

Rorthesat Lion

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From your Governors Pen

Happy September everyone.

We are now entering "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year." Not Christmas, even though it's right around the corner, but where the air gets a little crisp scent of cider donuts, falling leaves, toasted marshmallows, hot chocolate, and tractor exhaust from hayrides. There are also sights of pumpkin patches, corn mazes, mums replacing flower beds, the happiness of a kid picking out their Halloween costume, and of course, the advertisements of Lions Clubs promoting their upcoming activities.

Right now, is the perfect time for your club to begin a food drive for Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets. Perhaps an Apple or Pumpkin Pie sale as a fundraiser. Even do premade soups and chili. With social distancing still around, maybe a Halloween drive-thru where you hand out candy bags to substitute a standard party that most clubs do. There are still options for clubs to be part of our communities with the restrictions we have.



September also marks Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month. As a District Governor, you get the opportunity to meet and work with people all around the state. Recently, a young girl outside of Harrisburg has been receiving treatments for Leukemia and to all Lion Leaders across our state, this one hits close to home. Rosalyn is the granddaughter of PDG Salli (2015/2016) and great-granddaughter of PDG Kathy (2017/2018), both of district 14-T. Being on the state level, it is similar to working on the club level; you work with members quite often that they become friends and sometimes close enough to feel like family. This is a similar feeling when you work with current and past governors. Over the past few years as Lions across the state have seen similar cases, the Pennsylvania Lions has been supporting the Four Diamonds organization that helps treat pediatric cancer (This is the organization that Penn State THON supports). To read Rosalyn's story and/or to donate, check the following link: https://fourdiamonds.donordrive.com/participant/Rosalyn

Towards the beginning of October, notices will be sent out regarding our November Cabinet/Member meeting. As long as restrictions are going to ease up, we will be returning to the Happy Valley Sports Bar in Dickson City on Sunday November 15, 2020. Menu, agenda, and other details will be provided in the notice.

The Pennsylvania Lions State Alert Committee will be receiving washable masks to be distributed to first responders. A case of these masks (which contains 500) will be issued to our district. If there are any firehouses, police stations, or EMT stations that we missed from IPDG Fran's grant, please let me know so I can distribute to them first.

Finally, I am pleased to announce that our district has remained in the positive status for the first two months of the fiscal year. Of course, we always want to recruit new members to serve our community but it is also important to retain everyone we have.

And don't forget to add your clubs upcoming activities to the newsletter.

Dave.

When the root is deep

There is no need to fear the wind

Attention all Lions of District 14-H

Would you like a new adventure in 2021-2022?Would you like to travel all over Pennsylvania?Would you like to learn so much more about Lionism?Would you like to go to the International Convention?Would you like to meet Lions from all over the world?

We are looking for a person, like you to become **First Vice District Governor** Contact PCC Mark Kusma or IPDG Fran Stepkovitch 570-575-4925 ----- 570-470-7838

PENNSYLVANIA LIONS APPRECIATION DAY

Dear Lions of Pennsylvania,

Due to the concerns over Covid-19, we have decided to postpone the Pennsylvania Lions Appreciation Day

(PLAD). As you know, Beacon Lodge is grateful for all the Pennsylvania Lions. You have stepped up time and time again to keep our camp one of the finest in the entire country.

It is unfortunate that PLAD will be postponed for this year, but we are planning to have it back bigger and better next year.

Again, thank you for your continued support and please stay safe during this unprecedented time.

Yours in Lionism,

PDG Tom Toland

DISTRICT 14-H LIONS CLUBS IN ACTION



A well-deserved International President's Certificate of Appreciation, the 4th highest award in Lionism, - would have been presented by our International Director, Mike Banks at the 2019-2020 Convention To Honesdale Lion Albert Baerenklau.



2VDG Dan Lake and Michelle Lake, secretary of the Stone Bridge Lions Club, receive a Certificate of Appreciation, from Susquehanna County, for their efforts on behalf of the people of Susquehanna County. At the presentation is Lions State Council Chairman Bill Morgan



IPP of the Abington received an International Presidents Certificate of Appreciation, From Lions State Council Chairman Bill Morgan









Lion Tim Healey, from the Moosic Lions Club receives the Carl Shoemaker award from IPDG Fran Stepkovitch



Pa. Lions State Council Chairman presents Lion Andrea Spataro, of the Eynon-Archbald Lions Club with a Melvin Jones Fellowship



Pa. Lions State Council Chairman presents Lion Karen Spataro, of the Eynon-Archbald Lions Club with a Melvin Jones Fellowship



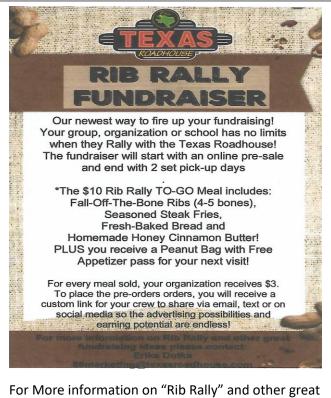
IPDG Fran Stepkovitch presents the Lackawanna county Certificate of Appreciation to Bob Potosky for his good work as President of the Old Forge Lions Club



Lion Karen Rapoch receives the Counsellor's Award from Lion IPDG Fran Stepkovich



Bob and Walter of Old Forge Lions - collection of over 2000 eyeglasses and hearing aids to recycle



For More information on "Rib Rally" and other great fundraising ideas, contact Erica Dutka at 88marketing@texasroadhouse.com



Lion Robert "Pete" VanFleet - receiving 45 year chevron and Dalton 80 year charter with IP Dr jungyul Choi pin and flag Congratulations



Lion David James, from the Benton Lions Club receiving 45 year Charter Monarch Chevron from IPDG Fran Stepkovitch

FALLS LIONS CLUB



July 26 Falls Lions Chicken and pork BBQ Group picture 1st row Tina Seidel and Ray Bartolai. Left to right Nancy Weinhardt, Ed Johnson,Bob Smith,Donna Buzon, Jennifer Shoemaker,Donna Young,Antoinette Pauli's,Ida Ferguson, Karen Cokely, Walt Pritchyk and Nancy Smith. Lower picture Ken Darby and Kyle Reeves.

Sold 200 chicken dinners and 39 Pork sandwiches in 25 minutes. It was a drive through event





August 8th Dale and Ida Ferguson assisted Patriots Cove with their fundraiser at the America Legion in Black Walnut, PA.



Ida and Dale prove that you have to grow older but never have to grow up, just have fun



Dr Alden Lori, of the Dalton lions club Receiving his 45 year Monarch Chevron from IPDG Fran Stepkovitch



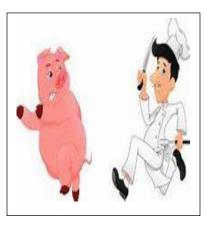
DG Fran enjoying the Dalton Lions Club Golf tournament

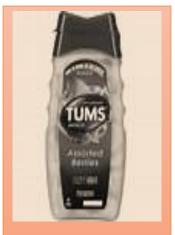


More fun at the Dalton Golf tournament











Benton lions President Lee Remick receiving 45 year charter club certificate and IP Choi pin and flag

On October 24th Falls Lions will be having a Halloween Safety Awareness program at Hock Park, Falls Pa.

This includes a walking parade, games , educational info.and food. All children will receive new masks

We are also having Raffles with proceeds going to Leader dog and our Teen Christmas Stocking Project. Last year we filled 500 stocking and given to InterFaith of Wyoming County.We would appreciate any raffle baskets or donations that you may be able to give for our cause. Please come and enjoy your day

Sight Hearing Meetings

September 10th canceled

October 8th Eynon/Archbald

Our Texas Road House Rib Rally starts 9/2 so watch Facebook for it. Pickup on 9/16 or 17th

Letter from Lion Ed Kocis – Ponce Inlet Fla.

Too often some Lions entities do not get the proper recognition they deserve. I would like to take a minute to recognize the 14 H Sight and Hearing Committee.

After reading the July District 14 H Newsletter I have a new appreciation for this group. They have been going strong for a long, long time. I was pleased to see some of the names who have participated religiously for many years. I was also very pleased to see many new names. That shows the organization has a great mix and will prosper for a long time.

In my former Florida district, eyeglasses and hearing aids were handled more at the club level and mostly by a few well funded clubs. A club such as the one I joined would field requests from needing folks directly or as referrals from other clubs that could not afford the service. Rarely was the coverage area for the club considered. The individual club would negotiate rates with a specific provider and service was provided based on the negotiated rate.

This put the burden on a few clubs in the district, but as I mentioned those clubs were generally well funded. The extra work became very routine because the process for most patients was the same. I know because I was chairman for our club for this function. (There was a different process in place at the district level for eye surgeries.)

The 14 H Sight and Hearing organization removes this burden from your clubs. They have been doing this for a long time. In my previous life as an active participant in the district, I tended to take this for granted. I now realize that other districts handle this differently, and have a new respect for this committee and their work. It is nice to see they are still going strong.

Ed

SPONTANEOUS SPUTTERINGS

For Today: When people tell you "You're going to regret that in the morning,"

"sleep until noon" Be a problem solver. --

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Moosic

Jessup

Lake Ariel

Waymart

Old Forge

Scranton Central

Blakely / Peckville

TunkhannockFallsStone Bridge*MontroseForest CityHonesdaleHawley / Lake Wallenpaupack

We currently have about 30 lbs. on our goal of 100 lbs. for Ronald McDonald House

Or Kidney Dialysis

Send them to PDG Joe Skinner





Membership District 14H

Abington	36
Benton	13
Blakely / Peckville	16
Dalton	8
Dunmore	20
Eynon / Archbald	102
Falls	42
Forest City	21
Hawley / Lake	
Wallenpaupack	17
Honesdale	68
Jefferson Township	36
Jermyn	14
Jessup	15
Lake Ariel	18
Mayfield	17
Minisink	27
Minooka	50
Montrose	39
Moosic	20
Old Forge	29
Olyphant	30
Ransom	11
Scott Township	32
Scranton Central	22
South Abington	10
Stonebridge /	
Susquehanna	25
Taylor	28
Tunkhannock	14
Waymart	23
Total Members	803

We all want people to know what we do Here are the newspapers in 14-H, 17 emails cost the same as 1

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2 ADORABLE LION CUBS

A New Adventure in Learning Join Us!



You can experience the Forum this year in a new way! Join us for the USA/Canada Lions Virtual Leadership Experience. Although we aren't able to facilitate the 80 wonderful seminars that were planned for Louisville, the Forum Planning Committee is excited to present 19 sessions you can attend virtually. It's easy and affordable.

If you have never attended a USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, our Virtual Leadership Experience will give an opportunity to understand what we do for your leadership growth in a scaled down version. Our mission is to develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas, and support programs and goals of Lions Clubs International. We have created a virtual experience filled with seminars that enhance your leadership skills and knowledge. The Virtual Leadership Experience is for every Lion.

Choose from 19 sessions that will educate you on programs and services like a Childhood Cancer Symposium, Faces of Diabetes Innovation, how to approach the younger generation about Lions, projects for women and families, learning more with NAMI and so much more.

Complete Event Registration Fee 3 Days - 2 Hour Sessions

\$20

General Sessions Keynotes

Katherine Greenland Katherine is a cultural innovator and inclusion strategist with over 20 years of experience as a public speaker, team builder and advisor.



Dr. Jung-Yul Choi, President LCI Dr. Choi will speak on the services and programs of LCI and give us insight on being United with Kindness and Diversity.



Striker Corbin As a motivational speaker, certified hypnotist, and success coach, Striker Corbin focuses on personal development.

Learn More - Register Now! https://members.lionsforum.org/event-3925061





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

United in Kindness and Diversity with International President, Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

Dear Lion,

Together we have accomplished incredible, life-changing work around the world, but that good work has always begun with you. Your kindness and service unites your community in both good times and times of great need. And at all times, in all places around the world, where there is need, there are Lions. That is our strength and the inspiration for my presidential theme, "United in Kindness and Diversity."

This year, we will continue to safely serve our communities. Though we face many new challenges, we will respond as we always have—with kindness, commitment and innovation. I believe that when we serve together, we can unite our communities, and our world, to achieve a greater good for all.

I am honored to continue to serve another year as your International President. It will be my great privilege to stand together with you in service.

Regards, Dr. Jung-Yul Choi International President

Kindness Matters Service Award

It takes a lot of great service projects to serve more than 275 million people like we did last year. And now your club has the opportunity to be recognized for an outstanding project in one of our global causes that you accomplished last year through the new Kindness Matters Service Award.



Visit the Kindness Matters Service Award page to learn how your club can be recognized. Nominations are now open, so work with your Club Service Chairperson to have your club nominated to receive the recognition it deserves.

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We've Achieved Our LCI Forward Goal

We're celebrating the success of LCI Forward, our five-year strategic plan that set us on the path for our next century of service. We surpassed our goal of serving 200 million people per year, and so much more!

Join us as we celebrate our success **with a special video**, **service infographic**, **and LCI Forward Celebration publication** highlighting our achievements. And make sure you share the video and infographic on social media so your community can join the celebration too.