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November Newsletter deadline is November 6th.

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

faydy320@gmail.com AND Lion Ron Alleman at vikesron3@gmail.com

Thank you!



SERVING TODAY, TOMORROW AND ALWAYS

Lions and Leos of District 14-T:

The first quarter of the Lions year is over. Seven club visits, one chicken BBQ service project (bake sale), and two Zoom meetings in September. Time does get hectic.

The **District Directory** is at the printer. When they are received, they will be distributed.

District Committee Chairman vacancies that need to be filled for Lions year 2025-2026 (the project information is found on our District 14 website https://palions14t.org/constitution-bylaws/Constitution and By-Laws

- Diabetes Education, Research, Awareness and Screening Events
- Kidsight/Adult Vision Screening and Hearing Screening
- Leader Dogs Coordinator
- Lions Services for Children/Special Events Chair
- PA Lion for Guide Dogs, Inc Liaison
- PA Lions Sight Conversation Research/Eye Foundation Research Liaison

The information needs to be updated but it gives the highlights.

Club Excellence Award-The criteria has changed for clubs to receive the Club Excellence Award. PDGs Kathy Fouse, Bob Roebuck and John Mallonee attended a Zoom meeting. There is no longer a form to be filled out, signed by the District Governor and submitted to LCI. LCI gathers the necessary information from each club's Lions Portal as submitted on the Club's Reports.

Message from DG Barb Cont'd...

This is the link to the information https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/member-resource-center/grants-and-awards/association-awards/excellence-awards

At a few meetings, I heard information that would be beneficial. Someone knows someone involved in service projects. For example, Joe knows someone who is involved or has information about ??? with a special project that may be a good service project for your club/district. Share this information with other Lions and the district cabinet.

Let's look outside the box or the confines of our clubs and share with all of the clubs of District 14-T

Yours in Service, DG Barb Dudek

MESSAGE FROM 1VDG JOEL

Good day to all District 14-T Lions:

Three months of this Lions year are now history, it is hard to believe.

I thank all Lions for support and sympathy during my wife's recent illness and death. It still seems like a bad joke and I am waiting for the punch line. For a while I felt I should expect the Lion's truant officer to come calling. I am now fully able to participate in activities and my duties.

I know the DG is still looking for Lions to fill certain positions this year. There are several behind the scenes positions available well as some more obvious ones.

LCI as well as other organizations runs on data, and the data that is most important is the monthly activity report for each club. Please be sure reports are complete and sent on time and that the box **Report Complete** is checked, until that box is selected the report stays on your computer.

I know there are a lot of Lions activities planned or the next several weeks and I thank each club for helping.

A question I have- Are you aware that with a few extra strokes of the cursor on your commuter you can use your planned and complete Service Reports to make press releases and entries on Facebook?

1VDG Joel

NEW MEMBERS September 2025

MIDDLE PAXTON LIONS
ALMA KOCHER

PENBROOK LIONS CARMEN J CASTILLO JAFREISI R SANTOS

DECEASED MEMBERS September 2025

HERSHEY LIONS FRANCIS X MCCARTHY MIDDLE PAXTON LIONS STEVEN C WISEGARVER

RICHFIELD LIONS
PALMER E WILLOW

LIONS OF PA FOUNDATION

The Foundation's Board continues to meet quarterly to review Grant Request Applications.

The Grant Request Application is found on our website – www.lionsofpafoundation.org

This application insures that we receive the necessary information to consider your request.

Our next meeting will be **October 11**. If your Club is planning to submit an application, please email it to me by **October 1**. I will then forward the completed application with necessary signatures to our Executive Director and President. From there the application will be forwarded to the Board Members in preparation for the upcoming meeting.

If at any time any member has a question or needs an explanation about the Lions of PA Foundation, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I am available to come to your Club or Zone meetings with a presentation that explains our Foundation.

I am also available to present your Lions of PA Fellowship or Past International President Joseph Wrobleski Award.

PDG Kathy Fouse 14-T Board Member Lions of PA Foundation 717-645-4322 lionkathyfouse@gmail.com

2025-2026 DISTRICT MEETING DATES

Pennsylvania State Council Meetings

#2 – October 24-26	Red Lion Hotel
#3 – January 30, 31 and February 1, 2026	Red Lion Hotel
#4 – May 14-17, 2026 Council meeting and state convention	Indiana PA
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DISTRICT 14-T CABINET MEETINGS #2 – November 9, 2025 (Sun.)..... Lurgan Twp. Center 13978 Cumberland Hwy., Roxbury #3 – February 15, 2026 (Sun.)...... West Hanover Community Center

4628 Walnut Ave., Harrisburg, Pa 17112 General Cabinet Meeting...... 1:45 PM-3:30 PM

DISTRICT 14-T CONVENTION

#5 - June 2026 (Sun.) Executive Committee Only TBD

PICs FROM USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM ATLANTIC CITY



L: 14T Lions Doug Long, Darrell Miller & Mike Lyons

We learned a lot, made friends and had fun.



R: The PA Delegation.



For over three decades Lions Clubs around the world have proudly sponsored the Lions International Peace Poster Contest in local schools and youth groups.

We encourage every Lions Club to engage with the youth in their community to sponsor a Peace Poster Contest entry.

The Theme of the 2025-2026 Peace Poster Contest is Together as One?

Students, ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15, are eligible to participate.

Lions Clubs interested in sponsoring the Peace Poster Contest can order a Peace Poster Contest kit (PPK-1) from the Club Supplies Sales Department

at International Headquarters until October 1, 2025.

The kit is \$11.95 plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes. Clubs must purchase a kit for each contest sponsored. Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer to duplicate & give participants to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

Please review contest rules and order kits as soon as possible to guarantee sufficient time for a well-planned contest.

Please allow 3-4 weeks for delivery

November 15, 2025: Postmark deadline for a Club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the District Governor. Your Club winning posters should be given to Lion John Petrina at the November Cabinet Meeting, which is the very last date.



PAST YEAR WINNER

for info and to order your kit



contact:

Lion John Petrina
District 14T Peace Poster Chair.
artcraft@comcast.net

LCI Peace Poster Contest

To order a ktt, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822

https://www.llonsdubs.org/en/start-our-approach/youth/peace-poster





We Walk for a world without T1D

No organization does more to improve lives and drive toward cures for type 1 diabetes (T1D). The dollars raised through the Breakthrough T1D Walk, formerly JDRF One Walk, will help make this condition a thing of the past.

District 14-T Walkers. It is time again for the T1D Walk held at Adams-Ricci Park in Enola on Sunday Oct. 19, 2025. Activities start at 10:00 am

Don't miss out on this fun day to support kids with Diabetes. District 14-T is once again a sponsor of the walk.

Join Lion Kim Hummel on his walk around the park!

To make a donation please go to the Breakthrough T1D website for information and to donate.





NEED HELP WITH THE LIONS' PORTAL?

At the August 16 meeting of the Long Range Planning Committee, the attending PDGs discussed various ways we could help our club officers and members become familiar with the Lions Portal. We discussed in-person group meetings at various locations throughout the district (with or without virtual connection), Zoom meetings and one-on-one training.

PDG Kathy Fouse offered to do one-on-one training – either at member's home, a convenient meeting location with Wi-Fi (McDonalds, etc.), or by phone.

If you would like to meet with PDG Kathy for one-on-one training or if you have any questions concerning the Lions Portal, please contact her via email: lionkathyfouse@gmail.com or phone: 717-645-4322.

The one-on-one training is open to ALL Lions. Although officers and members have different degrees of access to the Lions Portal, you do not have to be an officer to have access to the Lions Portal.

Group meetings will be announced.

PDG Kathy Fouse 717-645-4322 lionkathyfouse@gmail.com





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, 2025 through June 30, 2026).

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2025-2026 WHITE CAN PA Lions Multiple	
his report includes All White Cane Activities occurring from 07/01/2025 to 06/30/2026: 1. Did your Lions, Lioness, or Leo Club hold a White Cane fundraising event (or events)?Yes, please continue with question 2No, 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:
Estimated total man-hours expended:	
Club Name:	
Report Submitted by:	

Campaign". Thank you.

FROM THE BEACON LODGE LIAISON

The summer camping season is compete. A lot of planning and hard work went into operating the camp. And work continues all year long.

A few dates for you to keep in mind:

Pa Lions Appreciation Day with meal, duck race, and entertainment is July 19, 2026,

There are two spring and one fall work weekends scheduled, the weekend in April that fits us is April 10-12 along with 14-C Lions. The other scheduled weekend, April 25, is our District Convention. The fall weekend is Sept 25-27, 2026. We encourage participation in these weekends. If another weekend fits a group better you can contact the camp office for more information.

A project to consider:

Raffle off a Christmas /Easter Stocking for Beacon Lodge. Make a very large Christmas /Easter stocking valued at about \$200.00. Obtain 500 tickets made with two numbers on each ticket. Large stocking can be purchased from Amazon or Walmart for around \$15.00.

About one and one half month before Christmas or Easter begin your sale. Sell each ticket for \$1.00. Have the stocking displayed at a business and set up to sell your tickets. They will sell out extremely fast. Your club will bring in a profit of around \$300.00 each time and will enable your club to send a great donation to Beacon Lodge.

Remember, any questions you have about the camp should be directed to one of the Board Members or myself.

Do you know how many cottages at Beacon Lodge were erected and supported by District 14-T?

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Joel Leckron 1VDG District14-T PP Chambersburg Evening Lion Club District 14-T Beacon Lodge Liaison Guiding Lion Youth Activities Committee

500 CLUB CONTRIBUTIONS \$3,955.00

Congratulations to the 22 14-T clubs that are 500 Clubs. Thank you for your continued support of PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp!

Lion Denise Heck is your 500 Club contact for 14-T. Please send all additional 500 Club checks to Lion Denise at:

11908 N. Woodland Dr. Waynesboro, PA 17268

Thank you,
PDG Jan
Board President
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp





PA LIONS BEACON LODGE

2025 SUMMER NEWSLETTER



THAT'S A WRAP. CAMPING SEASON 2025

This summer, Beacon Lodge came alive with the joy and energy of both returning campers and new faces. Children and adults living with disabilities experienced days filled with adventure, creativity, and meaningful friendships. From spirited sports games and hands-on arts & crafts to peaceful nature walks, thrilling zipline rides, and rock wall challenges, every camper found opportunities to explore, grow, and shine. Evenings were just as memorable, with campfire gatherings under the stars and lively nights at the canteen.

This season also brought exciting adventures beyond camp. Campers browsed treasures at the Bellville Flea Market and stepped back in time at the East Broad Top Railroad Museum, where they not only explored but also enjoyed the unforgettable experience of riding an authentic steam locomotive.

But Beacon Lodge is more than a camp—it's a community. Here, differences are embraced, friendships blossom, and every individual is celebrated for who they are. The laughter, triumphs, and memories created this summer will stay with us long after the season has ended. As we look ahead, our hearts are already eager for another summer of joy, discovery, and togetherness in 2026.

VETERANS RETREAT PROJECT NEW HOPE



Veterans, families, and two service dogs enjoyed the relaxation and camaraderie of fellow veterans. PNH Co-chairs, PDG Tom Jones and PDG Jan Adams, enjoyed the 5-day Retreat with the men and women Veterans. As always, we are grateful for donations to the Beacon Lodge Camp and Project New Hope.



www.BeaconLodge.org

WHAT COMES NEXT.

CAMP CLEAN UP

The summer has come and gone in the Blink of an eye. With all the fun from the summer, now comes the clean-up, general maintenance, and finishing of projects around the camp. Thankfully, we have an amazing staff and volunteers who come in to help. Beacon Lodge will be hosting our fall work weekend September 12th - 14th. If you are interested in coming and volunteering, give us a call or send us. begin planning for summer 2026. Setting up the calendar to have our session dates, making changes, and implementing new ideas to make the camp experience better.

CHECK IT OUT



New Computer Lab and Wellness Center.

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT SPONSOR A CAMPER SPONSOR A COUNSELOR

TTEND A WORK WEEKEND

MAKE A DONATION

PARTICIPATE IN GOLF OUTING

Lions Screen Vision and Hearing

KidSight began as a program of Lions International in 2014. The program is a response to the fact that often vision problems can be more easily treated if they are discovered when children are younger than school age. The purpose of KidSight is to provide free vision screening to preschool children. Results that indicate that there may be a vision problem are given to parents so that they can follow up with a comprehensive examination by a vision or hearing specialist and then with any treatment that may be needed.

The Lions Clubs of Pennsylvania District 14-T, which comprises Perry, Juniata, Franklin, and Dauphin counties, work together to provide screening at local preschools and day care centers, and at elementary schools on kindergarten registration days. These efforts are supported by grants from the Lions International Foundation which helps with the cost of the expensive equipment that is needed. In Perry County, hearing screening is also offered with the vision screening.

Lions International has supported efforts to identify and treat vision problems almost from its beginning more than one hundred years ago. In addition to screening young children, local clubs provide funds for eyeglasses for persons who cannot afford them. The clubs also collect used glasses to recycle. Used glasses are collected at various locations throughout Perry County, including at Karns grocery store in New Bloomfield. Assistance with the cost of hearing aids may also be available through Lions clubs, depending upon need. Written requests may be sent to: New Bloomfield Lions Club, PO Box 226, New Bloomfield, PA, 17068.



L: Lion Kathryn Tibbs, left, shows Lion Lauri Hoyer how hearing screening tests are done. Lions conduct free vision and hearing screening tests for young children as part of the KidSight program.

MELVIN JONES AWARDED TO LION JODY FREY



L: Lion Jody Frey was honored by District 14-T with a Melvin Jones Fellowship for her outstanding work and leadership with the West Perry Leo club.

Pictured are from Left to right: Mr. Christopher Kasian, Principal; PDG Dave McCluskey, Lion Jody Frey, Lion Heidi Good, Leo advisor and PDG Peg Hummel

MIFFLINTOWN LIONS

R: Chef Brandy Dreibelbis speaking at the Mifflintown Lions Club about School lunch program to aid in health diets for children.



BELOW...

Lions working together with the Mifflin & Juniata United Way day of Caring.



MIFFLINTOWN LIONS Cont'd

R: The annual meeting with the District Governor. Sitting on the Far Left is Zone Chair Lion Emily Greig, on her left is 1st Vice Governor Lion Joel Leckron, and at the Podium is our District Governor Lion Barb Dudek.



LOWER SWATARA LIONS



Lower Swatara Lions Club proudly presents Mrs. Bethany Kleinfelter (left) the Club's Teacher of the Year 2025 Award.

Dr Shannon Wevodau, principal of Middletown Area Middle School writes in her recommendation:

"Mrs. Kleinfelter is one of our 7th grade Mathematics teachers. She is the type of teacher that you want your own child to have in school. She sets a tone in her classroom where there are high expectations for students in regard to behavior as well as student academic performance. Mrs. Kleinfelter builds meaningful relationships with her students and create a nurturing classroom environment. When you walk into her classroom, you will see students working together to solve various math problems or creating a math board game. Her students are highly engaged in hands-on

learning activities and utilizing math vocabulary as they talk with one another during collaborative learning. Mrs. Kleinfelter's classroom makes you feel excited to learn math! Middletown Area Middle School is extremely privileged to have such a dedicated teacher educating our students."

Congratulations, Mrs. Kleinfelter, on your accomplishment

R: Lion Dee Dee Smith was awarded a Service Excellence Award by Lower Swatara Lions Club president Connie Easter for her outstanding work within the Lions Club. Dee Dee is the chairperson for the club's annual Easter Egg Hunt.



LOWER SWATARA LIONS Cont'd



L: Lion Bernie Sobotka was awarded a Lions Club Presidential Appreciation Award by Lower Swatara Lions Club President Connie Easter for his continued service to the club.

R: Lower Swatara Lions Club proudly presents our Student of The Quarter Award to Caroline Rankin. Caroline is the daughter of Eric and Corin Rankin. Her recommendation reads: "Caroline Rankin is a 6th grade student at MAMS who has exemplified Perseverance, Respect, Integrity, Discipline, and Excellence all throughout the 24-25 school year. She is a model student who is intrinsically motivated to succeed inside and outside of the classroom. Additionally, Caroline participates in the MAMS gifted program, which affords her special opportunities to take part in more challenging projects that involve higher order thinking and problemsolving skills. Some of the projects from this school year include designing a solar panel car and developing a structure to withstand hurricane force winds. Overall. Caroline's positivity, kindness toward others, and willingness to accept challenges are what makes her





L: Lower Swatara Lions Club President Connie Easter presents a check to Gino Corradi, one of our 2025 Senior Scholarship recipients. Gino is the son of Heather and Michael Corradi. He is a recent graduate of Middletown Area Senior High and is currently attending Thaddeus Stevens College for welding and fabrication. Best of luck in your future, Gino!

BLAIN LIONS



DG Barb recently installed Blain Lions officers for 2025-2026

LANDISBURG LIONS

The Landisburg Lions are very busy helping students in our service area combat food insecurity. Partnering with our local school district, we are helping provide non-perishable food items to young people suffering from hunger. The students in grades K-12 are identified by their school nurses, teachers, and school staff and are truly in need. Bags and backpacks are sent home with the identified students each weekend so they have adequate food for the days they are away from school.





Delivering food are (1st picture) Lions Deke & Cathy Gilbert, WP Middle School Assistant Principal, Jenna Krinjek and Little Lion Luna Gilbert.

2nd picture - Lions Larry & Christina Baum delivered food to Carroll Elementary.

LANDISBURG LIONS Cont'd



L: Labor Day Weekend and the Landisburg Lions were laboring over a barbecue pit serving up their world-famous chicken. Pictured are Lions Nancy Hardy and Carl Myers hard at work, peddling the delicious chicken.

R: The Landisburg Lions Club participated in Landisburg's National Night Out. The club sold their famous funnel cakes and also had an informational tent.

Pictured is Lion Carl Myers manning the information tent at National Night Out and the Lions' funnel cake stand.







L: As owners of the Mark Henry Memorial Park, the Landisburg Lions Club continues to enhance the park amenities. Recently, the club, along with several community members, labored to spread another layer of playground mulch. Club president Mike Lyons spearheaded this effort. Portions of the popular playground are pictured.

PENBROOK LIONS & LEOS



L: The Penbrook Lions Club members made a visit to Vision Resources of Central Pennsylvania (VROCP) on September 11, 2025. They were warmly greeted by the CEO, Cheryl Cuddy, who provided them with a wealth of information on the mission of the organization and how they serve the blind and those with visual impairments, as well as a tour of the facility which is being upgraded.



Above: Penbrook Lions & Leos began harvesting the fall vegetables, and lots more summer veggies. Delivery of fresh turnips, spinach, bunching onions, kale, lots of cherry tomatoes and spicy peppers is made each Thursday to the Manna Food Pantry. For the month of September the Lions & Leos harvested 67 pounds of produce for delivery to the pantry.

SHERMAN'S VALLEY HERITAGE DAYS Oct 10th-12th 532 Picnic Grove Rd, Blain, PA



Visit the <u>BLAIN LIONS CLUB</u> stand to enjoy our famous Sausage Sandwiches!

Friday, Oct 10: 8:00am – 9:00pm

Saturday, Oct 11: 7:00am – 9:00pm

Sunday, Oct 12: 7:00am – 3:30pm



NO RAIN DATE

BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE ICKESBURG LIONS CLUB, LANDISBURG LIONS CLUB and LOYSVILLE COMMUNITY CLUB



October 30th 2025

Parade begins at 7:00 pm

Starting at the Train Station / Lions Club Park

Registration is at the Train Station



Sponsored by BLAIN LIONS CLUB

VISION RESOURCES

EVENING IN THE SHADOWS

No other fundraising and awareness event Vision Resources has ever held has received as much positive feedback and compliments as EVENING IN THE SHADOWS. It could be the wonderful five-course meal that is served, or the delightful pairings of wine served with each course that has made SHADOWS so popular. However, just from the comments guests have made, it may be the entire experience of being blindfolded and sightless throughout the evening that captivates participants' attention.

EVENING IN THE SHADOWS will be Thursday, November 6, at the gorgeous King Mansion on Front Street, overlooking the Susquehanna. Part of the planning that makes the event special is the limited number of tickets that VROCP sells for the evening. Keeping the number of attendees small allows chefs to create unusual courses that are delicious, guessing at times what they are eating, and conversing about the meal they are sharing.

Between dinner courses CEO Cheryl Cuddy usually finds interesting stories and facts that she reads to help increase awareness about blindness and visual impairments for the guests. There will also be live music to provide added ambiance.

Tickets may be purchased online at vrocp.org or by calling VROCP during weekday business hours, 717-238-2531. Please join us for a memorable experience.





LionsCon27 - Get Involved

LionsCon27 is the 109th Lions Clubs
International Convention, hosted in
Washington, D.C. from July 2–6, 2027.
Thousands of Lions and Leos from
around the world will gather to
celebrate service, leadership, and global
unity — right in our nation's capital.

Washington, D.C. | July 2-6, 2027

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> Help before and during the Convention

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This is more than a convention — it's our chance to show the world the heart of Lions. As we welcome over 10,000 Lions and Leos from more than 200 countries, we're building bridges of service, unity, and global impact.

Whether you're donating, volunteering, or spreading the word — you're helping shape a legacy that will be remembered for decades. Let's make Washington, D.C. the loudest roar of "We Serve" the world has ever seen.

Join us. Serve with us. Celebrate with us.



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