

May 2021

# DGQ NEWSLETTER

District 14-E Westmoreland County



**GET PERSONAL!**

*What happened to the*  
**STACHE?**

*How far would you  
go to support*  
**A Worthy Cause?**

*Hear what happened  
at the Spring Social!*

**DC  
CHUCK**

Sometimes  
Less Is More:  
Don't Cover  
the FACE  
(too much)!

**Open  
Up  
To**

**NEW  
IDEAS**



Special Edition

**WE  
SERVE**

## EXTRA! EXTRA! Read it right here folks! THIS really did happen!



How it Started.



How it's going!

Yes Fellow Lions **THAT** happened at the District 14-E Spring Social that was held on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at the Lamplight Restaurant in Delmont. It started out as a little incentive to get Lions to purchase "Shave the Stache" tickets for a Multiple District raffle.

## District Governor's Message



Hello Fellow Lions,

I hope all is well. I would like to thank all of the lions that came out to the 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting and Spring Social. It sure was good to see all of you. Like I said at the meeting, I felt like a bear coming out of hibernation, and I know most of you feel the same way. I would like to thank everyone who took part in my shaving...I feel much lighter, and I think I look 20 years younger!! We collected \$110 for Beacon Lodge as a result.

With the time we have been closed up for the past year, we should all be ready for some new adventures and challenges in the world of Lionism. Think about all the new ways we learned to do things and or are still learning to communicate. When you get to see or talk to ZC Jeff Jordan, Lion Lisa Gismondi, Lion Amanda Remic or PDG Lance Remic, please be sure to tell them "Thank You". They have been a huge part with the communications this year with all of us...between social media posts, the newsletter, emails, website & the zoom meetings, they have helped to hold us together!

Our District is still in dire need of Zone Chairs. If you want to '**Open up to a New Idea**', think about becoming a Zone Chair. Get involved, talk to another Zone Chair, or myself if you have questions, attend the RLLI (Regional Lions Leadership Institute) or ALLI (Advanced Lions Leadership Institute) trainings. These are great ways to come out of your shell and see what you can do as a Lion. Being a part of all the clubs in your District will get your brains thinking and motivated and ready to boost your District. I know that we have some Lions in our District that we can count on to step up for the challenge. Remember, **Open up for New Ideas**, change is not a bad idea. Think about this...your car cannot run on the original oil. It needs changed every so many months. Keeping the oil changed will keep your motor running longer and smoother. It is the same with Lions...we have to keep growing and trying...as if we do not change our ways as Lions, think about what might happen to our clubs, District and organization as a whole, and in turn how that would impact our communities and those in need.

Again, I know this year is winding down to an end, but we need to focus on next year. I would like to say congratulations to DGE Margie Wolff, 1VDGE Tony Catullo, and 2VDGE Amy Thompkins, as well as ZC Jeff Jordan. I know each of you will continue to grow our organization to the best of your abilities. It is a journey that will have many hills and bumps to overcome, but I have confidence in all of you!

Lastly, please don't forget to enter your club officers for the 21/22 year into LCI as DGE Margie will need that information to complete her Directory as well as LCI needing the information as well. And also, if you have not sent in your club's District Donations, please get them in to PDG Bob Mesher as soon as possible so distributions can be made.

It is always a pleasure to chat, see or have fellowship in some way with all of you. Keep up the hard work, dedication and Lions Spirit!!

Yours In Service

*DG Chuck*



### **HELP WANTED: ZONE CHAIRS NEEDED**

Becoming a Zone Chair is a great way to get a little more involved within our District. You get the opportunity to see what other clubs are doing and get to work with Lions outside your own club. What better way to meet new people and try new things! And best of all, you have tons of support from the other Zone Chairs, DG Cabinet, and GAT Team! Why not give it a try? Contact DG Chuck if you think you might be interested!!!!!!

## **Zone Chairperson Responsibilities**

- Participate in meetings as a member of the district cabinet
- Monitor the well being and status of clubs in your zone (review reports & visit clubs)
- Further the purposes of the association
- Provide a current list of clubs with officer names and addresses to the district governor



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# North America Membership Initiative



## Club Activity Calendar

You are invited to use this calendar to help plan and share service, fellowship and management activities with your club. All activities below are ideas to consider. Review the resources and edit the ideas to make this organizational tool work for you!

July	August	September
Start your club year with a celebration that includes recognition of incoming and outgoing officers.	August 12 is International Youth Day. Host a social event, like "Lion Day in the Park" with activities for young people.	Involve a local school in Lions' mission to encourage peace. Get started with a <a href="#">Peace Poster</a> kit and <a href="#">Peace Essay</a> rules.
Build your <a href="#">club committees</a> and ensure future Lion leaders are in them.	Identify learning needs and wants in your club. Talk to your district GLT about their training schedule and how best to provide.	Tailor your club meetings to fit your club members. Find a fun exercise to get started in <a href="#">Your Club, Your Way</a> .
October	November	December
October 10 is World Sight Day. Start on our <a href="#">Vision webpage</a> to find service project ideas and planning tools.	November 14 is World Diabetes Day. Visit our <a href="#">Diabetes webpage</a> to learn how your club can help fight this global epidemic.	December 5 is International Leo Day. Partner with your Leo club on a holiday project. Don't have a Leo club? <a href="#">Start one!</a>
Re-engage inactive members by sharing the service activities your club has planned and ways they can contribute.	Involve your whole club in identifying opportunities for improvement through the <a href="#">Club Quality Initiative</a> .	Thank your club leaders on reaching the half-year milestone! Share your club's accomplishments and plans.
January	February	March
January 13 is Melvin Jones' birthday. Honor his legacy with an open forum night to identify community needs for service.	February 15 is Childhood Cancer Day. Show how your club cares for children with a Valentine-themed <a href="#">fundraiser</a> .	March 8 is International Women's Day. Host a <a href="#">Women's Symposium</a> or a meeting topic on growing women Lion leaders.
All club events are great opportunities to get your club known. Our <a href="#">Public Relations Guide</a> has ideas and resources to help.	Lions are people who care. Make sure your fundraiser invites all who attend (and those who don't) to become Lions.	Form your Nomination Committee to begin preparing for club officer elections.
April	May	June
April 22 is Earth Day. Find service ideas to protect and restore the environment through our <a href="#">Environment webpage</a> .	May 28 is World Hunger Day. Start on our <a href="#">Hunger webpage</a> to identify ways to serve in providing access to nutritious foods.	June 7 is Lions Clubs Birthday! Hold a party to appreciate your club members and celebrate your club accomplishments.
Join Lions worldwide in welcoming new members to their clubs. Celebrate <a href="#">Worldwide Induction Day</a> on April 28.	Elect club officers for next year, so they can learn their positions and develop plans for your club's future achievements.	With your club's excellence in service, growth, communications and operations, apply for the <a href="#">Club Excellence Award</a> .



# 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Message:

Dear Fellow Lions:

I hope many of you were able to attend the Cabinet Meeting/Spring Social on April 17 at The Lamplighter Restaurant. What a pleasure it was to see all of you who were there. Zoom meetings are great to use to keep in touch and up-to-date with each other, but there is nothing like being together in person to renew our friendships and our spirit.

Of course, there was some fun with the "shave the 'stache" event and the Lions timeline game, but most impressive were the reports from the various clubs and how you all are surviving the pandemic and raising funds with creative and innovative, as well as tried-and-true, events. (We can see more 'staches being shaved at the International Convention, when PID James Cavallaro and ID Larry Edwards take their turns for this event.)

I am honored and humbled to be your District Governor-elect. It will be my privilege and pleasure to serve you in this position. Of course, there will be challenges along the way, but, by using the many diverse talents and strengths of our members and being persevering, we will overcome any obstacles in our path. I am looking forward to working with all of you and your clubs this coming year.

Again, if there is any way I can assist you or your club, please call me at any time.

Yours in Lionism  
Margie Wolff  
DGE



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Message:

"Somebody ought to do something." How many times have we heard that? "Look at all the litter along the road, somebody ought to do something." "That person is in a wheel chair and needs a ramp, somebody ought to do something." "These children need to have their eyes examined, somebody ought to do something." Yes, somebody ought to do something but who is that somebody? Many people will answer "Why the government needs to do something," but what happens when the government does something? There is more spending, and more bureaucracy, and more red tape, three things of which the world already has too much. So, who ought to do something? We know the answer to that, we Lions are in the business of "doing something about it." "Doing something about it" is the lion's creed.

"Doing something about it" begins in our own communities. While communities will share some basic needs, each community is different and will have its own pressing set of needs. And each of our Lions Clubs is uniquely situated in its own community and is in perfect position to assess those needs and tailor its programs appropriately. We know the people in our towns and boroughs better than any agent from the government ever could, and nothing is better than neighbor helping neighbor. So let's maintain our own "somebody ought to do something" list. Let keep our eyes open and our spirits ready to get to work. Let's cleanup that roadside, let's build that ramp, and let's see those children tested, and let's see just what our communities need. Let's be that "do something about it" presence in our communities.

Of course we have heard a lot about membership, and there's no doubt membership will be an ongoing topic. We can tell folks all about the Lions. We can quote all those statistics, and list our projects, both local and global, but it will be that "do something about it" attitude that will ultimately attract men and women, the men and women we need. After all, we all became lions because we wanted to do something about it, didn't we? "Somebody ought to do something" and that somebody is us.

Tony

"There are two types of people who will tell you that you cannot make a difference in this world: those who are afraid to try and those who are afraid you will succeed."

- Ray Goforth



# Just ask!

## Quick tips for effectively recruiting new members



### 1 Prepare Your Club.

Without proper preparation, your club's recruitment efforts will not be as effective as possible.

- » Decide what your club would like to accomplish and how new members will help achieve this.
- » Develop a member recruitment team that can focus on all aspects of member recruitment.

### 2 Create your club's growth plan.

Develop an action-oriented plan that clearly outlines your recruitment efforts.

- » Determine who you will be recruiting.
- » Determine where you will focus your recruiting efforts.
- » Gather the materials you will need for your outreach.
- » Set and promote your informational meeting.

### 3 Implement your growth plan.

- » Reach out to target members as outlined in steps one and two.
- » Host your informational meeting.
- » Follow up with meeting attendees.
- » Review your growth plan and adjust timelines if necessary.

### 4 Welcome new members.

- » Conduct an induction ceremony.
- » Ensure that new members are properly onboarded.

## Don't forget to get your new members involved!

People join Lions Clubs International to serve—make sure that your new members are involved in ways that align with the reasons they joined your club.



For details on each of these steps, as well as additional tools and resources your club can use for successful member recruitment, download the complete Just Ask! New Member Recruiting Guide from the Resource Center at [lionsclubs.org](https://lionsclubs.org).



**Lions Clubs International**

[lionsclubs.org](https://lionsclubs.org)

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## WOMEN AND FAMILIES IN LIONS

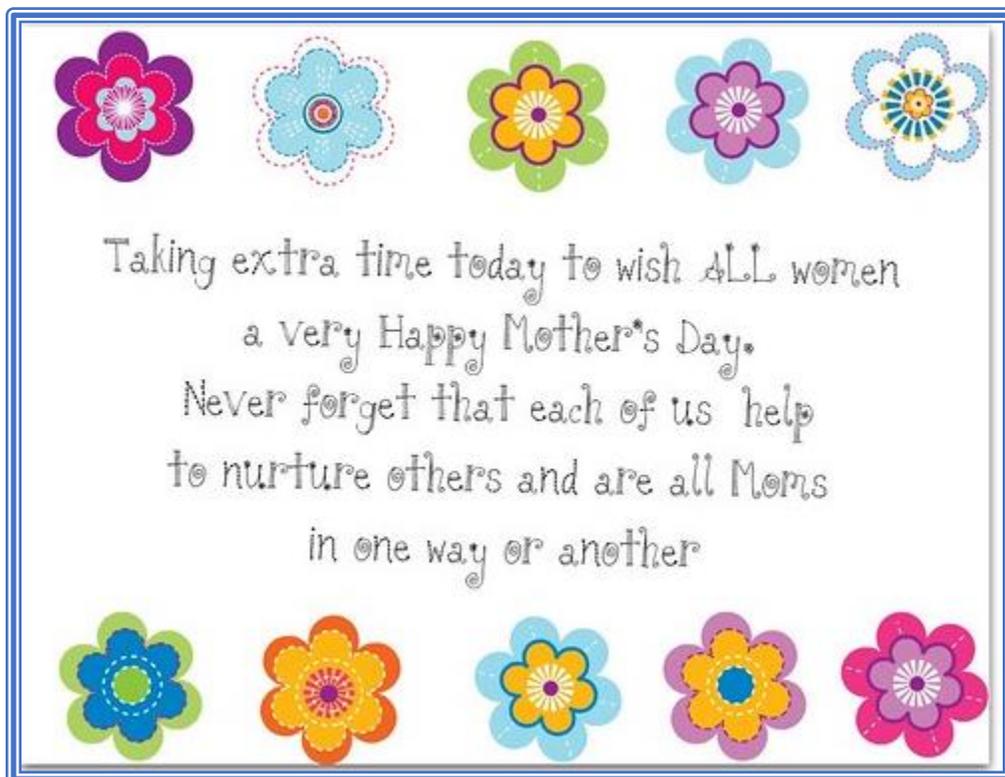
There are so many things to be thankful for this year and the month of May provides a special opportunity to show appreciation for the beautiful gift of motherhood. Writing articles for the Lions newsletter provides a perfect opportunity for me to investigate why certain days of each month are a cause for celebration. Even though many other events happen in May, I wanted to focus on Mother's Day, simply because this article is focused on women and families.

I was not sure how this day came to be, and I was surprised to find out it started way back during the American Civil War. A young woman named Anna Marie Jarvis was inspired by her mother, who served wounded soldiers in the American Civil War. After the loss of her own mother, she wanted a way to celebrate the lives of her mother, as well as others. It just so happened her mother's favorite flower was a white carnation. Therefore, in 1908, Anna held a memorial ceremony in a church in Grafton, West Virginia to honor all deceased mothers. She sent every attendant a white Carnation, which totaled about 500 flowers. Since then, white Carnations are given or worn out of remembrance of a mother who is not longer living. Red Carnations became the flower to represent living mothers, so now I have made it easy to know the appropriate type of flowers to send to your mother.

I was also surprised to discover; President Woodrow Wilson took this tradition one step further by designating the second Sunday in May as the official Mother's Day Celebration in the United States. This is a day when families may express respect, honor, and love towards their birth mother, or adopted mother or someone who has been like a mother to them. It is a day which should make people remember the importance and significance of mothers in their life and is a day to give special emphasis to the motherly figures around the world. Many celebrations include a day off for Mom, where she is pampered by her family, with breakfast in bed, or a luxury spa treatment, virtual cooking class, a visit to her favorite restaurant, or that special homemade card. Take this day to do something special for your mother and make it a day she will remember forever!

Till next time.....

Mary Popovich  
West Newton Lions





## WHERE ARE ALL THE BROOMS???????????

In case you were wondering, many clubs are experiencing a shortage of brooms during COVID. Many clubs in our District are currently running on very depleted inventory levels or have nothing at all.

We ask that Clubs continue to be very patient with our supplier as they are very much aware of the shortage and very distraught over the fact that they have not been able to keep up with demand given the many setbacks they are facing.

Our Broom Supplier in Freeport, PA consists of THREE employees with very specialized skills that manufacture our brooms. One of those skilled team members has been out due to health issues and the Supplier is also dealing with supply issues of materials that go into making the brooms.

We are asking that all Clubs be extra patient with our Supplier until things get turned around. We have assured them that we are not going anywhere as they make the best brooms in the business!!

If any clubs have an excess inventory of brooms that they would be willing to lend to other clubs, please reach out to your ZONE CHAIRS and let them know. Thank you!

King Lion Alice Heasley, Delmont Lions

*"We are all in this together, things will work out"*



Todd Hepner  
New Florence Lions Club

Harry Bruce Jr  
West Newton Lions Club



## Who Are Lions?

Lions are like-minded men and women in your town who are committed to helping the citizens of your town to live better lives, and to help make your town a better place for those who live and work here.

With almost 1.5 million volunteers, Lions is the largest humanitarian organization in the world. Lions aid the blind and visually impaired, support youth initiatives to build strong character and end bullying, feed the hungry, address global epidemics like diabetes, come the aid of communities when disaster strikes, and are committed to filling other community needs throughout the world.

Because we're local, we can serve the unique needs of our communities and because we're global, we can address challenges that go beyond our borders, and because of our numbers we can help to influence positive change around the globe. When it comes to meeting challenges, our response is simple: "We Serve." It's something that unites Lions around the world. We help wherever, whenever and however we can.



**From around District 14-E:**

Nothing to Report

Empowering Clubs through the  
**Power of Action**



## Global Action Team

Dear Lions and Leos,

We are approaching the end of another Lions' year. Like our Lions pin, we must reflect on our efforts during this past year, but we must also prepare for the future. While pondering this year's accomplishments, think about what you would like to improve or change. Likewise, consider if there are opportunities in your community to provide more relevant service, or organizations with whom you can partner to provide additional service. Or is there a diverse area where you can begin a club branch that will specialize in one of our global causes?

Furthermore, since your officers have been elected and reported to LCI, you must provide the necessary training to ensure their success. Will this be through club, zone, or district training, or through the online courses in the Lions Learning Center that can be accessed through the MyLion APP?

As our clubs are finalizing their donations to various causes, consider making a personal donation to LCIF. While all clubs in 14-E contribute to the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), very few of our Lion members donate anything at all. Imagine if **EVERY** one of our Lions contributed **just \$1**, that would provide an additional \$800 from 14-E! Still, if everyone contributed **\$10**, that would match the \$10,000 Covid grant that 14-E received to help our Frontline Workers during the height of the pandemic!

Each of us contribute to many charitable organizations, so why would we not support our own foundation that assists not only countries around the world, but our own country and district. In fact, 14-E has received several grants during the past 20 years, totaling \$130,340 that aided the Westmoreland County Blind Association, assisted in the aftermath of the flood in Vandergrift, sponsored a mission trip to Guatemala, and for Covid 19. Since we benefit from our Foundation's funds, why would we not support it?

If you watched the first ever LCIF Tell-A-Thon on April 11, I'm sure that you were amazed with the professional quality of the presentation! The Tell-A-Thon, hosted by International VP Doug Alexander, told our Lions' story, while raising funds for LCIF. The program included music, entertainment, and special surprise celebrity cameos from Grammy Award winning artists, Emmy Award winning actors, and professional athletes. Lions and non-Lions contributed as little as \$5. While the total is still being tallied, it is well over \$700,000 and will hopefully reach \$1 million.

**Can you support our Foundation by donating \$5?** If so, go to [lionsclub.org/donate](https://lionsclub.org/donate). Remember that every cent that is donated is used for humanitarian purposes, not for salaries. That is why LCIF received a four-star rating from Charity Navigator for the past eight consecutive years.

As always, thank you for all that you do to serve with "diversity and kindness."

Yours in Service and Friendship,

Cindy, PID and Area 1-D GAT coordinator



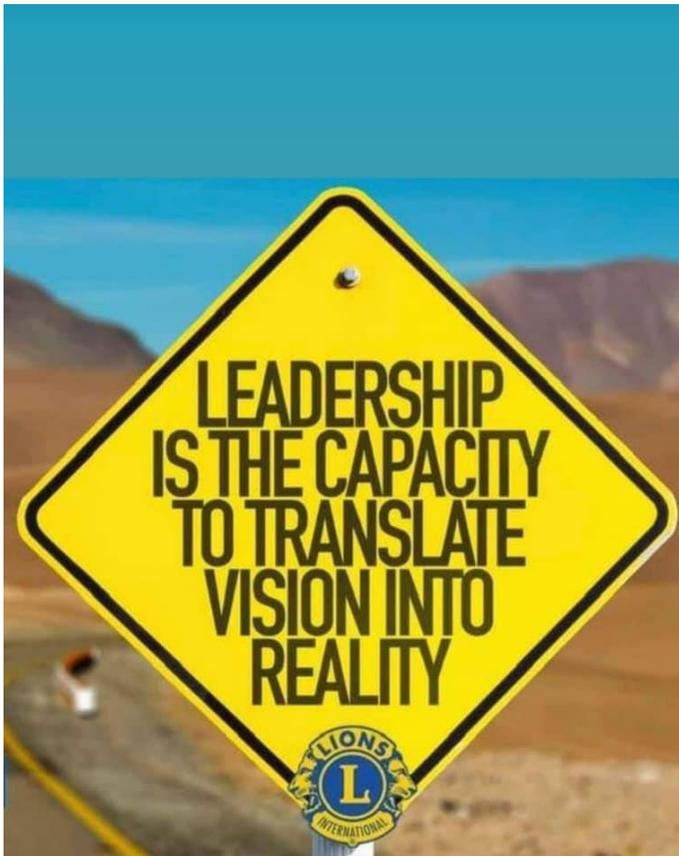
## Leadership

Fellow members,

Leadership roles come in many forms and sometimes not necessarily as a lion leader, but you can be a leader within your community. Being a lion is providing you the opportunity to be a **community leader**, an advocate for your club, your causes and other issues that are having an impact within your community.

We are all advocates for our communities. What is offered within your community, and what is not should be one of the first topics at our functions. How do we help those around us if we are not familiar with our community? By listening, asking, and just simply becoming educated about our towns, townships, county, state, country and world we can find within ourselves the advocate (**leader**) that is needed to make a difference.

Community awareness, education, legislation, public policy, events and partnerships present opportunities for each and every one of us to become a community leader. They offer our clubs the opportunity to interact with those in our neighborhoods on a variety of different levels. That must always be the focus first. Interacting with those who not only can help us but help us help others is what we are all trying to accomplish. Interacting amongst our local communities is what helps us to find those that want to help. It not only introduces our clubs to new people, but it also introduces us to possible future leaders, lions or community.



Great Leaders do not set out to be a leader...they set out to make a difference. It is never about the role, always about the goal. So, what are you waiting for? We all have something in our lives that tugs at our hearts and souls. We all have a passion within us for specific causes. The longer we wait to try to make a difference, the longer it takes to benefit others. So take the lead and see what happens!

Yours in Service,

*PDG Aaron Slezak*

## Membership

As we enter the month of May, our membership stands at 800. This as we know, is well below the LCI mandated 1250 members. We are not alone; most volunteer organizations are experiencing declines in membership. We need to create new strategies to overcome the obstacles encountered when recruiting members. Society has dramatically changed in the years since a majority of us became Lions members. The family structure now includes single parent households or those where both parents hold full time jobs, women have now moved beyond being “stay at home moms” and entered the work force and in some cases, are now the families primary source of income. Economic conditions have caused many to lose their jobs entirely or have forced them to work multiple part-time jobs to make ends meet. Families with children are forced to juggle hectic schedules to accommodate their involvement in sports, extracurricular school activities, dance, or a multitude of other time consuming items. In addition, involvement in church groups, choirs, golf, softball, and bowling leagues, along with other volunteer commitments, all put a strain on our most valuable personal assets, our time and our treasures.

We need to be both progressive and flexible in embracing these lifestyle changes when recruiting new members. Our future lies in welcoming women, young adults, and families with children into our Clubs. We can no longer expect 100% participation at all Club meetings, service projects, or fundraising events. We must be grateful for whatever time an individual has to offer and thank them for their contributions. When collecting our International, State, District, and Club dues, we must realize that for some individuals, making a lump sum payment would put a huge strain on their finances and may be a deterrent to becoming a member. Why not setup a spreadsheet and let them make installment payments that fall within their budget constraints? With so many opportunities available to volunteer that don't require a monetary commitment, we need to promote our organization and Clubs for all that we do for our communities and those less fortunate than ourselves and convince them that the services we provide would, in most cases, not be available if we didn't exist.

People are motivated to serve for a variety of reasons. They are most inclined to serve if they can personally relate to a specific cause. If we promote the Lions for our contributions to Diabetes, Hearing, Eye research, Childhood Cancer as well as, our Measles Initiative and other humanitarian projects, someone who has a friend or family member that suffers from diabetes, hearing loss, eye problems, or other ailments, may be inclined to join for these reasons. Our ability to determine what an individual is passionate about will be instrumental in acquiring, not only a new member, but also an active member. The power of our Lions motto “We Serve” is strengthened each time we add a new member.

Yours in Service,  
DG Dave Stitely

# Service

## Service

As many Lions, I sit here on a Saturday morning after a long week of family events, going to work, running a personal business...etc., and before I start to do some much needed yard work, and I am working to squeeze in some Lions time. Here it is May 1<sup>st</sup> and this very article is due (or overdue) to the District Newsletter today. I am sitting now at my wife Amanda's home office desk as I take part in a Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation Board of Directors meeting as I multitask to get this Service accomplished. As Lions we want to do what we can to Serve our Communities, our Clubs, and our Districts but sometimes it becomes tough to do. Service is in our hearts and we give what we can when we can.

## The Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation

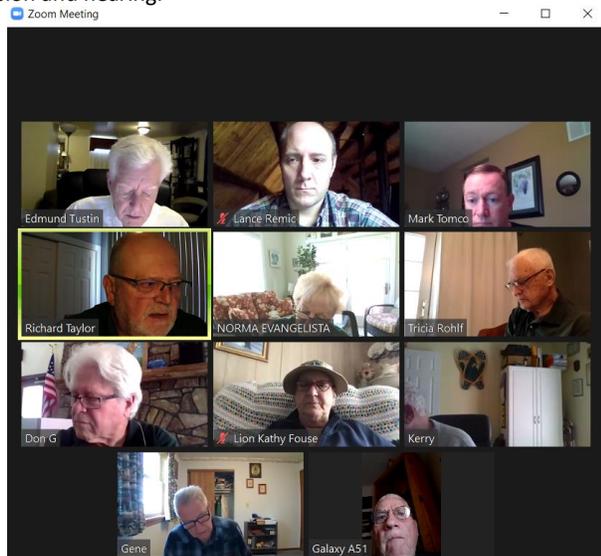
Since I am writing this article while on a Zoom Meeting for the LOPF why not talk a little about the Foundation and what we do. The purpose of the Foundation is to develop, manage, and distribute funding to help Lions Clubs provide services designed to meeting existing and emerging needs that will improve the life of Pennsylvania residents. The Foundation carries on the motto of We Serve. The mission of the LOPF is:

1. To assist those afflicted with sensory impairment, particularly those relating to vision and hearing.
2. To award grants in support of meritorious projects, and programs for the sensory impaired.
3. To join with individual Pennsylvania Lions Clubs in responding to local, community, and regional needs.
4. To award grants to organizations in support of research of vision and hearing.

The LOPF accepts and reviews matching grant requests for projects occurring in Pennsylvania. Currently the group looks to award \$125,000 in grants each Lions Year. This is up from \$75,000 just a few years ago. The ability to increase this amount is thanks to the success of the Foundation's investments.

At each Board Meeting the group reviews the grant applications that are sent in and approves, tables, or rejects the proposal. There is grant criteria available and as long as these guidelines are met, the grant is usually favorably approved. Even if the original proposal does not answer all requirements, the Board will usually prepare questions for the District's Board representative to take back and attempt to have answered to bring back for the next meeting.

The money available to provide for these grants comes from several fund-raising avenues. The most prominent of these is the Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation Fellowship program.



Lions of PA Foundation Board of Directors meeting via Zoom – May 1, 2021

The LOPF Fellowship allows a person to be recognized with a \$500.00 donation made on that person's behalf. The fellow will receive a pinnacle and a pin indicating them as a LOPF Fellow. There are progressive levels of the fellowship available for every additional \$250.00 donation made on that fellow's behalf up to five levels. A PA Fellow recipient can further be recognized by awarding them with a Past International President Joseph Wroblewski Award. PIP Joe is a past International President of LCI from Pennsylvania and this recognition honors those who live up to the motto of "We Serve Better Together."

Information about the Lions of PA Foundation can be found at the website <https://lionsofpafoundation.org/>. If you have any questions about what you find you can also contact me since I am the District 14-E board member for the Foundation.

The Foundation is a great partnership that allows Lions to better Serve their communities. The group continues to expand its functions and the recent development of a Disaster committee arm, similar to the Disaster portion of LCIF, has helped Pennsylvania Lions prepare to respond to disasters that take place.

As always, I encourage you to keep up your commitment to Service. Thank you for the sacrifices you make to help make the world around you a better place. Whether it be cleaning up a roadway, packaging meals, attending a meeting, or providing words of wisdom as substance for a newsletter, thank you for what you are doing no matter how much time you can give and again be sure your Service efforts are reported via MyLion.

**Yours in Service,  
PDG Lance H. Remic  
Global Service Team Chairperson, District 14-E**



**THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT!** : Did you know there is an LION Magazine App?!?!?!  
Available for either iPhone or Android. (Just search for it in your Apple Store or Google Play)

**DON'T FORGET TO TAG YOUR POSTS ON SOCIAL MEDIA!!!!!!**

Use the following hashtags on Twitter, Instagram (IG), Facebook (FB) or whatever other social media outlet that uses "hashtags". Hashtags are a way of grouping like posts.

**#district14eweserve**

**#district14elions**

**#14EDGChuck**

**District 14-E Lions  
Facebook Page**



Like Us on Facebook – District 14 E Lions

District 14-E Lions - The Official Facebook Page of District 14-E

Send your information to Amanda or Lance Remic for your Club's activities to be posted to the District's Facebook page. We want to show all that is being done by Lions of District 14-E.

Send info advertising your upcoming events or share photos of the events that have taken place to show the fun and success your Club had.

Email your info to [akbrant@atlanticbb.net](mailto:akbrant@atlanticbb.net) (Amanda) or [lremic@hotmail.com](mailto:lremic@hotmail.com) (Lance)  
Or text your info to 724-984-7644 (Amanda) or 724-309-6750 (Lance).



# CLUB SPOTLIGHTS: District Governor Visits & Activities



Spring Social – pic 1



Spring Social – pic 2



Spring Social – pic 3



Spring Social – pic 4



Spring Social – pic 5



Spring Social – pic 6



Spring Social – pic 7



Spring Social – pic 8



Spring Social – pic 9



Spring Social – pic 10



Spring Social – pic 11



Spring Social – pic 12



Latrobe Lions Club Visit – pic 1



Latrobe Lions Club Visit – pic 2



Latrobe Lions Club Visit – pic 3



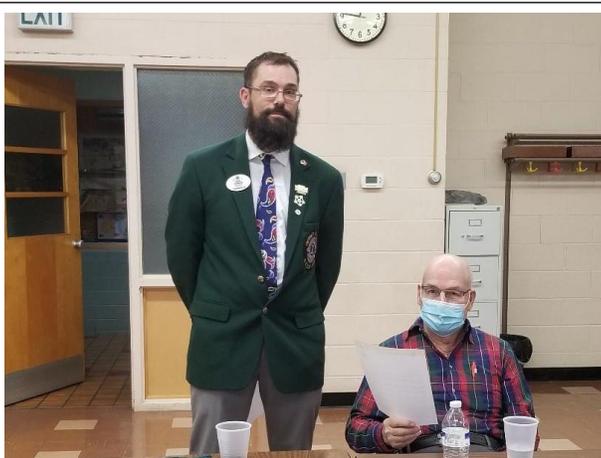
Latrobe Lions Club Visit – pic 4



Latrobe Lions Club Visit – pic 5



Latrobe Lions Club Visit – pic 6



Latrobe Lions club Visit – presenting Chevron to Lion Jim Moore



D14-E 2021 Bowling Tournament (pic 8)



Chestnut Ridge Lions: New Lion Jordyn Bradley and sponsor Lion Liz Brady. Lion Jordan was a Leo in the past and was inducted as a member of the Chestnut Ridge Lions Club on 4/27/21 by 2VDGE/ZC Amy Thompkins.



Chestnut Ridge Lions: Lions Jim & Mardell Geary were presented with their milestone years of service chevrons by 2VDGE/ZC Amy Thompkins on 4/27/21. Jim for 20 years of service & Mardell for 40 years of service!! Congratulations & Keep on Serving!!



### A Great Gift for Mother's Day!!!!

Delmont Lions have a tip board for a purse and a \$75 gift card to Bath & Body Works. \$10 per tip. Contact Amy Thompkins (412-551-0327) or Sarah Bruzda (724-771-8122) if you would like a tip or place your order online on the Delmont Lions Club Facebook page.

On April 25, 2021, the Stewartville Lions Club held a successful Chicken Barbecue fundraiser at Holiday Travel in North Huntingdon, PA. A charcoal-grilled half-chicken, a drink, a dessert, applesauce, and a roll were provided to 200 customers at the sell-out event. Lions and helpers observed covid-19 precautions. Lions wore masks and kept a safe distance as we provided bagged dinners to our drive-through customers. Local girl scouts from Troop 20216 assisted with the activity.



Stewartville Lions Ron Schambura, Dave Stitely, and Ed Chefuta grill the chickens for the April 2021 monthly Chicken Barbecue while observing Covid safety precautions.



Stewartville Lion Ron Seabol carefully trims the chickens for the club's April 2021 Chicken Barbecue.



Stewartville Lions Bob Botti and Linda Lewis work with Troop 20216 Girl Scouts who generously volunteered to help the club with its April 2021 Chicken Barbecue



King Lion Dave Ross, Secretary Cedric J. Stopansky and Treasurer Marie Sosovicka celebrating 68 years at the Allegheny Twp Lions Charter Night Celebration.



Spring Social: King Lion Dave Ross and Secretary Cedric J Stopansky from Allegheny Twp Lions Club.



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## NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS INFO

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Forward them to: Lisa Gismondi

Email: [lsgis67@gmail.com](mailto:lsgis67@gmail.com)

PLEASE NOTE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS!!!!

Check out the new @Lions Virtual Team on Team App! It's a 1-stop shop for training, events & chats from Lions around the world.

Download Team App from the App Store or Google Play, then join the Lions Virtual Team.

<https://www.teamapp.com/app?detail=v1>

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# The International Convention has gone VIRTUAL!



JUN 25 AT 10 AM EDT – JUN 29 AT 6 PM EDT

## 103rd Lions Clubs International Convention - Virtual

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN: <https://www.mcisemi.com/lci2021/>

\*PLEASE NOTE: This is not a Free Event. The registration fee will be US\$50 until March 31, then US\$75 beginning April 1. The registration fee for Leos will be US\$30 regardless of date.

Due to the continuing concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the board of directors voted to transition the 2021 Montreal Lions Clubs International Convention to a virtual event that will be delivered totally online. This decision was made with the health and safety of our Lions, staff and vendors in mind as limiting international travel and large gatherings is key to global containment strategies.

Convention updates and details will be posted at [lcon.lionsclubs.org](http://lcon.lionsclubs.org) as they become available.

This global health pandemic has forced us all to make decisions and changes that place health and safety first. However, we are optimistic that with each new day there is hope, and as Lions, we continue to find new ways to stay connected, safely serve our communities and continue our global mission of service. [#WeServe](#) [#LCICon2021](#)

# May we never grow hungry food drive



**During the month of May, the Lions of Westmoreland County will be collecting food for the Westmoreland Food Bank.**

**Collections will be gathered the week of May 24<sup>th</sup> at sites to be determined.**



The Lions Motto: "We Serve"

 Westmoreland County  
Food Bank, Inc.

## Food Drive Guidelines

### Suggested items needed:

#### Food Items:

Canned tuna, chicken or salmon	Canned fruits & vegetables	Canned Meals (Stew, Ravioli)
Peanut butter	Macaroni & cheese	
Cereal	Boxed Meals (Hamburger Helper)	

#### Non Food Items:

Body soap	Shampoo	Toilet tissue
Toothpaste	Diapers	Paper towels
Deodorant	Feminine products	Laundry and dish detergent

### All donated items must :

- Be non-perishable.
- Have original manufacturer's label. If the label of an item is missing, we will not be able to redistribute the item.
- Be free from obvious defect or contamination. This could include "popped tops" on cans, bloated cans, mold or rust on cans, bottles, etc.
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### We cannot accept the following:

- Homemade goods or home canned goods.
- Any item that has been opened or the seal is broken
- Pesticides/herbicides, Toxic chemicals like motor oil or oven cleaners
- Prescription drugs
- Alcoholic beverages

## Facts about Westmoreland County Food Bank

- Our vision is to end hunger in Westmoreland County.
- Your \$1 donation converts to \$10 of food for us, since we can buy in bulk.
- Your \$5 donation equals 8 meals.
- 96 cents of every dollar is used for food.
- \$65 is our average cost for one family's monthly food box.
- For 35 years we have served the needy in Westmoreland County.
- We have distributed, annually, approximately 7 to 8 million pounds of food through our programs.
- We serve as many as 7200 households or approximately 16,500 individuals each month through our 44 pantry sites and 22 other agencies, including soup kitchens, child care programs and 4 shelters.
- Approximately 4000 are children, who are considered at risk and in need of nutritious food to develop properly.
- Many are the working poor, seniors, disabled or unemployed.
- Approximately 50% of our food is acquired through federal and state programs. The rise in the cost of food, transportation and utilities, an increase of people needing food, in addition to the loss of federally purchased commodities has created the "perfect storm" for food banks across the United States.
- We must depend on food drives and the support of the community to meet our needs.
- We are partners with Feeding America, the nation's food bank network, United Way of Westmoreland County as well as, Feeding PA and PA Association of Regional Food Banks (PARF).
- We are governed by a volunteer board of directors and have 22 staff.
- We advocate for the poor and are actively involved in legislations both at the state and federal levels.
- Over 6,000 valued volunteers gave a total of approximately 100,000 hours of service last year.

# Bloomin' Where We are Planted!

## Lions Clubs Activities

### ZONE 1 (Zone Chair: Amy Thompkins)

**Chestnut Ridge** – 27 members. This month we have inducted new member Jordyn Bradley. We are going to start a new service project of recycling to earn a bench!

**Derry** – 7 members. Cooked a meal for homeless men at the Mission in Latrobe.

**Greensburg/East Hempfield** – *No report.*

**Latrobe** – 19 members. Hosted District Governor Chuck Thompkins, and Zone Chairperson Amy Thompkins , honored 2 students of the month and their parents.

**Mt. Pleasant Twp.** – 56 members.

**New Alexandria** – *No report.*

**New Florence** – 19 members. Made donations to 13 district projects. Welcomed back a former member to the club. Meeting date change motion was rescinded. Broom sales on hold pending delivery. Motion and second for Bejo Nanni to represent our club in Election of District Officers.

**Seton Hill University** – *No report.*

### ZONE 2 (Zone Chair: 2VDG Tony Catullo)

**Belle Vernon** – *No report.*

**East Huntingdon Township** – *No report.*

**Monessen** – *No report.*

**Rostraver Township** – 42 members. Participated in township Easter egg hunt. Held our second BBQ, sold out. 4 members attended the Spring Fling. Ongoing bags for benches collection.

**Scottdale Centennial** – *No report.*

**Sewickley Area** – 10 members. Broom sales ongoing.

**West Newton** – *No report.*

**Youngwood** – 36 members. 2 members went to the District Convention. Recycled 137 pair of eyeglasses. Planning for Strawberry Festival.

**Yukon** – *No report.*

## Lions Clubs Activities cont'd:

### ZONE 3 (Zone Chair: TBD )

**Allegheny Township** – 13 members. Continued with Meals-On-Wheels, voted in district election, attended Spring Social & cabinet meeting, held club meeting per C.D.C. guidelines, set tentative date for annual rabies clinic, held 68th charter night.

**Murrysville** – 23 members.

**New Kensington** – *No report.*

**Slickville** – 46 members.

**Vandergrift** – 29 members. Continue to collect eyeglasses at various locations in town, broom sales, sell monthly gun raffle tickets, collect and loan out used hospital equipment. Honored 3 Kiski Area HS students of the month by attending our meeting and being presented an award. One will win a year \$1000 scholarship.

**Washington-Bell Township** – 12 members.

### ZONE 4 (Zone Chair: Jeff Jordon)

**Bushy Run** - 41 members. Spring Chicken BBQ held April 25,2021.

**Irwin** – *No report.*

**Jeannette** – *No report.*

**Level Green** – 29 members. One PT High School seniors gave scholarship presentation, one rescheduled for May. Potential new members to be invited to an upcoming regular meeting as there were not enough candidates to plan a social. Community cleanup planned for May 1st. White Cane Day planned for May 8. Level Green Vandalism cleanup work will take place May 15. Meals on Wheels, community sign support, and aluminum can recycling continue.

**Manor** – 11 members. Soliciting assistance from clubs for big June chicken BBQ event in Manor.

**Norwin** – 33 members.

**Stewartsville** – 17 members. Chicken Barbecue fundraiser at Holiday Travel in North Huntingdon, PA. Served 200 customers at the sell-out event. Lions and helpers observed Covid-19 precautions. Lions wore masks and kept a safe distance as we provided bagged lunches to our drive-through customers. Local girl scouts assisted with the activity. Easter candy sale raised \$359. Three members of the Stewartsville Lions Club helped with the food distribution at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Food Pantry in North Huntingdon.

**Trafford** – 4 members. Communicating to Leos about May 1 service opportunity in Level Green (Spring clean up event).

# Memorial Day Word Search

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BLUE	HONOR	RESPECT
CEMETERY	MAY	SACRIFICE
FALLIN	MEMORIAL	SALUTE
FLAG	MILITARY	SERVICE
FREEDOM	MONDAY	SOLDIERS
HEROS	PARADE	WHITE
	RED	



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Here is a clearer picture of the words. GOOD LUCK!

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# The Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation Fellowship and Contributing Membership Programs

Both of the following programs have been established to help provide funding to support the projects of the Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation. Our goal is to continue our mission of providing assistance for adults and children through the purchase of audiology devices that will improve hearing for those who are hearing impaired.

## The Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation Fellowship Program

The Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation Fellowship has been established to help provide funding to continue to provide hearing aids for individuals in need.

By naming a person a WPLHF Fellow your contribution goes toward helping those with hearing challenges be able to once again, hear and communicate with the world around them.

For a \$250.00 donation the recipient of the fellowship will receive a lapel pin and plaque (pictured here) indicating them as a fellow.

The recipient of this award need not be a Lion. Anyone who supports the process of improving hearing can be honored with this award.



## The Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation Contributing Membership



You can show your support for the Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation by becoming a contributing member. A \$10.00 purchase provides the pin seen here.

Check out the Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation website at [www.wpalhf.org](http://www.wpalhf.org) or contact one of your District Board Members for more information.

## Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation Fellowship Application

1. Name of recipient exactly as it should appear on the plaque:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

2. Is the recipient a Lion? If so check one:

Lion \_\_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_\_

PDG \_\_\_\_ IP \_\_\_\_ PIP \_\_\_\_

CC \_\_\_\_ PCC \_\_\_\_ ID \_\_\_\_

PID \_\_\_\_

Name of Club: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_

3. A donation of \$250.00 is required to qualify.

4. Name and address of DONOR if different from recipient:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:

Personal \_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_ Memorial \_\_\_\_

Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Enclosed is a check payable to *Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation* in the amount of \$250.00. Please mark on the memo line *WPLHF Fellow*.

6. Please print the name and address where the Fellowship plaque is to be sent:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

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Please allow 2-4 weeks

Send this application with check made payable to:

Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation

And mail to:

PDG Lance H. Remic  
122 Country Lane  
Export, PA 15632

Questions Contact PDG Lance at 724-309-6750 or lremic@hotmail.com



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### Lions Districts Supported by the Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation:

- 14-B – Allegheny
- 14-E – Westmoreland
- 14-F – Crawford, Erie, Forest, Mercer, McKean, Venango, and Warren
- 14-J – Cambria, Cameron, Clearfield, Elk, Indiana, and Jefferson
- 14-L – Bedford, Blair, Fulton, Huntingdon, and Mifflin
- 14-M – Fayette, Greene, Somerset, and Washington
- 14-N – Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Clarion, and Lawrence

The Lions Clubs within the above counties are able to take referrals for auditory devices (hearing aids). If you have a need or your club has an individual, please contact the Board Member from your respective County/Lions District to start the application process.

For more information about the Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation visit the Web site at:

[www.wpalhf.org](http://www.wpalhf.org)  
OUR MISSION

To provide assistance for adults and children through the purchase of audiology devices that will improve hearing for those who are hearing impaired.

## Western Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Foundation



# FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

Presenting sponsor:



# 98th Annual MD-14 Convention

*"Embracing our Differences to Change the World"*

A Virtual Experience • Hosted by District 14-L

## Sunday, May 16, 2021 • Noon to 5:00 PM

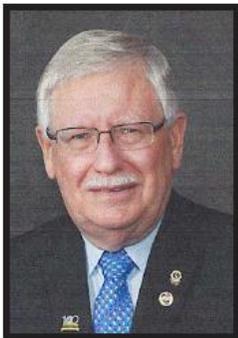
### FEATURED EVENTS



**Dr. Jung-Yul Choi**  
*Lions Clubs  
International President*



**Joseph L. Wroblewski**  
*Past International  
President*



**Larry L. Edwards**  
*International Director*

Time	Session
Noon	Welcome by Convention Chair Past Dist. Gov. Dennis Clark Welcome by Host District Governor James Foresio National Anthem of the Republic of Korea National Anthem of the United States of America
12:15 PM	Message from International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
12:30 PM	Message from Past International President Joseph Wroblewski
12:45 PM	Message from International Director Larry Edwards
1:00 PM	Remarks by: State Council Chairperson Marilyn Wagner
1:15 PM	Lion Beth Slade of Leader Dogs for the Blind
1:45 PM	Lion Katie Anderson - PA Lions Care - For the Kids
2:15 PM	Performance by PA Lions All State Band
2:45 PM	"I'm no Dummy" Motivation Presentation by Davis Crone
3:30 PM	Presentation of Lioness of Year Award by Lion Deb McKnight
3:45 PM	Necrology Service
4:30 PM	Presentation of Gifts to IP Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
4:45 PM	Closing remarks by Incoming Council Chair Cathy Baker



**Lion Beth Slade**  
*Leader Dogs for  
the Blind*



**Lion Katie Anderson**  
*PA Lions Care -  
For the Kids*



**David Crone**  
*"I'm No Dummy"*



**Zoom link to 2021 Virtual State Convention:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3191641311?pwd=OStuU3pFN0O1Z0owTmtpYVBhSVB3UT09>

Give your  
hands to  
serve  
and your  
hearts  
to love.



# Volunteers Needed

DISTRICT 14-E LIONS

## COMMUNITY SERVICE VOLUNTEER FORM

*No Experience Needed! Please consider giving some of your time to help those in need!*

Lions have had a long history of serving their community in times of need. District 14-E is proud to continue that long standing tradition by putting together a team of Lions willing to share their skills to help our neighbors during difficult times. Whether it is helping to clean up and rebuild after a natural disaster (flooding , tornado's etc.) or just helping a person in need , we want to be ready to lend a hand. Please fill out this form if you would be willing to help us with a project or two. **You do not have to have a specialized skill, to be part of this program** but if you do have experience in any of these areas or access to equipment please let us know.

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Lion's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in volunteering. I have experience in the following:

Plumbing

Electrical

Carpentry

Masonry

Painting

Drywall

Landscaping

General Volunteer

Roofing

Truck Driver (or can operate other equipment)

Access to construction equipment( please list on back of this form)

Please return this form to your club contact person. Thank you for your willingness to serve  
**Lion Cedric Stopansky ( contact me at 724-831-8107)**



VISION BEYOND THE ORDINARY  
Westmoreland County  
Blind Association

911 South Main St. • Greensburg, PA 15601

Since 1948, the mission of the Westmoreland County Blind Association (WCBA) has been to improve the quality of life of the blind and the visually impaired, and to assist in the prevention of blindness in Westmoreland County. In order to fulfill our mission, the WCBA offers the following services that enhance the productivity and independence of these individuals.

- Employment for the intellectually challenged and sight impaired in our Work Activity Center document destruction program.
- Employment for the blind and visually impaired in our Manufacturing Area. Through contracts obtained in association with the National Industries for the Blind, these employees produce products for the Department of Defense.
- Specialized Services provides assistance to the blind consumer in areas such as Chore Services, Life Skills Education, and Transportation.
- The Low Vision Center offers aids and appliances to the visually impaired that enable these clients to read printed material, watch television, and function independently. Dr. Chris Cekanec, O.D. F.A.A.C.O., a low vision specialist, works in conjunction with the WCBA to provide this service.
- The Prevention of Blindness Program screens 3 to 5 year old children for eye problems.
- The Custom Embroidery Department offers embroidered promotional items.

Your ongoing support of the Westmoreland County Blind Association will enable us to continue to serve the blind, sight impaired and intellectually disabled in our community.

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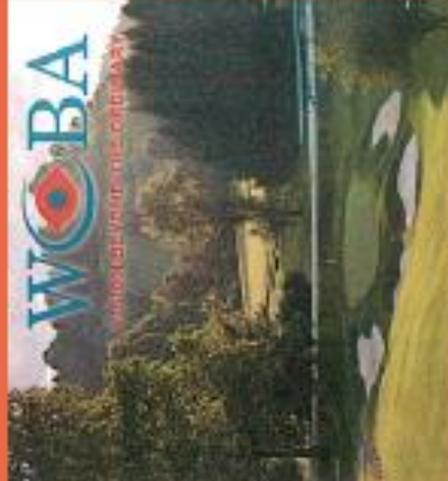


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Return Service Requested

# WESTMORELAND COUNTY 19TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC



**FRIDAY  
MAY 28, 2021**

THE MADISON CLUB  
519 YUKON ROAD  
MADISON, PA 15663

7:30 AM REGISTRATION  
9:00 AM SHOTGUN START

# 19TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

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VISION BEYOND THE ORDINARY  
Westmoreland County  
Blind Association

**FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2021**  
--- NEW TIMES!! ---  
**7:30 AM REGISTRATION**  
**9:00 AM SHOTGUN START**

## Golf Package

Registration begins at 7:30 am  
18 holes of golf with cart, lunch at the turn,  
games of bill and chance, steak dinner at 2:30 pm,  
raffles, prizes and a commemorative gift.

**Only \$100 per golfer**  
*Limited to the first 120 golfers!!*

## Gift Donations

Your donation of a gift certificate  
or an "in kind" item is greatly appreciated and  
will be used as a prize or in a raffle. For your  
generosity, a Thank You recognition will be  
placed in the event program.

*For pickup please contact the WCBA  
Fundraising Dept. at 724-837-1250, Ext. 11.*

## Sponsoring Opportunities

### ACE SPONSOR - \$1000

- 4 Complimentary Foursome (4) Golfer Packages
- Your company name/logo displayed on canvas banner during event
- Two (2) Tee Signs with your name placed at holes during event

### EAGLE SPONSOR - \$500

- Two (2) Golfer Packages
- One (1) Tee Sign with your name placed at hole during event

### GOLF CART SPONSOR - \$200 (minimum of 2 holes)

- Your company name/logo displayed on all players' cart
- Your company name/logo displayed on canvas banner during event

### BEVERAGE CART SPONSOR - \$100 (minimum of 2 holes)

- Your company name/logo displayed on roaming beverage cart
- Your company name/logo displayed on canvas banner during event

### INDIVIDUAL GOLFER - \$100

- One (1) Golfer Package

### TEE SPONSOR - \$50

- One (1) Tee Sign with your name placed at hole during event

### PRIZE SPONSOR

- Items/Basket or Gift Certificate for Prize Giveaways

## Hole In One Sponsor



## Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Please indicate participation level

Ace Sponsor \$1000  
 Eagle Sponsor \$500  
 Golf Cart Sponsor \$200  
 Beverage Cart Sponsor \$100  
 Tee Sponsor \$50  
 Prize Sponsor Item \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approx. Value \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golfer Package \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$100 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lunch Only \$50 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Golfer Names

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
4. \_\_\_\_\_

Please return registration along with payment  
by May 18, 2021

Westmoreland County Blind Association  
911 South Main Street - Greensburg, PA 15601

Credit Card (circle): Am Ex • Discover • Master Card • Visa  
 Account # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
WCBA is a 501(c)(3) not-profit organization



## PENNSYLVANIA LIONS BEACON LODGE CAMP

114 SR 103 SOUTH, MOUNT UNION PA 17066 (P) 814-542-2511 (F) 814-542-7437  
www.BeaconLodge.org office@beaconlodge.org

Lions,

Greetings from PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp! With all the craziness in the world today, I am happy to announce some great news: With guidance from the American Camping Association (ACA) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Beacon Lodge will be offering camping sessions during the 2021 season!

As is the case with most businesses, adjustments are necessary. Due to the timeline of the vaccine roll-out, we will be offering a new experience for most of our campers: **Virtual Camp!** Please see the included announcement for an idea of how Virtual Camp works. We are excited to have the opportunity to offer this new program to the Special Needs population from July 10 through July 14.

The sessions that will be virtual:

- Adult Transitional Care – Both sessions
- Adult Assisted Living – All sessions
- Adult Hearing Impaired
- Children's Village – Camp ALIVE
- Children's Village – Assisted Living
- Children's Village – Blind V/I
- Children's Village – ENERGY

In-person sessions will begin on July 17 and include two Visually Impaired sessions in the Adult Camp, and two sessions each of Project New Hope and Family Camp in the Children's Village. Proof of vaccination or of a negative COVID-19 test and result within three days prior to arrival will be prerequisites (16 and older), and COVID-19 mitigation measures will be in effect for all in-person sessions.

If your Club is interested in sponsoring a camper for the 2021 season, please use the included sponsorship form.

Sponsorships will be needed for the Adult Visually Impaired sessions (\$600), and Family Camp (\$450). As in the past, these sponsorships can be made on behalf of specific campers, or they can be undesignated, and assigned by the staff to campers who need them. Noting "Sponsorship, (Camper's Name)", or "Sponsorship, undesignated" in the memo line will assist us with making sure the donation is applied as intended.

To serve as many people as possible with our new program, there is no camp fee for Virtual Camp this year. The registration fee of \$100 will be the only cost to the campers. There will be expenses not covered by the registration fee. To support this worthy new program, please note "Operating Budget" in the memo line. By doing this, you will be helping Beacon Lodge meet our mission of service to the Special Needs population.

Thank you, Lions of Pennsylvania, for your unwavering support of Beacon Lodge throughout the years. The vision of Lion Carl Shoemaker has been developed into an incredible facility, a great program, and an amazing network of support for the Special Needs population of Pennsylvania.

Sincerely,



Lion Jonathan Carver  
Executive Director  
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

**P.S.**

**Did you know...**

PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp was founded in 1948 by a group of Pennsylvania Lions in partnership with members of a local Blind Association.

The effort to establish a Camp for the Blind was led by a blind Lions Club Member named Carl Shoemaker.

Being a PA Lions Club Member means that Beacon Lodge is your camp.

Camping at Beacon Lodge is another service your Lions Club has to offer to the Special Needs community in your local area.

Your Wish List donations save Beacon Lodge about \$8500 each year in operating costs.

Forms for the Shoemaker Fellowship, Brick walkway, Annual Golf Outing, and more can be found at [BeaconLodge.org](http://BeaconLodge.org).

**BEACON LODGE REPORT (As presented at D 14-E Cabinet Meeting)**  
**April 17, 2021**

The March Board of Directors meeting was held via Zoom and phone. Camp Director Jonathan reported that the camp ended Fiscal Year 2020 with a deficit of over \$60,000, resulting in the need to transfer some investment funds and furlough 3 staff members for two months. The good news is that the CARES Act SPA payroll protection plan loan was forgiven. The camping season has been adjusted for 2021, with some camps being conducted virtually. Reservations are being received and the hiring of seasonal staff is ongoing. The nursing staff has been filled and there is a need to hire a new maintenance worker.

Ron Krepps, Camp Coordinator, reported that replacing a Special Care session with Hearing Impaired session has been well received and staff continues to coordinate with Deaf Community Action Network. Maintenance Supervisor Casey reported that the project on "C" Building has been completed and is ready for Camp 2021. Work continues on the wastewater plant.

Corporate Policy D-5 (Camp Rules) was changed to allow responsible use and consumption of alcoholic beverages by activities using the camp during the off-season.

Property chair Charlie Finney reported that all projects from the revised 2020 capital budget were completed, with 3 projects being moved to 2021. The current hunting lease expires in 2022 and a revised lease has been drafted for review and consideration by the committee and Board of Directors.

First quarter (Fiscal Year 2021) had "500 Club" donations of only \$815. This money goes into the general fund for Camp maintenance. Clubs need to step up and support this project. The Carl Shoemaker award has brought in \$1,500 in the first quarter.

Project New Hope is scheduled for July 24-28 and August 7-11. The camps have been extended to 5-day sessions. Please contact your local veterans' groups and promote this worthwhile project, which is FREE to disabled veterans and their families. A grant application was submitted to the Veterans' Trust Fund to help fund the 2021 program.

Staff is moving forward with plans for PA Lions Appreciation Day (PLAD), scheduled for July 18. Please plan on attending and supporting this event. VDG seminar and Board meeting will be held the day before. Arrangements have been made with the Comfort Inn hotel in Huntingdon (discounted rate \$87.69) for those who wish to stay overnight since July 17 is the beginning of in-person camping sessions so no rooms at the Camp will be available for Lions.

District 14-C is currently hosting a work week-end this week-end (April 16-18); the Leos will be working at Camp on April 23; District 14-N is hosting a work week-end on April 29-May 1. Please plan to attend and help get the Camp ready for the season if you are available. Contact the Camp for more information.

**Remember Lions – this is YOUR camp (PA LIONS CAMP BEACON LODGE) and you should support it as much as possible by donating, providing a basket for the raffle and/or purchasing a duck race ticket held on PLAD, purchasing a brick for a deserving member, supporting the 500 Club, visiting and promoting the facility. The 14-E Directors and Liaisons will be happy to visit your club to provide more information about the Camp.**

Carol A. Richardson, PDG  
District 14-E Board Member





Beacon Lodge  
114 SR 108 South  
Mount Union, PA 17066  
(P) 814-542-2511 (F) 814-542-7437  
[www.beaconlodge.org](http://www.beaconlodge.org)  
[office@beaconlodge.org](mailto:office@beaconlodge.org)

April 18, 2021

Hello Lions,

The PA Lions Club is trying to get the word out to disabled veterans; bring your immediate family and use our camp facility for free. The 2021 schedule for "Veterans Project New Hope" weekend retreats at Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp is:

July 24-28, 2021 and August 7-11, 2021

Please provide this information to all the Lions Clubs in Westmoreland County, to pass the word to any disabled veterans, they don't have to be a Lion. Four nights and all meals are provided at *NO* charge to the disabled veterans and their immediate family. All individuals disabled due to injuries as a result of military service as listed on their DD214 or suffering with PTSD related emotional issues are eligible and welcome to attend the retreats. Our goal is to fill all the cabins with veterans and their immediate families on these weekends and provide relaxation and fellowship with other veterans. One family per cabin, each cabin has a private bathroom and can accommodate up to seven family members. The cabin area includes the chow hall, infirmary, art room, laundry facility and activity center. Much is offered at Beacon Lodge; fishing, wheelchair accessible sloped entry swimming pool, 700 ft zip line, miniature golf and more on the mostly wooded 583 acres. The Veteran Retreat Registration Application is available on request. Project New Hope brochures can be obtained by contacting Beacon Lodge at 814-542-2511 or by email at [office@beaconlodge.org](mailto:office@beaconlodge.org).

Our team of nurses are on call 24 hours a day to address any health needs that arise and special diets can be accommodated with prior notice.

Beacon Lodge, owned and operated by the Pennsylvania Lions, is a facility designed and built to cater to handicapped of all ages. Beacon Lodge has proudly served over 35,500 campers in 568 sessions in 72 years. The Veterans Retreat was well attended in 2014. 2015-2019 there was about 60 veterans with about 190 family members. Check it out at [www.beaconlodge.org](http://www.beaconlodge.org). Please feel free to call me with any questions.

Lion Pat Cartwright  
Bushy Run Lions Club  
412-398-8584 cell [bushyrunlions@aol.com](mailto:bushyrunlions@aol.com)  
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Board member  
Project New Hope Committee member  
Navy Veteran



## PENNSYLVANIA LIONS BEACON LODGE CAMP

114 STATE ROUTE 103 SOUTH, MOUNT UNION PA 17066 (P) 814-542-2511 (F) 814-542-7437

Web: [www.BeaconLodge.org](http://www.BeaconLodge.org)

Email: [office@beaconlodge.org](mailto:office@beaconlodge.org)

### **PENNSYLVANIA LIONS APPRECIATION DAY CELEBRATING 73 YEARS OF CAMPING SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021**

Sunday, July 18, 2021 has been designated as "Pennsylvania Lions Appreciation Day". This is the day to recognize Immediate Past District Governors, District Liaisons, and all Lions, Lionesses, and Leos, for their outstanding support of the PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp project.

You, as a Lion, Lioness or Leo, are cordially invited to bring your families to Beacon Lodge to join the festivities. Our day starts at 10:00 am with a morning worship service at the Governor's Green. Camp tours are available throughout the day. A meal including hamburgers, hot dogs, kielbasa, linguine salad, baked beans, iced tea, sodas and dessert will be served from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Pin Traders are invited to participate – contact PGD Amos Shatzer, (814) 542-9654, or email [ashatzer@verizon.net](mailto:ashatzer@verizon.net) if you wish to display pins.

Clubs planning to arrange for bus transportation are asked to notify the camp so adequate parking arrangements can be made. You may bring lawn chairs and/or blankets for seating during the worship service.

We hope you will be able to visit the camp on Pennsylvania Lions Appreciation Day to observe what your contributions have built. Every Lion in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania should be very proud of the part they play in making Beacon Lodge Camp possible.

Meals will be by reservation only. Reservations can be made by including a check for \$5 per meal and the form below to Beacon Lodge by July 5.

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### **PENNSYLVANIA LIONS APPRECIATION DAY JULY 18, 2021**

PLEASE RESERVE \_\_\_\_\_ MEALS AT \$5.00 EACH = TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TICKETS WILL BE PICKED UP ON JULY 18 BY:

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**NAME & ADDRESS OF PERSON MAKING RESERVATION:**

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NAME	STREET	CITY	STATE	ZIP
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**Club and District**

**TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*A 501(c) 3 NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION (GIFTS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE)*

## Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

# Pa Lions Appreciation Day July 18, 2021



Beacon Lodge has designated July 18 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!

- ◆ Name That Tune
- ◆ Corn Hole
- ◆ Blind Bowling
- ◆ Mini Golf
- ◆ Fishing

Don't worry, we are keeping the favorites from the past:

- ◆ The Great Duck Race
- ◆ 50/50 Raffle
- ◆ Camp Store
- ◆ Basket Raffle
- ◆ Pin Traders
- ◆ 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 5, 2021. 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 18, 2021

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

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



# **Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp**

Will hold its 18<sup>TH</sup> Annual

## ***GREAT DUCK RACE***

Held at PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp on Lions Appreciation Day  
Sunday, July 18, 2021

Post Time 12:30

Donation \$5.00

1<sup>st</sup> Place Prize--\$1,000

2<sup>nd</sup> Place--\$500.00

4<sup>th</sup> Place--\$125.00

3<sup>rd</sup> Place--\$250.00

5<sup>th</sup> Place--\$125.00

Please contact your Beacon Lodge Board Member for tickets and information.



# Picnic at Beacon Lodge Sunday August 29, 2021

All Lions and guests are welcome

Activities begin at 12:00pm and will include

Mini Golf      A tour of the grounds      Fishing

\*\*\*The Zip Line and Rock Climbing Wall will also be available\*\*\*

Camp store will be open

Meet and greet fellow Lions and learn more about Beacon Lodge Camp

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Meal will begin at 3:00pm with beverages, hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments  
and place settings provided

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Cost is \$5.00 per person.  
Please bring a covered side dish.  
All monies remaining after expense will be donated to Beacon Lodge

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Reservation deadline is August 20, 2021

All checks to be made payable and  
Mailed to Lion Denny Hall  
7513 Panther Lane, Huntingdon, PA 16652  
Additional info call 814-641-7489 or e-mail: cuzslab@verizon.net



**We Serve**

## PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

Are you looking for a way to help special needs children and adults AND have fun?

Then, this golf outing is what you're looking for.

**When:** Saturday, August 28, 2021  
Check-In - Noon  
Shotgun start at 1:00 pm

**Where:** American Legion Country Club  
Mount Union, PA, 17066

**Format:** 18-hole Scramble

**Price:** Just \$75/golfer includes—

- ✓ Green Fees
- ✓ Cart
- ✓ Prizes & Awards
- ✓ Snacks, beer, pop, and water all day
- ✓ Food is available throughout the day

**Note:** make checks payable to  
"PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp" and  
return:

c/o Jonathan Carver  
114 State Route 103 South  
Mount Union, PA, 17066

## 5th Annual Golf Outing

### Prizes

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team \$300
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team \$200
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team \$100

Plus, Skills Prizes on

all par 3's: Longest

Drive, Longest Put

*\$50 Pro Shop Gift Certificates*



**Your support as a Sponsor is crucial to the success of PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp.**

### Sponsor Levels:

- **Diamond - \$5,000** Includes Naming Rights for the outing, 2'x3' diamond-shape Pavilion Sign, two paid Foursomes and a 12"x16" Hole Sponsor Sign (at a tee or green)
- **Platinum - \$2,000** Includes Platinum sign, 2 paid Foursomes, and a Hole Sponsor Sign
- **Gold - \$1,500** Includes a gold-colored Pavilion Sign, paid Foursome, and a Hole Sponsor Sign
- **Silver - \$1,000** Includes a silver-colored Pavilion Sign, paid Foursome, and a Hole Sponsor Sign
- **Bronze - \$500** Includes a bronze-colored Pavilion sign and a Hole Sponsor Sign
- **Hole - \$100** Includes a Hole Sponsor Sign
- **Cart - \$50** Includes sign on cart



## Golfer Registration Form PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

Format: 4-Person Scramble  
(One single-digit handicap per team)

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (W) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Hep \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (W) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Hep \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #3 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (W) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Hep \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #4 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (W) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Hep \_\_\_\_\_

**PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp  
GOLF OUTING  
August 28, 2021**



**Add-Ons**

**Overnight Accommodations**  
 at Beacon Lodge Camp .....Free  
 Please call Beacon Lodge  
 814-542-2511 to make arrangements  
 Friday  Saturday  
**Early Bird Golf – 18 holes**  
 Friday, August 27 (all day) ..... \$24

In 1948, Lion Carl Shoemaker helped found Vacations for the Blind, a summer camp designed for adults with vision impairment. Since then, the name was changed to PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp. The program has also changed to include children and adults with a wide range of disabilities. By providing a sponsorship or joining us at the Country Club, you will be helping us continue our mission of providing a summer camp experience to our statewide community of Special Needs Children and Adults.

**PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp  
5th Annual Golf Outing**  
**Saturday, August 28, 2021, 1:00 pm**  
**American Legion Country Club  
Mount Union, PA, 17066**

814-542-4343



**Sponsor Information\***

District 14 - \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name for Sign: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp  
 c/o Jonathan Carver  
 114 State Route 103 South  
 Mount Union, PA, 17066

**\*Send before August 19, 2021**  
 Thanks for helping us serve!



# 48<sup>th</sup> Annual District 14-E Knights of the Blind Open



PDG Jason M. Mesher  
230 Grant Street  
North Huntingdon, PA 15642  
(724) 255-3515  
[mesh\\_dogg@hotmail.com](mailto:mesh_dogg@hotmail.com)

Glengarry Golf Links  
166 Lentz Road  
Latrobe, PA 15650  
(724) 423-4653  
[www.golfglengarry.com](http://www.golfglengarry.com)

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## Saturday, July 10, 2021

Registration 1:00 PM

Shotgun Start: 2:00 PM

*REGISTER EARLY AND SAVE \$10!*

**Registration must be received by June 29, 2021 and all forms must include payment. No Exceptions and no onsite registration payments will be accepted.**

REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

Green Fee and Cart, Snacks, Beer/Soft Drinks, Sandwich at turn, Skill Prizes, Souvenir Gift, and Steak Dinner.

*Please note that the amenities included with your registration is subject to change due to COVID-19 restrictions or other unforeseen circumstances.*

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### REGISTRATION FORM

\$85.00 per player for registrations post-marked by June 15, 2021.

\$95.00 per player for registrations post-marked between June 16 and June 28, 2021.

Make checks payable to "District 14-E Lions."

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM MEMBERS (please indicate if anyone wants their dinner to go):

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Submit Registration Form and Checks to:

PDG Jason Mesher  
230 Grant Street  
North Huntingdon, PA 15642  
[mesh\\_dogg@hotmail.com](mailto:mesh_dogg@hotmail.com)



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## SPONSORSHIP FORM

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORSHIP	BENEFITS	COST	SELECT HERE
Diamond Level	Registration for 4 golfers, tee sign, full-page program ad, signage at pavilion, recognition during dinner, and special keepsake	\$1,000.00	
Gold Level	Registration for 2 golfers, tee sign, full-page program ad, and recognition during dinner	\$500.00	
Silver Level	Tee sign and full-page program ad	\$250.00	
Bronze Level	Tee Sign	\$150.00	
Program Ads:	Full-page Half-Page Quarter-Page Patron	\$100.00 \$75.00 \$50.00 \$2.00 per name	

All sponsorship information and artwork must be turned in by no later than **June 21, 2021**. Make checks payable to "**District 14-E Lions**" and put "**2021 KOTB**" in memo line. Please return this form and forward any artwork to be used on either the signage or in the program ad to:

Lion Zack Mesher  
191 Buttermilk Hollow Road  
North Huntingdon, PA 15642  
[zackmesher@gmail.com](mailto:zackmesher@gmail.com)  
(724) 825-8832

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



# LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

LEADER DOG NEWS FOR LIONS – Feb 2021

## Powerful Corporate Relationship Originating from Lions



Lions Club member, PDG Tom Polk was working in Information Technology in Wabash, Indiana when he answered a call from his employer who was seeking to make an Impact with a charitable organization.

Through his club Lion Tom had raised money for and been involved with Leader Dog for years. He took this personal relationship to work with him and introduced Midwest Eye Consultants and Dr. Lindsay Culver (pictured above) to Leader Dog.

In only a few years time, Midwest Eye Consultants has donated more than \$126,000 to Leader Dog, has raised a puppy for the organization and dramatically increased awareness of Leader Dog within the state of Indiana.

Dr. Culver explained the impact blindness can have on people and the importance of making the community aware of Leader Dog, "I've already told patients about Leader Dog," she says. "A diagnosis like that can lead to depression and feelings of isolation. A Leader Dog can help a person regain their independence and confidence."

More clients served. Another puppy raised. All made possible by an introduction from a local Lions club member.

If you know of a business (big or small) you would like to introduce to Leader Dog, please contact our director of corporate relations, Dave Bann, at (248) 218 – 6318 or [dave.bann@leaderdog.org](mailto:dave.bann@leaderdog.org).



IN EVERY LEADER DOG  
LIES THE HEART OF A LION.

A Leader Dog partner since 1939.

## SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

### Serving through COVID

The need for our programs has not diminished since the pandemic. While we were able to hold a few classes in person, most of our services have been home deliveries for both guide dogs and white cane training. Summer Experience Camp was held (very successfully) virtually this past summer.

Leader Dogs Issued YTD\*: 53  
Orientation & Mobility (White Cane) Clients Served YTD: 41  
Summer Experience Camp YTD: 38

States/Countries Served (guide dogs and orientation & mobility) YTD: Colorado, Virginia, Tennessee, South Dakota, Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York, Minnesota, Michigan, Maine, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Florida, North Carolina, South Dakota, Washington, New York

States/Countries Served (Summer Experience Camp – virtually) YTD: Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, Canada

\* Year to Date runs with our fiscal year of July 1 – June 30. Current YTD is from July 1- December 31, 2020.

## Training Tips & More

Visit and share our blog (a fancy word for an article on the web) to learn training tips and experience client stories:

[www.leaderdog.org/blog/category/blog/](http://www.leaderdog.org/blog/category/blog/)



## BE OF SERVICE

[LeaderDog.org/Lions](http://LeaderDog.org/Lions)

FOLLOW THE LEADER   

# Sponsor a hero. Be a hero.



Throughout our history, thousands of amazing donors worldwide have helped us empower people who are blind or visually impaired with lifelong skills for safe and independent daily travel. Now you have the opportunity to show your support in a new way, through a **Symbolic Puppy Sponsorship**. For \$500, you'll receive a picture, a profile and an official certificate of your sponsored Future Leader Dog. But more importantly you'll help make the following possible each year:

▶ **1,000,000+**

Days of safe and independent daily travel

▶ **200**

Leader Dog teams paired

▶ **100**

Clients receive white cane training

▶ **6**

Clients who are deaf and blind receive customized guide dog training

▶ **24**

Teenagers gain leadership and travel skills

▶ **\$0**

Cost to client



"I'm retired and on my own, so the dog is my world. If I don't get my five miles of walking, hiking or snowshoeing—I don't feel right. It's kind of an existence." -Randy & LD Senna



**LEADER DOGS**  
FOR THE BLIND

For more information or to sign up, visit  
[LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy](http://LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy)

FOLLOW THE LEADER  
[LeaderDog.org](http://LeaderDog.org)   

1039 S. Rochester Rd | Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115

# PUPPY SPONSORSHIP

A \$500 donation allows you to choose from a select group of puppies to symbolically sponsor and receive:

- ▶ A portrait of your sponsored Future Leader Dog suitable for framing
- ▶ Four wallet-size photos to share
- ▶ A profile of your Future Leader Dog with fun information such as personality traits, favorite toys and more
- ▶ An official sponsorship certificate
- ▶ **Each sponsorship comes with a matching plush puppy!**



**LEADER DOGS**  
FOR THE BLIND



**Sakari**  
Michigan



**Benton**  
Tennessee



**Thea**  
Wisconsin



**Sequoia**  
Michigan



**Papi**  
Michigan



**Harper**  
Maryland



**YES!** I would like to sponsor a puppy!

Name (Required) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring (*please circle ONE puppy*) Sakari Benton Thea Sequoia Papi Harper

Please make check payable to "Leader Dogs for the Blind" with "Puppy Sponsorship" in the memo.

Mail to: Leader Dogs for the Blind, 1039 S. Rochester Rd, Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115

You can also sponsor a puppy online at [LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy](http://LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy)



- Raised by volunteer Lion puppy raisers



Kick off your summer with Leader Dog on Saturday, June 5th at the Bark & Brew 5K presented by Chief Financial Credit Union. Join us on a beautiful route that winds through the Paint Creek Trail in Rochester, Michigan, or participate virtually on a trail near you. All participants get a great swag bag of gifts including a coupon for a free beverage of your choice at Griffin Claw Brewing Company after the race.

Sign up today! <https://bit.ly/3cFAxse>



A Four Diamonds Program Conquering Childhood Cancer

## How to set up Your Recurring Gift



### Visit our fundraising page

Visit [FourDiamonds.org/PALions](https://FourDiamonds.org/PALions) and scroll down and click "Make a Donation."

MAKE A DONATION



### Select your donation amount

Choose "Monthly," enter your Lions Club name, fill out your contact and payment information.

Supporting PA Lions "Care - For The Kids"™

Your Donation

Donation Amount	\$1,000	\$500	\$100
	\$50	\$25	\$10

One-time  Monthly

Lions Club Name:

Payment Method:  My gift card  Use the donation account on file



### Help conquer childhood cancer

Here are some of the ways your recurring gift can help kids fighting cancer.



**\$10/ month** funds one day of art therapy.



**\$25/ month** provides one day of care and support from our chaplain, who helps guide the spiritual needs of patients and their families.



**\$100/ month** funds one week of child life support for Four Diamonds' outpatient clinic.



**\$200/ month** funds a private hospital room for a child and their family.

[FourDiamonds.org/PALions](https://FourDiamonds.org/PALions)



# Join us for the L D B A W "Labor Day Diabetes District Golf Challenge"

## Saturday, September 4, 2021

Butler's Golf Course, Elizabeth, PA

Shotgun: 9:00 a.m. (8:00 a.m. registration)

Cost: \$90 Per Golfer

### Diabetes Sponsorship Levels

**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:*

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



*Mail Check to:*

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

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

**REGISTRATION FORM**

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

Golfer 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer 4 \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Type 2 - \$1,000**  
(includes Twosome and Tee Sign)

Golfer 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer 2 \_\_\_\_\_

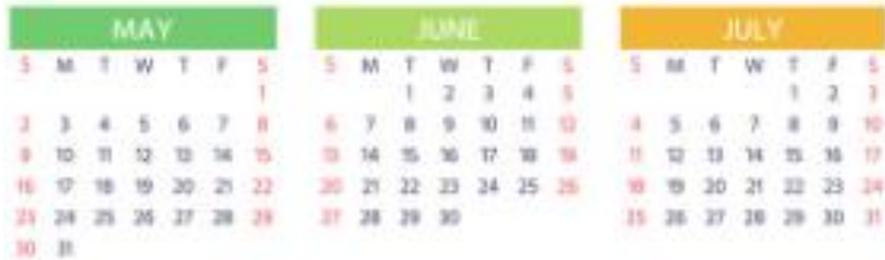
Name on Tee Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Golfer \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

# Schedule of Events and District Governor Visits



## May 2021

- 9<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day
- 16<sup>th</sup> PA MD State Convention – VIRTUAL EVENT
- 28<sup>th</sup> WCBA Golf Classic
- 31<sup>st</sup> Memorial Day

## June 2021

- 5<sup>th</sup> Leader Dog of the Blind Bark and Brew 5K
- 20<sup>th</sup> Father's Day
- 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> 104<sup>th</sup> International Convention, Montreal, Canada – VIRTUAL EVENT

## July 2021

- 4<sup>th</sup> Happy Independence Day!
- 10<sup>th</sup> Knights of Blind Golf Outing
- 18<sup>th</sup> PA Lions Appreciation Day



**2020-2021 DISTRICT 14-E PROJECTS DONATION FORM**

CLUB _____	DATE _____
Beacon Lodge Camp for the Blind	\$ _____
Care-A-Van	\$ _____
Diabetes	\$ _____
Disaster Relief Team Fund	\$ _____
Eye Research	\$ _____
Pediatric Cancer	\$ _____
Leader Dogs for the Blind	\$ _____
Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)	\$ _____
Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation	\$ _____
PA Lions Hearing Research Foundation	\$ _____
Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation	\$ _____
Westmoreland County Blind Association	\$ _____
Westmoreland County Deaf Services	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL DONATION:</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**Please note:** If your club has not already submitted donations, they must be received by May 1, 2021 to receive credit for 2020-2021. Donation check should be made out to District 14-E Lions and this form should accompany the check. Please mail check to Cabinet Treasurer, PDG Bob Mesher, 441 Gallitin Road, Belle Vernon, PA 15012 . If necessary, check can be given to District Governor Chuck before the deadline.

# KEY CONTACT INFORMATION:

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## **IMPORTANT WEB ADDRESSES**

District 14-E Lions.....www.lions14E.org  
Leader Dogs for the Blind.....www.leaderdog.org  
Lions Clubs International.....www.lionsclubs.org  
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp.....www.beaconlodge.com  
PA State Council of Lions Clubs.....www.palions.org  
Lions of PA Foundation.....www.lionsofpafoundation.org  
Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation.....www.wpalhf.org

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Please consider a Personal Contribution to either of these two charities to supplement Club Donations. Thank You!

<https://fourdiamonds.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=cms.page&id=1175>

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/donate>



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