

LION EYES

District 14P

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

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Dear Lion,



I believe that the power to make the world a better place is in our hands. Our impact is what makes being a Lion so special. Every small act of service creates a personal impact, and the collective impact of our kindness can change the world forever. That's why "Changing the World" is my message to Lions and to the world.

Changing the World begins with us. It begins when we change the lives of the people we serve and find ourselves changed as well. It grows when we change our communities by bringing them to the table and inviting them to become the change they wish to see. It multiplies when we show the world that real change is truly possible and that Lions are Changing the World—one life, one relationship and one community at a time.

Serving as your international president is an incredible honor. You and I, together, can make a difference. Let's be bold and lead the way forward to a better future and a world of change.

Yours in service,

Dr. Patti Hill
International President



Lions International President

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Great marketing can raise awareness of your club and your service, and inspire new members to join. With the Lions International Marketing Award, your club can earn recognition for great marketing that leads to new members.

So start planning your great membership campaign today to help us reach our MISSION 1.5 goal, and use creative marketing to make it a success. Then submit your marketing award application by February 1 for your chance to win a special trophy, certificates and US\$2,000 for your club: <https://bit.ly/3s5u1FI> #MissionToGrow





Dear Lion,

You and your fellow Lions serve your community at the local level, but never forget that you are part of an incredible global network of dedicated volunteers who are united in our mission of service. Together, you are changing peoples' lives for the better, every day, all around the world.

From helping to prevent blindness to supporting children and families affected by childhood cancer to protecting our environment, you are delivering care and kindness and bringing hope where it's needed most.

There is no greater calling on earth than to join together to give of our time and our talents to help those in need. That's what Lions do—that's what *you* do. Thank you for your commitment to creating the change that empowers others to achieve their potential.

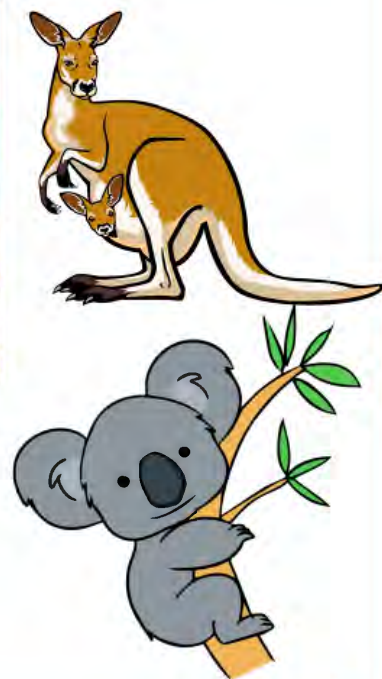
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Dr. Patti Hill
International President

Lions International Convention 2024 Melbourne

Want to really see how you're part of something greater? Then join us for the biggest Lion event of the year—the 106th Lions International Convention in Melbourne, Australia.

Celebrate your service with Lions and Leos from around the world and enjoy world-class speakers and entertainment in one of the most unique and exciting travel destinations on Earth.

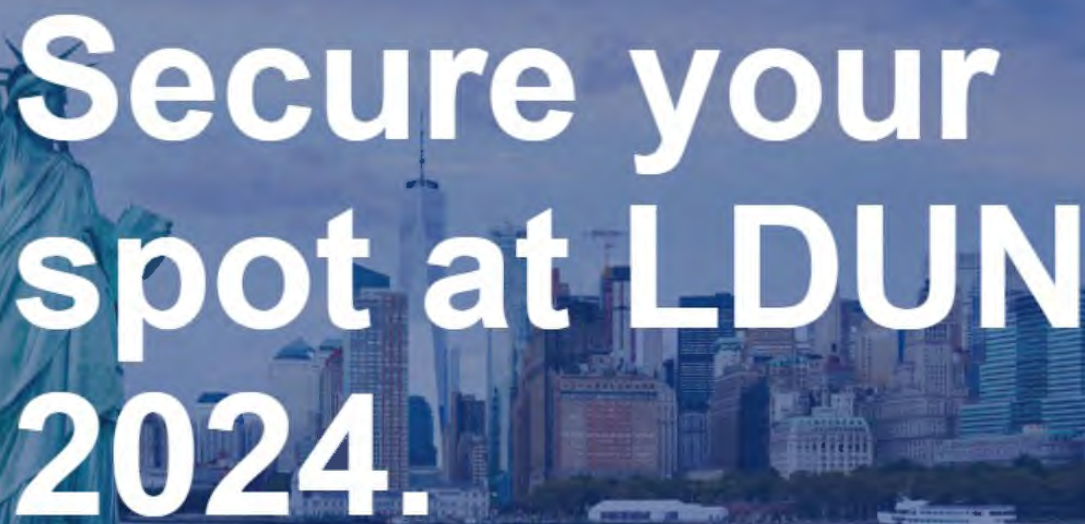



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bourne 2024 link


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Register Today



Secure your spot at LDUN 2024.

LDUN New York

Join us for the 46th annual Lions Day with the United Nations on Friday, March 1, 2024 in New York City, USA, where we will celebrate our theme, “World Peace and Environmental Stewardship.”

Take an active role in this important global partnership, connect with fellow Lions and Leos, and be part of the conversations that will shape the future of our service!

Please note that this event and supporting materials will be offered in English only.

We want to see you in New York.

Join us for LDUN New York on Friday, March 1, 2024. This event and supporting materials will be offered in English only.





A Message from District Governor Gary Hilbert

December 2023



"It's the most wonderful time of the year" is a popular Andy Williams song that plays throughout the Christmas season. And, for many that is true. But for some this season is not so wonderful. The loss of a loved one, health issues, financial stress are just a few examples that leads a person into depression.

As a community volunteer, I've seen time and time again how much of an impact we can make to improve someone's life. Our Lions Clubs do amazing things during the holidays and throughout the year.

Thank You for all you do to "Change the World"!

Lion Paula and I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year.

DG/PDG Gary Hilbert

Glh40@comcast.net

610-468-4788



DISTRICT 14P

DG Gary asked Lion Tina Hall to start bringing awareness to Childhood cancer, one of our foundational causes as Lion Clubs. Requesting clubs would share this information so Lions can contribute to the four diamonds cause. More information to come in later newsletters about other fundraising and awareness activities.



<https://fourdiamonds.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventID=3960>

HISTORY AND INFORMATION ON DISTRICT CLUBS

AMITY TOWNSHIP LIONS

The Amity Township Lions Club was founded in March 1949 and included 26 Charter Members. Over the past six decades our Club has been the leader in community service.

We meet the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Monarch Fire Company at 7:00 for a dinner meeting.

Our Club raises funds to support Beacon Lodge Camp for the Blind, the Delaware Valley Eye Bank and Leader Dog for the Blind on a state level. We also support juvenile diabetes awareness and collect used eyeglasses, aluminum can tabs and cancelled postage stamps.

On a local level, our Club:

- Donates money to the two area fire companies

- Sponsors youth baseball

- Pays for eye examinations and glasses for needy students at the Daniel Boone School District

- Donates three \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors at DBHS.

- Has built and maintains the Sensory Trail at the Daniel Boone Homestead

Lends medical equipment (wheelchairs, crutches, beds, etc.) to people in the community who are in need. If you have questions about our inventory or need equipment, please contact Lion Secretary Fred Gaskins at fredg122@windstream.net

- Supports the Boone Area Library

To raise money, we:

- Participate in White Cane Days

- Sell Merchandise Clubs

- Hold a Night at the Races

- Have an annual golf tournament at Blackwood Golf Course

WE SERVE

AVON GROVE LIONS

The Avon Grove Lions Club was founded on March 7, 1950 in the

West Grove Methodist Church Social Room--- primarily through

The efforts of MONROE NUTE of the Kennett Square Lions. Most

Of the original members were contacted by PAUL STRODE and

ARTHUR TRIMBLE who became respectively the President and

First Vice President. MONROE NUTE installed the officers on

March 21, 1950.

The first four years were hectic; yet exciting and productive years,

as the club struggled to find its niche in the community and

develop into a "working Club". However, it must be stated

that from its very origin' the club carried forth the concept that

"The only successful Lion's Club is a busy club".

The Lions run a very successful and busy hospital equipment

Program thanks must be given to Lion Bob Yeatman who is the heart.

and sole of the program. The Lions also are very involved in

the Kids Sight Program.

The Avon Grove Lions support many local and national

Organizations. By collecting funds through Book Sales, White Cane,

And Christmas Tree Sales.

BLANDON LIONS

The Blandon Lions Club became a Charter in 1956. The Club was sponsored by the Muhlenberg Lions Club.

We are currently at 41 members and growing! We are constantly spreading the word about the Lions Mission to the community and beyond.

We join in many of the local parades with our 1948 Lions Chevy Pickup Truck along with our own free community events throughout the year, such as the Halloween Frolic and Music in the Grove.

We have annual fundraising events, such as a Car, Tractor and Motorcycle Show; a Chicken BBQ and many others.

We installed an Eye Glass Collection bin at our local township office where hundreds and hundreds of eye glasses are collected annually.

We award annual scholarships to the Fleetwood High School Seniors along with Lion family members who are eligible.

We supply those in need of medical equipment - such as walkers, wheelchairs, bath seats, commodes, and hospital beds for as long as they are needed.

On a local level, we donate to the Fire Department, Fire Police, Ambulance, Girls Softball and Safe Graduation.

We are also caretakers of Maier's Grove which was entrusted to the Blandon Lions Club by Andrew Maier. The grove is also available to the community for rental during the summer months.

The Club meets the 2nd and 4th Monday - 6:30pm - September through June at the Trinity Bible Fellowship Church and June through August at Maier's Grove, Blandon.

"WE SERVE"

PARKSBURG LIONS

The Parkesburg Lions Club was founded on June 30, 1934. It has remained a staple of the Parkesburg community throughout this time.

We meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at the Parkesburg Baptist Church beginning at 6:30PM. To support our local businesses, we have also been conducting meetings at area restaurants on occasion.

Our Club raises funds to support Beacon Lodge Camp, Delaware Valley Eye Bank, and Leader Dogs for the Blind on a state level. We also collect used eyeglasses.

On a local level, our Club:

- Sponsors the annual Parkesburg Lions Club Halloween Parade.

- Awards 2 \$1,000 scholarships to graduating Octorara Seniors.

- Conducts KidSight screenings at an event called OABEST at Octorara schools.

- Conducts quarterly food drives to benefit the Octorara Area Food Cupboard.

- Hosts an Easter Breakfast with the Easter Bunny followed by community Egg Hunt.

- Conduct community Holiday Decorating contest.

- Collects plastics & earn community benches through TREX program.

- Donate to community nonprofits including The Parkesburg Library, Keystone Fire

- Company, The Point Youth Center, The Octorara Area Food Cupboard,

- and Canine Partners for Life.

- Consider any individual community request.

To raise money, we:

- Hold an annual Gift Card Bingo.

- Participate in White Cane Days.

- Sell Bing Miller lottery number calendars.

- Variety of Merchandise Sales (candy, Wawa coupons, etc.)

- Annual Soldiers Support Project.

HAMBURG LIONS

Hamburg Lions are regular people, just like you. They are men and women who have decided to serve others through community involvement.

The Hamburg Lions held their first meeting in December of 1970. In the months that followed, the Hamburg Lions grew rapidly to 38 members. Since that beginning over 50 years ago, over 150 people have served, working diligently to promote good within our community.

To promote support for Juvenile Diabetes Research, the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) and the Lions established a "traveling trophy" to be hosted by the club that raised the most to support JDRF each year. The "traveling trophy" now permanently resides with the Hamburg Lions because we have consistently raised more than any of the clubs in our District.

It's this kind of dedicated service that has enabled the Hamburg Lions Club to serve our community in a wide variety of ways.

*Do things for people
not because of who they are
or what they do in return,
but because of who you are.*

Harold Kellner



PAOLI-BERWIN- MALVERN LIONS

Lions Club Objectives

- To take an active interest in the civic, commercial and social and moral welfare of the community.
- To unite members in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.
- To encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in business and professions; provided that no club shall hold out as one if its objectives financial benefits to its members.

A Tradition of Service

The Paoli-Berwyn-Malvern Lions Club is part of an organization which started in 1917. A young Chicago businessman by the name of Melvin Jones challenged fellow businessmen to put their drive, intelligence and ambition to work helping improve their communities.

Lionism's dedication to aiding the blind grew out of a speech by Helen Keller at the 1925 International Convention when she challenged the Lions to become "Knights of the Blind, in a crusade against darkness".

In 1941, the Paoli-Berwyn-Malvern Lions club received its charter and joined hands in what has become a tradition of service in our communities.

*We shall
win only
by
working
together.*

SHARTESVILLE LIONS

We Serve the Communities in Northern Berks County PA

The Shartlesville Lions Club was Chartered in June 25th 1952. Since then we have given continuous service to the residents of Upper Bern Township, District 14P, local, State and International vision and hearing impairment organizations.

The Shartlesville Lions provide, at no charge, ambulatory equipment to individuals who are in need of temporary equipment.

**The test of a
civilization
is in
the way that it
cares for its
helpless members.**

STRAUSSTOWN LIONS

The Strausstown Lions Club was chartered on May 27, 1947. There were 25 charter members. Currently, we now have 37 members. We meet the second and fourth Thursday of each month at the Strausstown Lions Park.

Some of our winter meetings are held at the Strausstown Community Campus. We meet at 630.

The main project of our club is the Lions Club Community Park, which is located in the village of Strausstown. The park was purchased in 1959. Over the years, the club has made improvements to the grounds, which included a pavilion with kitchen, a stage, tennis court, pickle ball court and a basketball court. A few years ago, we constructed handicapped accessible men's and women's bathrooms. The club also purchased Christmas decorations, which are installed by the members along Main Street in the village of Strausstown.

We also pay for the electricity to run the decorations.

Our major fundraiser is our antique auto show and flea market. We just held our 52nd show. We average about 415 antique autos and 250 flea markets.

The club supports our local fire company, ambulance company, and we also donate to 2 county libraries, and Beacon Lodge for the Blind, Berks Vision

Center, Delaware Valley Eye Bank, and other Lions projects. We also present an award for the highest ranking senior in science at Hamburg Area High School.

DISTRICT 14P LIONS CLUBS

AMITY TOWNSHIP	KUTZTOWN
AVON GROVE	LIONVILLE
BALLY	LONGSWAMP
BERN TOWNSHIP	MOHNTON CLINTON
BLANDON	MUHLENBERG
BOVERTOWN	OXFORD
COATESVILLE AREA	PACLI BERNWYN MALVERN
CONRAD WEISER	PARKESBURG
COVENTRY	REHRSBURG
EAGLE GLENMIDDLE	SHARTLESVILLE
EXETER TOWNSHIP	SHILLINGTON
FLEETWOOD	SHOEMAKERSVILLE
HAMBURG	SPRING TOWNSHIP
HONEY BROOK	STRAUSSTOWN
KEMPTON	WERNERSVILLE
KENNETT SQUARE	WEST GOSHEN
KIMBERTON AREA	WEST CHESTER



DISTRICT 14P LEO CLUBS



Avon Grove Charter
 Avon Grove High School
 Coatesville
 Exeter TOWNSP Senior High
 Great Valley
 Hamburg Area
 Kutztown High School
 Muhlenberg High School
 Octorara High School

Owen J Roberts High School
 Owen J Roberts Middle School
 Oxford Area High School
 Schuylkill Valley
 Stem
 Tulpehocken Leo Community
 Service
 Twin Valley High School
 Twin Valley Middle School
 Wilson High School

DISTRICT 14P REPORTING in MyLion
For Current Year. IS YOUR CLUB?

**20 Lions Clubs and
3 Leo Clubs have
Reported Service
So far this year**

Year to Date
People Served 55,212
Service Activities 463
Volunteer Hours 10,786

PEOPLE SERVED IN FOCUS AREAS



25



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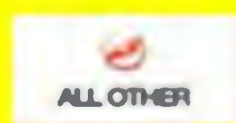
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12,374



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Lions Clubs International Foundation

Our Multiple District 14 has accepted a goal of donating \$27 per member to LCIF this year. LCIF Chairman, Brian Sheehan would like to see \$36 per member, but we kept it at the lower amount. To date, three of our District 14p clubs have donated a total of \$2650 or about slightly less than \$3 per member. Our District 14p goal is \$24,500.

Our District 14p has a total DCCG grant eligibility of \$11,010. This can be used for any type of humanitarian project, but it must be submitted and approved by LCIF. We still have a number of years to use this grant. This grant could also be used toward the local match for a larger grant from LCIF.

LCIF has been active in disaster relief projects including the wildfires in Maui, and earthquakes in Morocco, Turkey, and Syria. We also continue to help refugees from the war in Ukraine. I am sure we will also be helping in Israel and Gaza.

Our District 14p received a \$10,000 emergency grant to help in flood relief in Northern Berks County, but could not spend it in the allotted time, and returned it to LCIF.

Other items discussed in our last Zoom meeting with LCIF District Coordinators included the following:

Giving Tuesday is on November 28th. Please encourage your Lions Club, and also individual members to donate to LCIF. This newsletter probably will not be published by Nov. 28th, but please encourage gifts though the Christmas holiday season. I hope that the manual donation form is included with this newsletter, or you can donate online at lionsclubs.org.

January 8 to 13, 2024 is LCIF week ending with the birthday of Melvin Jones. We are to do a service project or fundraiser for LCIF.

Telethon 4.0 is scheduled for June 2, 2024.

A cookbook fundraiser is being planned. We will hear more about this project in the near future.

LCIF Pledge Form

All donations receive Melvin Jones Fellow credit!

PLEDGE INFORMATION

I pledge a total contribution of US\$_____ to LCIF.

My first payment, US\$_____, will be made by _____
Month/Day/Year

Pledges of US\$25,000+ are payable over five years; pledges of US\$5,000+ are payable over three years. If no payment frequency is selected, LCIF assumes equal annual installments based on pledge amount.

PAYMENT FREQUENCY (please one)

☐ **Monthly** ☐ **Annually** ☐ **Other**
My monthly payment My preferred annual payment
is to be US\$_____ is US\$_____ I will make _____ equal
payments of US\$_____

PAYMENT METHOD (please one)

☐ **Check** ☐ **Wire Transfer** ☐ **Credit Card*/PayPal**

*Donate securely at lionclubsa.org/donate or provide:

☐ **VISA** ☐ **MC** ☐ **AMEX** ☐ **Discover**

Card # _____ Exp. Date (mm/yy) _____
Name on Card _____ Security Code _____

DONOR INFORMATION

For pledge recognition and recording purposes, please provide the following information:

Name (print only) _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____

ZIP/Postal Code _____ Country _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Member ID _____

Club Name _____ District Name _____

☐ Please keep my personal and donation information anonymous. I understand my club/district (if any) may receive recognition for my donation.

Signature _____

Month/Day/Year _____

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LCIF

How to Donate

Several methods are available to support LCIF.

Credit Card or PayPal

Donate securely at lionsclubs.org/donate.

Check

Send US\$ checks, payable to LCIF, to:

Lions Clubs International Foundation
Department 4547
Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547 USA

Wire Transfer

To transfer funds to LCIF, present the information below to your bank, along with local currency funds covering the amount of your donation and applicable bank charges.

JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
10 S. Dearborn St.
Chicago, IL 60603 USA

ABA Routing Number: 021000021
Account Name: Lions Clubs International Foundation
Account Number: 754487312
Swift International Banking Number: CHASUS33

Email a copy of your receipt or wire transfer form – along with your name, member ID, club name, and district name – to donorassistance@lionsclubs.org. If requesting recognition, please include the recipient's name, member ID, club name, and district name.

Local Bank Deposit

Lions Clubs International has accounts at local banks in several countries. Find a list of banks at which donations may be made at lionsclubs.org/paymentbycountry. Email a copy of your deposit receipt – along with your name, member ID, club name, and district name – to donorassistance@lionsclubs.org. If requesting recognition for someone else, please include the recipient's name, member ID, club name, and district name.

Transfer of Stock

To transfer stock or other securities, use the instructions and form found at lionsclubs.org/waystogive.

Complete Your Pledge Form Today!

Fill out and return your completed form (2x4 letter)

* **Email:** Scan and send to donorassistance@lionsclubs.org

* **Postal Service:** Lions Clubs International Foundation, Department 4547, Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547 USA

* **Returning with a letter:** Attach with the form, please return postmarked soon.



14p KidSight News & Update December 2023

The News:

In the first five months of the Lion's year, we have screened over 2200 children in Berks and Chesters county. At this pace we are starting to return to our pre COVID-19 numbers.

In October we received an e-mail from Welsh Allen informing us the first three cameras that were purchased in 2012 will no longer be covered by a warranty, due to the redesign of the camera and the lack of repair parts. With two of the cameras not working and the other without a warranty if it failed it was decided to purchase three new cameras. The cost of each camera was \$8,190 which includes a five-year warranty (1,736 value) for a total of \$24,570 for all three cameras. To cover the cost for the new cameras we applied for a \$9,000 grant from the Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation.

The Update:

With the help of a donation by the **Coventry Lions Club** and the \$9,000 grant from the Lions of Pennsylvania we have purchased three cameras with a five-year warranty and three new HP printers which are now up and running. Your club donations are needed to help refurbish the KidSight bank account.

Now that the equipment problem is solved it is time to put out the **HELP WANTED SIGN**. In the past year KidSight has lost several key people due to relocation and life changes. The foundation needs people to come forward to help train and coordinate screenings with the clubs to ensure the continuation of the program. Please contact me at peshober@ptd.net

Philip Shober, PDG
14P KidSight

Wishing Everyone a Merry Christmas



Happy Hanukkah



Have a Happy and Joyful Kwanzaa



DISTRICT 14P

**FIRST VICE DISTRICT
GOVERNOR JANE RICE
PASSING THE DISTRICT
GOVERNOR BANNER
FROM PARKSBURG
LIONS CLUB TO
BOYERTOWN LIONS CLUB
PRESIDENT
GEOFF A LITTLEFIELD**



**DISTRICT GOVERNOR GARY
HILBERT PRESENTED DISTRICT
SECRETARY LINDA SAMPSON
WITH THE FLOWERS IN
APPRECIATION OF HER
WORK .**

A MESSAGE FROM ZONE CHAIR

TOBY GELMAN

The attached brochure was developed as a special Lions project before the pandemic.

>> Elder Abuse has grown dramatically during the pandemic.

The brochure is Timeless.

Local Resources:
Statewide Elder Abuse Hotline
1-800-490-8505
www.aging.pa.gov
National Center on Elder Abuse
www.ncea.acl.gov
Chester County
Department of Aging
Toll-Free: 1-800-564-7000
Local: (610) 344-6350
www.chesco.org/486/Protective-
-Services
Domestic Violence Center
of Chester County
Toll-Free: 1-888-711-6270
Local: (610) 431-1430
www.dvcccpa.org
Berks County
Department of Aging
(610) 478-6500
SAFE Berks
Toll-Free: 1-844-789-SAFE
Text "SAFE BERKS" to 20121
www.safeberks.org
**IF YOU ARE IN DANGER,
CALL 911!**

**Special Thanks to Our
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**Elder Abuse:
"Silent No Longer"**

**Information
&
Resources**
This event brought to you by
Lions District 14p
Chester County &
Berks County, PA


THE BROCHURE CAN BE
FOUND ON THE DISTRICT
WEB PAGE UNDER INFO,
FORMS, MEETING
MINUETS AND
RECORDINGS

PLEASE
PRINT THE
BROCHURE
AND
DISTRIBUTE
AT YOUR
EVENTS.

What is Elder Abuse?

Elder Abuse is a term used to describe any knowing, intentional, or negligent act by a caregiver or any other person that causes harm or a serious risk of harm to a vulnerable adult. Elder abuse can come in various forms:

Physical/Sexual Abuse

Hitting, pushing, kicking, punching, pinching, biting, unnecessarily restraint, intentionally causing pain, intentional misuse of medication, sexual abuse/exploitation, etc.

Verbal Abuse

Calling names, put-downs, making fun, embarrassing/humiliating, criticism, etc.

Emotional Abuse

Threats of harm or abandonment, manipulation, mind games, gaslighting—making you feel crazy, isolation, non-communication, intimidation, control, etc.

Financial Abuse

Pressure to make or making undue changes to legal, financial documents, theft of or withholding of funds, identity theft, etc.

Neglect & Self-Neglect

Deprivation of basic needs: food, water, housing, clothing, hygiene, medical care, emotional/social engagement, etc.

Self-Neglect involves an older adult, living independently, who is unable/unwilling to care for themselves leading to an environment threatening to health and safety.

Risk Factors for Elder Abuse

There are some factors that can put an older adult at increased risk for experiencing abuse including:

- An adult child who is still dependent on their older parent for financial assistance or housing—especially in cases where the adult child suffers from mental illness or a substance abuse disorder (addiction).
- A history of domestic violence in the home or family—as families grow and age, present problems of domestic violence often continue.
- Living with others in isolation—prevents likelihood of reporting of abuse.

PA Statistics on Elder Abuse

In national statistics, 1 in 10 adults 60+ have experienced some form of abuse. In Pennsylvania, since 2016, we have seen a **32% increase** in number of reports of elder abuse—with a **38% increase** in substantiated, or proven, claims of abuse.

- The age group most reported to be in need of protective services in PA were those between the ages of **81—90** and **almost half** of them lived in their own homes.
- **46.8%** of perpetrators of abuse were between the ages of 30—59 and **16.7%** were identified as family members.
- The most common substantiated forms of abuse were: **self-neglect, caregiver neglect, financial exploitation, physical, and emotional abuse.**

Reporting Abuse

In the state of Pennsylvania, if you work with and suspect abuse of an individual over the age of 60—you are mandated to report it to the appropriate authorities.

PA Statewide Elder Abuse Hotline

1-800-490-8505

- If you believe an adult is being abuse and their life is in imminent danger, call 911 immediately! Then report directly to protective services.

To make a report you may need to know:

- Age of the victim
- Address of the victim
- Victim's level of physical/mental capacity
- Date of the incident
- Whether or not there are weapons present in the home, if there is a history of drug/alcohol abuse or domestic violence in the home.
- How the alleged perpetrator might react to a worker coming to the home
- What the best times to visit may be

Failure to report suspected abuse is a crime.

Changing the World

Changing the world is a journey. There is no middle and no end. There is only a beginning—and it starts with us. It happens through the many small choices and acts of kindness we make every day. Together, the sum of our efforts makes the world a better place, one life, one relationship and one community at a time.



Disaster Relief

- Previously helped Missouri; Texas; Louisiana; West Virginia; Maryland; Virginia; North Carolina; Kentucky; New Jersey; and New York
- 24 separate disasters in PA alone
- MD-14's Districts: Appoint a Disaster Relief Coordinator
- Schedule meetings in each district as to how to be better prepared for future disasters
- Have a disaster relief financial account
- Establish temporary or permanent warehouses for storing disaster
- Have a disaster trailer ready to respond to your local disasters within each district

Submitted by Lion Jim Groff, DR Coordinator

When caring people join together, roll up their sleeves and take action to make their community better, it's a beautiful thing—and an incredible feeling for everyone involved. That's Lions. Being a Lion is about leading by example, building relationships and improving the world through kindness. It's 1.4 million caring men and women serving together so they can make a lasting impact and change more lives.



We Serve

PEACE POSTER CONTEST

PEACE POSTER CONTEST

1st Place

Rajvi Sapkal

Spring Township

Lion's Club

Wilson West Middle School



3rd Place.

Elelina Polak

Conrad Weiser Lions.

Conrad Weiser Middle School



2022-2023

Theme is

Dare to

Dream

2nd Place

Kylie Milshaw

Exeter

Lion's Club.

Exeter Township

Jr High School.



LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER CONTEST

4th Place

Caley Harris

Boyertown

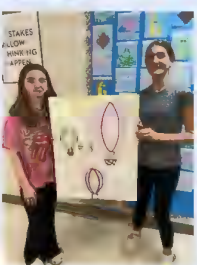
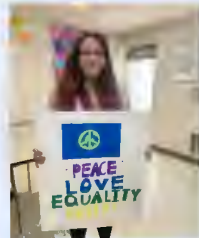
Lion's Club

Boyertown West

Middle School



STUDENT'S ENTRIES FROM
the AVON GROVE
CHARTER SCHOOL



Peace Poster Winners from Exeter Township Lions Club.

We had 21 entries from the Junior High School.



MUHLENBERG HIGH SCHOOL LEOS

- Leos hosted a Safe Trick or Treat at the Elementary Center where we had over 400 students come through to collect candy and play Halloween themed games.



MUHLENBERG HIGH SCHOOL LEOS

- The Muhlenberg Leo Club volunteered with Muhlenberg Park and Rec at their Haunted Hallow events at Jim Dietrich Park



EXETER TWNSP SR HS LEOS

Safe Halloween event that the Exeter Township
Leo Club participated in



WILSON HIGH SCHOOL LEOS

Wilson High School Leos volunteering at Helping Harvest
sorting items from the Boy Scout Food drive Saturday



LONGSWAMP LIONS

We want to thank all those that support our club and help to advance what we do to help our community be a better place! We had a successful 60/40 Drawing Night tonight and appreciate all those that contributed gifts to our Silent Auction. Many thanks to Lyons Fire Company's Social Hall for the good food and drink!! We had a great event!!



BALLY LIONS

Please join us! Dec. 2nd the Bally Lions will be serving free hot dogs, cocoa and cookies at the Bally Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. See Event link for more details. 🍔❤️🌲 Mark your calendar!



AVON GROVE LIONS

The Avon Grove Lions donated \$500 to the Robotics club at Penn London Elementry School



KUTZTOWN LIONS

The pride, respect, and awe we hold for our volunteer firefighters and crew at the Kutztown Fire Company is profound. Thank you for absolutely every second of your time you give to our community. You put us before family- and you do it selflessly and without hesitation. We are indebted to you. Thank you!



AVON GROVE LIONS

THE AVON GROVE LIONS CONDUCTED A KIDSIGHT Screening
at the AVON GROVER CHARTER ELS



THEY SCREENED 7
KINDERGARDEN CLASSES



ABOUT 165 CHILDREN IN
ABOUT 21/2 HOURS

AVON GROVE CHARTER SCHOOL LEOS

THE AVON GROVE CHARTER
SCHOOL LEOS HELPED WITH
THE KIDSIGHT
EYE SCREENINGS AT THE
CHARTER ELC.



THE LEOS READ TO THE STUDENTS AND KEEP THEM IN THE
PROPER ORDER TO BE SCREENED.



AVON GROVE LIONS

THE LIONS COLLECTED ITEMS FOR THE
STOCKINGS FOR SOLDIERS PROJECT AND
HELPED WITH
FILLING THE STOCKINGS FOR THE



Families, Charitable Organizations, and businesses were represented and attended Wednesday evening for The Delaware Stockings for Soldiers program. Workers, young and old came together to sort donations of candies, Slim Jim's, Ramen Noodles, drink mixes, toiletries, socks and much more! Other groups wrote Christmas cards with words of support and encouragement for our troops overseas during this Christmas/Holiday season.

The Avon Grove Lions Club has become instrumental in this program stated program organizer Judy Travis, delivering hundreds if not thousands of books from their well-known Book Barn to be included in the gifts going to our soldiers overseas.



STRAUSSTOWN LIONS

Preping the Christmas lights!
They go up Nov 18th.



GREAT VALLEY LEOS

DELIVERING CSRDT TO THE VETRENS
HOME MADE BY THE LEOS.



LEOS MAKING SIGNS FOR COAT DRIVE



COAT DRIVE



LEO's ARE Our STARS for the FUTURE!!

MUHLENBERG HIGH SCHOOL LEOS

- The Leo Club leadership team presented our work to the Muhlenberg School Board in November.

LEO



MUHLENBERG HIGH SCHOOL LEOS

- The Muhlenberg Leo Club also included a picture of our monthly trip to New Journey Community Outreach.



HONEY BROOK LIONS

Had a wonderful early Thanksgiving dinner at our club meeting. The food was delicious and plentiful but what made it truly special was spending time with a room full of fellow Lions.

Grateful for good food and great times!



SHILLINGTON LIONS



Thank you is an understatement!

This weekend you may have seen our club members at Redner's in Kenhorst facilitating a food drive for the Grace Food Bank in Shillington.

Thank you to all that supported our drive during your weekend shopping! We estimate approximately 750 lbs of food were donated. We're so proud of this impact and thankful for a wonderful community



HONEY BROOK LIONS

The soup sale was a great success they sold out and had to turn people away. Sold about 185 Qts. Profit should be over \$1000.



2023

Honey Brook Lions Club
Chicken Corn Soup Sale



BOYERTOWN LIONS

It's beginning to look alot like Christmas in Boyertown. Lions club members enjoyed a sun splashed Sunday morning hanging lights and banners. Thanks to T L Conrad and Davidson Keen for the use of your equipment. Happy Holidays



KENNETT SQUARE LIONS

Kennett Square Lions Club held the November Food Drive for Kennett Area Food Cupboard and collected 256 food items at 308 pounds. There was a 19.6% bag return with 33 bags.



KEMPTON LIONS



Over a period of about a week's time, club members solicited hoagie sales in the community, collected & organized sales data, ordered and picked up supplies, assembled & delivered the hoagies, and finally, collected, turned in, and processed customer payments. Outcomes: Community awareness and goodwill are increased toward Lions activities and fundraising, and considerable funds are raised for all Kempton Lions Club charitable donations.

BALLY LIONS

The new holiday banners are going up on Main Street in Bally. Thanks to the volunteers and to YOU! Without your continued financial support these would not be possible. The large LED Snowflakes will be placed on the other Side of the street.



PARKSBURG LIONS

Our Holiday Lighting Contest is right around the corner! We will be judging Friday December 15th, please try to have your lights on by 5pm if you are participating. This contest is open to all residences with a Parkesburg mailing address. We have cash prizes to hand out for first, second and third place. Those of you who want to be included, please send me a private message with your address. Thanks everyone and have fun! 🌲



STRAUSSTOWN LIONS

So the decorations were bought and are maintained by our lions club. We currently have 18. We put up normally weekend before thanksgiving and take down in January sometime when the weather is nicest. This past year we just purchased all new timers for each decoration due to previous ones being outdated and worn out. We also pay for the electric to run them. Hope this helps!



AVON GROVE LIONS



Members of the Avon Grove Lions and a member of the Oxford Lions conducted a Kid Sight Screening at the ElkrIDGE Elementry School in

Oxford Pa.

**They Screened
202 children
with 34
needing follow
up exams.**



COVENTRY

Thirteen years ago, East Coventry School's Reading Specialist, Dawn Newsanger, encouraged her second-grade class to do something that would benefit the community. Her class was the first to initiate a food drive that would help the Coventry Lions Club provide food baskets to disadvantaged families during the holiday seasons of Thanksgiving, Easter and Christmas. Since those early days, the Lion Cubs in the district has added the food drive as one of their community service projects. East Coventry's Lion Cubs held a successful food drive for this Thanksgiving as they collected over 300 food items to help the Coventry Lions Club with their food distribution to forty-four families in our community.



AVON GROVE LIONS

The Lions donated toys for Oxford Neighborhood Services Toy Room



AVON GROVE LIONS

The lions, with help from and Family Members set up the up the Christmas Tree Lot.



OXFORD AREA HIGH SCHOOL HH LEOS

Members of the Leo Club helped to setup the Christmas Tree Lot.



Enjoying pizza after all
their hard work.

SHOEMAKERSVILLE LIONS

Saturday 11/25 our members were assisted by Justin Wall from Wiring By Wall with his bucket truck and Chris Kline from Shoemakersville Boro with our yearly hanging of the Christmas lights on electric poles in Shoemakersville Boro.



AVON GROVE LIONS

The Lions, Leos ,
Boy Scouts along with
family unloaded 150
trees and set them up.



AVON GROVE LIONS



The Lions with the help of the Oxford Helping Hands Leos sold trees at the Christmas Tree Lot all weekend.

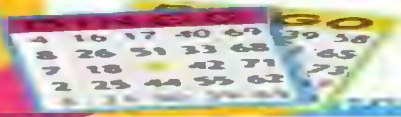


SHARTESVILLE LIONS



Bingo Report

Lion Barbara and her crew certainly helped our treasury with the Bingo games of the Mountainview Campgrounds. For the camping season we gained \$4,286 that we will be able to use to help others.



Eighteen items of food donated by our membership were delivered to the local food pantry on November 17.

KENNETT SQUARE LIONS

KENNETT SQUARE LIONS CLUB
at the
KENNETT SQUARE HOLIDAY LIGHT PARADE



Lion President David Miller brought enough cups of hot chocolate for 50 people, candy canes, and candy cone mints for kids and everything was gone by the end of the night! We sold several calendars and several cars of peanuts and received many donations as well. The hot chocolate was a huge hit and we ran out, we probably could have handed out 50 more cups.

(l to R) Lion VP Ralph, Lion Tail Twister Tyler, Lion President David, Lion Secretary Alycia, Nicole, and Braxton.



LONGSWAMP LIONS

Our Annual Christmas 🎄 Tree sale is underway!! Sales have been very brisk and we have already sold almost half our inventory! Thanks to all that have supported us! If you haven't picked up yours yet, we're open until 5 pm today and 9-5 tomorrow! Come and get them before they're gone!



Sign Up Today - Space Is Limited!



RLLI



REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE



March 8-10, 2024

Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg/Hershey



**PA LIONS
MD 14**

SUBJECTS

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

INSTRUCTORS

- **PID Cindy Gregg**
- **PDG Tom Gregg**
- **PDG Jason Long**
- **PDG John Mallonee**
- **PDG Dick Sware**
- **PID James Cavallaro**
- **PDG Kerry McKnight**

**Contact Your District Governor
Or**

**PDG Kerry McKnight
md14glt-learn@yahoo.com**

Space Is Limited!

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



MD-14 REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

MARCH 8-10, 2024 Red Lion Hotel, Harrisburg, PA

CANDIDATE'S REGISTRATION FORM

Cost \$175.00 (includes Institute, lodging and meals)

Checks should accompany this form and be made out to "PA State Council of Lions Clubs" - Mail to: PDG Kerry McKnight, 6 Mulberry Lane, New Freedom, PA 17349

Questions to PDG Kerry McKnight at klm52@aol.com or 717-235-2790

(Past participants, District Governors, Past District Governors ineligible)

Submission Deadline Date: January 31, 2024 (No refunds after deadline) Maximum 40 attendees
Please type or print

First Name _____ Last Name _____

District Number _____ Member Number _____

Highest Lions Office Held _____ Current Lion's Title _____

Email** _____ Preferred Telephone # _____

****Please Type or Print CLEARLY! Will be used for ALL Communication regarding the institute**

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Club Name/Number _____ Month/Year Joined _____

Offices Held Within Lions Club _____

Committee Positions Held Within Club _____

Why is this institute of interest to you?

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By signing below I hereby commit to the conditions of attending the 2024 MD-14 RLLI

- Participants must arrive at the hotel on the arrival time & date indicated in their acceptance email.
- Participants are responsible for arranging their own travel to and from the institute.
- Participants must stay at the hotel throughout the institute.
- MD-14 GLT will make all hotel reservations. (Do not call the hotel.)
- Participants are required to stay through 3:00 p.m. on the last day of the institute.
- If they depart prior to 3:00 p.m. on the last day, they will not receive acknowledgement or their RLLI participation certificate.
- Participants may bring a laptop for use outside of the classroom.
- Participants are required to complete pre-assignments prior to arrival at the institute.

Candidate's Signature _____ Date _____

District Governor Must also Complete and Sign this Form

In what ways will this candidate benefit from attending the Regional Lions Leadership Institute.

District Governor Member Number _____

Name of District Governor _____

Signature of District Governor _____

Email (Please print) _____

Date _____



UPCOMING EVENTS AND SERVICE PROJECTS

SHOEMAKERSVILLE LIONS



We will have a safe, socially distant visit with Santa this year. Join us for a ton of fun with lots of decorations and holiday treats available! Families will register for a time slot to ensure every child gets time to see Santa. Families **MUST** come during the time slot they have registered for.

Families should check in at registration before proceeding to see Santa. Children will receive an age-appropriate gift, an orange and small craft (depending on age). They will also get tickets for a chance to win prizes donated to the raffle and bikes.

This **FREE** event is Sponsored by the Shoemakersville Lions Club with assistance from the Perry Recreation Board and Shoemakersville Recreation Board.

What to expect

Join the Shoemakersville Area Lions Club as they welcome Santa back to the Shoemakersville Park on Saturday, December 16! Sign up for your time with child's name and age so Santa and his elves can select an appropriate gift. Gifts are provided for children up to 12 years of age.

PARKSBURG LIONS

Our deadline for this is Dec 8th.
Thanks everyone!



Parkesburg Lions Club CHRISTMAS SOLDIER PROJECT



The Parkesburg Lions Club is collecting Food/Snacks for soldiers this Christmas that are stationed on the border of the United States and Mexico **AND** we are also supplying Christmas Dinners for local Soldier Reservists in the Coatesville Area.

Project 1 - Food/Snacks for Troops at the Border

Local Snacks: Such as Herr's products/Hard Pretzels/Tastykakes etc. (Single Packages)

Gum	Beef Jerky
Tic Tac Mints	Peanuts, Cashews etc (Travel size)
Trail Mix	Candy
Sunflower Seeds	Slurpees
Ramen Noodles	Cookies (Individual size)
Any kind of snack item	

Project 2 - Christmas Dinner Items for Local Reservists

Instant Mashed Potatoes, Canned Vegetables, Cranberry Sauce, Boxed Stuffing,
Canned Sweet Potatoes etc. **AND/OR**

Gift Cards for local Grocery Store so they can buy a Ham or Turkey

You can buy a complete meal for a family or give individual items. Anything is Appreciated!

Food Items/Gift cards can be dropped off at Parkesburg Borough Hall 315 W. 1st Ave.
OR text/call Karen Holmes at 717-380-3098 to arrange other options for drop off/pickup.

HONEY BROOK LIONS



2023

Breakfast with Santa & Women's Club Christmas Store

What?

Breakfast with Santa &
Women's Club Christmas
Store

Where?

Honey Brook Lions Club
Community Center
14 Mt. Pleasant Rd.
Honey Brook, PA 19344

When?

Date: December 16, 2022
Time: 9:00 am

FREE EVENT

Sponsored by Honey Brook Lions Club



EYEGASSES RECYCLING



**PDG DAVE SAMPSON WILL BE PICKING UP
THE COLLECTED GLASSES ON December
2nd if you have glasses please bring them
to the Old Kmart Shopping Center Paoli
Pike near 202. Meet near the Kmart at
noon. Please be prompt.**

'Sponsored by Zone 4a'

EXETER LIONS

Spaghetti Dinner



Saturday, January 27, 2024

Schwarzwald UCC Church

75 Church Lane Road, Jacksonwald

Time 4 – 7 P. M.

Donation: Adult - \$10.00

Children 4 – 12 \$5.00

Children 3 and under free.

Baked Goods will be available for an additional charge.

Take outs are available

Collecting Used Eyeglasses, Hearing Aids, Soda Tabs, Cancelled
Stamps, and New or Gently Used Baseball Caps.



Sponsored by the
Exeter Township Lions Club

Contact Lion Linda for weather related information at lindaslong27@gmail.com

or 484-955-0413

Snow Date Feb. 3rd.

BOYERTOWN LIONS

LIONS CLUB OF BOYERTOWN CHARTER NIGHT

Celebrate 85 Years with Boyertown Lions

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, May 4, 2024

DETAILS TO FOLLOW SOON!



KUTZTOWN LIONS

👤 Kutztown Lions Club Member of the Month 🏆

We proudly introduce Jerry!

Jerry joined the Kutztown Lions Club shortly after moving back from Texas. He helped at the Kutztown Fair in August of 2017 while waiting for his wife, Tina, to move back to Kutztown.

Jerry is proud to serve a needed cause with those with vision issues since he has had double vision issues in the past.

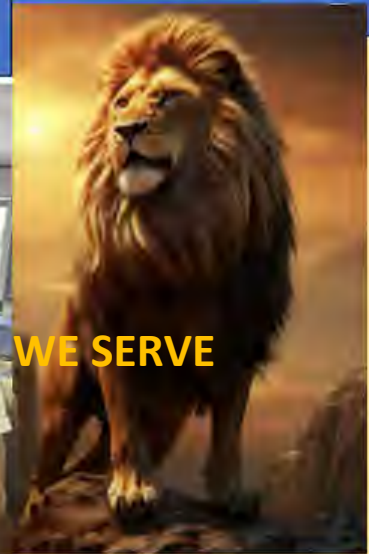
Jerry loves meeting people at the Festival & Fair.

Jerry studied ministry in college and is a stained glass craftsman.



He is also happy to share with us that when he worked for International Paper the best position he had was as an Environmental Auditor for the Corporation....he traveled to a facility of theirs in the US every other week making certain they were in Environmental compliance of ALL regulations.

We are proud to have Jerry as a Kutztown Lions Club Member. Thank you, Jerry.



COATESVILLE LIONS

**At last evenings meeting
At the Coatesville Moose Lodge.
DG Gary Hilbert presented to
First Vice President Christine
Hylenski of the Coatesville
Lions Club their LCIF Model Club
Award. Congratulations**



**CONGRATULATIONS FOR THE
MANY YEARS OF SERVICE to
THEIR COMMUNITIES**

COATESVILLE 12/19/24



HAMBURG 12/09/70



**MUHLENBERG
HIGH SCHOOL 12/09/96**

In Memoriam

MUHLENBERG— GORDON C ROGERS

Lions' Prayer

"Our Father, we thank Thee for the gifts of life and love and laughter, for soundness of body and sanity of mind; for keenness of conscience and strength of will; for the power of choice; and the privilege of service. Make us worthy of Thy bounty, and accept of our gratitude for this food, in the name of (Our Lord) Christ."

Does your Club have an upcoming event
or an article it would like to have
featured in Lion Eyes? Send it
by the 26th to Lion Eyes Editor at
Lioneyes14p@gmail.com

Exceptions can be made if your
event occurs after the 26th.

FROM THE

THE HEART

