



# The Cauldron



District 14-B Monthly Newsletter

August 2024

## BEACON LODGE'S 2024 DUCK RACE AND THE WINNERS ARE....





## **MEET OUR NEW INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2024 - 2025 FABRÍCIO OLIVEIRA**

FABRÍCIO OLIVEIRA INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT Fabrício Oliveira of Catolé do Rocha, Paraíba, Brazil, was elected to serve as International President of Lions Clubs International at our association's 106th International Convention, from June 21 through June 25, 2024, in Melbourne, Australia.

International President Fabrício is a businessperson, with a post-graduate degree in business management (MBA) from Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV), and a degree in business administration.

A member of the Catolé do Rocha Lions Club since 1985, International President Fabrício has held several offices in the association, among them, club president, zone chairperson, region chairperson, district governor, Multiple District LA first council of governors chairperson, and international director. He also has served as multiple district leadership development chairperson, having coordinated the district governors-elect seminar, multiple district SightFirst committee chair, and chair of the district Lions Foundation. International President Fabrício also served twice as District Governors-Elect Seminar group leader.

In recognition of his service to the association he has received several awards, including the 100% Club President Award, the District Governor Excellence Medal, District Governor's Extension Award for chartering nine Lions clubs, the District Governor's Membership Growth Award (net 312), Service Award, seven Council Chairperson's Appreciation Medals, 19 International Presidents' Certificates of Appreciation, the Augustin Soliva Medal, the Paradigm Medal, nine Leadership Medals, 16 Presidential Medals, International Director Recognition Medal and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor awarded by the association to its members. President Fabrício has also received a Key Award for sponsoring 30 new members, an Extension Certificate for sponsoring five new Leo clubs, the Global Vision Medal for his efforts in Campaign SightFirst and the Helping Hands Award given by Lions Clubs International Foundation. He has also been recognized as a Lions International Second Century Ambassador, as well as being a Multilevel Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion achievements, International President Fabrício participates in numerous professional and community organizations, having served as the secretary of industry and commerce of the state of Paraíba and an administration council chairperson of several companies. President Fabrício served as director of the National Confederation of Shopkeepers (CNDL), chairperson of the Federation of Chambers of Shopkeepers of the State of Paraíba (FCDL-PB), chairperson of Catolé do Rocha Chamber of Shopkeepers (CDL).

International President Fabrício and his wife, Amariles, also a member of the Catolé do Rocha Lions Club and a Melvin Jones Fellow, have two daughters, a son and a granddaughter.

# *From the desk of* **District Governor Mike Crossey**

Fellow Lions and Leos,

As I write this article it weighs heavily on me that this is my first article as District Governor. That's the last time this year you'll hear me say the word MY in anything I write or say. Being a leader is not about being on top or ahead. It is about serving, listening, and connecting. So today, I share "some of my thoughts on leadership.



**LEADERS LISTEN**-Leaders add value to others when we know and appreciate what others value. How do we get there? We listen. Listen to other people's stories. Find out about their hopes and dreams. Become acquainted with their goals. Pay attention to their emotions. Recognize their fears. Leaders listen with their hearts, not just their ears. Discover what is valuable to your members, your potential members. Then lead, based on what you've learned.

**LEADERS ARE MAGNETS.** Believe it or not, who you attract is not determined by what you want. It is determined by who you are. I used to tell my students :“if you want a friend, be a friend.” Lionism will grow when we accept ourselves as magnets. WHO YOU ARE IS WHO YOU ATTRACT. Attitude is key. It is one of the most contagious qualities we can possess. Your lion attitude. You're LION enthusiasm. Your Lion magnetism will enthuse others to join and to serve.

**LEADERS CONNECT.** For leaders to be effective, they need to connect. A leader can't move people to act. unless they first move them with emotion. When it comes to working with people, the heart comes before the head. I used to tell my teachers: “others won't care how much you know until they know how much you care.”

I will be forever grateful to have this opportunity to serve the Lions in District 14B. Together we will serve our communities. Together we will grow Lionism. Together we will meet our goals. Let's connect. Let's be magnets. Let's attract others, with our enthusiasm to serve.

*Lion Michael J. Crossey*

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Phone: 412-983-8387



# LION RALPH IMBROGNO

## First Vice District Governor



Greetings Fellow Lions and Leos,

This month I am going to take the opportunity to begin an effort to recruit a person to take the position of Lion 2nd VDG for District 14B. This past Lion year we had all three Governor positions filled. We were fortunate enough to have PDG Chris Raynak as Governor, DG Mike Crossey as 1st VDG, and Ralph Imbrogno as 2nd VDG.

Consequently, as all three of us +moved up in our new Lion year, we created an empty spot for 2nd VDG. So I am asking all Lions who are interested in the position to contact DG Mike Crossey or myself for the requirement details. We can go over all the fundamental details so candidates have a clear picture of what the position entails.

I can tell you firsthand that the Governor positions are a different and exciting next level of Lionism. There is plenty of training so the new recruits are very much prepared to take on the responsibilities of 2nd VDG. I was somewhat surprised that the position wasn't as time-consuming as I thought it would be.

One of many of the many nice things when taking the position of VDG is the wonderful interaction with other Lions throughout the State of PA and the world for that matter.

You will meet and make friends with many other Lions. Life is too short so take the opportunity to expand your involvement in the Lions. GO FOR IT!!

DG Mike Crossey placed a wonderful Cauldron article on leadership in the August Cauldron. I'm suggesting that you read and take into account the essential points that DG Mike put in the article. This can begin your interest in the 2nd VDG position.

**ALWAYS REMEMBER TO FOLLOW YOUR HEART AND CONTINUE TO VOLUNTEER!!!**

*Lion Ralph Imbrogno*

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Phone: 412-751-2039



# ANY INTERESTED LION Second Vice District Governor

**IMMEDIATE OPENING NOW AVAILABLE**



If you would like to serve as a District Governor and expand your horizons, and meet new Lions from across the world, now is the time to step forward. You will be sworn in as a District Governor at the Lions International Convention (To be announced later this summer). Please give some thought to becoming the District's Second Vice District Governor! You would receive two years of training (FREE) and would be the

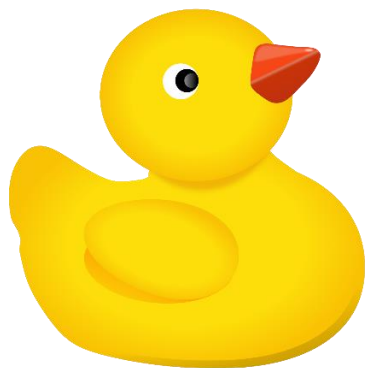
District Governor for the 2026-2027 Lion year. For more detailed information about becoming the Second Vice District Governor, please contact PDG Rich Keller at 412-398-9302.

*"We have over 630 Lions in our District and I know that we have some very qualified, dedicated, and energetic Lions who could step up to fill this vacancy! Being a DG was one of the best years of my life"*

**PDG Harold Fletcher 1983-1984**



## 2024 BEACON LODGE'S ANNUAL DUCK RACE RESULTS



**And...  
Here are  
the  
Winners...**

1. Keldeen Stambaugh 14-T \$1,000
  2. Sholola Lions Club 14-U \$500
  3. Delores Stanton 14-J \$250
  4. Barbara Ricci 14-A \$125
  5. James Jennings 14-P \$125
- Last Kim Bloom 14-J \$5.00

*Thank you PDG Carol Richardson, District 14-E*



NAME	CLUB	SPONSOR
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Chris Arthur  
Elizabeth Gallik

Elfinwild Lions Club  
Mt. Lebanon Lions Club

Lion Michael Quinn  
Lion Sue Lauder

Since July 1, 2024, here's what our District membership looks like from MyLCI...  
**July 1<sup>st</sup> 636 Members added 2 dropped 1 July 31<sup>st</sup> 638**  
*We are ranked 16<sup>th</sup> out of the 17 Districts with Districts 14W beneath us.*

<b>MULTIPLE DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP *</b>	
14G	1476
14A	1257
14D	1177
14T	1163
14C	1160
14M	1012
14N	947
14F	945
14P	889
14U	839
14L	836
14K	730
14J	709
14E	682
14H	642
<b>14B</b>	<b>636</b>
14W	569
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,645</b>
<b>*as of 6/30/2024 Assessment Report</b>	



**We need new members  
and you are the only one who  
can HELP  
Just simply by  
ASKING ONE !**



# Always Making Improvements – McKeesport Lions



Members of the McKeesport Lions Club have challenge and raised funds over the past few years to help solve a problem. The club hosts the Summer Concert Series along with the City and RAD and saw first-hand the need for a safe and even-ground viewing area for folks in wheelchairs attending the concerts. One of their own, Tom Kearney, got around in a wheelchair in everyday life. Tom didn't let anything stop him from enjoying life to the fullest. The club set its sights on raising funds to pay for a platform, safety railing, and paved pathway to the restrooms. Although Tom passed away before this goal could be met, the club carried on with their goal and dedicated the new area to his memory at their June 30 concert. One of the highlights of the summer weeks for Tom (and Tom looked forward to sitting in the sun on summer days!) was attending the concerts at the Lions Bandshell in Renziehausen Park, and now anyone in a wheelchair can enjoy the concerts in a safe, even-ground area in the park.

*Submitted by Lion Annette James, Secretary*



**The First Cabinet Meeting** will be on SUNDAY, August 25, 2024, at 2 p.m. at the Munhall Borough Building in the Community Room on the second floor. The address for the Munhall Borough Building is 1 Bodnar Way, Munhall, PA 15120.

**ALL PRESIDENTS, SECRETARIES, AND ALL LIONS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND! WHEN YOU WERE SWORN IN AS PRESIDENT OR SECRETARY, YOU WERE ALSO ACCEPTING THE RESPONSIBILITY AS MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

**PLEASE CONTACT LION MICHELE FALCE, COORDINATOR OF DISTRICT ACTIVITIES. AT [mbaker@sei.cmu.edu](mailto:mbaker@sei.cmu.edu) TO LET HER KNOW THAT YOU WILL BE ATTENDING.**

*Daniel K. Carr*  
*-Director, McKeesport Lions*  
*-Summer Concerts Chairman*



*cell # (412) 400-9977*  
*4dancarr@gmail.com*  
*WWW.MCKEESPORTBANDS.COM*

## **2024 McKeesport Summer Concert Series**

- |  |    |                                     |
|--|----|-------------------------------------|
| June   | 16 | The Vogues                          |
| June   | 23 | Dancing Queen                       |
| June   | 30 | Dr. Zoot Island Band                |
| July   | 4  | Jeff Jimerson and Airborne          |
| -Followed by   |    | <b>FIREWORKS !</b>                  |
| July   | 14 | The Clintones - 90's                |
| July   | 21 | The New Pure Gold                   |
| July   | 28 | This Indecision - Classic Rock      |
| August   | 4  | Totally 80's Band                   |
| August   | 11 | Scott, Rob and Greg of "The Clarks" |
| August   | 18 | Pendulum - CCR Tribute              |
| August   | 25 | Aftermath - Experience the 60's     |
| <b>----McKeesport Rib Festival Labor Day Weekend----</b> |    |                                     |
| August   | 30 | Beatlemania Magic                   |
| August   | 31 | Bon Journey                         |
| -  |    | 4 p.m. Band May Be Added            |
| September  | 1  | The Jaggerz                         |
| -  |    | 4 p.m. Band May Be Added            |
| September  | 2  | The Booze Brothers                  |
| -Followed by   |    | <b>FIREWORKS !</b>                  |
| -  |    | 4 p.m. Band May Be Added            |

**LIONS BANDSHELL – RENZIE PARK – 7 P.M. START TIME**

Follow [WWW.MCKEESPORTBANDS](http://WWW.MCKEESPORTBANDS) and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/mckeesportbands)  
for Cancellations, Changes, Additions or More Information



1988-1989 District 14B Cabinet Meeting at the  
Greater Pittsburgh Guild for the Blind, Bridgeville, PA



District Governor Guy Fazzino from the Pleasant Hills Lions Club held one of his District Cabinet Meetings at the Guild for the Blind in Bridgeville, in November 1988. Pictured above are nearly all of his cabinet members standing on the steps, just inside the front door.

A prize, yet to be determined, will be awarded to the Lion who can submit the most names of Lions in the picture.

***GOOD LUCK TO ALL!***

*As of July 31<sup>st</sup>, only one Lion has submitted 19 names.*

***The contest will run through the end of August.***

SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY BY EMAIL TO; [PDRHAROLD@ZOOMINTERNET.NET](mailto:PDRHAROLD@ZOOMINTERNET.NET)



**ANNOUNCING!!**

## **THE 14-B LIONS CLUB GOLF CHALLENGE**

Our District has 30 Lions clubs. There are golfers in each of those clubs I am sure. Bring your best foursome to the LDBAW Golf Outing at Butlers Golf Course on September 7<sup>th</sup> and get in on the challenge to find the lowest scoring club team. What the heck, bring a couple foursomes! It's a fun day with souvenirs, lunch at the turn, a beverage cart on the course all day long, and prizes during dinner at the end of the day. Oh, yeah, did I mention GOLF at one of the great courses in the District. **But wait, there's more.** A Basket Raffle, skill prizes, 50/50, comraderie, and fellowship with other golfing Lions.

The registration form is in this edition of the Cauldron along with sponsor opportunities. So, fill out the form, send it to PDG Joe Donkin and bring your foursomes to Elizabeth and help support one of the Global causes of Lions International – Diabetes.

Who will have braggin' rights as the best GOLF CLUB (see what I did there) and a trophy to take home to your club until next year's outing?

**\*\*\*\*\*WE WILL SEE YOU THERE \*\*\*\*\***

# CENTRAL ELIZABETH TOWNSHIP

PRESENTS



**PITTSBURGH BELAIRS**  
SINGING DOO WOP, HARMONY & MOTOWN

## YOUGHIOGHENY COUNTRY CLUB

1901 GREENOCK BUENA VISTA ROAD

ELIZABETH TWP, PA. 15135

7 P.M. **SATURDAY, SEPT. 21**

**\$40**

*Donation*

includes  
**Appetizers**

FOR TICKETS, CALL  
**412-370-0093**

# REGISTER TODAY

## Beacon Lodge's 8th Annual Golf Outing

Saturday,  
August 24th, 2024

Shotgun Start at 1 PM

American Legion  
Country Club

Mount Union, PA T7066

### 18 Hole Scramble

Only \$85 per golfer  
Includes:

- ⇒ Greens Fees
- ⇒ Cart
- ⇒ Prizes & Awards
- ⇒ Snacks, Beer, Pop, & Water all day
- ⇒ Food is available throughout the day

Limited to 80 Players—  
First come, first served



## Prizes

1st Place Team — \$300

2nd Place Team — \$200

3rd Place Team — \$100

*Plus*

\$50 Pro Gift Shop Certificate Skills Prizes on all Par 3s  
Longest Drive & Longest Put

**Register Today!**

**Contact: Jonathan Carver**

**T14 State 103 South**

**Mount Union, PA T7066**

**(814) 542-2511**

**office@beaconlodge.org**

**Make checks payable to:**

**PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp**

# INTERNATIONAL VILLAGE

McKeesport August 13th - 15th



The BIG event is coming up August 13-15, International Village. Come out to Stephen Barry Field in Renziehausen Park (close by the band shell) to celebrate the diverse ethnic backgrounds that make up this great melting pot that we call America. Enjoy native foods from 17 different countries, dancers and musicians with traditional costumes and instruments take the main stage each evening, and there is even a polka party each night under the Blue Top pavilion. Handicapped parking is available in the parking lot at the Blue Top pavilion with the McKeesport Lions Club sponsoring the shuttle. Free parking is available at the high school just across the street from the field. Admission is just a \$2.00 donation. Club members make up the planning committee and work on the event. Come out and join us for the 64<sup>th</sup> annual festival.

*Submitted by Lion Annette James, Secretary*

***Don't miss it!***

## TARENTUM AREA LIONS KEEPING BUSY DURING THE SUMMER

On a balmy Saturday afternoon, July 13th, 2024...the Tarentum Area Lions Club held its annual Keith Davis Memorial Golf Outing. The golf outing consisted of 18 holes of golf, lunch at the turn, a catered dinner, 50/50 drawings, and a Chinese auction with many different baskets to choose from. It was held at Buffalo Golf Course in Sarver, Pa.; despite the warm temperatures a good time was had by all (golfers and club members alike.)



### *ALSO...*



What started out as merely collecting glasses for those in need, the Lions Club along with the “Love Our Community” group (which consists of 5 other community groups) gathered together. We spent the evening cleaning/packing glasses...as well as sorting/weighing plastic for the Trex Bags to Benches Program. Helping not only those in need, but also our environment .....this has been the focus for these two community groups.

*Submitted by Lion Tom Cecchini*

# McKeesport Summer Series Concerts Winding Down...

There is still time to enjoy the Summer Concert Series at the Lions Bandshell in Renziehausen Park each Sunday evening. Come out for a free concert sponsored by the City, McKeesport Lions & RAD. Parking is available in the adjacent parking lots and on the field next to the bandshell via the Eden Park Blvd. entrance. Concessions are available for purchase at the concerts. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy a free, quality concert. There is also a 50/50 at each show. Labor Day weekend brings the annual Ribfest along with concerts each evening of the weekend. Before leaving home, be sure to check the McKeesport Bands webpage or Facebook page in case of cancellations due to weather. Submitted by Lion Annette James, Secretary, McKeesport Lions Club

*Submitted by Lion Annette James, Secretary*



Thursday  
August 29<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 - 9:00 PM

Pittsburgh DeafBlind Lions Club

# WINE

*Tasting*



**Cost: \$50.00 per person**

- 6 wines will be sampled (3 white and 3 red wines)
- Cheese served with sampling of white wines.
- Dinner will be served before sampling red wines.
- Proceeds will be donated to "The Clean Water Project" in the Congo.

**RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup>.**

Make check payable to Pittsburgh DeafBlind Lions Club and mail to:

Lion Barbara Rebovich  
102 So. 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15203

**NO CHECK, NO RESERVATION!**

Questions? Contact Lion Barb at 412-551-0485

Cellar on Penn (R. Winery)  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222  
In the Strip District  
*(I have been assured parking on Penn  
Avenue is plentiful during the week.)*



**5TH ANNUAL**  
**CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT**

HOSTED BY THE ROBINSON LIONS CLUB

SATURDAY  
**SEPT.  
28TH**



12:00 PM CHECK IN  
1:00 PM BAGS FLY  
←————→  
CLEVER PARK  
ROTARY SHELTER

**TEAM (2 PERSON) TICKETS: \$50**  
**NON-PLAYER ADULT TICKET: \$10**  
**CHILD (10 YRS.+ ) TICKET: \$5**  
**CHILDREN UNDER 10 YRS: FREE**

**TICKETS INCLUDE:**

BEER, WATER, SODA,  
& FOOD COURTESY OF JD'S JOINT

**\*FEEL FREE TO BRING OTHER SNACKS/DRINKS\***

FOR MORE INFO  
& TO SIGN UP:



**ROBINSONLIONS.ORG**

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AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE!**

# ELFINWILD LIONS CLUB'S ANNUAL DUCK RACE

This year's Duck Race was held in memory of Thomas Rogers who was very committed to the ideals of Lionism. He suggested this race as a fundraiser and before he could carry it out, he passed away after one of our meetings. We sell 413 ducks at \$5 each. The race is held each year at Fawcett Fields in Shaler Township with lots of children "assisting" the ducks to the finish line. This year the race was held on June 22nd.





The Monroeville Lions invite you to tee off at the

## 26<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL DR. ANGELO P. DIPIAZZA MEMORIAL CHARITY GOLF OUTING

# Saturday, August 17, 2024

Manor Valley Golf Course  
Export, PA

### *Sponsorships available*

For more information and participant registration  
contact **Sean Raynak** at **(412) 736-9804** or  
by email at **[sraynak@gmail.com](mailto:sraynak@gmail.com)**



## Pleasant Hills Lions Club Presents a Melvin Jones Fellowship

Receiving a Melvin Jones Fellowship is a great honor. The Pleasant Hills Lions Club has presented many MJFs to its deserving members over the years. We also will occasionally reach out to the community and honor a deserving member of the community. For instance, in 2021 we honored Pleasant Hills police officer Kristen Mitrising, who became a hero when she saved the life of a 9-day-old baby who had stopped breathing. This year we honored what you might call an everyday hero. Her name is Amy Martin, and she works as an administrative assistant for the Borough Manager of Pleasant Hills. She is also a mom raising two pre-teen daughters while working a second part-time job. Amy is our go-to person in the borough when it comes to taking care of shelter permits for our steak cookouts, sending out blast emails to the residents promoting our events, and other items that we need a little assistance from the borough. Someday we hope that she will become a Lion, but we understand that her life is just too busy at this time. Maybe sometime in the future, she will be able to join us. For now, thanks Amy for all that you do for the Pleasant Hills Lions.

*Submitted by PDG Geoff Temple, Secretary*



Picture caption left to right: Lion Janet Hayes, PDG Geoff Temple, Amy Martin, Lion Bill Lowman, Lion Mike Zaken



# Join us for the LDBAW

**"Labor Day Diabetes 14-B and 14-E Districts Golf Challenge"**

**CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF THE LION DIABETES CENTER**

# Saturday, September 7, 2024



**Butler's Golf Course, Elizabeth, PA  
Shotgun: 9:00am (8:00 am registration)**

**Cost: \$125.00 per golfer  
(Dinner only—\$30)**



**Event Major Sponsor \$2,500**  
(Includes 8 golfers, Souvenir Recognition, 4-Dinners, Tee Sign)

**Type 1 - \$1,500**  
(includes Foursome and Tee Sign)

**Type 2 - \$1,000**  
(Includes Twosome and Tee sign)



**Beverage Cart - \$250  
Tee or Green - \$100 (sign)  
Dinner Only - \$30**

Mail Check to Chairman:  
PDG Joe Donkin (14B)  
403 Oak Drive  
Elizabeth, PA 15037  
pdg92932@aol.com



Mail Check to Co-Chairman:  
PDG Tom Gregg (14E)  
1130 Willowbrook Road  
Rostraver Township, PA  
15012

**Make Checks Payable to: (LDBAW A501C3)  
Lions Diabetes Board of Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties**



**REGISTRATION FORM**

**FOURSOME #1**

Golfer 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
Golfer 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
Golfer 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
Golfer 4 \_\_\_\_\_

**FOURSOME #2**

Golfer 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
Golfer 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
Golfer 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
Golfer 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Tee Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Beverage Cart Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Tee or Green Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_