

District 14-G

District Governor Leona Houseknecht

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"Service is the **Heartbeat** of the Lions"

2025-2026

Lions Tale Newsletter: September & October 2025



This song is for you, if you're ready to:

- >Take bold action and create real change
- >Stand strong with a community of leaders.
- >Push past setbacks and keep moving forward
- >Build your dream, lift others, and rise together

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"Begin each day with a **GRATEFUL Heart**"

How do Pennsylvania Lions move forward? "We don't wait. We don't hesitate. "We Rise Together" is for those who are building something bigger than themselves—leaders, visionaries, and changemakers who know that impact happens one action, one decision, one step at a time."

Right Click and open hyperlink to listen to "a powerful song for leaders and changemakers."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VplfSbaGy30>

As you flip through the pages of this newsletter, all Lions have faced the storm or have fallen down, but it is the steps we take to move forward that shapes us who we are.

We stand back up and give it our all, so we become stronger than before. Working

together, supporting each other is what will make Lions achieve the mission of serving others.

Review parts of the Constitution and By-Laws posted in this newsletter, the responsibilities of the positions meant an agreement was made to serve for one year or repeated years. Yes, we are all volunteers, but the acceptance of an office or a committee chairperson comes with guidance for the positions.

This may also include paying dues for the organization to continue to serve others. Donations to LCIF also increases the possibility of grants for any of our missions. District Governor Leona Houseknecht has suggested every Lion donate \$20.00 per month to LCIF. The reports support there are

efforts of Lions participating.

Reporting service is a major part of how Lions Clubs International Foundation receives financial support from organizations or individuals desiring to support their own mission of serving others. Bill and Linda Gates provided millions of dollars for the measles vaccine, as an example.

As we light the way hand in hand, Lions are a changing force across the land. As the song states, we are building something bigger than ourselves—leaders, visionaries, and changemakers with one action, one decision and one step at a time.

Apply each day with a grateful heart, push past setbacks, and keep moving forward as "**We Rise Together.**"



Alicia Emel: Centre Hall Lions Club
Cody S Moore: Harris Township Lions Club
Ella Coberly: Jersey Shore Lions Club
Jay A Morris: Montoursville Lions Club
Denise Crock: Snow Shoe Lions Club
Steve Crock: Snow Shoe Lions Club
Thomas Hoover: Snow Shoe Lions Club
Kathy Livergood: Snow Shoe Lions Club
Jasmyynn Speight: Snow Shoe Lions Club
Jolena Bartholomew: Towanda Lions Club
Jason Bundle: Towanda Lions Club
Aimee Bisher: Wellsboro Lions Club



International President
A.P. Singh

International President and 14-G Leaders

“Lead to Serve, Serve to Lead” Explore our Mission

Forum Recognition Meet a set percentage of your recruitment goal to receive an award onstage from President Singh during an area forum. Top-performing leaders may also receive special plaques and additional recognition for your team.

Outstanding Districts Award Exceed 150% of your district’s recruitment goal, including new and charter members and forming at least one new club to be recognized during a plenary session at the Hong Kong convention.

Top Districts Award District governors from the top net gain districts—one per constitutional area plus the next 17 globally-will receive free convention travel, hotel and registration for themselves and one adult companion, along with recognition in Hong Kong Zone Chairpersons from these winning districts will also earn a Presidential Certificate of Appreciation.

MISSION 1.5 Awards Encourage your district team to explore the many **MISSION 1.5** awards available for increasing our membership and service reach.



1st Vice District Governor Alfredo Torres, Troy Lions Club: ***“A New Beginning”***



1st Vice District Governor
Alfredo Torres

Part of the 1VDG journey is the opportunity to visit some of the organizations that Lions Club International supports. Recently I had the great opportunity to visit Leader Dogs for the Blind in Michigan. Leader Dogs for the Blind was founded by Lions Club International in 1939, since then it has become an essential service provider for the blind. This was a very personal for Cheryl & I as her grandmother was blind.

During our visit my wife and partner in service Cheryl & I were introduced to what this organization does for the visually impaired, which is just incredible. We were fortunate to share this experience with fellow lions from other states and Canada. We were treated to a tour of their facility which houses their breeding and training facilities. We saw feature leader dogs in real training, it’s just incredible what these puppies can learn. I was aware of these dogs’ intelligence to learn to guide a blind person, but something that was new to me was the fact that these dogs can also learn sign language. There are specialized

programs to teach dogs how to respond to visual and tactile sign language.

In addition to training guide dogs, they also train clients to adjust to the leader dog, offer orientation and mobility training for White Cane use, all these services are provided on site or at home. Ser-



vices are provided completely free of charge to all clients, though providing independence and a better overall living experience.

On the last day of our visit, we had the opportunity to experience a small aspect of what a visually impaired person must overcome daily, we had dinner in the dark. We had to eat our dinner blindfolded, which may not sound too hard, but it was overwhelming. During our dinner, one of the speakers for the evening, who

is visually impaired sat at our table and was helpful providing tips on how to eat blindfolded, but it was still very difficult to eat. I was unable to keep my blindfold on for the entire meal, it was very difficult to use the silverware or even have a conversation with the others seating at my table, we were all too busy trying to eat. This experience had an emotional impact on all of us, some people were so emotional that they were crying during the dinner and unable to finish their meal.

Experiences like this one are what makes me proud to be part of an organization that cares for people and their communities by supporting organizations like the Leader Dogs for the Blind. By founding the Leader Dogs for the Blind, Lions Club international created an opportunity for the visually impaired to gain independence and live a meaningful and fulfilling life.

Have a great month of October,
1VDG Alfredo Torres



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District Governor

Leona Houseknecht



"I'm just continuing to do my club visits and have been pleasantly surprised by the enthusiasm I'm finding in the clubs!

Many clubs are adding NEW members:

Snow Shoe: 6

Shamokin: 2

Let's keep the momentum going!

We have Mental Health; Hunger, and Environment Weeks encouraged by our International President A.P. Singh.

Just a friendly reminder to check to make sure your club dues are paid. Emails were sent to the club president, club secretary,

and club treasurer with the dues billing for 6 months.

At club visits, I have been informing the clubs of the responsibility of reporting service hours. If the officers are overwhelmed with their roles and responsibilities, a club administrator can be added on the club officers list to help with reporting activities and services provided within the community or beyond.

I can't express enough that I'm proud of all the clubs in DISTRICT 14 G. Let's keep moving forward."

Dates to Remember

State Council, Harrisburg	10-31
Howard Area Lions Club	11-4
Sayre Athens Lions Club	11-6
GAT Meeting 10am STEP, S. Wmspt.	11-9
District Cabinet 11 am STEP, S. Wmspt.	11-9
Wyalusing Lions Club	11-11
Troy Lions Club	11-13
World Diabetes Day	11-14
Sayre Athens Lioness Lions Club	11-17
Thanksgiving	11-27
International Leo Day	12-5

2nd Vice District Governor Robert Hoffman, Harris Township Lions Club:

"New Learning Curve"

Greetings fellow Lions

First of all, I cannot remember a more beautiful Fall season. Sunny days, blue skies, and colorful fields. **AMAZING!**

For me at this point, it's all about learning and coursework. I have to admit I was unprepared for the number of learning sessions however the amount of detail has been both educational and rewarding. **Still more to come.**

Since September, my partner in service Ann and I have had the opportunity to visit a few clubs in our area. Each club greeted us warmly and we enjoyed hearing about their membership goals and most importantly, their public service events. It did not matter the club's size, their efforts seem well planned and I am sure appreciated by the public they serve. **"Service to our communities counts"**

Besides the future coursework, I plan to visit as many clubs as possible to learn about their individual goals and challenges and to better understand what we as lions face in our ever-changing world. Our challenge might be to turn the components of change into positive actions. Let's see how successful we get!

All that being said, it has been an honor to act as your 2VDG. The experiences so far have enriched my life. **Thank you Lions**

As we near the end of 2025, Both Ann and I hope you all have a safe, rewarding, and exciting holiday season.



Halfway around the learning curve, Bob lets go.

Club Officer Responsibilities

Suggestions for clubs: Print the Club Officer's Responsibilities and present at the time of nominations providing duties of such position as required in the Lions Constitution and Bylaws.

PRESIDENT

- ◆ Chief Executive Office of Club; Preside at all Board Meetings
- ◆ Chair Global Action Team: Ensure positions are qualified-leadership, membership, and service
- ◆ Collaborate with all committee chairpersons; implement plan for membership growth, community engagement fulfilling humanitarian services
- ◆ Issue call for regular and special meetings of Board of Directors
- ◆ Appoint standing and special committees to effect functioning
- ◆ Regular elections are called, noticed, and held
- ◆ Ensure club is operating in accordance with local laws
- ◆ Ensure proper administration of club operations adhere to International C&BL's
- ◆ Encourage diplomacy and solve disputes in fair and transparent fashion using Conflict Resolution Procedure
- ◆ Be active member of District Governor's Advisory Committee
- ◆ Mentor vice presidents to ensure continuance of effective leadership

VICE PRESIDENT

- ◆ Conduct annual club quality assessment, collaborate with club officers, oversee functioning of committees assigned by DG
- ◆ Serve as key member of Global Action Team and other committee chairpersons
- ◆ Ensure new members are provided an effective orientation
- ◆ Ensure current and incoming officers attend training
- ◆ Communicate with District Global Leadership Team Coordinator for training to assist leadership development
- ◆ Identify potential leaders and encourage development of skills
- ◆ Take key role in membership retention
- ◆ Understand club's role in District activities and events
- ◆ Network with other club officers in the district
- ◆ Gain in-depth knowledge of district, multiple district which support membership growth, leadership development, and expansion of humanitarian service
- ◆ If president unable to participate, VP will assume

SECRETARY

- ◆ Under supervision and direction of club president and board of directors
- ◆ Act as liaison officer between club and district
- ◆ Submit regular monthly and other reports to international office of the association
- ◆ Submit reports to district governor's cabinet
- ◆ Be active member of district governor's advisory committee of the zone in which club is located
- ◆ Have custody, keep, and maintain general records of the club, including records of minutes of the club and board meetings; attendance; committee appointments; elections; member information with addresses and telephone numbers; and member accounts
- ◆ Give bond for faithful discharge off their office in such sum and with such surety as determined by board of directors
- ◆ Deliver, in timely manner, at conclusion of their term in office the general records of the club to their successors in office

TREASURER

- ◆ Receive all monies, from secretary and otherwise, deposit the same in bank or banks recommended by the finance committee and approved by the board of directors
- ◆ Arrange issuance, in cooperation of secretary, quarterly or semi-annual statements to each member for dues and other financial obligations owed to this club and report payments to Board of Directors
- ◆ Pay out monies in payment of club obligations only on authority given by board of directors
- ◆ Have custody, keep, and maintain general record of club receipts and disbursement
- ◆ Prepare and submit monthly and semi-annual financial reports to board of directors
- ◆ Give bond for faithful discharge of sum and surety as determined by the board of directors
- ◆ Deliver, in timely manner, at conclusion of their term in office the general record of funds to the club successor
- ◆ Serve as committee chairperson for finance committee

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MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON

- ◆ Key member of the club's Global Action Team as Membership chairperson
- ◆ Collaborate with District Global Action Team on membership initiatives, participate in relevant district, region, and zone chair meetings and events
- ◆ Develop and lead membership committee to help implement action plans to achieve club's membership goals to positively increase member experience
- ◆ Encourage members to participate in membership growth by inviting prospective members to the club, follow-up with prospective members
- ◆ Promote harmonious club atmosphere by listening and addressing concerns that prevent positive member experience
- ◆ Engage new members in activities that are of interest to the member
- ◆ Collaborate with service chairperson; attend district governor's advisory committee
- ◆ Understand different types of memberships, effective orientations, how the club operates, with support of club officers



VICE PRESIDENTS

- ◆ If the president is unable to perform the duties of their office for any reason, the vice president next in rank shall occupy their position and preform their duties with the same authority as the president
- ◆ Each vice president shall, under the direction of the president, oversee the functioning of such committees of this club as the president shall designate

SERVICE CHAIRPERSON

- ◆ Key member of club's Global Action Team as the Club Service Chairperson; attend District Governor Advisory meetings
- ◆ Collaborate with District Global Service Coordinator, Club LCIF Coordinator, and district leaders, members of club's service committee to develop annual service goals
- ◆ Lead service committee to implement club's service action plans
- ◆ Incorporate opportunities for local youth and Leos to engage in all aspects of service activities, including goal setting, implementation, project evaluation and reporting
- ◆ Report service activities to Lions Clubs International
- ◆ Serve as club resource on current community needs by monitoring the service activities of other service clubs, development community partnerships to expand service
- ◆ Increase member satisfaction by encouraging participation and engagement in served projects
- ◆ Collaborate with club membership chairperson to promote membership opportunities to non-Lions during service projects

MARKETING CHAIRPERSON

- ◆ Develop and implement annual marketing plan with club membership chairperson; attend district governor's advisory committee
- ◆ Collaborate with Global Action Team to stay connected to all membership, leadership, and service programs, projects, and events
- ◆ Understand global brand guidelines and support proper use of brand materials in club events, service project
- ◆ Work closely with membership chairperson to target and reach out to new members
- ◆ Promote work of club on social media
- ◆ Work with club leadership, submit marketing award application for consideration for international headquarters
- ◆ Motivate members to be brand ambassadors, encourage members to take photos, share on social media
- ◆ Publicize club activities
- ◆ Assist club president in communication information from district

Let's Go Clubbing!

Take a NEW member with you to visit a nearby club! Region #4 has been doing this for many years. When the visit a club a "Traveling Bell" is then taken back to the visiting club until another club brings 5-6 members from their club to have the honors of being in possession of the "Traveling Bell."



Millheim Lions Club

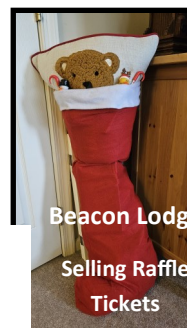
FALL BINGO Fundraiser November 6
Old Gregg School Complex, 106 School Street,
Spring Mills, PA 16875

HOWARD AREA LIONS CLUB

Bell Ringing for Salvation Army
BLACK FRIDAY
Mill Hall, PA

Pleasant Gap Lioness

Selling Texas Roadhouse Gift Cards
Purchase Until November 19



Beacon Lodge
Selling Raffle
Tickets

Milesburg Lions Club

"Wreaths Across America"
4 Cemeteries in December



Jersey Shore Lioness
Candy Canes to
"Santa's House"
in December

Poinsettias and Christmas Cactus Sale
Order by November 16



Montgomery Lions Club

Thanksgiving Day



Wellsboro Lions Club

Parking Cars



Montgomery Lions Club

Homemade Sale after Christmas

Canton Lions

Hand-out Candy Canes
to the
Canton Elementary
School



Picture Rocks

Selling Sauerkraut

December
TJ Market, Hughesville
Wengard's, Muncy



PA LIONS BEACON LODGE CAMP PRESENTS



BEACON Fall Fest

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH, 2025

TIME: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**LOCATION: 114 STATE ROUTE 103 S,
MOUNT UNION, PA 17066**

**Join us for a day of fall fun at the
beautiful Beacon Lodge Camp!**

Whether you're a long-time supporter or a
first-time visitor, there's something for
everyone at our Beacon Fall Fest!



Festival Activities

- Outdoor Bowling
- Mini Golf
- Friendly Pony Rides
- Golf Cart Tours of the campgrounds
- Fall-themed games and more!



Festival Features

- Live Music with a DJ
- Delicious Festival Foods
- A variety of Crafts & Vendors
- Exciting Raffles & Prizes

Questions? Contact Daniel at:

814-542-2511

office@beaconlodge.org

www.BeaconLodge.org



Bring the whole family out
and enjoy a fall day in the
great outdoors — all while
supporting the mission of
Beacon Lodge Camp!

Clubs Start Your Planning

Three impactful weeks to address critical issues worldwide:

January 3-11, 2026	Hunger
April 18-26, 2025	Environment

2025-2026 LCI Club Excellence Award criteria The Club Excellence Award acknowledges the dedication and legacy of service within individual clubs.

Applications will not be necessary for the 2025-2026 award cycle. Awards will be distributed by Lions International to clubs that meet the following criteria and eligibility requirements.

Membership

- Induct a minimum of two or 20% new members, whichever is greater (not including transfer, reinstated or charter members). Eligibility is determined based on the club's membership count on June 30th of the previous Lion year
- Or sponsor a new Lions club

Service

- Report a minimum of four service activities to Lions International. Three of these activities must show participation in each of the three International Weeks of Service

Leadership

- Report newly elected club officers in Lion Portal by May 15 of the current Lion year
- A minimum of 10% of the club's members complete any three courses in the Lions Learning Center
- The club president for the current Lion year must not have served more than two consecutive terms
- A minimum of two or more club officers (president, vice president, secretary or treasurer. Of which, one must be the club president) complete Club Officer Training (online with the Lions Learning Center or in-person as reported by a GLT coordinator in Learn) between July 1 – December 31 of the current Lion year

Donations

- Contributed to LCIF a minimum of the club's membership total on June 30th of the previous Lion year, multiplied by US\$20



TOGETHER WE SERVE

January 3-11, 2026



For: Partnership with local food banks through food drives or meal preparation

Goal: Address food insecurity and ensure communities have access to nutritious meals

Find: Resources on [Lions Clubs International website](#).

April 18-26, 2026



For: Organizing activities to establish a healthier and more sustainable future

Goal: Create activities such as tree planting, environmental cleanups, and recycling

Find: Resources on [Lions Clubs International website](#).



The young people in our Leo Clubs are making a difference in their communities and are enjoying it, while we are enjoying the refreshing attitudes brought out in all of us! Their personal involvement as members offers opportunities to take responsibility and seize opportunities for commitment.



Montgomery Middle School

Montgomery Middle School Leo Club under the guidance of Leo Advisor Lion Jesse Newcomer, students constructed four kiosks on the history of Montgomery for the "Walking Tour."

Club members assisted with making sauerkraut with the Montgomery Lions Club in early October.

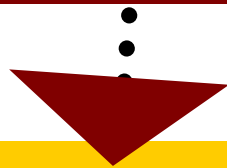


Officers: President Zoe Furman
VP Ava Hartman
Secretary Trinity Sellers
Treasurer Madelyn Miller
Membership Chair Madelyn Dieffenderfer



Benefits of Being a Leo

- *Acquiring skills as project organizers
- *Motivators of their peers
- *Discover how teamwork and cooperation can bring change in their community
- *Develop positive character traits and receive recognition for their contributions
- *Participating in extracurricular activities in the community can improve your college chances



Special points of interest:

- 2025: Leo Clubs in over 140 countries!
- FIRST LEO CLUB: Founded in 1957 by Jim Graver, coach of Abington High School, PA baseball team
- Club formed with Lion William Emst
- Colors for Leo was adopted by Abington High School colors
- Club named with the acronym: Leadership Experience Opportunity
- 1964 Leo Club Program became sponsored by Lions Clubs International

Saint Joseph's Academy Leo Club



The **Harris Township Lions Club** hosted a mixer with the **Saint Josephs Academy Leo Club** on October 15, 2025, for the Leo members to learn about community service and how to get the students involved.



Thank you, Leos!

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Bellefonte Lions Club

Bellefonte	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	1,001	158	198	\$2,375.00	\$0

The **Bellefonte Lions Club** decided on October 18th for the 'Annual Fall Rib Dinner Sale.' (Hunger) The family picnic was held at the Bellefonte Governors Park.

Two garbage bags full of used eyeglasses were dropped off at the Centre Hall Lions Club building by Lion Irvin. (Vision)

A donation \$300.00 was provided to the Bellefonte Victorian Christmas. The club purchased one pair of eye-

glasses for an individual in need. (Vision).

A donation of \$50.00 was provided to the Bellefonte YMCA Fall Festival

The **Bellefonte Lions Club** is also planning the annual get-away to Cancun and currently have 147 participants scheduled during January 2026.

Thank you, Lion Jerrold May!



Centre Plans Halloween

C. H.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	9	24	72	\$0	\$0

The club is planning for their annual Halloween party for the children in the community.

The **Centre Hall Lions Club** has been an active partner with the Adopt-a-Highway program for more than 20 years. We will be gathering to collect and remove garbage and debris from both sides of a two-mile stretch (four miles total) of Route 45 in Centre Hall.

Every month, two Centre Hall Lions Club members create and deliver bouquets of fresh flowers to local nursing home/assisted living residents who are celebrating birthdays that month.



Weekly jackpot bingo: Come and play 32 rounds of bingo, specials, and rip tickets. Food and drinks are available for purchase. All money raised benefits the Centre Hall Lions Club facilities; community service projects, events, and activities; and charities.

Thank you, Lion Val Leta, for reporting your club's activities!



Coudersport Area

C.A.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	4400	70	569	\$0	\$41,966.00

One member from the **Coudersport Area Lions Club** cleaned up a 5 mile section of the Susquehanna Trail System: clearing brush, downed limbs, overgrowth. In an effort to improve our environment and clean up our local roadways, the Lions Club headed outdoors on Sunday, October 5, 2025 to pick up litter along our designated stretch of Route 6. Pictured L-R: Ron Hallett, Heidi Klutschkowski, Dan Holmes, Karen Hallett, Sharon Kottwitz, and Steve Erway. (Environment)

One Coudersport Lion served over 50 hours volunteering at the local Historical Society, a local Historical museum, Daughters of the American Revolution, & a local library. (Humanitarian)

Each Saturday morning, several Lion volunteers collect and sort recycling for the Coudersport Area. The recycling center is open to the community from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. (Environment)

Three members volunteer weekly at the Alliance Food Bank, one member volunteers monthly at the Roulette Food Bank, and one member volunteers monthly at the Military Food Share & also fulfills an administrative role. (Hunger)

On Monday, October 6, 2025, the Coudersport Area Lions Club held our annual Governor's Dinner with District Governor Leona Houseknecht. The evening was bittersweet as we honored Steve and Brenda Erway's many years of service with our club and welcomed incoming president Ron Hallett. The Erway's will be moving to Dubois, PA, at the end of October.

A delicious dinner was served by our favorite caterer, Claudia Dynda. Thank you to ALL our local Lions who serve the Coudersport community! Group

Photo L-R: Wayne Wetzel, Steve Erway, Cathy Flook, Heidi Klutschkowski, Ilene Altenhein, Sharon Kottwitz, Karen Hallett, Brenda Erway, and Ron Hallett.

Going to MISS YOU Erway's!!!!!!

Thanks, Lion Karen Hallett, for reporting and all the great photos!



Passing the gavel: Incoming President Lion Ron Hallett from Immediate Past President Steve Erway of the Coudersport Area Lions Club.



District Governor Leona Houseknecht gave a "**Roar Award**" to Lion Sharon Kottwitz for her faithful service to our community as a Lion.

Ferguson Friendly

F.T.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	1106	28	304	\$0	\$2680.00

On 911 with showing respect for first responders protecting the **Ferguson Township Lions Club** area, one member took over 150 pastries to two police department's, a fire fighting company, and an ambulance company for being our first responders in Ferguson Township.

The club conducted their monthly barbeque chicken fundraiser and funds will be disbursed at the next club meeting. The next scheduled

event will be October 10th. Another organization in the area also cooks barbeque chickens as a fundraiser and some club members assist with the preparation and cooking.

Thanks, Lion Jeff Fetterman, for reporting your club's services in the Lion Portal!

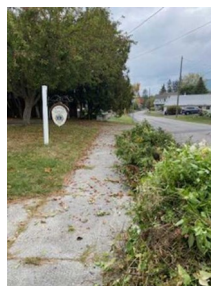


Harris Welcomes Leo's

H.T.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	6052	78	966	\$0	\$13000.00

AED Training was provided on September 15 and is now installed at the clubhouse with 8-10 Lions members having been trained.

WOW! A new Leo Club, St. Joseph's Academy, has been formed with 40 members!!! Plans for the chartering and building a working relationship with guiding students in community involvement. The club will be holding a MIXER on October 14th.



Charter Night will be November 12th!!

At the monthly board meeting, **Harris Township Lions** discussed plans for the fall



barbeque on October 25th; highway clean-up is scheduled for October 18th, with a rain date of October 20th, decorating for the holidays will be held on November 22nd in downtown Boalsburg, and assisting with the Hometown Christmas event being held on December 6th, and will be selling hot chocolate.

On November 3rd, the club will have a Membership Drive to increase membership for more hands to serve.

DG Leona Houseknecht received a gift from Harris Township President Harvey Manbeck.

The club grossed \$13,000.00 from the Grange Fair parking task. In the near future, the **Harris Township** is working with the Military Museum to replace the wooden bridge by Boalsburg Pike.

Thanks for the pictures and reporting from the **Harris Township Lions Club Monthly Needler!**



Catawissa Valley Lions

C. V.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	202	50	460	0	\$4,026.00

The **Catawissa Valley Lions Club** is planning a Meat Raffle for the next few months. Keep on the look-out for a great deal!

A successful Duck Race was organized by the Catawissa Valley Lions Club. The community enjoyed watching the ducks racing to the finish line, especially the kids!!

The club



held their monthly meeting with 18 in attendance.

Good luck with the Meat Raffle! Thanks for reporting,, Lion Craig Long!



LH Boat Regatta

L.T.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	1500	15	71	\$0	\$675.00

At the Lock Haven Boat Regatta, Lions Stuart Hall, Steve Acquino, Jim Bottorf, George McKinney, Dave Dale, Bob Larsen, and Craig Conti along with Lion Spouses Brenda Bottorf and Diane Miller manned the hot sausage and pizza stand and increased club funds by \$675.00.

The **Lock Haven Lions Club** picked up trash along PA Route 120 just outside the city of Lock Haven, with a focus on cleaning up the environment.

Thanks, Lion Craig Miller, for posting your club's activities in the Lion Portal.

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Canton Lions Recruiting

Canton	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	4684	46	157	\$2,100.00	\$0

Canton Lions donated eyeglass prescription replacements to four individuals at the cost of \$1,400.00. **VISION The Tour de Shunk** is a charity bike ride event that takes place in Pennsylvania, specifically in Bradford and Sullivan counties. The 26th annual event occurred on September 14, 2025. The event benefits the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeastern PA. The **Canton Lions Club** along with the Canton Chamber of Commerce sponsored an Aid Station to support the many riders in the event.



Three Scholarships were awarded to Senior students through the Canton Area School District. The Raymond Packard Memorial Award for an outstanding male and female student as well as the James C Arnold Award to an outstanding student.

The members and their families made well over 60 apple pies to sell during the Canton, PA community Pumpkin Festival. The members and volunteers manned the pie sales stand throughout the 2-day festival and sold all the pies made and donated as well as received several donations from generous community members.



Thank you, Lion Bob Bartow, for reporting in the Lions Portal!



BBQ Chicken Serves Jersey Shore

J. S.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	5271	396	1323	\$7012.00	\$7700.00

The **Jersey Shore Lions Club** works at the Community Food Bank and served 494 people! As the winter months arrive, so does the increase for food consumption.

Lions purchased, prepared, and cooked chickens for their monthly barbeque with increasing funds by \$600.00 while serving 145

meals. The previous month, the Lions served 168 meals with a profit of \$600.00.

Thanks, Lion Dan and Nancy Simmons, for reporting Jersey Shore Lions activities and services!



Kulpmont Supports Community

Kulpmont	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	100	4	8	\$275.00	\$0

Kulpmont Centennial Lions Club provided monies towards a community picnic in Kulpmont on September 6, 2025. The Kulpmont Beverage Company hosts a 5K Run and the club donated \$100.00 towards the event for the community. Thanks,



Lion Dave Bango, for reporting your club's activities!

Millville Lions

Millville Donations

Beacon Lodge	\$100.000
Camp Victory	\$100.00
American Red Cross	\$100.00
PA Lions Foundation	\$100.00
LCIF	\$100.00
Leader Dog	\$100.00

Millville	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	1400	11	301	\$550.00	\$0

The **Millville Lions Club** made numerous donations to other organizations. A donation of \$100.00 to Beacon Lodge, a special camp for adults and youth. The Lodge is supported by the Pennsylvania Lions. All workers are volunteers and camps are held during the summer months. This is a Special Camp for children with similar disabilities every week during the summer months. All doctors, nurses, and workers are volunteers. The **Millville Lions Club** supports the PA Lions Foundation. The Foundation supports clubs in Pennsylvania with community projects when requesting a grant to assist with the monetary donations for completion of service activity.

A donation was made to Leader Dog in Michigan for the training of dogs to be a support system for those that are vision impaired or legally blind.

Bow Festival & Highway Detail: Eagles Mere Laporte

E. M. L.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	1,958	66	110	\$500.00	\$28,500.00

Eagles Mere Laporte
Lions helped vendors set up and worked the parking detail at the Annual Pennsylvania Bow Festival held at the Forks-ville Fair Grounds. Fifteen volunteers work 27 hours while serving 750 people at this event.

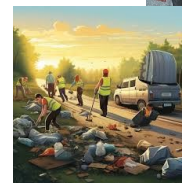
For Environment as a Global Cause, 14 Eagles Mere Laporte Lions worked 16 hours while serving 500 residents.

Thanks for reporting, Lion Anastasia!



Eagles Mere Laporte Lions: Deb Lindner, Lee Middleton, Jeff Hamilton, Dorothy Skibitsky, Corkey Engel, Joe Skibitsky

One group of Eagles Mere Laporte Lions: Dennis Gould; Linda Gould, Rick Liebert (Highway Chairperson); Angie Denmon and Howard Denmon.



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Montoursville Lions Busy!

Montoursville	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	15000	16	71	\$0	\$3100.00

Two Montoursville Lion members, PDG Bob Dunne and Lion Diane Dunne, attended the Senior Expo held at a church in Montoursville with over 100 vendors. The Lion Club members provided brochures on the Lions Club to encourage others to join with helping those in need.

Montoursville Lions participated in the Fall Festival and conducted games for youths and adults with a cake wheel; toilet paper throw and a golf ball challenge. The club made \$2,000.00 towards their activity fund. Two students from the high school assisted and were presented a certificate at the next Lions Club meeting.

Members of the club picked-up debris from a section of Pennsylvania highway to restore the beauty of the environment. The club collects used eyeglasses to send to New Jersey Lions to be recycled for other foreign countries.

Containers are placed in the community for individuals to donate the aluminum cans for recycling and as a project to collect funds to disburse to the community. In November, members will do their annual Christmas decorations for the community.



Warrensville Area

W. A.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	2975	14	198	\$0	\$1200.00

One member of the Warrensville Area Lions Club cleaned up very weedy, overgrown areas outside local nursing home.

Club members recycle glass, tin cans, newspaper, magazines, and plastics .

Thanks, Lion Joanne Drake, for reporting your club's service activities.

Benton Lions

Benton	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	1461	91	164	\$2500.00	\$2000.00

On September 13th, members of the **Benton Lions Club** prepared and served a meal to 60 people who lives in the Benton Area School district and is 80 or over. Octobers meeting resulted in plans for the upcoming Halloween parade and fundraisers. The club hosts the parade with registration, invitations to school bands, fire companies, and local merchants to participate. Prizes are also awarded! Thanks, Lion Fran, for reporting!

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Strides Walk, Leo Club, & Mental Health Awareness



Montgomery Lions Club held the first Diabetes "Strides Walk" at the Montgomery Athletic field on Saturday, September 13, 2025, and raised

\$6,986.57! Funds will go to the local Susquehanna Health Foundation restricted for the use of diabetes. UPMC had representatives there doing A1C testing and providing educational information. Had many sponsors and had a basket raffle.



There were 52 Raffle Baskets and generous sponsors for the "Strides Walk."

Above: DJ and President Nancy Secules. DJ and son won two raffle baskets. Lions from other clubs

supported and participated in the Strides Walk: Kathy Lehman (Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley), DG Leona Houseknecht, Jim Houseknecht, Angela Yonkin, Marc Yonkin, Cheryl Wilbur, Wanda Walters (Allenwood Area), and Robert Harman (Muncy Area).



Montgomery	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	7154	182	1169	\$8237.00	\$16124.00.00

Montgomery Lions Club made a donation to Olivia Carey of \$250.00, cheerleader from Montgomery High School, to attend the Varsity Spirit Spectacular Parade in Walt Disney World, Orlando, Florida.

A donation of \$250.00 to the American Legion Auxiliary to help with their annual soup sale held October 18th.

In memoriam of Lion Paul Wertman, the club made donations for memorial bricks at Beacon Lodge and Camp Victory; and for the memorial wall at North Central Sight Services, Williamsport.

Provided a \$500.00 donation to the parents of Molly Pewterbaugh, age 5, diagnosed with Stage-4 neuroblastomas cancer. Monies will help with their travels and lodging expenses for Molly's treatments.

Thanks for reporting Lion Dave Stahl!

Upcoming Events:

October 30th - Community Halloween Parade

November 27th - Community Thanksgiving Dinner



Howard Area Lions Receives GRANTS!

The **Howard Area Lions Club** was able to attain two grants to provide two 8' x 10' for a walk-in freezer to support FREE food distribution to needy residents in Centre and Clinton Counties, serving 80 or more families with 200+ individuals!

The Lions became aware of a grant opportunity by the Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation in January 2023. The members determined a large walk-in cooler and a walk-in freezer would best serve instead of 27 residential sized refrigerators and freezers at the Food Bank.

The **Howard Area Lions** applied for a grant from Centre Foundation, which includes four different funds

that ultimately comprised the \$25,000.00. The stipulation was the **Howard Area Lions** had to find a matching source for that amount. Next step, the club applied to the Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation (LOPF), and was approved. The club now had \$50,000.00 toward the project!

Lions from the Howard Area secured a price of \$55,000.00 for the two units with shelving, lighting, and all controls. The units were shipped from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The club provided manpower and equipment to clear a site and install a concrete slab to have a place for the outdoor cooler and freezer. Congratulations, Lions!



Above: Lions Jim Shadle; George Mochan; Larry Shadle; Tim Rickert; Bob Patishnock; Lloyd Rhoades; and Ron Davy.



Cranes delivered.



Freezer/Walk-in being placed on the cement slabs the Howard Area Lions constructed.

H. A.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	3587	95	367.5	\$0	\$55,000.00

Mill Hall Mighty!

M. H. A.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	21277	181	1095	\$0	\$0

Mill Hall Area Lions club provides "Blessings in a Backpack" program at the Mill Hall Elementary School. They provide weekend bags with enough food for 3 meals a day for the weekend and send the bags home on Fridays.

Lion Roxanne works with Lion Denny

Bechdel - Howard Lions Club to get medical equipment for community members in need. Lion Tracy Smith is a member of the Keystone Central School Board



Mill Hall Area Lion Shan Miller serves as a mentor to a child in Clinton County. She provides opportunities for activities and even includes the child's siblings in activities and special events.

Lion Peg Johnson crochets prayer shawls and lap robes for seniors. She crochets about 2 hours a night. Several members recycle weekly to protect the environment.

Lions Shan and Lion Roxanne are serving as event leaders for the 2025 Relay For Life of Clinton County. The event is scheduled for May 3, 2025. Our goal this year is \$55,000. We believe we will exceed this amount by the time we close out this fundraising year in August.

Pleasant Gap Lioness

P.G.A.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	25	7	40	\$1500.00	\$0

The **Pleasant Gap Area Lioness** hosted the American Red Cross for a local blood drive on September 4, 2025, and served 25 individuals.



The club donated \$500.00 to Leader Dog for sponsoring a puppy to be trained. Participated in the Pleasant Gap Fall Festival to help the local fire company. The Lions set up a table with recruiting and informational fliers to encourage others in the community to volunteer with supporting those in need.

Thanks, Lion Gail Lucas, for reporting your clubs service activities!

Muncy Area Supports

Muncy Area Lions cleaned the bin used for the community to deposit aluminum cans, which helps environmental clean-up and restoration. This is done monthly or more depending on the amount of donated aluminum cans. One member attended the



M. A.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	17200	37	118	\$137.00	\$427.00

"Strides Walk" in September with supporting the Montgomery Lions Club. Lion Robert Harmon won one of the most wanted raffle baskets - the Penn State blanket, chair, and etc. in the basket! Members voted to donate a Raffle Basket worth \$100.00 to a local family's child in need of medical care.

Muncy Area Lions Club came together to clean leaves and brush away from the Muncy Lions Park. The Muncy Lions Park is open to more than 2,500 people in the community to use.

Thanks for reporting, Lion Jesse Confer!

Rocks Appreciated!

P. R.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	50	52	66	\$2500.00	\$4616.66

A huge thank you to the Picture Rocks Lions Club for their continued support of our town! Your dedication helps make events like our Sesquicentennial Celebration on Saturday, September 27, 2025 possible.

PICTURE ROCKS



LIONS CLUB

In August 2025, the **Picture Rocks Lions Club** continued to collect and recycle aluminum cans with increasing their club funds by \$1064.00.

In September 2025, the **Picture Rocks Lions Club** donated \$1000 to Megan's Box, a local charity in our service area and we donated \$500 each to three volunteer fire companies in our service area. The club will soon be making their homemade sauerkraut, which is a huge fundraiser for increasing funds to give back to the community.

Thanks, Lion Bill, for reporting!!!

Centennial Lioness

W.C.L.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	0	6	25	\$150.00	\$0

Kingdom KidZ is one of our ongoing foundations that support. Each year our members volunteer to help with activities to help their cause of creating a FREE learning environment through puppets, crafts, and music.

Thanks, Lion Kathy Handiboe, for reporting in the Portal!

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South Creek Lions

South Creek Lions houses medical equipment for others to use in case of emergencies. Members of the club participate to protect the environment by recycling materials to save on the landfills.



Sugar Valley Serves

\$\$\$ CASH \$\$\$

BINGO

OCT. 10, 2025

SPONSORED BY
SUGAR VALLEY LIONS CLUB
Lions/Sportsmans Clubhouse
55 S. Sportsmans Rd. Loganton, PA

Doors Open: 6:00 pm Games Start: 7:00 pm
\$25 for 30 games
(Includes 100% of the net)

Available to members: "SPECIALS" - RPT Tickets: \$60/50
For info: call Elizabeth 570-723-2145 or Bob 570-723-3665

COME JOIN THE FUN & BRING A FRIEND!
"FREE FOOD" "SMOKE-FREE FACILITY"
CHILDREN UNDER 18 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

S. V.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	8121	124	704	\$1800.00	\$2422.30

"I'd like to shout out a huge THANK YOU to all of the volunteers from **Sugar Valley Lions Club** members, community members, family, friends, neighbors, church members, co-workers, complete strangers and bingo players, as well as, to all that donated food, raffle items and baked goods for our Geisewite Family Benefit Bingo fundraiser held Friday, May 2, 2025. All proceeds from this event will be given to Amanda and Parker Geisewite. The April 9th devastating accident that claimed the life of Evan Geisewite, a young husband and father, and injured his wife, brought this community and surrounding communities together to support and alleviate the burden of expenses going forward for his wife and young son. This Benefit received an overwhelming response of support, generosity and outpouring of love and compassion from so many living near or from afar. The Sugar Valley Lions Club cannot thank everyone near enough for the outpouring of support from each and everyone that helped make this Benefit a huge success. Thank you so much for your support." Lion Donna Mills, **Sugar Valley Lions Club** (taken from Sugar Valley Facebook page)

A few members perform ongoing seasonal mowing, weed control, etc. of their recreational park benefitting use for the community and youth sports leagues. Members continue mowing the recreational park and soccer fields as needed; ordered a load of stones to be delivered for the driveway at the park.

At one of the monthly dinner meetings a guest speaker from Clinton County Emergency Services spoke and highlighted status of upgrade of communications radios for local volunteer fire department and touched on progress of county government addressing blighted/abandoned properties.

The **Sugar Valley Lions Club** provided a monthly service activity of Food Bank for the community; held a Cash Bingo fundraiser; hosted a successful Bloodmobile event for the community and collected 24 units. The next scheduled Bloodmobile will be January 22, 2026.

Two (2) lift chairs were donated to their medical assistance program; one (1) lift chair and a wheelchair were loaned out. Thanks, Lion Donna Mills, for reporting all the services and activities.

South Williamsport

S. W.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	713	35	0	\$525.00	\$8062.00



The **South Williamsport Lions Club** collects cans every Monday of the month at locations in our community.

A donation of \$200.00 was donated to the Messiah Lutheran Preschool Bingo Event to support the mission of the school for the community.

The Annual Fall Chicken Barbeque fundraiser was a success making an estimated \$6,000.00! The club served 713 dinners. The South Williamsport Leo Club assisted and did much of the work, which is greatly appreciated! Thanks for reporting Lion Nicole English!

Turbotville Augustfest

T. & A.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	3400	83	712	\$2000.00	\$0



SATURDAY, AUGUST 19TH
Bring your blankets/chairs and enjoy
END OF SUMMER CELEBRATION!!!
MILLTOWN BLUES
on the TRAIN STATION 6:00PM - 9:00PM
FOLLOWED BY FIREWORKS
Sponsored by: Turbotville Area Carnival Committee
Lions Club - Breakfast @ 7am, hamburgers, hot dogs
Harrison's Concession - hot sausage, pulled pork, French fries
Girl Scouts - Lemonade
Freese-n-Point - Ice Cream
Exchange Pool - Soda, water
Tasty on Wheels - pretzels
Laidbackers - Sticky Buns
Little Miss Cupcake Let's Make Whoopie - whoopie pies/cupcake

The **Turbotville Area Lions Club** sponsored the annual Augustfest in Turbotville. We invited vendors to set up at the community grounds and showcase their wares. There were crafters, food trucks and various organizations

setting up stands. In addition, people were welcomed to set up yard sales at the community grounds, and people in town were encouraged to have yard sales at their homes. This event brings the people of the community together, and everyone looks forward to it every year. Several members of the **Turbotville Area Lions Club** worked at the local food bank. Several members of the **Turbotville Area Lions Club** assisted at the local food bank, cooked for church functions, and assisted at a summer program that feeds children in the local communities.

Ten Turbotville Area Lions assisted people in the community. Some worked at local churches, and one worked at the Historical Society. Two **Turbotville Area Lions** donated blood and worked at blood drives. Plastic bags are collected in the community and recycled into Trex benches.

Thanks for reporting, Lion Eileen Povish!

Allenwood Area Actions

Humanitarian Efforts were provided by one Lion assisting with helping to mow the lawn and trimming of weeds for an elderly neighbor; one Lion visiting an elderly individual shut-in; and one Lion running errands to an elderly neighbor.

Allenwood Area Lions members meeting once a month to conduct business and create committees for activities and ways to increase funds.

One Lion purchases groceries on a weekly basis for a shut-in individual.

Six Lions travelled to a destination to collect a storage shed (\$700) that was donated to help store items for the Lions Club. The shed needed to be

disassembled to fit in a trailer. The shed was then transported 60 miles back to the location for the shed to be unloaded and reassembled for storing Lions projects, etc. The club will purchase items for community needs, community events, while keeping items in one location for easy accessibility for club Lions.

One member worked on creating a flier; participating in a radio ad; collected raffle baskets; administrative work; and worked the day of the Strides Walk. The local hospital, UPMC-Williamsport, provided A1C testing for all attendees during the event. A local DJ volunteered their time

A.A.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	32219	80	1287	\$100.00	\$600.00

playing music; and a table was set up with Lions information to recruit new members.

One associate member assisted in preparing materials, preparation of making sauerkraut, and cleaning the storage area.

One member assisted club officers with the administrative materials and guidance of the first vice district governor.

Five members participated in the Strides Walk for the Montgomery Lions Club event.

Thank you, Lions, for reporting your service activities in Lionism. Thank you, Angie Yonkin.



Allenwood Area Lion Secretary Angela Yonkin and her husband, Marc Yonkin won 4 Raffle Baskets at the Diabetes Awareness Walk, Montgomery, PA, on September 13, 2025.

Annual Car Show

R. N. V.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	13	68	167	\$0	\$2,500.00

One member of the **Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley Lions Club** took an elderly person to the hospital to get blood work done.

Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley held their Annual Car Show and Chicken Barbeque Sale. Members from other clubs: Allenwood Area Lions Club, Warrentsville & Area Lions Club; Montgomery Lions Club; and the District Governor Leona Houseknecht and her husband Lion Jim Houseknecht.

Thanks, Lion Kathy Lehman for reporting in the Lions Portal.



Taking chicken orders; protecting the trophies; Lions supporting other Lions Clubs



SA Lioness

The **Sayre Athens Lioness Club** participated in the "Stuff the Bus Project," which collects items and monies for school supplies for the children.

S. A. L.	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	0	24	250	\$100.00	\$2,030.00

October 11th the ANNUAL Chance Auction Fundraiser was conducted. Thanks, Lion Mary Sarisky, for reporting!



Shamokin Area

Shamokin Area Lions prepared cooked, and served a meal to the Shamokin Band Boosters organization. The club served 400 individuals with 13 members working 24 hours. Thanks, Lion Fred, for reporting!

Shamokin	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	400	13	24	\$0	\$0

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Super Sylvania Wellsboro Lions

Sylvania	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	8121	124	704	\$1800.00	\$2422.30

Sylvania Lions hosted their first ever Bingo Night at the Community Hall in Sylvania. It was a great evening with everyone having fun and looking forward to another round next month! We can already tell that it will only get bigger and better because it was very well-received.

Club Administrator logged volunteer hours, typing minutes of meetings, checking the PO box for club mail, and making preparations for Bingo prizes.

Sylvania Lions sort recycled materials and take to recycling center. Club members met at the Iron Skillet in Sylvania for a meal, followed by a meeting at the Community Hall to discuss business.

Packed 100 sacks of food for school kids to take home so they won't go hungry for the weekend.



At a Community Event, one Lion helped demonstrate how butter was churned in the late 1800's and another Lion demonstrated how maple syrup was made. This is a very worthwhile event to show people what life was like many years ago.



A \$300.00 donation was given to a man whose blood cancer has come back, and another \$300.00 donation to a man with serious ongoing health issues.

The annual chicken barbeque chicken made a profit of \$187.30. One member mowed the ditch at the Recycle Center.

Thanks, Club Administrator Nancy Pratt, for reporting your club's activities!!

Milesburg

Milesburg	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	1776	183	1018	\$9400.50	\$0

Preparing for the SVBT Fall Festival; had a Centre Foresight Meeting for region IV and will be sorted eyeglasses at a later date, while discussing helping a disabled individual.

The weekly BINGO fundraiser in preparing, serving food, and cleaning the kitchen continues to be a great way to increase funds to help others. Members continued to recycle for the environment: paper, cardboard, glass, and metal. Also, collected 69 pairs of eyeglasses to be recycled.

Thanks, PDG Butch Haus, for reporting!

Wellsboro	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	5003	36	66	\$1580.00	\$0

The Wellsboro Lions Club hosted our District Governor Leona Houseknecht and partner, Lion Jim for our annual Ribs and Corn picnic. Spouses and friends were invited.

The District Governor inducted new member Cheryl Gross, presented Lion Walt Colton with a 60 year membership chevron and honored Lions Dave Krick, Craig Fields and Walt Colton as Melvin Jones Fellows.

October 11, 2025, the Wellsboro Lions Club conducted the Annual White Cane Day with collecting monies at specific intersections in the town.



Purchased eyeglasses for \$180.00 for a 29 year old who had vision problems, lost his employment and had cataract surgery and is now able to go back to work. Wellsboro Lions collected and processed aluminum beverage cans and transported aluminum beverage cans to the processing site where they are sorted, crushed and bagged for commercial recycling. The funds generated help others in the community. Thanks, Lion Tom Auman, for reporting!

Wyalusing is There!

Wyalusing	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	4231	89	558	\$0	\$0

Several members of the **Wyalusing Lions Club** donate their time at local churches and pregnancy centers in our area.

There are a few members volunteering their time to local sports teams and youth leadership groups.

Our club helps weekly with "Helping Hands Food Pantry" to provide food to those less fortunate in our area. We serve over 1200 individuals monthly and the number continues to increase. Our members volunteered their time at the local museum, library, volunteer fire department and local town events.



vice activities for the club!

The club honored Lion Jim Smith for becoming a 50-year member! Club president Renee Steward presents an award to Lion Jim. Congratulations!! Thanks, Lion Esther Potts. For reporting your ser-

Terrific Towanda!

Thanks, Lion Bob Hugo, for reporting!

Towanda	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	6669	97	515.03	\$2810.00	\$11039.12

A member of the **Towanda Lions Club** owns a farm tractor and offered to do a hayride for a community event run by the Towanda American Legion. The event was a way for the local community to have a social outing. The club hayride was one of several options family members could do during the event. All events were free to the public. One member drove the tractor, one rode on the wagon for safety issues, 2 members helped to load and unload riders.

Members collected funds that are used for eye related services totaling \$1065.72.

One member is president of the church council and also teaches Sunday school. One member is a lector at her church. One member helps with church program of putting on dinner when a member of the church becomes deceased. One member works on collections during services.

Two members are helping with the local hospice program. Serve Inc. is an agency that supports individual with disabilities. They have a facility that runs projects that employ these individuals. The projects are created for local industries. The object is help these individuals gain confidence, earn a living and to try and get them in the fold of the community. They also have a small school for disabled youth that the local school has no program for them; three members serve on the board. A community event was held to educate and support Serve, Inc.



Hezekiah's Hands assists individuals with disabilities to assist with independent living skills. The **Towanda Lions Club** does projects, such as, building ramps so those individuals and their family members can still use the home (easier). Some additional projects include fixing replacing steps and skirting on trailers. Two members volunteer for TACO. One member is President and has administrative duties but also helps with all aspects. 1 member is only helping with the distribution. The food pantry is open 3 days a week for 3 hours on those days.

The Outstanding Young Women Program (OYW) is an organization which honors High School Senior Women from the school districts in the counties of Bradford and Sullivan Counties. Girls sign up for the program and have several gathering to connect with each other plus these gatherings have workshops on interviewing, public speaking, physical fitness. A two day event is held where the girls do interviews, do physical routines, show poise with public questioning and give some type of entertainment like singing, dancing, poetry etc. The different areas are given a donation to help with future cost of higher education. Approx. \$15,000 will be given out this year. A total of 15 women are in this year program. The **Towanda Lions Club** is the major sponsor as with our sponsorship we provide insurance for the program and we give \$1,500 to help with the scholarships. The club also has 3 members who help with the final event, a 3-4 hour program open to the public. One Lion member works the back stage controlling setting up, curtains, controlling entry and exiting of stage.

One Towanda Lion member is on the board of the local United Way. Two members volunteer for local hospice where they help person(s) at end of life.

Jersey Shore Area Lioness

JSAL	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	200	30	150	\$0	\$0



Jersey Shore has a Town Meeting festival every year. The **Jersey Shore Area Lioness Lions Club** has a booth that caters to young children by offering them a low cost game (\$1.00) or other activity. This year we had approximately 200 children participate in our games! Each child receives a prize no matter what. This encourages the parents to become aware of us. Plus, we march in the annual parade. Thanks, Lion Angie, for reporting a service in the Lion Portal!

Parades & Food Trailer

Millheim	Served	Vol.	Vol. Hrs.	Donations	\$ Raised
Lions	1250	42	130	\$0	\$2000.00

The **Millheim Lions Club** owns a food trailer and travels to various events in and around the county and community. In September, the club participated in the Penns Valley Homecoming Parade and concluded the event at the Centre Hall Grange Fairgrounds.

October 4th and 5th the food trailer was taken to the Aaronsburg Dutch Fall Festival. Thanks, Lion Larry Koehler!



Millheim Lions Club

Calendar of Events

District 14-G Convention



April 18, 2026

District Governor

Leona Houseknecht

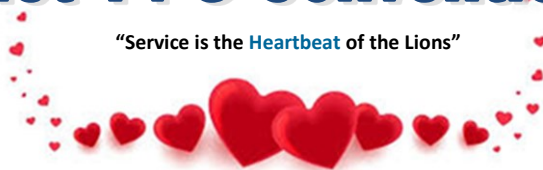
Club Visits

Oct.	
28	Wells-Jackson
Nov.	
4	Howard Area
6	Sayre Athens
11	Wyalusing
Dec.	
2	Sayre Athens Lioness
6	Allenwood Area
Jan.	
6	Jersey Shore Clubs
14	Mt. Carmel
Feb.	
3	Warrensville Area
17	Kulpmont Centennial
21	Montgomery
Mar.	
3	Milesburg
5	Millville and Benton
18	Lock Haven
24	Patton Township
Apr.	
14	Millheim
15	Eagles Mere Laporte
28	Pleasant Gap Clubs
May	
12	Catawissa Valley
27	Turbotville & Area



Meetings

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Nov	
14	World Diabetes Day
15	Peace Poster and Peace Essay Contest Deadline
30	"New Voices" Story Deadline: DG
Dec.	
5	International Leo Day
Jan.	
1	Peace Poster Contest Kits Available
3-11	Support Hunger
13	Melvin Jones Birthday
Feb.	
1	LCI and Marketing Grand Apps. Due
15	International Childhood Cancer Day
23	Membership Development App. Due
Mar.	
1	Specialty Club Workshop App. Due
Apr.	
1	New Voices Story Deadline: DG
18-26	Week of Service: Environment
25	Worldwide Induction Day

Oct.	
31-Nov. 2	State Council Meeting, Red Lion, 4751 Lindle Road, Harrisburg: All Day
Nov.	
9	District Cabinet Meeting, STEP Riverwalk, 423 E. Central Avenue, S. Williamsport: 11:00 a.m.
9	District 14-G GAT Team Meeting, STEP Riverwalk, 423 E. Central Avenue, S. Williamsport: 10:00 a.m.
Jan.	
30-Feb 1	State Council Meeting, Red Lion, 4751 Lindle Road, Harrisburg: All Day
Feb.	
8	District Cabinet Meeting, STEP Riverwalk, 423 E. Central Avenue, S. Williamsport: 11:00 a.m.
8	District 14-G GAT Team Meeting, STEP Riverwalk, 423 E. Central Avenue, S. Williamsport: 10:00 a.m.

Holiday Inn
100 Pine Street
Williamsport, PA 17701

**District 14-G
Convention
April 18, 2026**

Planning Dates:

Nov. 9

Jan. 18

Feb. 15

Mar. 22

April 12

Place: Holiday Inn,
100 Pine Street
Williamsport

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Who: Any Lions can
serve on the com-
mittee for creating
excitement for a 1-
Day Event in District

Conventions

District Convention:
April 18: Holiday Inn, 100 Pine Street, Williamsport, PA
PA State Convention:
May 15-17: Kovalchick Center, 711 Pratt Ave., Indiana, PA

THOSE GONE BEFORE US

John Manz, Canton Lions Club	9 Years
Jerome Wynne, Canton Lions Club	53 Years
Bruce S Berkey, Ferguson Township Lions Club	52 Years
William D Morgan, Harris Township Lions Club	52 Years
Edward L Hubbell, Jersey Shore Lions Club	15 Years
Wayne Derrick, Loyalsock Township Lions Club	13 Years
John Kearns, Mansfield Lions Club	55 Years
Eugene B Berkey, Millheim Lions Club	25 Years
K Barton Reichard, Jr., Milton Lions Club	54 Years
Paul William Wertman, Montgomery Lions Club	63 Years
Russell G Bambarger, Snow Shoe Lions Club	37 Years
Clair W Keefer, South Williamsport Lions Club	56 Years



"Let's remember Lions John Manz, Edward Hubbell, Wayne Derrick, John Kearns, K Barton Reichard, Jr., Paul William Wertman, Russell G Bambarger, and Clair W Keefer, whose strength and loyalty made them a true Lion among us. Their courage, humor, and care changed our lives. We will honor them by carrying forward the values they lived by. Though we grieve, we celebrate a life full of compassion, leadership, and quiet bravery."

Editor's Excitement

Dear Lion's Family:

With over 500+ hours of working this newsletter, I have had to find the strength to face the storms: the program I use to produce the newsletter crashed, as well as the laptop I have had for 5 years! Yes, I fell through this trial, and learned to stand back up and give it my all. All those credits go to my saving grace.

As I scroll back through the newsletter, being a lifelong educator, Lions are becoming stronger through the missions of Lionism. They too are learning and growing in serving others. Two fine examples, Lion Keith Shaw and Lloyd Rhoades from the Howard Area Lions Club: growing in recruiting and inviting others to join in reaching out to others. In the Harris Township Lions Club, Lion Susan Edwards coordinating Membership Drives and increasing their membership. Recently, Lion Nancy Secules from Montgomery Lions Club, in organizing a "Strides Awareness Walk" for diabetes and supporting the new mission of Mental Health Awareness with collecting gently used home goods and furniture to help those displaced due to unforeseen circumstances that disrupted their lives.

In addition, the recent formation of two new Leo Clubs: Harris Township Lions Club sponsoring the St. Joseph's Catholic Academy with 20 plus members; and the Montgomery Lions Club sponsoring the Montgomery Middle School (charter date not yet approved) with 20 plus members! Just last week, those new Leos tamped barrels of sauerkraut after school! Students in the South Williamsport Area High School Leo Club recently actively supported the cooking of chickens at the last Chicken Barbecue sale for the South Williamsport Lions Club.

Lions in 14-G, "G" stands for GREAT! Please don't forget that, and continue to break down the doors! It is through one voice, one heart, and one mission that we rise together. And that's a fact!

In Lionism, Lion Cheryl



Clubs:

PLAN your club's "Weeks of Service!"

>Mental Health & Well-Being

>Hunger

>Environment



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