; DG Gaylene Toland; DG James Craft; PID James Cavallaro; PDG James Foresio; DG Kamal Gella; DG Kathy Duelly; PDG Kathy Fouse; Kiriam Kraut; PDG Larry Frankenfield; PDG Linda Gabala; PDG Linda Lupro; PDG Lorraine Brown; 1VDG Maria Loudermilk; DG Mark Ellsworth; 1VDG Mike Schaeffer; Patricia Ohler; PDG Peggy Hummel; PID Robert Miller; PDG Sam Wagner; PDG Tom Jones



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Being the season of thankfulness and gratitude, pages 17 and 18 the Lions reading the November Lions Tale are being recognized with their name in print. As the number of readers rise it becomes easier to create an informative newsletter to assist Lions in being the BEST they can be! Thanks for reading!

Bellefonte Lions Club Donald Irvin; George Moore; Jerry Bernhard; Gary Powers; John Spearly; Stanley Cipar; Steven Koch; Dennis Reiter; Edgar Runkle; Bill Wagner; Charles Hoffner; Dennis Jaworski; Joseph Reiter; William Carey

Benton Lions Club Bethany McClure; Frances Smith; Maryann Scaffidi; Betty Rafalko; Jay McHenry; Lisa Campbell; Gina Marie Gordon; Edward Laubach; Charles Crusan

Berwick Lions Club Leann Fowler; Donald Peters; Donna Peters; Mishelle Wawroski; Sue Fifield ; Robert Chambers; Tracy Yeo; Paul Reichart; Terry Adams; Patrick Hill; Timothy Wallis

Big Pond Lions Club Douglas Fay; Robert Karlewicz

Canton Lions Club David Brann; Joseph Wynne; Michael Hood; Jerome Wynne; Robert Barlow; Louie Martin; Neil Nelsen; Jim Arnold; George Morris

Catawissa Valley Lions Club Alan Lonoconus; Julye Wemple, Dale Kreischer; Nancy Abraczinaka; Michelle Valencki; Elwood Heaps; Craig Long; Doug Krum

Centre Hall Lions Club Carla Leta; Bud Harris; JoAnne Harris; Davis Araujo; Jimmy Leta; Valerie Leta; Vincent Leta; David Downer; Kathy Harpster

Coudersport Lions Club Patricia Miller; Steven Erway; Todd Brown; Irene Altenhein; Brenda Erway

Dushore Lions Club Jack Belcher; Mary Minier; Patricia Lane; Denise McKee; Jarrett Higley; A. Kay Homer; P. Dean Homer; John Shoemaker; Zachary West; Robert Montgomery; Robert Guglielmi

Eagles Mere Laporte Lions Club Berry Hopkins; William Hutchinson; Scott Williams; Thomas Burkholder; George Watson; Edward Kassab; Richard Liebert; Linda Baumunk; James Moyer; Mark Waltz; Anastasia McMahon-Farrell; Craig Harding; Sherri Cooney; Patti Rubel; David Werner; Gerald Ganse; Jeffrey Hamilton; James Waechter; Louise Middleton; Thomas Shoemaker; Erika Mabus; Mary Blondy

Ferguson Township Lions Club Jeff Fetterman; John Arrington; Diane Wisnieski; Andrea Scarry; Danielle Roan; Thomas Drake; Karen Metzger; Beverly Corl; Nevin Corl; Frederick Ferguson; Mike Fitzgerald; Connie Stover; Charles Poust; T Susan Fetterman; Gayle Engle

Harris Township Lions Club James Connolly, Gert Aron; Michael Benninghoff; Barbara Ott; Larry High; Helen Kerr; David Horner; Johanna Chisnell; Kari Reyburn; Jacki Rutter; James Steff; Richard Erdley; Greg Koehler; Frank Carbalan; Max Wandel; Todd Erdley; Frank Barksdale; Jerome Duck; Harvey Manbeck; Thomas Horn; Deborah Lutz

Howard Lions Club Donna Bennett; Randall Mark; Stanley; Arthur Hoffman; Steven Davy; Ernest Greene; Dave Baughman; Curt Heverly; Mark Johnson; Glenn Thompson; Ethel Kellerman; Fred Kellerman; Leon Marshall; John Gribble; Cameron Walker; Dennis McClincy; Craig Alterio; Foster Sayers; Dwayne Haines; Craig Rose

Jersey Shore Lions Club Sierra Diggin; Kenneth Dougherty; Craig Packard; Michael Hatt; Robert Wheeland; Jon Boob; Edward Lyon; Robert Garrett; James Douty; Danny Miller; Andrew Lyon; Barbara Schmouder; David Harkey; Donald Smith; Daniel Simmons; Derrick Palski; Robert Kozlowski; Hubert Valencki; Joseph Dunleavy; Robert Nestlerode; Cam Kephart

Jersey Shore Lioness Lions Club Cecelia Wachter; Jayne Knieser; Darlene Jameson; Deb Rupert; Dorian Myers; Roxanne Crist; Tiffany Kilpatrick; Kathy Douty; Laurie Wells; Karen Davidson; Abbey Welker-Yoas; Barbara Kozlowski; Joni Pauling; Ardella Paucke; Nancy Oakes; Angelyn Boncal; Roxanne Crist; Kathy Douty; Tiffany Kilpatrick

Kulpmont Lions Club Ronald Smith; Thomas Letcavage

Lewisburg Lions Club Charles Jasiewicz

Lock Haven Lions Club Kline Williams; Jack Schmidt; David Dale; Robert Larsen; Philip Gibson; Philip Rinella; Donald Walker

Loyalsock Lions Club Diane Derrick; Marlene Bower; Rita Marzacco; Bruce Pratt

Lycoming Creek Lions Club Chad Harvey

Mansfield Lions Club David Flesch; Irene Morgan; David Stinebeck; Gary Wilston; Chris Jones; Amy Jones; Anthony Barr; Nathan Bair; Levi Weiskopff; Paul Plowcha; Shane Milheim; Sarah Bair; Valerie Stickler; John Kaiser; Mary Hohman; Christopher Wood; Amy Wood

Milesburg Lions Club Corinna Anskis; Maureen Kephart; Michael Zucco; John Jones; Sara Tressler; Mable Swarm; Andy Swarm; Joan Haus; Butch Haus; Daniel Fisher; Benjamin Fehl; Karen Dzenkowski; Ralph Williams

Mill Hall Lions Club Kerri Scott; Jennifer Sholley; Shanan Miller; Tracy Smith; Rhonda Bird;

Millheim Lions Club Paula Smith; Harry Ward; Randy Ream; Mark Henry; Gwendolyn Stack

Millville Lions Club John Rabon; Doug Hippenstiel; Robert Davidson; Dennis Wolfe; Taylor Farr; Dan McCarty; Gary Woolcock

Millmont West Union Lions Club Susan Leitzel

Milton Lions Club Michael Diehl; Gregory Katherman; Joseph Brzostowski; Frank Stitely; Philip Brautigam; Vell Holcombe; Christopher Holcombe; Terry Shaw; Michael Bingaman; Christopher Foust

Proud to Know Lions are Being Informed

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Montgomery Lions Club Harold McElheny; Richard Barbier; Benjamin Weller; Richard Kneeder; Elaine Steward; DG Clay Steward; Nancy Secules; Richard Secules; Kathryn Heiges; George Heiges; Elmer Buck; Larry Grove; Misty Barto

Montoursville Lions Club Lyle Miller; Roxanne Criswell; Christine Cellini; Shirley Bailey; Diane Dunne; Blair Steward

Mt. Carmel Lions Club Dennis Stone; Joseph McDonnell; Anthony Candelora; Kerri Kondisko; John Kondisko; Kenneth Splitt; Albert Green; Nevin Balliet; Ashley D'Andrea; John Jones; Jeff Kanezo

Muncy Area Lions Club Marcus Myers; William Kahler; Dayne Foresman; Stephen Young; Edward Herman; Anthony Johnson; Johnny Whitaker; Michael Coppes

Northern Tioga County Centennial Lions Club Brenda Bates; Colleen Kriner; Bill Kriner; Roger Reiss; Penny Heffner; Andrea Stone; Charles James Keener; Anthony Hauck; Norma Hauck; Rodney Fountain; James Wilbur; Cheryl Wilbur

Patton Township Lions Club William Franz; Dennis Hall; Michael Faustina; Betty Lewis; Edward Liggett

Picture Rocks Lions Club Wayne Hyde; Beth Cooley; William Foresman; Randall Bunce; David Taggart; Rodney Barto; Randy Bunce

Pleasant Gap & Area Lions Club Carl Boon; Robert Dornan; John Wetzler; John Zimmerman; Joseph Schoch; Luther Musser; Jay Zimmerman

Pleasant Gap Area Lioness Lions Club Wendy Barnyak; Helen Barr; Helen Williams; Marilyn Baltosser; Bonnie Bower; Maria Musselman

Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley Lions Club Johann Knepp

Sayre-Athens Lions Club Greg Hughey; William Shaw

Sayre Athens Lioness Lions Elizabeth Tolbert; Bonnie Cecce; Carol Thorpe; Mary Sarisky; Betty Bump; Mary Cerutti; Anne Chmieleski; Yvonne Halstead

Shamokin Lions Club Fred Myer; Faith Meyer; Tyler James; Robert Olsen

Snow Shoe Lions Club Thomas Taylor; Barry Smith

South Creek Lions Club Charles Root; Mary Wilholte

South Williamsport Lions Club William Crawley; Paul Ulrich; Tony Mussare; James Nolan; Fred Harbaugh; Henry Frey; James Nolan; Robert Coolidge; James Surfield; Diane Mason; Lance Ohnmeiss; Max Dell; Michael McLaughlin; Michael Harbaugh; Stephanie Ardell; Curtis Fink; Scott Lorson; Amber Newell

Sugar Valley Lions Club Matilda Beck; Douglas Brewer; Robert Mills; Donna Mills; Chris Scaff

Sylvania Lions Club Beverly Hunter; Bob Hunter; Jennifer Avants; George Page; Myra Goss; Rev. Goss; Johann Dickerson; Shawn Bruce; Robert Staudt; Marshall McNeal; Nancy Pratt

Tioga Warriors Branch Club Bobbi Jo Button; Samantha Yonker; Karen Vasco

Towanda Lions Club Troy Lions Club Cheryl Page; Dennis Beardslee; Gary Cummings; Samantha Estep; Michael Miller; James Haight; Barbara Wywiorski; Jacob Stroud; James Bowen

Troy Lions Club Lee Cummings; Gloria Machmer; Gary Machmer; Richard havens; Natalie Everts; Scott Cummings; Robyn Cummings; Mark Grammes; Jessica Sentyz; Kris Theodorakos; Doug Ulkins; Tracy Birmingham; Ellen Gordon; Julie Barrett; Veronica Seymour; Amber King; Jerry May; Cassy Dygert; David Schucker; Duane Pick; Clyde Robbins; David Carlson; Jennifer Pepper; Jerry Root; Matthew Stroup; Travis Schucker; Angela Keating; Jamie Berry; B Allan Schoonover

Turbotville & Area Lions Club Eileen Povish; John Anthony; Cindy Tarr; Joy Reaser; Tammy Wolfe; John Wolfe; Steven Mentz; Stephanie Mentz; Pamela Hamm; Stacey Kirkendall; Walter Fairman; Helen Mathias; Melissa Pelletier; Charles Reaser; Carole Frank; Richard Frank; Kathryn Fisher; Linda Anthony; William Hartline; Ronald Sechler; Thomas Yoder; Camilla Zimmerman

Warrensville Area Lions Club David Schultz; Joanne Drake; Kerry Drake

Watsontown Lions Club Bill Bryan; Charlotte Bryan; Ralph Heater; Allen Neyhard; Harry Hefty; Steven Myers; Gerald Bailey

Watsontown Centennial Lioness Lions Club Rhonda Luongo; Debra Bieber; Heather Truckmiller; Angela Yonkin; Judith Gooderham; Doris Hulsizer; Carol Royce; Carlene Weaver; Wanda Walters; Leona Houseknecht; James Houseknecht

Wells-Jackson Lions Club Tim Bell; Mary Cogswell; Dawn Wright; Carol Harris; Nelson Harris; David Evans; Kathleen Millen; John Lattimer; Barbara Szczech; Leona Bell; Diane Kulago; Leonard Kulago

Wellsboro Lions Club Craig Fields; Ferlin Patrick; Terry Bryant; Sheila Bryant; Berry Davis; James West

Williamsport Lions Club Craig Fields; Richard Girio; Mary Kay Gamble; Patrick Bernocco

Williamsport-Newberry Lions Club William Gehron; Anthony Dgien; John Sanso; William Kieser

Williamsport Sight Services Lions Club Laura Schenkel; Steven Floyd; Brandon DeArment; Kenneth Bower

Wyalusing Lions Club Thomas Potts; Lee Ann Welles; James Smith; Esther Potts; Anthony Carey; Larry Roberts; Rosemarie Ottaviani; John Voda; Renee Stewart; Suky Burgess

"Educate Before You Legislate"

Author: PCC Charles "Jim" Keener

My 8th and 9th grade social studies teacher, AC ("Sparkplug" & "Chrome Dome") Krause at the State College Jr. High gave me many words of wisdom besides teaching me how to "outline" – a skill that has helped me throughout my 76 years.

One collection of words that I have never forgotten and found to be mightily true over a 33-year career as a professional scout for the BSA is: **Educate Before You Legislate**. Explain to someone the "why" or the "value of doing something" before you share that task with them.

On this [Lions Tale](#), page 9, my fellow Lions, you will see a listing (ever so subtly created and shared) of 14-G Lions Clubs that have completed their November 2022 Monthly Membership Report on time (and those that did not!) Which, according to the International Association of Lions Clubs, is before the end of each month. Check pages 9 and 10 in the Club Secretary e-Book- publication EN-CSEB.EN 2/2022. [[pdf](#)] [Club Secretary e-Book](#) The Monthly Membership Report (MMR) is expected whether or not there are any membership changes.

The easiest way to find the e-Book is to "google" – "Lions Club Secretary e-Book". There are ways of finding it on the www.lionsclubs.org site; "resources for members" tab - but googling is so much easier and quicker. If you can read 6th grade English, you can decipher this very beneficial guidebook. If you are your club secretary, or not, "take a gander (take a look from above)" and see what is expected of the job.

When a club secretary logs onto MyLCI, there is a section that reads: "Tasks to complete this month." Hit "the report no membership change button" by the 5th of each month, and the task is completed until the next 45+ days are up (the end of the following month !!). It literally takes longer to log into MyLCI than to complete the MMR!!

When I was appointed by DG Cheryl Wilbur in 2017 as the first District Administrator for 14-G, we set a target of having all the 14-G MMR's completed monthly. Not just to have them done, but to ensure that our records were accurate at LCI. Very few Districts have had the MMR record our beloved 14-G has had since the beginning of her Governor's year. The months of December and June are extremely important as the due's bills of LCI, MD-14, and District 14-G are based on those two months. If you have two Lions die, and three others move and leave our beloved Lions, and if not reported by Dec 31, or June 30, your club will be billed for those Lions. It is as simple as that.

I found out from a source at LCI, that non-filing of MMR's is one of several grounds for putting a club on "Status Quo," and that is not good!!! On Nov 29, 2022, at 2:36 ET, there were 18 of our 58 Lions clubs that had not filed their November MMR and were reminded by email from 14-G GLT PDG Cheryl Wilbur. Referring to page 9, you can see (in red lettering), the sixteen 14-G clubs that "missed the MMR Boat" in November – even after being gently and kindly reminded by email. If the club secretary is "computer challenged," the club president or administrator can accomplish this monthly duty.

First submitted every month is Ferguson Township Lions Club by secretary Lion Nevin Corl. This month he submitted their MMR at 12:01 a.m. CT - as Central Time is **THE** time at Oakbrook Illinois. Others done by December 5th were Benton; *Catawissa Valley*; *Eagles Mere Laporte*; *Harris Township*; *Mansfield*; *Millville*; *Montgomery*; *Northern Tioga County Centennial*; *Pleasant Gap and Area*; *Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley*; *South Creek*; *Sylvania*; *Turbotville & Area*; and *Watsontown Centennial Lioness*. **Way to Go!** Some of those have been oft-times been non-reporters and PDG C. Wilbur has had to submit it for them. It seems they got the message via her November reminder email! Please continue the good work.

If you read the list of Lions reading the [Lions Tale](#) and your president and/ secretary is not listed, encourage them to keep up to date by opening the [Lions Tale](#) Mail Chimp monthly. There seems to be a correlation between the late and non-MM Reporters and the number of Lions in those clubs reading the [Lions Tale](#) and if the secretary is among the readers. I took the time to fact check them for you.



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Yep, it can happen to your club if the club is consistent on NOT reporting the club's Monthly Membership Report (MMR).

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Relax Ted, It's only a phase...

The Tale End

Editorial Page

Goodbye

Sung by Kenny Rogers

I wanted you for life, you and me in the wind
I never thought there'd come a time that our story would end
It's hard to understand but I guess I'll have to try
It's not easy to say goodbye

For all the joy we share, all that time we had to spend
Now if I had one wish, I'd want forever back again
To look into your eyes and hold you when you cry
It's not easy to say goodbye

I remember all those great times we had
So many memories, some good, some bad
Yes and through it all, those memories will last forever

There's peace in where you are, maybe all I need to know
And if I listen to my heart, I'll hear your laughter once more
And so I have to say I'm just glad you came my way
It's not easy to say goodbye

Goodbye

<https://youtu.be/il9oycCHaJY>

Right click on link, Open Hyperlink to listen to the song

Reflection

Dear Lions, Less, and Friends:

The last page of this newsletter is a reminder of our family and our friends that have passed before us. I reflect on this especially when producing the newsletters. As I submit your work and pictures of your faces, I am thankful I had the opportunity to meet you.

It is marvelous and magnificent to be surrounded with those that reach out to help others as we are on this journey together in life. Giving back is one of the most precious chances of living - it does the heart good. I believe the secret to a happy life and a happy heart is being kind to one another and accepting the differences.

Holding grudges only hurts ourselves. Finding the good and agreeing it is ok to disagree with respect to another. As my daughter reminds me daily, "LOVE!"

Live to love one another,

Lion Cheryl, Editor



Our Dearly Beloved

Jersey Shore Lions Club

Lion Ralph Lehman, 56 years of service

Mt. Carmel Lions Club

Lion Ted Matlow, 64 years of service

Pleasant Gap & Area Lions Club

Lion Wayne Deibler, 41 years of service

Lion Terry Lindquist, 41 years of service



December 18-26



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