



The Cauldron



District 14-B Monthly Newsletter

July 2022





Meet our newly elected International President...

BRIAN E. SHEEHAN INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

Brian E. Sheehan, from Bird Island, Minnesota, USA, was elected to serve as international president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 104th International Convention, June 22 through June 28, 2022.

President Sheehan is the founder and CEO of Rural Computer Consultants, a software development company.

A member of the Bird Island Lions Club since 1991, he has held many offices within the association, including council chairperson, long range planning chairperson, membership chairperson, retention chairperson, women's initiative chairperson, MD convention chairperson, GMT Liaison and GLT area leader. He has also served as the chairperson of the Headquarter Operation & Finance Committee, Lions University coordinator, DGE group leader, and board appointee to several committees including Constitutions and Bylaws, LCIF Executive, LCI Executive, USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum and the Centennial Action committees. He has been a presenter at numerous Lions events, including many of the Global Forums.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including Club Lion of the Year; the District 5M 4 Diabetes Awareness Award; the MD 5M Web Site Appreciation Award; the MD 5M Al Jensen Leadership Award; the Founders Membership Growth Award; numerous International President's Certificates of Appreciation; International President's Leadership Award; multiple International President's Awards; and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow and Second Century Ambassador.

In addition to his Lions activities, President Sheehan is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He has served as president of Bird Island Civic and Commerce, director of the Learning Funhouse and as a member of various school committees. He also received the 2011 U.S. SBA Minnesota Small Business Person of the Year Award.

President Sheehan and his wife, Lori, also a Lion and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons and two daughters. And in their spare time, they have enjoyed raising many types of exotic animals.

From the desk of **District Governor Lion Dr. Kamal Gella**

Dear Fellow Lions

Welcome to the new Lions Year 2022-2023. I am excited to be your leader for the upcoming year. International President Brian E. Sheehan's new motto is "Together we can." We can serve and bring in new members as a Team.

The Global Membership Approach was introduced by the Lions Leadership. The Global Membership Approach objectives are aligned with the original North American Membership Initiative Objectives. The objectives are:

- To rejuvenate districts with new clubs
- Revitalize clubs with new members
- Re-motivate our existing members with new fellowships and exciting service

These three objectives continue driving us to our goal of increasing the number of Lions in our District.

Global Membership Approach combines a strategic process and a set of available resources. The goals are focused on membership growth through new club development.

The 4-step process is universal, and customizable based on regional needs:

- Build a Team
- Build a vision
- Build a plan
- Build Success

Please work with your club to form a committee for membership growth, develop a vision to bring new members, develop a plan and attain success to increase members.

I would like to request all Lions Clubs in the District to complete the elections and report it.

Prepare for your role as an officer!

Training is available for the following officers:

- *Club Officer*
- *Zone Chairperson*

Yours in Service,

DG Dr. Kamal Gella

email: gellak@yahoo.com

phone 814-659-6424

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From the desk of
1st Vice District Governor

IMMEDIATE OPENING NOW AVAILABLE



How would you like to spend 5 days in Boston next July and it's FREE? You will be attending as a District Governor-Elect! At the International Convention, you will be sworn in as the District Governor along with other District Governors from throughout the world!! It will be a year you will cherish forever!

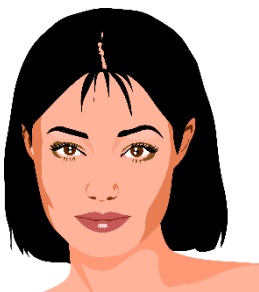
You will receive training throughout the coming year as to who, what and how to be a Leader in the District. If you are contemplating taking a look at this opportunity, please contact PDG Richard Keller at 412- 398-9302 to discuss it in more detail.



July 7–11, 2023
[Boston, Massachusetts](#)

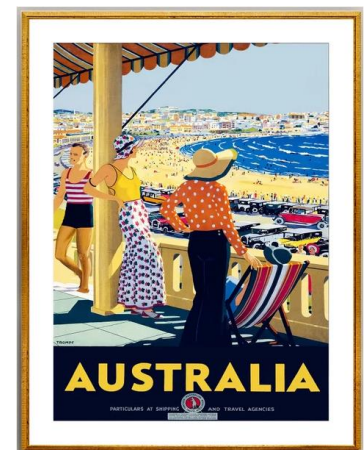
From the desk of
2nd Vice District Governor

IMMEDIATE OPENING NOW AVAILABLE



If you would like to travel to the “*Land Down Under*” for FREE, then give some thought to becoming the District’s Second Vice District Governor! You would get two years of training (FREE) and would be the District Governor for the 2024-2025 Lion year. For more detailed information about becoming the Second Vice District Governor, please call PDG Rich Keller at 412-398-9302.

AUSTRALIA



June 21–25, 2023
[Melbourne, Australia](#)

“We have over 700 Lions in our District and I know that we have some very qualified energetic Lions who could step up to fill these two vacancies!”

PDG Harold Fletcher 1983-1984



Editor's Corner



By PDG Harold Fletcher

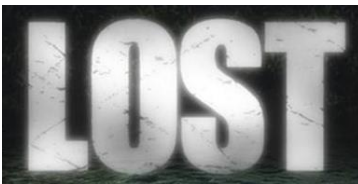
"This 'n' That!"



After serving on the District Cabinet for the past several years, Lion Elaina "Ellie" Dra has decided to move on. She served in her position for the past seven District Governors and has done an admirable and outstanding job for Governors Joe Donkin, Rich Keller, Geof Temple, Kirby Marchand, Maarni Latterman, Chris Raynalk and MaryAnn Belles. She hosted several Zoom meetings during the pandemic which introduced the modern technology to the Lions in the District. She was also responsible for sending out the semi-annual dues notices. Lion Ellie isn't leaving us, she will continue to serve and help those who are less fortunate. She is now a member of the Pleasant Hills Lions Club. From

all the Lions in our District, we say...

Thank You!



Lion Secretary Rich Peters lost his Oakleaf pin while attending Clairton Lions Club's 100th Anniversary at the Georgetowne Center. If anyone has found it, please contact him at 412-678-3719



DISTRICT SCAVENGER HUNT was tons of fun for those clubs that participated. Winners were announced at the last Cabinet meeting. Winners were:

First Place
Second Place
Third Place

McKeesport Lions Club
White Oak Lions Club
Pleasant Hills Lions Club

PDG Marni says "Thank you for your participation!"



We have 13 new members to welcome into the Wonderful World of Lionism!

MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
Elizabeth A. Janusek	Bethel Park Lions Club	Lion Nancy Pfluger
Dennis Allan Zabelsky	Bethel Park Lions Club	PDG Jay Wells
MARILYN Gail Zabelsky	Bethel Park Lions Club	Leona Wells
Davod P. Chavara	Elfinwild Lions Club	Lon Elmer Kruzek
Vincent D'Alesmo	McKeesport Lions Club	Lion Yvonne Parhetta
Randy Pinkerton	McKeesport Lions Club	Lion Daniel Carr
David Stephens	McKeesport Lions Club	Lion Yvonne Paretta
Jean Macler	Mon River Fleet Lions Club	Lion Henry Macler
June Aiken	Monroeville Lions Club	Lion John Aiken
Inez Gutman	Monroeville Lions Club	Lion Barbara Bain
Kristopher Crawford	Oakmont Lions Club	Lion Kenneth Crawford
Sean Wildow	Oakmont Lions Club	Lion Kenneth Crawford
Kristy L. Chovanec	Pittsburgh DeafBlind Lions Club	Lion Romeo Kihumbu

Since July 1, 2021 , here's what our District membership looks like from MyLCI...

July 1st 712 Members added 61 dropped 50 723 Members. June 30th

We are ranked 16th out of the 17 Districts, with District 14W beneath us.

We need

YOU!



In Memory of...



**Lion Thomas
"Tommy" R. Cuppola
Pgh. Hilltop Lions Club**

June 19, 2022

May he rest in



These are the only two pictures I have receivedd from the Lions International Convention held in Montreal, Canada, More will be in the August issue.



Daniel K. Carr
-Director
-Summer Concerts Chairman



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WWW.MCKEESPORTBANDS.COM

McKeesport Lions Club

2022 McKeesport Summer Concert Series

July 4	The Vogues followed by Fireworks
July 10	Dancing Queen
July 17	Airbourne with Jeff Jimerson
July 24	Scott, Rob and Greg of "The Clarks"
July 31	William Dell and WeeJams
August 7	The Fabulous Booze Brothers
August 14	Todd Jones
August 21	Zoot Island Party
August 28	Aftermath – Experience the 60's

Rib Festival

September 2	Fri. Beatlemania Magic
September 3	Sat. Dozzi Band Nashville 4:00 p.m. – Clintones - 90's
September 4	Sun. The Jaggerz
September 5	Mon. Judi Figel and Friends Finale tribute to veterans - performed with Fireworks !

LIONS BANDSHELL – RENZIE PARK – 7 P.M. START TIME
(Rib Festival Bands, Days and Times added)

If together "we serve"... Together we can make a difference!

Meeting at McKees Point Cafe 501 Water St. McKeesport, Pa. 15132

Please let us know if you would like to join The McKeesport Lions Club



Lions Day at Kennywood

Thursday, July 21, 2022

**Which also happens to be
Slovak Day! Please circle the
date on your calendar now!**

You won't want to miss this!!!

When was the last time you took a stroll down memory lane,, more specifically, a walk through the park, namely Kennywood park? It's been years since we were there, back when you had to buy tickets to ride! Remember strolling through the Penny Arcade, the Potato Patch, riding the Silver Rockets above the lagoon, watching the stage shows where the Rocket Man was shot from a cannon? Lots of great memories!

Now you have a chance to partially relive those good old days and share them with your fellow Lions members.



Lion Bob Sloss has secured a pavilion at the park for our big day. Pavilion #7 is in the grove behind the "Old Mill" (yep, it's still there) and Skyrocket. It's on the right when walking up the path between the two. We have the pavilion from 10:30AM until 10:00PM.

The Slovaks will have a number of pavilions in the same area as ours and oh what a treat for us! You can either buy your food throughout the park or buy the homemade goodies that will be available from their "kitchens." Items homemade stuffed cabbage, pierogies, halushki, keibasa and cheregi, which is a cake donut in the shape of a figure eight. Lion Bob says to be prepared – there will be a line of people. Food will be available starting around noon and sales continue until the food is gone.

Group ticket prices are: Ages 4 – 59 \$29.99 Ages 60 and over \$24.99

Lion Bob says to make sure you wear your Lions shirt and or vest!



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, August 20, 2022

24th Annual

MONROEVILLE LIONS

DR. ANGELO P. DIPIAZZA

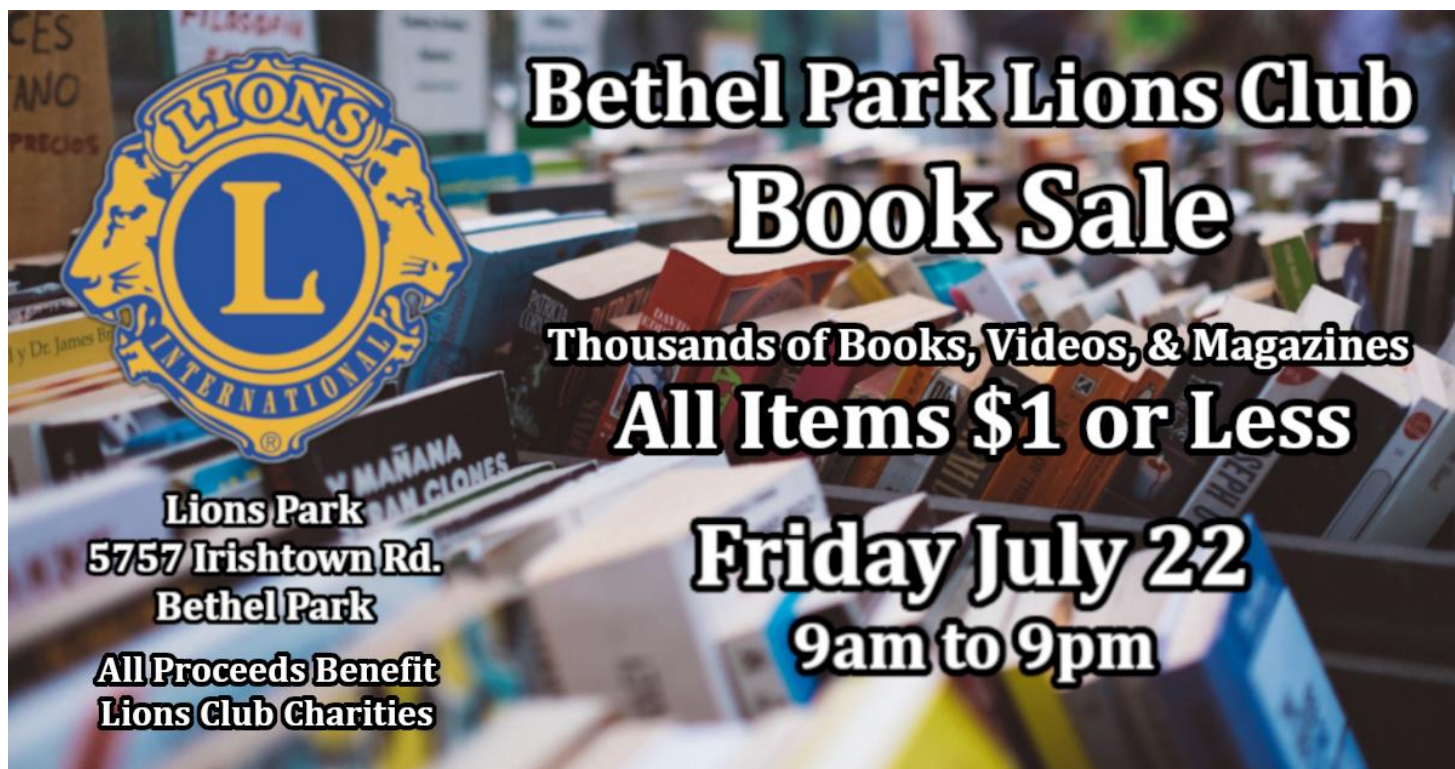
MEMORIAL CHARITY GOLF OUTING



Manor Valley Golf Course
Export, PA

Hole contests, prizes,
awards, reception
and more!

Sponsorships still available. For more information and participant registration contact Sean Raynak at (412) 736-9804 or by email at sraynak@gmail.com



Bethel Park Lions Club Book Sale

**Thousands of Books, Videos, & Magazines
All Items \$1 or Less**

**Friday July 22
9am to 9pm**

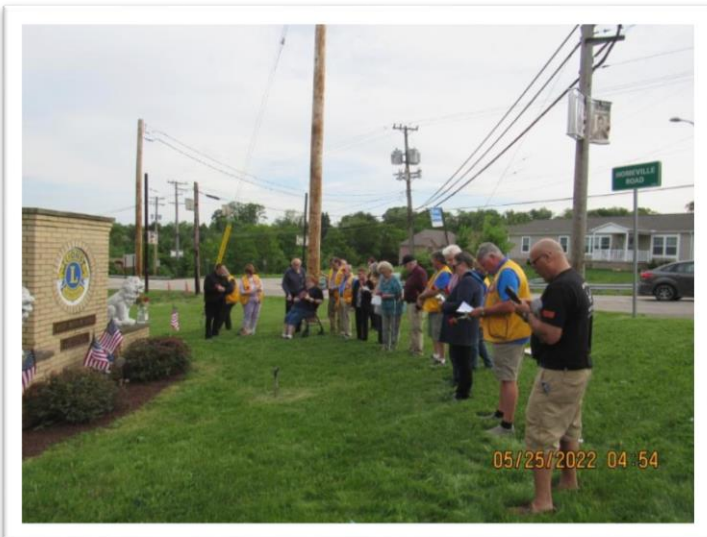
**Lions Park
5757 Irishtown Rd.
Bethel Park**

**All Proceeds Benefit
Lions Club Charities**

WEST MIFFLIN LIONS CLUB HONORS OUR DEPARTED HEROS

Memorial Park in West Mifflin. The WMAHS ROTC guard opened the ceremony with presentation of the color guard, Lion Bill Kortz read the names of 91 Lions who have earned their wings since the club's inception in 1953, with Deacon Vinny providing invocation and prayer. Members placed roses at the Lions Memorial wall upon reading of the names in remembrance of all those who have served as Lions in the community. May they be in eternal peace and never be forgotten.

*Submitted by
Lion Maria Demko, Secretary
West Mifflin Lions Club*



**All gave some...
Some gave all!**



Dollars for Dogs

It's as easy as 1...2...3!

Greetings, Lions:

Thank you for participating in our Dollars for Dogs, a non-event fund raiser!

- 1) **Contact a local business** and ask if they would like to be a part of a Lions and Leader Dog community project. Explain Lions and Leader Dog have been partners for over 80 years together serving people blind and visually impaired in your community and across the country.
- 2) **Give them a "kit"**. Your club will give each participating business a fundraising packet and a bundle of "dog tags". In the kit are a cover letter (fill out the top Lions' portion first!), check out/register signs and a remit slip with envelope.
- 3) **Reach \$500 and symbolically sponsor a future Leader Dog puppy!** If the business raises \$500, they and your club may symbolically sponsor a future Leader Dog puppy! The puppy sponsorship information and a class poster are enclosed.

No matter your goal, the business *and your club* will receive recognition for your donation.

This is a great way to engage employees, customers and Lions to further the mission of Leader Dog and Lions!

Remember to check in with the businesses to see how they are doing. We recommend running the promotion for at least a month. Share on your club's social media and website and give updates. Celebrate the businesses that reach milestones and have fun with it!

Questions? Need more kits? Contact the Lions team at 888-777-5332 or order online at LeaderDog.org/resources. The kits, like our programs, are free of charge.

Together we serve,

Lion Beth Slade

Director of Philanthropy for Lions Engagement



Empowering people who are blind or visually impaired with lifelong skills for safe and independent daily travel

888.777.5332 | 1039 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115 | LeaderDog.org





DOLLARS FOR DOGS

At the completion of your Dollars for Dogs campaign, please REMIT THIS FORM to Leader Dogs for the Blind in the enclosed envelope.

Campaign to run (date to date) _____
Campaign fund raising goal \$ _____

To be completed by Lions club

Lions club name _____
Lions club contact _____
Phone () _____
Email address _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

To be completed by participating business

Business name _____
Amount of money raised _____
Business contact _____
Phone () _____
Email address _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

YES! We raised \$500+ and would like to sponsor the following Future Leader Dog!

Circle one: Bear Jaxx Lucky Snickers Unique

Thank you and your community for serving those who are blind and visually-impaired with daily independent travel skills!

Mail -

Leader Dogs for the Blind | ATTN: LIONS | 1039 S. Rochester Road | Rochester Hills, MI 48307



For questions regarding Dollars for Dogs, please contact the donor engagement team at 888.777.5332 or donorsupport@leaderdog.org

FOLLOW THE LEADER     
LeaderDog.org





The Bethel Park Lions Club
presents Scholarship and
Unveils Thank You
Plaque



The first picture shows scholarship committee members Lions Jim Willison and Bill Raymer with our 2022 scholarship winner Olivia Magnu. Our scholarship is awarded yearly to a deserving Bethel Park High School senior, based on academics and need.

The second picture shows the unveiling of the thank you plaque for those who donated funds or materials for the construction of our new entrance sign at Lions Park, and for the recent renovations to our Park Pavilion, which is named in honor of Lion Ray Klinzing. The persons shown, left to right, are park committee member Jim Willison, Gordon Edwards from Brookside Lumber, John Oakes from All Pro Plumbing, and park committee member Bill Raymer. Not pictured are Andy Amrhein from Evey Hardware and a representative from the Bethel Park Community Foundation, who were unable to come that night.



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MON RIVER FLEET



LIONS CLUB



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Some of the officers/board members of the Mon River Fleet Lions Club for 2022-23 include Jim Phillips, Laura Bosnak Thompson, Louise Phillips, Patrick Fisher, Monica Hancharik, James Saunders, Michele Matuch, Karen Chapman and Janet Kulis.



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Mon River Fleet Lions were happy to be together Thursday. From left are the Rev. Arlene Walker, Pat Bluett (in charge of club membership for 2022-23), Laura Bosnak Thompson (the club's secretary in 2022-23 and a partner in planning White Cane Day events) and Patrick Fisher (the club's tail twister and the member in charge of collecting eyeglasses to donate to Lions Club International's efforts).

Congrats!

Lion President
Jim Phillips on
becoming a
Melvin Jones
 Fellow



Oakmont Lions Club's Annual Father's Day Car Show Returns!

Father's Day Car Show: Sunday saw the return of the Annual Oakmont Car Show, now the Oakmont LIONS Car Show. Perfect weather, lots of great vehicles, enthusiastic crowds, food trucks, a D.J., awards, and most of all, the hardworking Lions volunteers . . . from all accounts, a roaring success!

*Submitted indirectly by
Lion Ken Crawford
Oakmont News;tterEditor*



Hilltop Lion is a Shining Example to be a Dedicated Lion



“The old bell cleaned up pretty good for 75 years old. Although dinged up pretty good there’s a lot of history here.”

By Lion Kevin Gaughan from the Pittsburgh Hilltop Lions Club. (Taken from his Facebook page.)



Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

Pa Lions Appreciation Day July 17, 2022



Beacon Lodge has designated July 17th as Pennsylvania Lions Appreciation Day. This is a day to not only recognize Immediate Past Governors and District Liaisons, but also ALL Lions, Lionesses, and Leos for their outstanding support of Beacon Lodge! Join us for a relaxing day getting to know your camp.

We will be having several new activities this year!

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| ♦ Name That Tune | ♦ Mini Golf |
| ♦ Corn Hole | ♦ Fishing |
| ♦ Blind Bowling | |
| <i>Don't worry, we are keeping the favorites from the past:</i> | |
| ♦ The Great Duck Race | ♦ Basket Raffle |
| ♦ 50/50 Raffle | ♦ Pin Traders |
| ♦ Camp Store | ♦ Worship Service |

You are most cordially invited to bring your families to Beacon Lodge for this occasion.

A picnic meal of hamburgers, hot dogs, kielbasa, and all the fixings will be prepared and served from 11:30am until 12:30pm. Cost is \$5 per person.

Reservations are required and must be received by July 1, 2022. To purchase tickets, please make check payable to Beacon Lodge with PLAD on the memo line.

Mail to:

Pa Lions Beacon Lodge Camp
114 State Route 103 South Mount Union, Pa 17066

When: July 17, 2022

Starting at 9:00am:

- ♦ Camp Store
- ♦ 50/50 Raffle Tickets
- ♦ Basket Raffle

9:00—11:00 Mini Golf

10:00—11:00 Worship Service

11:00—1:30 Pin Traders

11:30 Introduction of IPDG's/
Invocation / Lunch

- ♦ *Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Kielbasa*

12:30 The Great Duck Race

1:30 Camper Entertainment

12:30—2:00 Camp Tours

12:30—2:30 Afternoon Activities

3:00 Announcements/ Winners

3:30 End of the day /
Benediction

Pin traders are invited! Please contact:
Amos Shatzer
11268 Alexander Ave.
Mount Union, Pa 17066
(814) 542-9654
ashatzer@verizon.net

Clubs planning to attend by bus are urged to give us ample notice so that we may have adequate parking arrangements.

Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

114 State Route 103 South
Mount Union, Pa 17066

(814) 542-2511
Office@BeaconLodge.org





WHITE OAK LIONS
participated in the
District 14-B
Scavenger Hunt

Submitted by
Lion Carol Lasch
White Oak Lions Club

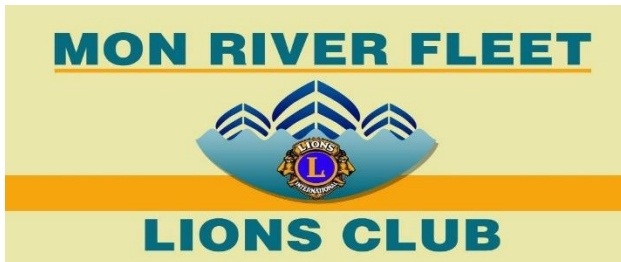


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West Mifflin Lions Club Initiates a New Program Aimed for Veterans



At our May meeting, the West Mifflin Lions Club collected gently used professional clothing to be donated to veterans who are seeking employment. Our newest Lions, Paul and Claudette Keller, stepped up in amazing “fashion” with a wonderful donation that came from one of their relatives. They donated suits, shirts, dress pants, and even a WWII Veteran hat and sweatshirt! All was given to our local VFW Post 914 who in turn delivered the clothing to a veteran coordinator who helps veterans find employment in the southwest Pennsylvania area. Our club will be holding another donation drive again closer to Veteran’s Day in the Fall. Thanks, and happy Summer!



Before the current Lion year closed, District Governor Mary Ann Belles inducted two new Mon River Fleet Lions Club members, Hank Macler (and his wife not pictured). Hank got to work right away by assisting club members at the recent Braddock Community cleanup day. It is important to involve

new members right away in club activities or they will lose interest! What a champion!



“The Community Thanks You, Hank!”





Join us for the L D B A W
"Labor Day Diabetes 14-B and
14-E Districts Golf Challenge"

Friday, September 2, 2022

Butler's Golf Course, Elizabeth, PA

Shotgun: 8:00 a.m. (7:00 a.m. registration)

Cost: \$100 Per Golfer

Event Major Sponsor \$2,500

(incl des 8 golfers, Souvenir Recognition, 4 Dinners, Tee Sign)

Type 1 - \$1,500

(incl des Foursome and Tee Sign)



Type 2 - \$1,000

(incl des Twosome and Tee Sign)

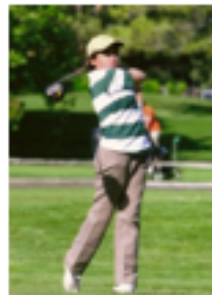
Beverage Cart - \$250

Tee or Green - \$100 (sign)

Dinner Only - \$30

Mail Check to:

PDG Joe Donkin (14B)
615 Elizabeth Avenue
Elizabeth, PA 15037
pdg92932@aol.com



Mail Check to:

PDG Jim Lewis (14E)
3041 Harley Drive
White Oak, PA 15131
jamesjl1946@gmail.com

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

REGISTRATION FORM

Foursome #1

Golfer 1 _____

Golfer 2 _____

Golfer 3 _____

Golfer 4 _____

Name on Tee Sign: _____

Foursome #2

Golfer 1 _____

Golfer 2 _____

Golfer 3 _____

Golfer 4 _____

Name on Tee Sign: _____

Individual Golfer _____

Beverage Cart Sponsor _____

Tee or Green Sponsor _____

McKEESPORT LIONS CLUB ADDS 3 NEW MEMBERS, PLUS MAKES A SPECIAL PRESENTATION

At the 6-21-22 meeting for the McKeesport Lions Club, 3 new members were inducted – Vince D’Alesio, Randy Pinkerton and David Stephens. Welcome to Lionism new members!! All three of these young men look forward to working with other club members on the upcoming Concerts in the Park and International Village, the club’s busy season! Lion Annette James, also club secretary, received her Melvin Jones Fellow at the meeting. (EDITOR’S NOTE: Congratulations to Annette on receiving a Melvin Jones Fellowship!

*Submitted by
Lion Annette James, Secretary
McKeesport Lions Club*



MORE FROM THE McKEESPORT LIONS...

McKeesport Lions Club took part in the annual Good Neighbor Day festivities along Fifth Avenue in downtown McKeesport on 6-15-22. They shared a booth with the McKeesport Trail Commission since some Lions members also belong to the Trail Commission! Lions handed out children's sunglasses while Trail Commission members gave out brochures on the trail and treats.

*Submitted by
Lion Annette James, Secretary
McKeesport Lions Club*



Lions Ernie Oatneal, Chuck Jarrell & Mike Cherepko helped organize and volunteered at the annual Kids Fishing Derby at Lake Emilie in Renziehausen Park. This is a great annual event that the children of the city look forward to, and it gives them time to bond with their caregivers while having fun in the outdoors. Lunch was provided to participants and prizes were given out in various categories, including Grand Prizes for the largest fish for both boys and girls.



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The pun is the highest form of humor

Dad, are we pyromaniacs? Yes, we arson.

She was only a moonshiner's daughter, but I miss her stil

A commander walks into a bar and orders everyone around.

How much did the pirate pay to get his ears pierced? A buccaneer.

I once worked at a cheap pizza shop to get by. I kneaded the dough.

I lost my girlfriend's audiobook, and now I'll never hear the end of it.

Why is it unwise to share your secrets with a clock? Well, time will tell.

**When I told my contractor I didn't want carpeted steps, they gave me a
blank stare.**

Prison is just one word to you, but for some people, it's a whole sentence.

**Scientists got together to study the effects of alcohol on a person's
walk, and the result was staggering.**

**I'm trying to organize a hide and seek tournament, but good players
are really hard to find**

**I went to the toy store and asked the assistant where the
Schwarzenegger dolls are and he replied, "Aisle B, back."**

**What did the surgeon say to the patient who insisted on closing up
their own incision? Suture self.**

**I've started telling everyone about the benefits of eating dried
grapes. It's all about raisin awareness.**