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A MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR NATE

Greetings Lions and Leos of 14T!



Can you believe that summer is almost over already, and here we are in August? That means we are already one month into the new Lions year. What big plans does your club have for the year, and what have you already accomplished? Hopefully everyone is well on their way to planning out their club's year and has lots of good service

projects, fundraisers, and most importantly fun activities planned!

Our first District Meeting (formerly called the Cabinet Meeting) is scheduled for August 17th at noon up in Landisburg. We will be having a light lunch of Pizza and Fruit trays followed by our meeting promptly starting at 12:30. ALL Lions and Leos are welcome to attend these meetings, and are encouraged to. These meetings are an excellent chance to hear what is happening at a district level, at a state level, and sometimes at an international level as well. They are also a great opportunity to network with your fellow Lions from across the district and exchange ideas. The chairs of the various district committees will give reports on what their committee is doing/has done, so it's a great chance to learn about the various district committees and projects as well!

I will be introducing, at the District Meeting, new traveling gavels to go out into the district and starting a year-long contest. There will be three gavels, randomly given out to clubs at the District Meeting - the objective is to have the gavel in your possession for the longest time this year. We will ask that when you receive a gavel, an email is sent to the District officers, so we can send out a notification to the presidents and secretaries. The way that you get a gavel is by attending either a meeting or a service event of the club that currently holds one of the gavels, and have the most members there from a visiting club (so if two clubs visit and one has 3 members, but the other has 4, then the one with 4 takes the gavel. In case of a tie, a friendly game of rock paper scissors, best of 3, can determine the



**September Newsletter deadline
is
September 3rd.**

**Please email your articles & club
information to
Lion Fay Watson at
faydy320@gmail.com
Thank you!**

DG Nate's message cont'd...

winner of the gavel). There will be a secondary contest happening at the same time - if one club can get all three gavels at the same time, they will win that contest - and yes, there will be prizes!

One of my goals for the year is inter-club activities and bringing fun back to Lions, so stay tuned for more ideas and more events that will be upcoming. And, if you have any suggestions, ideas, recommendations, or any feedback, please reach out to me, I want to hear from everyone and there are no bad ideas!

Here's to a great start of a great Lion's year! Wishing you all the best as we venture forth into the 2024-2025 Lion's Year!

Yours in Service;
DG Nathan Pfister

14-T PA LIONS CONVENTION COMMITTEE



July 17th state convention committee wrap up meeting held at Vision Resources of Central PA.

Lower row (from Left): PDG Bob Roebuck, PDG John Mallonee, Lion Jack Rudick, PDG Pete Van Zandt, 14D PDG Deb Burkholder (state administrator), 1st VDG Barb Dudek, PDG Jan Adams, Lion John Petrina.

On stairs (from top left): PDG Dave McCluskey, PDG Joann Williams, Lion Joyce Tuttle, DG Nate Pfister, Lion Babette Rudick, PDG Peg Hummel, Lion Cheryl Cuddy, PDG Bill Tuttle, PDG Dennis Alleman.

From the International Family:

"In accordance with MD 14 House of Delegates Procedures, Past International President Joseph L. Wroblewski, and members of the MD-14 International Family announced Saturday, August 3, 2024 as part of the first 2024-2025 PA State Council of Lions Clubs Council of Governors meeting that the Multiple District is eligible to endorse a candidate for the office of International Director at the 107th annual Lions Clubs International Convention in Mexico City, Mexico.

PIP Wroblewski and the PA International Family subsequently requested, and members of the Council of Governors approve, the convening of a House of Delegates session for the purpose of selecting an endorsed candidate for this high office. PIP Wroblewski and the PA International Family also requested and were granted approval by the Council of Governors to hold a special election to determine the Multiple District's officially endorsed candidate for the office of International Director."

What this means to our District:

If District 14-T would have anyone with the intention of running for International Director, the timeline is very short for this process. A Letter of Intent MUST be submitted by October 1st to the State Office in Harrisburg.

Anyone wanting to run must first get their club's endorsement, then the District Governor's approval/endorsement. So, if you are interested, now is the time to start the process.

Who is eligible (Per the LCI Constitution and By Laws):

A candidate for the office of international direction shall:

- (a) Be an Active member in good standing of a Lions club in good standing.
- (b) (1) Have completed or be completing a full term or major portion thereof as district governor of a full district of this association; or
 - (2) Have completed a full term or majority portion thereof as district governor of a provision district which (1) attained in said term or later twenty (2) clubs in good standing or full district status or (2) has been a provisional district for no less than ten (10) years.
- (c) Secure the certification of endorsement by his/her district (single, sub-, and multiple) in accordance with these by-laws or constitution.



Upcoming Events

Dear Club Leaders;

I wanted to bring to everyone's attention some upcoming dates and events for this Lions year.

First, there will be a Guiding Lion Course held at the State Office on October 5th. Everyone is welcome to attend, and it would be a good way to get yourself immersed a little further into Lionism at a District Level that will also help you at a club level.

Second, next year's RLLI - Regional Lions Leadership Institute. This will be held on March 7, 8, 9. This is a wonderful training event that can help you if you want to pursue an leadership role in Lions - from Club level to District level. These courses and ideas you will learn are also relevant outside of Lionism. This is well worth it to attend. If you have any desire to attend, please let the District Officers know!

Third, there is going to be a Pajama Drive held for our next Council Meeting. This meeting is on October 25th, but we are encouraging clubs to participate by taking up a collection, and even by coming out to help with this service project. The Council Meeting is held at the Red Lion in Harrisburg, so it is central to our district.

Last, I want to put out some tentative dates for Lions Portal Training. I am hoping we can get something together for September 7th and 8th. September 7th we would hold it in Harrisburg (at the State Office if we can get it) and September 8th somewhere in the south (Potentially Lurgan, again if available). Just keep those dates in the back of your mind and look for an email sometime in the next week with some solid plans!

Thanks;
DG Nate

14-T NEW MEMBERS, JULY 2024

PAXTANG LIONS CLUB
CRAIG BORLINGHAUS
ERIC S FILLMAN
WENDY L SABATHNE

2024-2025 14-T DISTRICT MEETINGS

- #1 – August 17, 2024 (Sat.)** Mark Henry Memorial Park, Landisburg, PA 17040
#2 – November 10, 2024 (Sun.) Lurgan Twp. Center 13978 Cumberland Hwy., Roxbury, PA
#3 – February 23, 2025 (Sun.) West Hanover Community Center, 4628 Walnut Ave. ,
Harrisburg, Pa 17112

PDG's Meeting 12:30 PM-1:30 PM
Executive Session (as needed) 1:00 PM-1:30 PM
General Cabinet Meeting 1:45 PM-3:30 PM

DISTRICT 14-T CONVENTION

- #4 – April 5, 2024** TBD
#5 – June 2025 (Sun.) Executive Committee Only TBD

MULTIPLE DISTRICT 14 STATE CONVENTION

April 30 -May 4, 2025 Scranton Hilton



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, 2024 through June 30, 2025).

*****CUT AND RETURN*****

**2024-2025 WHITE CANE CLUB REPORT
PA Lions Multiple District 14-T**

This report includes All White Cane Activities
Occurring from 07/01/2024 to 06/30/2025:

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

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.

ACTIVITY	AMOUNT RAISED
TOTAL:	

Estimated total man-hours expended: _____

Club Name: _____

Report Submitted by: _____ Phone/Email

This report must be in no later than July 15 2025, but try to get it in as soon as you complete your" 2022-2023 White Cane Campaign". Thank you.



BEACON LODGE

Beacon Lodge celebrated PA Lions Appreciation Day (PLAD) on July 21, 2024. We had Lions from the state of PA visiting, touring and enjoying the campers' talent show at the camp. The Lions from 14-L prepared a delicious chicken dinner for the attendees. District 14-T was represented and we finally had some winners in the basket raffles and the Rubber Duck race. Five Lions won in the basket raffle and the First Place Winner in the Rubber Duck Race was PDG Keldeen Stambaugh.

The Beacon Lodge Golf Tournament is still in need of golfers and sponsorships. PDG Jan and I thank the following Lions Clubs for their hole sponsorships: Richfield, Mt. Parnell, Newport, Shermans Dale, Waynesboro Area (WALL), Lurgan Township, Ickesburg, Chambersburg Evening, Paxtang, Landisburg and New Bloomfield. We thank the following Lions for their hole sponsorships: PCC Cathy Bakker, PCC Steve Benedict & Lion Sue, PDG Robert Roebuck, PDG Peg Hummel & Lion Kim, PDG Dave McCluskey & Lion Kitty, PDG Joann Williams, PDG Bill Tuttle & Lion Joyce, PDG Patti Ohler & Lion Mike; PDG Jan Adams, PDG Lee Eisenhard and Lion Denise Heck. Please view the Golf Tournament Flyer in this newsletter and plan to make a donation. If you mail the donation directly to Beacon Lodge, please inform PDG Jan or Lion Denise of your donation.

As your annual budgets are prepared, please consider a donation to camperships and Beacon Lodge Maintenance. Our maintenance staff and property committee are in the process of developing a maintenance schedule for some safety issues which must be addressed before next camping season. Contact your local school district and medical offices for individuals that could be potential campers for next year. We would appreciate any assistance in increasing our camper population.

Feel free to contact PDG Jan Adams or Lion Denise Heck if you have any questions. As always, we appreciate all the support the Lions of District 14-T provides to Beacon Lodge.



A LION ON STAGE!

14-T's own PDG John Mallonee (Hershey Lions) is a star, performing as JD in "Escape to Margaritaville", which ran July 25th – August 4th at the Hershey Playhouse. A great Lion and a great actor!

Pictured with PDG John is PDG Jan Adams.



BLAIN LIONS

The buildings at Blain Lions Community Park were spruced up with a new coat of paint. On a very hot day our Lions and friends-of-Lions did a great job painting our picnic pavilion and mower shed.

Pictured at the pavilion L-R: Mattingly Kline, Lion Carl Smith, Leo Kelsey Kline (West Perry Leos) and Blain Lions President Lion Dave Rice. Mattingly and Kelsey are Lion Carl's grandchildren and have been a great help with other Blain Lions projects.

Pictured by the shed are President Lion Dave Rice and today's "helper" his grandson Greyson.



PAXTANG LIONS



L: Paxtang Lions charter night was held recently at Lancaster Brewery Company. New officers for 2024-2025 lions year were inducted by 1st VDG Barb Dudek.

Three new members (not shown) will be inducted in the near future. Paxtang Lions look forward to another year of service under the leadership of President Elaine Knehr.

R: The Paxtang Lions Club recently made an addition of a "Little Library" at Sassaman Park in Paxtang.

Books for sharing will soon be added on a "take and replace" basis.



ROUZERVILLE LIONS



Above: The Rouzerville Lions Club installed new officers for the 2024/2025 year on July 16th at The Monterey Pass Restaurant in Rouzerville. Past District Governor Lee Eisenhard completed the installation. Pictured from the left seated Larry McFadden, Treasurer, PDG Lee Eisenhard, Don Selhamer, President, Ellen Scott, Secretary, Ann O'Toole, Director and standing L TO R, Don Kauffman, 3rd VP, Mark Spangler, 1st VP, Lamar Sease, Director, Carolyn Sease, Jan Hilson, Lion Tamer, John Hilson, Tail Twister, Carrie Spangler, Allen Scott, Events Chair and Dennis O'Toole 2nd VP. Absent were Directors Margie Selhamer and Denny Carbaugh



Above/Below: The Rouzerville Lions Club held their 21st annual Car Show, Sunday, July 14, 2024; at Red Run Park, Waynesboro, PA. It was an extremely hot day; but we had 121 cars/trucks that participated.

This is the largest fundraiser for the Club. We support many community projects throughout the



GREENCASTLE LIONS



L: Greencastle Lions Club presented 4 Student Scholarships (\$750 each) at their Annual Club Family Picnic on July 25. Recipients include Mali Luger, Cameron Reiff, Chase Davidson, and Shelby Zimmerman (not pictured)

WAYNESBORO LIONS CLUB

Waynesboro Lions Club Awards Scholarships

The Waynesboro Lions Club awarded three \$2,000.00 Scholarships to graduating seniors attending an accredited post-secondary institution. The following individuals were selected by the Waynesboro Lions Club scholarship committee:

Brenna Riley Dill was accepted at Freed-Hardeman University in Henderson, Tennessee. Brenna will be majoring in Elementary Education with a minor in Music. Brenna plans to participate in the 4+1 program at Freed-Hardeman enabling her to take a 4 year major in elementary education while taking a 1 year masters in education at the same time. Her goal is teaching students at the 3rd -5th grade level.

Maryanne Lee Horne was accepted at Millersville University in Millersville, PA. Maryanne will be majoring in Early Childhood Education. Maryanne desires to be a positive role model and influence to younger children. After graduation from Millersville, Maryanne's goal is to return to her former elementary school and teach 2nd -3rd grade level.

Layla Kearson Woodring was accepted at the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA. Maryanne is majoring in Pre-Medicine. Maryanne is pursuing this degree with the intention of attending medical school and becoming a geneticist.

PENBROOK LIONS & LEOS



L-This year, Lion Sabrina took the lead role in the planning and smooth implementation of Penbrook 2024 Little Valley Park Free Summer Program for children. The children engaged in a variety of activities and had volunteer presenters each week. Lion Sabrina thanked the Leos for their volunteer work during the five weeks.

R- It's been a harsh summer at the garden as the brutal sun and lack of rain created difficult conditions for harvesting fresh vegetables.

However, hopeful and determined Lions and Leos guarded the crops, provided the needed water and attacked the vicious weeds. So far, the summer harvest has yielded an abundance of lettuce, cabbage, beets, radishes and onions.

The expanded garden beds have provided for double the yield in fresh vegetables delivered to the Manna Food Pantry in June and July.



L- Penbrook Leos, Lions and friends installed the summer Story Walk pages at the Paxtang Parkway Trailhead in the Greenbelt; Leos conduct this activity four times yearly as one of their signature projects. The summer story, *Linh's Rooftop Garden* by JaNay Brown-Wood, is a picture book about a young girl who explores her rooftop garden and discovers the joy of gardening and healthy eating.

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SAVE THE DATE

Eye School

October 12, 2024

8am—12noon

Hershey Lodge, Empire Room

Please contact Karen Minick with questions

717-531-8783



Month in Review

From the Desk of the CEO

-July 2024

The month of July includes two of my favorite annual events at Vision Resources; Out of Site Camp and Vision Bowl.

Monday, 7/8 through Friday, 7/12, we hosted day camp for legally blind students entering grades 3-12. The campers bring our agency to life with activity as they gather each morning for a new adventure. Friendships are built and confidence grows daily.

Vision Bowl, the low vision awareness event welcomed 120 bowlers challenged with bowling while wearing glasses simulating four of the most common eye conditions causing low vision. Even the best of bowlers was off his game, but the guests had a great evening and learned more about the daily challenges faced by our clients with low vision.

Thank you to all who support our mission!



Cheryl Cuddy, CEO





NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2024



President's Message

Dear Friends:

Beacon Lodge Camp is now in session! I am honored to be part of the PA Lions Beacon Lodge team working for our adults and children with visual impairments and special needs. The funds we raise make a difference every day in the lives of those we serve.

The Project New Hope Veterans program, while supported by BLC, is a separate entity which uses Beacon Lodge Camp facilities and staff for PA veteran campers with service-related injuries.

While the facilities have changed and grown over the last 76 years, the value that Beacon Lodge offers to the community remains at the forefront of our work.

We hope this newsletter will provide valuable insight into the incredible work we are doing every week thanks to your support as well as highlight projects on the horizon. Together, we can continue to build a safe and inclusive camp for individuals in need for years to come!

Sincerely,

2024 CAMP SCHEDULE

ADULT CAMPS:

Family Camp	June 15 - 19
Camp Felicity	June 22 - 27
Camp Empower	June 29 - July 4
Camp Felicity	July 6 - 11
Camp Perception	July 13 - 23
Camp Felicity	July 27 - August 1
Camp Liberty	August 3 - 13

CHILDREN'S VILLAGE:

PNH Retreat	June 15 - 19
Camp Sensational	June 22 - 27
Camp LEAP	June 29 - July 4
Camp AD(H)Dventure	July 6 - 11
Camp ConnXions	July 13 - 20
Camp Unite	July 27 - 31
PNH Retreat	August 3 - 7

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Employee Appreciation Day-	August 16th
Popeye Fleck Fishing Derby-	July 7th
PA Lions Appreciation Day-	July 21st
8th Annual Golf Outing-	August 24th

YOUR SUPPORT IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

PA Lions Beacon Lodge provides well-rounded programming to children and adults living with disabilities across Pennsylvania. Studies show that inclusive recreational activities for people with special needs can improve physical health, reduce anxiety and feelings of isolation, build confidence and improve social skills. Beacon Lodge uses specially trained counselors and staff members to ensure every participant feels supported, appreciated, and included.

For veterans living with a service-related disability and their families, Project New Hope Retreats offer both opportunities for peaceful recreation in a secluded and safe space and the opportunity to pursue adventures in nature as a family unit.

Programming is taking place now and we need your continued support to ensure that all activities are properly funded. Continue reading pages three and four of this newsletter to learn about the camp's most urgent needs and how you can help!



YOUR DONATIONS IN ACTION

Camp Counselors, like Olivia, partake in the direct delivery of services to campers. She shares her experiences in this interview.

Question: How did you learn about PA Lions Beacon Lodge?

Response: I learned about PA Lions Beacon Lodge through a local health care provider that I shadowed during the past school year, who had previously worked at Beacon Lodge as a counselor.

Question: What made you decide to work here?

Response: I decided to work at Beacon Lodge as a counselor this summer because I wanted the experience of providing care for the disabled community, and being able to give the campers a memorable and fun camping session.

Question: What has been one of your favorite experiences?

Response: One of my favorite experiences so far at Beacon Lodge has been repeatedly seeing the mission of this camp in its true light. We have been able to provide smiles and laughter to so many campers and staff every day.

Question: Why is it important for people to donate to the PA Lions Beacon Lodge?

Response: It is important for people to donate to beacon lodge because by donating, you are able to support a charitable pillar of the surrounding disabled communities and demonstrate what being a Lion is all about. Beacon lodge instills confidence and belonging in those who otherwise may not have a support system to foster these crucial qualities so it is important that our camp flourishes for many years to come.



Olivia is new to Beacon Lodge! This is her first year as a Counselor.

UPCOMING PROJECTS - OUR GREATEST NEEDS

In order to provide the highest quality of service to children and adults with special needs as well as military veterans and their families, PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp needs the right tools. Presently, the Children's Village has some of the most pressing needs. The village needs to replace approximately 100 mattresses that are well beyond their usable service life and no longer provide adequate physical support to campers.

Further, the Children's Village's 20+ year old kitchen appliances and supplies are outdated and inefficient. The kitchen flooring needs to be replaced as a result of inspection deficiency. Supporting these projects will increase the camp's efficiency, create a safer environment for campers and staff members, and ensure that campers can enjoy every aspect of their time at PA Lions Beacon Lodge



PROJECT BUDGETS

<i>Item</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Unit Price</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>
<i>Induction Range (Model IRNG-PCF2F-36)</i>	1	\$5,200.00	\$5,200.00
<i>Induction Cookware (Volrath Optio 15 Piece)</i>	2	\$450.00	\$900.00
<i>Gas Fryer (Model 58530)</i>	1	\$900.00	\$900.00
<i>Toaster (Model 184T3300D)</i>	1	\$550.00	\$550.00
<i>Epoxy Flooring</i>	1	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
<i>Mattresses</i>	100	\$450.00	\$45,000.00
<i>Season Camp Food Budget</i>	1	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00





SHOW YOUR SUPPORT:

You and your club can make a difference in funding PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp's critical operational needs. To discuss the following options, please contact PDG Jan Adams at janpdg@gmail.com.

»»» SPONSOR A CAMPER

Ensure that every interested person with a special need is able to attend camp regardless of their financial disposition. A \$950 donation will pay for one camper's visit. A \$1,200 donation will pay for a family of four to experience all Beacon Lodge has to offer together!

»»» SPONSOR THE GOLF OUTING

PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp's 8th Annual Golf Outing is scheduled for Saturday, August 24, 2024 at 1:00 PM. Sponsorship opportunities are available for vary from \$50 to \$10,000. Visit <https://beaconlodge.org/blc-golf-outing> to learn more or to complete your registration.

»»» BRICK WALKWAY FUNDRAISER

"Leave your mark" on Beacon Lodge by purchasing a brick on our well-preserved walkway, first established in 2007. Add your name or honor a fellow Lion today! Bricks vary in size and price and start at \$100.

»»» FELLOWSHIP AWARD

The Carl Shoemaker Fellowship was established in 2014 in memory of the founder of PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp. Your \$500 gift to the camp will be recognized with a fellowship medal that can be made in honor or memory of any individual.

»»» SPREAD THE WORD

Making a difference in the lives of people with special needs and veterans with service-related injuries starts by sharing our mission with a friend. If you know a person or a business who is in a position to make a gift, please contact Beacon Lodge at 814-542-2511 ext. 2 to make a referral.



A thank you note to Project New Hope



Dear Jan:
Such an amazing week with PNH and we are so appreciative, as in '22.
A lively bunch this year!! We are still reflecting on what a great time we had getting closer with some of the families, and are deeply grateful for your, Jim, Steve, Danny and of course Rick's hard work to make this event run so smoothly, and adjust as needed.
Very Best,
Sica Family

