

NORTHEAST LIONS

"WE SERVE"

*Proudly serving Lackawanna, Susquehanna, Wayne and
Wyoming Counties*



Peace Tower in Iceland

June, 2019

Issue#12



Our first female International President, Gundren Yngvadottir speaking at the 97th Lions of PA State Convention on Friday afternoon during a Q&A and Saturday night during the International Banquet. Not only is she the first female I.T. but she is also the first I.T. from Iceland!



PA State Disaster Relief Chair, Lion Jim Groff receiving the Presidential Medal from IP Gundren.



Faces of 14H DG/PDG Bill & IPDG Cathy



PA Lions All State Band Director Vince LaRusso of the Abington Lions Club

Thank you to all my friends who happen to be Lions.

In March of 2010 while working in San Leon, Texas, I received a call from home. On the other end was the voice of an often missed and truly great Lion, our Past District Governor Barry Taylor. I surely was not expecting what he asked me. Would you consider becoming a DG? To say I was taken back by his question is an understatement. My answer yes, was full of trepidation and yet excitement. I knew that some time down the road I might explore the possibility, but not yet. And the journey began. At the first Governors visit I attended as a 2nd DG the club handed in its charter. It was not a very good start. My immediate question was, "What did I get myself into?" I got myself into something I will always be thankful for. Being a District Governor, not once but twice, I have experienced what true Lionism is about as I traveled around our district and our state. I have made friends all across the state and friends around the world. I have seen the amazing things Lions do and have had difficult situations I've had to address. I've seen devastation and felt the appreciation and love of those we help. Lionism has allowed me to travel to Busan, South Korea, Chicago and Las Vegas, places I might never have had the opportunity to see. I have worked in disaster relief here and in other states thanks to the support of our Lions. I have had the joy of inducting many new members and felt the pain of losing those great Lions who have passed away and left a large hole that is so hard to fill. This voyage was definitely a roller coaster of emotions, but one I will always cherish. As July first approaches my biggest regret will be not be the end of my year, but only the wonderful friends I may not see again. From deep in my heart I thank each and every one of you for the friendship, support, constructive criticism, challenges and the love you have blessed me with. It was a true honor to be your District Governor. May God bless each of you as we continue into our next year, as WE SERVE!! DG Bill.

The last yep!

I've thought about saving this one for last because it is near and dear to me and my children. While raising 7 children [and a bunch of their friends] I could not afford an expensive vacation. Fortunately there was a church camp near Lenox called Camp of the Nations that rented small campers. So we would rent one for a week and bring some tents and as many kids as we could hold in two cars.

There was an open wall rustic log building near our campsite, where they would have meetings and "sing a longs". One afternoon I noticed the campsite unusually quiet. As parents know, that may not be good. While investigating this occurrence, I noticed most of the children in the log building. Being of the inquisitive type I had to find what kept that many kids occupied. I quietly crept down to the building to find to my surprise they were raking leaves and cleaning the ground. My first born child Michelle, [many of you met her], was on the stage singing to the others as they worked. The moment was so very special that I had to be a part of it. I went to the back of the building behind Michelle and watched and listened intently as her beautiful young voice sang about Jesus and his love. So I did what any father would do at this touching moment. I jumped up and roared out as loud as I could like a bear might. The rakes and brooms stood upright where children once stood holding them as the screams disappeared toward the camper. To this day I can see Michelle trying to run but she couldn't move forward. She couldn't even scream she just ran in place for 10 or 15 seconds.

Crazy as it may seem, this is her favorite story about her insane dad. What would make a child like her still love her dad as much as she does is a question she would have to answer, but she does. Shame on me but YEP, that really happened.

Things to remember as we close out 2018-19. We are down 11 members so *please* ask someone to join us so we can finish this year even or with a positive number. It sure would be an honor to be above even this year. Don't stop now we are so very close. Also we need your donations to the WISH LIST for your Beacon Lodge Camp. Contact IPDG Cathy or me for a pick-up of your donations. If you know any child or adult that would benefit from a week of camping, please let a parent or guardian know about our Beacon Lodge.

Fellow Lions & LEO's

I hope everyone had a wonderful Memorial Day and you were able to participate in a special service in honor of all men and women who died while in the military serving Our Country, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle. We spend time remembering those who lost their lives and could not come home, reflecting on their service and why we have the luxury and freedom that we enjoy today. We might consider how we can support and safeguard their grieving families and loved ones who are left behind.

I'm preparing for my year, serving and working with you as your District Governor. I'll be sending out save the dates soon with all upcoming District events, make sure you mark your calendars😊

*Don't forget to stop down on First
Friday 6/7 from 4:30-7:30,
We will be doing eye screening and promoting Lionism for new members.*

Contact me to reserve your seat at the District 14H Lions Night Out at the Railriders baseball game on July 20th. \$11pp, game starts at 6:35pm, they will be honoring veterans and Jay Pederman from the show Seinfeld will be there too. A great night to mingle with our fellow Lions. 570-470-7838, call or text, fran623@comcast.net

I'm working on a District's 14H, 14W and 14U (all of us together) night out, watch your emails and snail mail too for more info!

I attended Our State Convention at Kalahari- awesome time - 14W did an amazing job. Loved the water park. I was excited to meet Our International President Gudrun Yngvadottir, (met her previously at the Forum in Columbus), Our first President from Iceland! Our All State Band was wonderful, listening to them during our luncheon. It was great being together with all my fellow DGE's.

*I can't believe it's June already!!!!
Happy Father's Day 6/16
Happy Flag Day 6/14
Happy First Day of Summer 6/21*

Looking forward and honored to work with all Lions in District 14H

Thank you for all you do !

DGE Fran😊

LIONS DISTRICT 14-H 2019-20 DIRECTORY

DISTRICT GOVERNOR FRAN STEP KOVITCH

ITS THAT TIME OF THE YEAR WHERE WE
ASK FOR ADS/SPONSORS FOR THE DISTRICTS ANNUAL DIRECTORY. ALL DONATIONS WILL GO TO THE
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2019-20 DIRECTORY

520 UNION ST

PECKVILLE PA 18452

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Membership

District 14H by the numbers:

Abington	44
Benton	13
Blakely / Peckville	20
Dalton	9
Dunmore	18
Eynon / Archbald	104-1
Falls	30
Forest City	22
Hawley /	17
Lake Wallenpaupack	-
Honesdale	70
Jefferson Township	34
Jermyn	13
Jessup	14-1
Lake Ariel	18
Mayfield	17
Minisink	28
Minooka	61+2
Montrose	43
Moosic	20-6
Old Forge	29
Olyphant	32
Ransom	11
Scott Township	32
Scranton Central	22
South Abington	10
Stonebridge /	
Susquehanna	22
Taylor	28
Tunkhannock	19
Waymart	25
Beginning # of Members/29 Clubs	836
Total Dropped Members	45
Total Deceased Members	12
Total New Members	46
Total Members as of 05/31/2019	825
YTD Net Growth/Loss	-11

There is still time to deplete this number to zero! Just Ask One!

Lions Worldwide **1,469,197**

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS 2018-2019

**MINOOKA
BRANDON HAEFELE
JORDAN LEWIS**

**MEMORIAL TO ALL LIONS WHO HAVE
GONE ON BEFORE US**



Moosic Lions Club

*Peter Chisdock Kevin Kearny
Barbara Lesavage Walter Toole
Henry Zurek*

What's Happening In Our Back Yard!

Dear Lions please assist your zone chair and provide them with information about your club! It is inspiring to fellow Lions within our 29 clubs to see what others are accomplishing. It is good publicity to get the word out and share it with the other clubs "what's happening in our back yard"!

Zone 1
IPDG Cathy Metschulat
5 Cole Village
South Abington, Pa. 18411
570-504-6261
c.metschulat@outlook.com

Hawley-Lake Wallenpaupack Honesdale Jefferson Township Lake Ariel Minisink Old Forge Waymart Old Forge Leo's

Hawley/Lake Wallenpaupak Held their annual hoagie sale on Election Day.

Honesdale Lion Herzog reported 159 pairs of eyeglasses were collected during the past month. The District 14-H Convention was held April 7th at the Radisson Hotel in Scranton with Lions Spoor, Heller and Meagher attending. Lion Spoor was presented with the Pennsylvania Lions Distinguished Counselor Award for Service to the Lions Club. Bonanza Report: Paul Meagher reported everything is on schedule for November 9th. Full committee meetings will begin after the Steak Bake. Pool: Lion Knash reported Superior Pools are done with their work except painting. This may not happen due to weather, before the opening. A heating system is in the process of being installed at a cost of \$20,000. The Dyberry Day Camp Railriders game is set for July 17th. Blood Drive: the Blood Drive is set for June 11th from 1:00 – 6:00 P.M. at the Park Street Complex.

Jefferson Twp. On June 28th some of the club members ventured out to their building for their usual meeting but found that it wouldn't be a regular meeting but a work meeting; as there was flooding waters that needed to be cleaned up both upstairs in the hall and downstairs in the club room.



By some small miracle, Joe had a shop vac in his car (always be prepared), Dan went for his, and Gayle fetched her rug shampooer. Before that mops, brooms and a snow shovel were used to take control of the upstairs.



Picture of Scholarship presentation to Eric Wolfe from North Pocono High School. In the picture are Bill Metschulat, Eric Wolfe, and Valerie Riggi. Taken at the Awards Dinner at the Radisson on May 21, 2019.

Minisink Held their annual Cruise Night on May 31st at AJ's Auto Center in Moscow.



Waymart A reflection of the past year: The annual running of the Roy Thorpe 5K race on June 8th 2019. Scholarships will be awarded to 2 graduates of the class of 2019 from Western Wayne High School. Donation to Waymart Area Parties in the Park to help with Summer 2019 events. Needs of the Community donations were given to several families.

Zone 2
1ST VDG Fran Stepkovitch
107 Krystal Circle
Archbald, Pa. 18403
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fran623@comcast.net

Eynon/Archbald Forest City Jermyn Jessup Mayfield Olyphant Scott Township Olyphant Leos at Mid Valley
Eynon / Archbald DGE Fran presented a check to Leader Dog for the Blind in the amount of \$23,000!!!



Forest City held a roadside trash day on May 24 cleaning up RT 171 north of Forest City. We also partnered with the PA fish Commission and Forest City Regional Highschool in a Trout in the Classroom Project and released the trout that were hatched on May 16 .

Scott Twp. Golf tournament on June 8th at the Sleepy Hollow Golf Course. \$30 hole sponsorships are available. They will also be holding their annual Cow Flop on August 17th.

Zone 3
PDG Butch Sands
833 No. Eaton Road
Tunkhannock, Pa. 18657
570-836-1205
bjs2lions@epix.net

Benton Dalton Falls Montrose Ransom Susquehanna-Stone Bridge Tunkhannock Blue Ridge Leo's
Falls Twp. Flea Market at the Sr. Center on June 1st, Chicken BBQ on June 2nd and Children's Fishing Derby @ How Kola on June 8th.

In 2013, the Falls Lions Club decided that the Exeter Township-Falls Veterans Memorial needed to be replaced. The WW II memorial had been erected in 1943. It was a sheet of metal mounted on metal stakes with the names of the men who had gone to war. Their names hand painted on the sign. The sign had become so weathered that many of the names were not readable or had several letters so badly deteriorated that the correct spelling of the names had to be researched at the Wyoming County Historical Society. Actually the sign was so bad that many of the local residents, including club

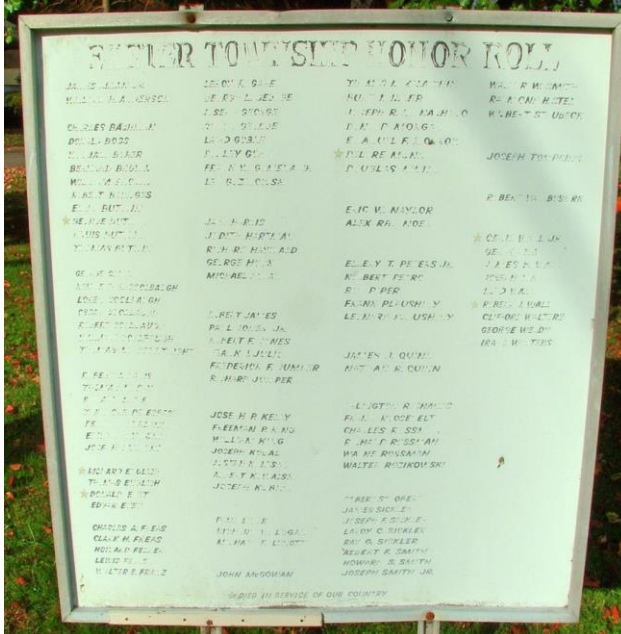
members, did not know what it was.

The research was completed and a photograph of the sign along with a drawn picture of the sign with the names typed in was sent to the Historical Society for preservation of history. We looked at stones, wrote bid requests for prices on what could be the replacement. Then a grant request was made to a foundation that had been set up by a business man whose name happened to be on that old sign. We received the grant and made preparations to replace the old sign with a stone that would honor Veterans of every service.

The Memorial Stone was placed in time for Flag Day in 2014. Our club arranged a proper service to introduce the Memorial to the Community on Flag Day.

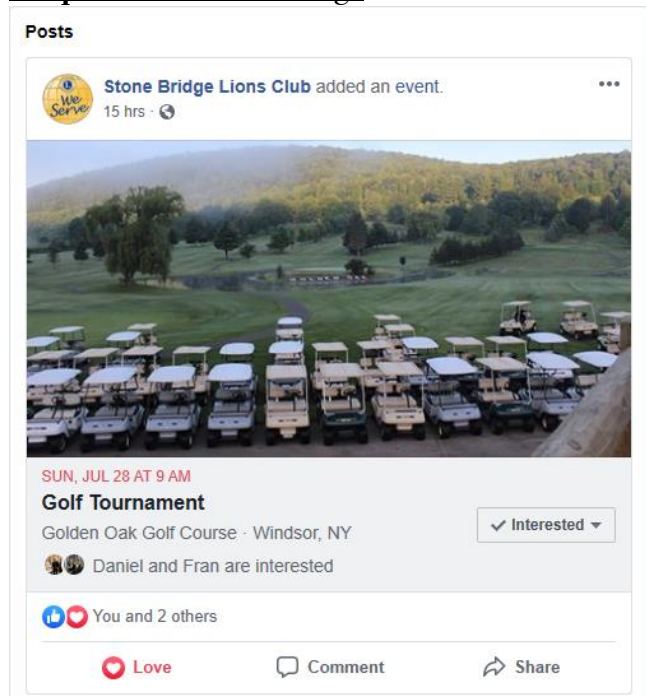
As you can see in the picture, we had several speakers and many guests including excellent coverage by the print and TV media.

2014 was a Flag Day presentation and now 2019 will be our 6th year of presenting a Memorial Day Program.



STAFF PHOTO/ ROBERT BAKER At the new Falls Veterans Memorial unveiled Saturday are, from left, county veteran head Jack Hubert, Rep. Karen Boback, Exeter supervisor Ann Marie Willis, County Commissioners Judy Mead and Tom Henry, Exeter supervisor Bob Montross, Sen. Lisa Baker, Exeter supervisor Rick Wilbur, Pastor Harold Schorr, and Lions members Karen Cokely and John Headley.

Susquehanna-Stone Bridge



Tunkhannock Attending the Blue Grass festival from 5/21 – 6/2 providing food from the food truck.

Zone 4
PDG Joe Skinner
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Clarks Summit, Pa. 18411
570-587-2073

Abington Blakely-Peckville Dunmore Minooka Moosic Scranton Central So. Abington Taylor Valley View Leo's

Abington Held their annual Adopt A Highway on Saturday of Memorial Day weekend. They will be at 5 Concerts in the Park. There is also a Fishing Derby on June 8th and July 4th Fireworks with the Abington Rotary Club.

Minooka



South Abington Held a Spring Fling Bingo on May 5th! This was the first time for this bingo, great job!



DISTRICT NEWS

OPTION: YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR THE NEWSLETTER DIRECTLY:

<http://lions14h.org/newsletters/>

Should you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact webmaster@lions14h.org

LET'S NOT KEEP THIS NEWSLETTER A SECRET! Please share it with your club members so that they can see what is happening in our district as well. The Webmaster is extremely careful not to spread viruses, even when the weather is not nice outside 😊

SNAPSHOT OF OUR LIONS DISTRICT CALENDAR

June 9th 4th Cabinet Meeting, registration at Noon, meeting starts at 1pm followed by a southern Bar B Que! Located at the Jefferson Twp. Lions Club on Lions Road, Mt. Cobb, PA
Come on out and have a good time!





****DISTRICT 14H LIONS NIGHT OUT - 6:35pm start****

BASE BALL *game*

SATURDAY - JULY 20, 2019

Railriders *vs* Louisville

**Make your reservations by 7/15 -
contact DGE Fran 570-470-7838
for tickets, \$11pp**

July 14th Lion's Appreciation Day at the Pa Lions Beacon Lodge



PENNSYLVANIA LIONS BEACON LODGE CAMP

114 SR 103 SOUTH, MOUNT UNION PA 17066 (P) 814-542-2511 (F) 814-542-7437
Web: www.beaconlodge.com Email: beaconlodgecamp@verizon.net

PENNSYLVANIA LIONS APPRECIATION DAY CELEBRATING 71 CONTINUOUS YEARS OF CAMPING SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2019

Sunday, July 14, 2019 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 Beacon Lodge Program.

You, as a Lion, Lioness or Leo, are cordially invited to bring your families to Beacon Lodge to join the festivities. The day begins with a chicken barbecue served from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, \$10.00 per person and includes one-half chicken, salad, baked beans, roll, coffee, iced tea and dessert.

Pin Traders are invited to participate – contact Tim McCaulley at 12 Fieldstone Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055, if you wish to display pins.

Clubs planning to arrange for bus transportation are urged to give the camp ample notice so that adequate parking arrangements can be made. Bring lawn chairs, and or blankets for seating during the camper's talent show.

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

PRE-PAID RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE BY JULY 8 FOR THE BARBECUE PLEASE SEND COMPLETED FORM (BELOW) TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS WITH PAYMENT

PLEASE NOTE: NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER JULY 8, 2019

PENNSYLVANIA LIONS APPRECIATION DAY JULY 14, 2019

PLEASE RESERVE _____ CHICKEN BARBECUE DINNERS @\$10.00 EACH = TOTAL \$ _____

TICKETS WILL BE PICKED UP ON JULY 14 BY:

NAME & ADDRESS OF PERSON MAKING RESERVATION:

NAME	STREET	CITY	STATE	ZIP
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Club and District

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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BEACON LODGE WISH-LIST 2019

ACTIVITIES:

Crafts:

Acrylic paint/Finger Paint
Beads: pony, craft
Felt
Glitter
Hot Glue Sticks (small)
Poster board: all sizes
School glue
Styrofoam shapes

Bingo Prizes
Board games for children
Coloring Books large print
Face Paint

Arrows : no broadheads
Markers
Tie Dye
Med, Lrg, XL, 2XL White T-Shirts
Dress-up Costumes
Christmas Decorations
Easter Decorations
Adult Sleeping Bags

KITCHEN:

Plastic Cold Cups: 5 oz & 9 oz
Hot Wax Cups: 9 oz & 10 oz
Chinet Paper Plates: 9" or larger
Napkins: dinner, picnic
Original Dawn Dish Liquid
Foil Wrap: 18" x 500 ft
Plastic Food Wrap: 18" x 2000 ft
Parchment Paper: rolls or sheets
Food Storage Zip-lock bag: Gallon
Freezer Zip-lock Bags: Gallon

HOUSEKEEPING:

Thick Paper Towels
Clorox
Comet - Liquid
Comet - Powdered
Disinfecting Bathroom Spray Cleaner
Disinfecting Floor Cleaners
Disinfecting Wipes
Liquid Hand Soap
Bar Soap
Laundry Detergents
Mr. Clean Magic Erasers
Windex
White Vinegar
13-17 gal. Trash Cans
30-33 gal. Square Trash Cans w/lids
13-16 gal Trash Bags
33 gal Trash Bags
55-56 gal Trash Bags
Toilet Plungers-heavy duty
Toilet Brushes
Small Square "No Slip" Shower Mats
Zipper Vinyl Pillow Covers (standard size)
Zipper Vinyl Mattress Covers (twin size)
Long Twin Size Blankets - No Wool
Long Extendible Dusters
Industrial Wet Mop Heads
Vinyl Disposable Gloves - Med. Lrg. XLG
Extendible Car Brush
Bagless Vacuum
Large Totes with lids
Kleenex

MAINTENANCE:

Duracell/Energizer Batteries: AA, AAA, 9V
Bee/Wasp Killer
Long Neck Lightners
Paint Brushes
Nitrile Gloves
Garden Hose Nozels

INFIRMARY

Baby Wipes
Sunscreen - Cream and Spray
Bug Spray
Bactine Spray
Lanacane Spray
Benadryl Spray
Liquid Benadryl for children
Calamine Lotion
Hydrocortisone Cream
Tylenol: adult & children
Ibuprofen: adult & children
Imodium
Pepto-Bismol
Saline Eye Drops
Cold Relief Medications
Cough Drops
Sanitary Napkins: no depends
Blood Pressure Cuff & Pulse Oximeter
Exam Gloves: all sizes, latex free
Sharps Containers
Single Use Lancets
Graduated Liquid Medicine Dispenser Cups
First Aid Kits

OFFICE SUPPLIES:

Color Copier Paper
White Copier paper
Envelopes: #10, 6x9, 9x12
3 prong Pocket Folders
Sharpies - all sizes
Jumbo Paper Clips

DONATION INFORMATION:

District _____ Club _____
Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Please Contact DG Bill or IPDG Cathy for a pickup of your
"Wish List" Items.

Sight First & Hearing Meeting Schedule & Locations

June 13th Dunmore Lions Club – Case Quattro Winery, 702 North Blakely Street
(In the Dunkin Donut Plaza just behind Burger King).

July 11th Jefferson Twp. Lions Club – Downstairs club room 829 Lions Rd. Jefferson Twp.

August 8th South Abington Lions Club – Location tbd

September 12th Minisink Lions Club – Daleville VFW corner of SR307 & SR502

October 10th Eynon/Archbald Lions Club – Location tbd

November 14th Tunkhannock – Lake Winola Sr. Center



BEACON LODGE DUCK RACE TICKETS
ARE HOT OFF THE PRESS! ONLY 100 TICKETS ARE
AVAILABLE, GET YOURS NOW!!! THERE WILL BE
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE CABINET MEETING.
Should you want any beforehand, please contact
IPDG Cathy 570-504-6261. Thank you!



There was damage to trees with all the wind storms. These had to be removed.

The phone upgrade is moving along waiting for Comcast.

Donations are down. The brick walkway has added \$8000.00.

We will launch a three-year pledge program for help to replenish the money spent on phone system.

We are looking for all grants we can get. Marketing is working on a meeting at the camp for IU supervisors to tour the camp.

Project New Hope will have two sessions. We hope that all DG'S support the 500 Club.

Our 3rd, Golf Tournament will be Aug. 17th this is a fund raiser and we hope all will help. Appreciation Day is July 14th, and all should try to attend. All baskets must be in for the morning. On June 1st will be the VDG'S seminar it is important for all to attend. There will be a board meeting later in the day.



Kidsight

The Kidsight Program has had a makeover by reaching out to our school districts within 14H. In doing so, the Spot vision screener is now booked solid from August 26, 2019 until February 20, 2020 by the Dunmore, Scranton, Tunkhannock and Wayne Highland school districts. This means that 1000's and 1000's of children will be screened!!! Excited to keep you updated!

PA LIONS STATE NEWS

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December 27, 2018

Dear District Governors;

I am writing you to help me dispense information to member of your district that may be interested in attending the International Convention in Milan, Italy. Attached, I have a copy of the information. The committee would appreciate you sending this out to the members of your district via email.

The information that we are providing will hopefully answer some of the questions they may have in determining whether they will attend this year's international convention.

Again, thank you for your cooperation.

December 28, 2018

Hello Fellow Lions;

Today am writing to you about the Lions International Convention in Milan, Italy. Some information has come to my attention that I feel needs to be presented to anyone who has any intention of attending the international convention. The following will require your attention; please review as timing may be an important factor.

1. Passport – it must be current and valid for six (6) months after your return
2. Health insurance – Medicare does not cover you out of the country; check your supplement insurance for coverage.
3. Travel Insurance – check with your travel agent to see if they recommend this coverage. Estimated cost \$100 or more per person. Death benefits are important here.
4. Visa – not required if you are a United States citizen.
5. Currency – Italy uses the euro which can be obtained state side from various agencies, one being AAA, for a fee.

The committee hopes that this will be helpful information for you to make your experience an enjoyable one at the international convention. If more information is needed please contact me.

Together in Lionism
PDG Bob Dunne

LCI NEWS

June 2019

June 1

- Helen Keller Day

June 5

- World Environment Day

June 7

- Lions Clubs International Birthday

June 15

- Deadline for submission of pre-certified delegate forms for voting at International Convention

June 30-July 4

- International Board of Directors Meeting (Milan, Italy)

THE END!