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# February Newsletter deadline is February 4th.

Please email your articles & club information to
Lion Fay Watson at

<u>faydy320@centurylink.net</u> or <u>faydy320@gmail.com</u>

Thank you!





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IP Dr Patti Hill

### A MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR PATTI





We welcome 2024 with great anticipation of more opportunities to help others by serving our communities and many more.

Looking at 2023, the Lions Clubs around the world had what I call some "hiccups" or some good, bad and ugly times.

Lions, we are not looking backwards in 2024 - we are taking 2024 as a new and exciting year. Look at 2024 as the start of changes, excitement, and just a breath of fresh air. We are hearing of possibilities of new clubs, new Leo clubs, and membership increasing - what a wonderful surprise, and as of this writing we are still a few days from 2024.

The word "change" is a word a lot of Lions do not embrace. These are not changing standards in Lionism, they are small "changes" within your club. Each club is different in personality, interests, projects, and energy.

Find new ideas, new schedules, etc. that work for your club. Most of all have fun at your meetings, end the last 10-15 min with a game of trivia or whatever you enjoy.

Leave that meeting with a smile and new ideas, but most of all whatever you do remember to work as a team no matter what you are involved in.

DG Patti Ohler. We serve because We Care"

### 14-T NEW MEMBERS, DECEMBER 2023

HERSHEY LIONS CLUB DAVID ETNOYER LOWER PAXTON LIONS CLUB KEITH A BLANK DDS

LOWER SWATARA LIONS CLUB TASHA N COCHRAN

### FOOD TRUCK NEEDED!

Chambersburg Noontime Lions Club is seeking a Lions Club who operates or has access to a Food Truck, for their Trout Derby Fundraiser being held May 4th and 5th, 2024. Operator must have Safe Serve Certificate and access to hot water.

The Trout Derby averages anywhere from 800 to 1000 participants and we've been doing this event for more than 25 years.

If you can help or have questions, please contact Lion Allen Frantz via:

- text at 717-491-2544
- email a\_frantz@comcast.net
- call 717-264-3066

### 2023-24 14-T COUNCIL & CABINET MEETINGS

# **Council Meetings**

#3 Council Meeting - 2-4 February 2023

Ramada by Wyndham

State College Hotel & Conference Center

1450 South Atherton St. State College, PA

#4 Council Meeting – 16-19 May 2023

Red Lion Hotel 4751 Lindle Road Harrisburg, PA

# **Next Cabinet Meeting:**

February 11 2024 West Hanover Community Center

4623 Walnut Ave Harrisburg, PA 17112

Region I Clubs, please provide a raffle basket.

### 14-T LIONS EMAIL UPDATE

Please note the following email changes:

PDG Robert Roebuck: <a href="mailto:robertroebuck321@gmail.com">robertroebuck321@gmail.com</a>

PDG Sam Wagner: <a href="mailto:srwagner1140@gmail.com">srwagner1140@gmail.com</a>

### A STATEWIDE PROJECT – THE JARED BOX

**Mark your calendars now** – <u>May 16-19, 2024</u>, our State Convention. It will be held right here in Harrisburg at the Red Lion Hotel.

Each year a Service Project is included during the Convention. This years' Service Project will be packing **Jared Boxes**.

You ask: What is a **Jared Box**? A **Jared Box** is a plastic shoe-sized storage box filled with small gifts, toys, games, crayons, coloring books, and fun activities. Each box contains items selected for a specific age (from infant through teens) and gender. The boxes are given to children in the hospital to provide a special, fun diversion.

### **About The Jared Box Project**

The project was started in 2001 by the children of Our Lady of Victory School in State College, Pennsylvania, to honor their classmate, **Jared**, who battled cancer with courage and faith. **Jared** was diagnosed with an incurable brainstem tumor in 1999. He carried a backpack full of toys and games to all appointments and questioned why the other children didn't bring toys to their exam rooms. **Jared** shared his toys and invited the other children to join him in a game of UNO. At just 5 years old, he demonstrated faith, wisdom and compassion for others.

After **Jared** passed away, his classmates decided to honor him by creating **Jared Boxes**. The school children made 81 **Jared Boxes** for the children at Geisinger Janet Weis Children's Hospital in Danville, Pennsylvania. Soon after that, other community groups started making **Jared Boxes**. They picked up where **Jared** left off and shared toys with the children in the hospital. This wave of kindness quickly took off and spread across the country.

Since 2001, more than 1,000,000 **Jared Boxes** have been delivered to over 500 hospitals across the United States. Boxes filled with the "gift of play" are given to young patients in emergency rooms, hospital rooms, surgical centers and clinics. 121 hospitals in Pennsylvania are participating – **Jared Boxes** made at the Convention will be going to Pennsylvania hospitals.

Lions Clubs throughout our Multiple District will be asked to make a donation to provide the items to complete our **Jared Boxes**.

(information taken from the **The Jared Box** website: <a href="https://thejaredbox.org/">https://thejaredbox.org/</a>)

PDG Bob W. Roebuck State Global Service Chair







# 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 Numbe	r
Highest Lions Office Held	Current	
Lion'sTitle		
Email**	Preferred Telephone	
#		
**Please Type or Print CLEARLY! Will	be used for ALL Cor	nmunication 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?		

### 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 <u>required</u> to complete pre-assignments prior to arrival at the institute.

Candidate's Signature	Date
District Governor Must also On what ways will this candidate benefit from a	Complete and Sign this Form attending the Regional Lions Leadership Institute.
District Governor Member Number	
Name of District Governor	
Signature of District Governor	
Email (Please print)	
Date	





Estimated total man-hours expended:\_\_\_\_\_

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

Report Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Email

The District Governor White Cane Project has been around for many years. All monies collected stays within your local clubs to be used for Eyesight Conservation. Over one-half of the District Governor's Projects are related to Eyesight Conservation. This project can be implemented anytime throughout the Lions, Lioness and Leos' year. (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024).

**Greene Township Lions Club - \$1,546.00 Greencastle Lions Club - \$497.00** Paxtang Lions Club - \$890.00 East Hanover Lions Club - \$732.00 Lower Paxton Twp Lioness/Lions Club - \$555.00

Landisburg Lions Club - \$2770.78 Ickesburg Lions Club - \$169.75 Waynesboro Lions Club - \$799.43

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This report includes All White Cane Activities Occurring from 07/01/2023 to 06/30/2024:  1. Did your Lions, Lioness, or Leo Club hold a White Cane fundraising event (or events)? Yes, please continue with question 2 No, please complete Club information and return Form to District White Cane Chairperson  2. Please list activities, dollar amounts raised, and Estimated man-hours.	Please email to dalton_paul@comcast.net or send form to PDG Dalton E. Paul District 14-T White Cane Chair 1432 Laurelton Court Chambersburg, PA 17201	
ACTIVITY		AMOUNT RAISED
	TOTAL:	

This report must be in no later than July 15 2024, but try to get it in as soon as you complete your" 2022-2023 White Cane Campaign". Thank you.

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### **BEACON LODGE UPDATE**

PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp is preparing for our 2024 camping season. We are hopeful our 14-T Lions Clubs will continue to promote the camp by sponsoring campers, donating Wish List Items, sponsoring and providing teams for our golf tournament (major fundraising) and work weekends. We appreciate all the support either monetary or physical labor.

Speaking of camping programs, we are hopeful the attendance to the Children's Camps will increase this year. There are also Family camps as well, where adult members accompany the camper to PA Lions Beacon Lodge. This can be a rewarding and unique experience for the camper and family member. The family member may enjoy the change of routine, scenery and have a semi-respite from the day-to-day care the camper requires. Please promote the idea of the family camp to your local special education, medical offices, churches and intermediate units contacts. Another important camping experience are the Project New Hope weekend retreats for our PA Disabled veterans and immediate family members offered at no cost. Funds to provide Project New Hope come from donations and potential grants. If you would like a presentation at a club meeting, do not hesitate to contact PDG Jan Adams or Lion Denise Heck! Last year, my home club invited all the clubs in our zone, the Director of Special Education for the school district and local Veterans Club to enjoy a presentation on PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp.

The PA Lions Beacon Lodge Board of Directors are currently campaigning District Clubs to participate in the "500 Club." That requires clubs to provide \$5.00 per member to the "500 Club," which is designated for Beacon Lodge maintenance costs. District Clubs have been contacted, the District Newsletter has mentioned our campaign and out of the 37 clubs in 14-T only 4 clubs have provided a check for the "500 Club," although a few have committed to participating. This means, to date, only 10.8% of the District Clubs have sent a check! The checks are to be mailed to Lion Denise Heck, 11908 North Woodlea Drive, Waynesboro, PA 17268. If by chance, you have sent our donation directly to Beacon Lodge, please inform me via e-mail <a href="mailto:deniseheck@comcast.net">deniseheck@comcast.net</a> the amount. Each District's board member is to keep a spreadsheet and update the donations from their district. At the PA Lions State Convention, hosted by 14-T, a plaque will be awarded to the district with the most participation. As PDG Jan Adams is the president of the Board of Directors, we should be gracious with our donations and at least finish in the upper 5% of participation. Personally, I'm hopeful we make 100% and become the first District to receive recognition for our commitment to PA Lions Beacon Lodge. In the newsletter you will see our District's "Giving Thermometer" and I am hopeful we receive more checks in the month of January!

Have your members ever visited PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp? PA Lions Appreciation Day is scheduled for July 21, 2024 and this is a wonderful opportunity to participate in the events of the day: Sunday Church Service, tours of the camp, meal, activities and basket raffle. Why not carpool and enjoy the day!

The PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing is scheduled for August 24, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. at the American Legion Country Club in Mount Union. The \$85.00 fee for a golfer includes green fees, cart, prizes and awards, snacks, beer, pop, water and food throughout the day. Overnight accommodations at Beacon Lodge are free!

We look forward to your continual support of PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp and as soon as the camping schedule and costs are released, we'll have the information published in the district newsletter.

Happy New Year to all! Let's make it a ROARIN' Lion Year!

Yours in Service, Denise Heck 14-T PA Lions Beacon Lodge Board Member



Get your \$5.00 per member in as soon as possible.

### **BLAIN LIONS**



At the December Christmas party, Blain Lions King Lion Danny Rice awarded Blain Lion of the Year to Lion Judy Stoak. Congratulations Lion Judy!

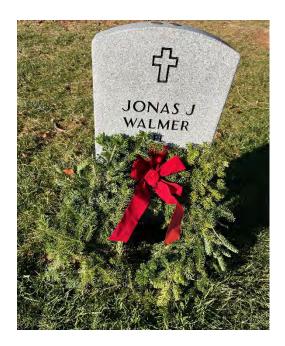
### **ICKESBURG LIONS**

During the Ickesburg Lions Club Christmas party, King Lion Larry Reisinger presented Lion Mary Dean with a Melvin Jones Fellowship.



### **EAST HANOVER LIONS**

R - East Hanover Lions joined the DAR group to help with Wreaths Across America at Ft Indiantown Gap on Friday, December 15 to place wreaths on the graves. Lions Lisa and Linda and the Unruh family helped Linda with her list over 273 wreaths were placed by all. Lion Linda had the honor to place East Hanover Charter member Jonas Walmer wreath! It was a blessed event!



East Hanover Lions helped serve families with Breakfast with Santa at the East Hanover Community Building on Sat. Dec. 16. It was a delicious meal and everyone enjoyed talking to Santa!



### **LOWER SWATARA LIONS**



L - Lower Swatara Lions Club's Christmas party project was to collect donations for the animals at the Harrisburg Humane Society. Lions Kelsey Varner and Connie Easter delivered a full van of blankets, towels and other donated items for the Society's animals.

#### R & Below:

Lower Swatara Lions Club hosted a HOLIDAY SHOPPING NIGHT on Wednesday December 13, 2023 to provide local children with an affordable opportunity to shop for gifts for their families. Gifts ranged in price from \$1-5. Parents provided a list for whom the child was shopping and the price they are allowed to spend.

Lions Club members assisted the children with their shopping and wrapping their purchases.

SANTA was on hand to meet with children and allow a photo opportunity for parents.







### LOWER SWATARA LIONS Cont'd

Lower Swatara Lions Club thanks EVERYONE who contributed to our Stockings for Soldiers campaign. With contributions from the local community, our club members, the Middletown VFW and Susquehanna River Reactors softball/baseball team, we were able to donate 450

filled stockings to be shipped to service people.

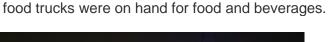


Lower Swatara Lions Club members in front of a small portion of filled stockings collected for the Stockings for Soldiers project.



Lion Tom Schanbacher adds additional filled stockings to the collection of donated stockings.

Lower Swatara Lions Club held their first annual Community Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday December 1, 2023. Our township did not have a community Christmas tree. Fund raising events enabled the Lower Swatara Lions Club to purchase a flagpole tree and install it at our clubhouse. Middletown High School Select Choir supplied carols for the event, and several





Lower Swatara Lions Club clubhouse is illuminated by their new community Christmas Tree.



Lenny the Lower Swatara Lion with Lion Don Sipe - our tree electrical engineer.

### PENBROOK LEOS

Below - At the December 5th, 2023, Leo meeting, the Leos had the pleasure of presenting Ms. Mulford with a check for \$938.48 for the Manna Food Pantry; the Leos raised the money the day before Thanksgiving, along with canned and boxed goods.





L - At the December 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Leos welcomed new club member Anthony Martinez. 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Lion Tammy conducted the induction ceremony. Leo Kristina was Leo Anthony's sponsor.

### PENBROOK LEOS/LIONS COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT EXPANSION FUNDRAISING

The Penbrook Leo & Lions Clubs of Penbrook thank YOU for your donations to the Community Garden Expansion Project fundraisers this past year! Your donations assisted the Leos & Lions to collect needed matching funds for the expansion project. The funds will be used to build additional plots that we hope will double the harvest output delivered to the Manna Food Pantry, provide funding for the educational composting campaign in March 2024, and provide for a community composting site in the garden plot.

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# PTCP Trading Post

January 2024



Hello Fellow Lions,

Hope everyone had a great holiday season!!!

With the passing of PDG Amos Shatzer I have taken over the pin work for PTCP.

If you need a personal, club or district pin created please do not hesitate to contact me by email at pintradersclubpa@gmail.com and we can have them created for you! We use a quality and Lions licensed manufacturer called Myriade.

Also I wanted to remind you that the annual Pin Trading Club of Pennsylvania Pin Swap is coming up March 13 and 14 at the Red Lion Hotel in Harrisburg. Feel free to drop by and check out all the pins as well as meet pin traders from around the world! It is always a good time!

May everyone enjoy the second half of the Lions year!

Yours In Lionism,

Jason Radmann DG 14L 2023-24 PTCP President 2022-24

### PTCP Officers:

President: Jason Radmann
Vice President: Scott Lyons
Secretary: Lana McCaulley
Treasurer: Linda Fenicle

2024 State Pins





Remember you can join the Pin Trading Club of Pennsylvania for only \$7/year. You will get copies of the newsletter and a yearly Member pin.

You can also join the Lions International Trading Pin Club for only \$15/year!





L - Loving

 ${f I}$  - Individuals

O - Offering

N - Needed

S - Service

Just as a reminder PTCP will accept any donated collections from members, just contact one of the Board Members or email pintradersclubpa@gmail.com! They will be offered up to the pin trading community and any money raised will go to Lions Charities!!!!



Donation from 1pm-3:30pm

DOOR PRIZES - RAFFLES • Concession Stand, Bar, Arcade available •







**TOTAL \$ AMOUNT ENCLOSED** 

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION IN THIS WORTHWHILE PROJECT! Please make checks payable to District 14-T Bowlathon

**BOWL DATE APRIL 14,2024** REGION \_ **BOWLERS NAME** REPRESENTING CLUB **TOTAL \$\$ TOTAL \$\$** SPONSORS NAME **PLEDGED** PAID **ABC NORTH LANES** 5303 LOCUST LANE, HBG 17109 (717) 545-4254 TOTAL MONEY COLLECTED

Diabetic Retinopathy is the leading cause of Blindness in adults today. Lions are dedicated to eradicating Blindness and have been involved with Diabetes awareness since 1984. Money raised through this Bowlathon will stay in our area and will be distributed through grants to local health facilities to educate individuals about Diabetes. Grants also ae given to Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center for research to furthur help understand the disease and hopefully find a cure.

We Serve through Bowling!

# IN MEMORIAM



PDG Jim Zeger and wife Linda. Both Jim & Linda passed away in December.